

Castle Air Force Base closed in 1995. We now have more than 2,000 civilian employees with more on the way. In 1995, building after building was vacant. Now, most are leased and Castle is once again a vibrant economic machine. In 1995, no environmental remediation plan existed. Now, we are well on our way for restoring Castle to full public use. In 3 short years, we have turned the corner and we did it in large part because Colonel Martin was at the helm.

What could easily have become a drain on scarce public resources has instead become one of our region's greatest economic assets. More than any one other person, Dick Martin was responsible for this outcome.

He demonstrated leadership, vision, tenacity, creativity, professionalism and loyalty throughout his tenure as director while facing incredible odds and challenges unique to transforming a military installation into one of the Department of Defense's base reuse success stories.

Our community owes him a great debt of gratitude. I ask that my colleagues in the House of Representatives rise in tribute to Dick Martin for what can only be described as an outstanding performance above and beyond the call of duty.

PRaising THE VOLUNTEERS OF
RADIO VISION, FOR 18 YEARS OF
DEDICATION

HON. BENJAMIN A. GILMAN

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 22, 1998

Mr. GILMAN. Mr. Speaker, it is my distinct pleasure to report that on Saturday, April 25, 1998, Radio Vision, of Orange County, N.Y. will cover its 18th annual Volunteer Recognition Day. Radio Vision is a closed circuit service for the blind and sight impaired of the Mid-Hudson region of South Eastern, N.Y. This radio service, for over 600 blind and visually handicapped listeners, provides its clients with news, novels, community happenings such as local sales and events, and a myriad of other informational and intellectually stimulating programming—all fully manned by volunteers.

Radio Vision offers invaluable aid to the blind. We often take for granted what a convenience it is to be able to watch the TV, or open the newspaper, to learn about the outside world around us. This is not an option for the blind or visually handicapped. Radio Vision offers the ability to learn about our environment just by turning on their radio. Radio Vision's purpose is to help the visually handicapped by specifically tailoring information in a unique format beneficial to them. Local and national news, shopping hints, new literature—and other sources of entertainment and information—are all made available to the sight impaired by Radio Vision through their radio.

Radio Vision has been a continual success for the past 18 years due to the diligent work and dedication of our volunteers. I am pleased to commend the over 105 volunteers who have given so much, of their time, their hearts, and their voices, in order to benefit others who need assistance. It is a truly selfless act and their efforts have greatly enriched the lives of many sight impaired people.

Mr. Speaker, I am pleased that I am given the opportunity once again this year to high-

light the worthy deeds by the people of Radio Vision. I invite my colleagues to join with me in offering praise and thanks to these hard working volunteers. I offer Radio Vision my fondest thanks and best wishes for many more great years of making a difference.

TRIBUTE TO FLUHRER BAKERIES

HON. FRANK RIGGS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 22, 1998

Mr. RIGGS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to pay tribute to a Northern California Institution at its 100th Anniversary: Fluhrer Bakeries, Inc.

Fluhrer Bakeries, the largest wholesale bakery north of San Francisco and south of Eugene, Oregon, is located in California's First Congressional District behind the "Redwood Curtain," in the City of Eureka. Eureka is 265 miles north of San Francisco, California, and 100 miles south of the Oregon border. Its market area includes: Humboldt, Del Norte, Mendocino, Shasta, Trinity, Tehama, Siskiyou, Butte, Sutter counties in California, and Curry County in Southern Oregon.

Fluhrer bakes daily a full range of pan breads, hearth breads, rolls and buns. The company serves the retail trade, and also carries a full line of restaurant and institutional products.

Fluhrer Bakeries started out as Log Cabin Bakery in 1898. It was located at 621 5th Street, Eureka, California and was owned by Ira S. Mulford. The 1898 Eureka City Directory also lists the same address as his place of residence.

Log Cabin Bakery, under the direction of Arthur Hunting, was incorporated on February 15th, 1923. At one point, Log Cabin Bakery suffered a disastrous fire that demolished the bakery. They were able to continue baking through the generosity of the Casagrande Family, owners of the Humboldt Bakery. They were also able to bake at the Roma Bakery (later the Butternut Bakery) owned by the Pinochi Family.

Log Cabin Bakery moved into the present site in the early 1930's. This site was originally built to house a creamery.

On August 19, 1939, William "Heine" Fluhrer and his wife Margaret sold $\frac{6}{10}$ interest in Fluhrer's Log Cabin Bakery to F.A. Schoenlen, W.T. Molloy, and Grover Hillman for the sum of \$33,786.82. It was incorporated as Fluhrer Bakeries, Inc. Lucien "Dick" Koenig was brought in from Klamath Falls, as General Manager of the Eureka facility in 1937. Fluhrer Bakeries, Inc., at the time, consisted of a chain of bakeries including locations in Medford, Klamath Falls, Salem, Portland, Roseburg, Grants Pass, and Walla Walla, Washington.

On August 22, 1948, William "Heine" Fluhrer, along with three other State of Oregon Republican Party leaders, was killed in an airplane crash. The Eureka facility was eventually purchased by a group of investors led by Lucien "Dick" Koenig, the General Manager.

The Butternut (Roma) Bakery in Eureka was purchased by Fluhrer Bakeries, Inc. from the Pinochi Family on April 6th, 1955 for the sum of Ten (\$10.00) and "other valuable consider-

ations." The Butternut, Roma, and Logger Loaf brands as well as the routes, and employees were incorporated into the Fluhrer system.

The Koenig family operated the bakery until 1973, and during their tenure instituted a number of improvements including the shipping building that was completed in 1962. Fluhrer Bakeries started the move to automation in the 1960's with the installation of a "state-of-the-art" Baker-Perkins Model 970 Single Lap Oven at the cost of \$75,000. Further improvements included cooling conveyors, and other efficient machinery. Fluhrer Bakeries, Inc. was one of the first bakeries to use poly bags; now the industry standard.

As the result of a labor strike that closed down the bakery for 6 months, Fluhrer Bakeries, Inc. was sold to a partnership including Robert A. Dunaway and Darrel Norberry in 1973. Mr. Dunaway, a local attorney, gradually bought out his other partners and presided over the company until his death in 1989. The heirs of Mr. Dunaway sold the assets of the bakery to an investment group in August of 1990.

The current President of Fluhrer Bakeries, Inc. is Mr. Kerry R. Glavich who is a 4th generation Humboldt County native and a 1971 graduate of Eureka High School. Mr. Glavich started at an entry-level position in the production department and has worked for Fluhrer Bakeries, Inc. since 1974.

The Director of Sales and Marketing is Bert Cortez. Bert went through the local school system graduating from Arcata High School in 1976. He has worked for Fluhrer Bakeries, Inc. since 1991 after a 17-year career in the local supermarket business.

Alan Hillyard is the Bakery Operations Manager. He graduated from Del Norte High School in Crescent City in 1971. He has been with Fluhrer Bakeries, Inc. since 1985, starting at an entry-level position and working his way into his present position.

Linda A. Graham serves as the Financial Services Manager. She is a 1976 graduate (Summa Cum Laude) from St. Louis University with a B.S. Degree in Accounting. She has held CPA licenses in the States of Missouri, Washington, and Oregon. She joined Fluhrer Bakeries, Inc. in 1995.

Mr. Speaker, Fluhrer Bakeries is an American success story. Starting out as a small business operated out of a home, it has grown to become a well-respected regional company. As the company enters its second century, I wish it and all its employees continued success.

IN RECOGNITION OF RAY AND PAT
MURPHY

HON. LUIS V. GUTIERREZ

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 22, 1998

Mr. GUTIERREZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize my constituents Ray and Pat Murphy, a very active couple in my community who are celebrating their well-deserved retirement this Saturday, April 25, 1998 at Nativity of Our Lord Church Hall in Chicago.

Decades of dedication and hard work characterize the lives of Ray and Pat Murphy. The mother of two children, John and Margaret,