

Mayor to the Los Angeles Commission on the Status of Women, by the Governor to the State Developmental Disabilities Board, and by the Attorney General's Office of Continuing Justice Planning to the task force creating public policy on child internet safety. As Chair of the Los Angeles County Committee she helped pass the Convention for the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW) at the Federal level. Her dedication to the causes dear to her is an inspiration to us all.

Jayne is the proud mother of four sons who have the same passion and commitment to helping people in our community.

Madam Speaker, I ask my distinguished colleagues to join me in saluting Jayne Shapiro and congratulating her upon receiving this richly deserved honor.

IN RECOGNITION OF TODD
"PARNEY" PARNELL

HON. BILL SHUSTER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 5, 2008

Mr. SHUSTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the accomplishments and dedication of Todd "Parney" Parnell. Mr. Parnell will be recognized for his service by the Penn's Woods Council Boy Scouts of America as their Distinguished Citizen at the 2008 Blair County Friends of Scouting Luncheon on June 11, 2008.

From the time Mr. Parnell graduated from Messiah College in 1988 with a degree in physical education, he has constantly worked to increase the value of the community in which he has lived. Mr. Parnell began his minor league baseball career in 1990 when he joined the Eastern League's Reading Phillies as the club's Director of Sales and Marketing. His vivacity for the business and sports world made him a considered candidate for Assistant General Manager. His dedication and hard work has not gone unnoticed, recently he was elected as the League's Representative to the Baseball Chapel. From 1997 to 2001, Mr. Parnell served as Vice President and General Manager of the Single-A Kannapolis Intimidators in the South Atlantic League. His tenacity to lead a team to success resulted in his recognition as the 1999 South Atlantic League General Manager of the Year.

Today, Mr. Parnell has served the Altoona Curve as their General Manager for seven seasons. His eternal optimism makes him a joy to work with even in the most serious moments of business. Mr. Parnell has been a key factor in helping the Curve set multiple single-game and season attendance marks at the Blair County Ballpark. His outgoing personality has continued to move the team to shatter sponsorship and corporate sales records. Under the steadfast leadership of Mr. Parnell, the Curve has been honored as Minor League Baseball's top franchise and winner of the John H. Johnson President's Trophy. In 2004, Mr. Parnell was awarded the Eastern League Executive of the Year Award, as well as the Larry MacPhail Trophy for promotional excellence. His demonstrated dedication and enthusiasm to the Altoona Curve has allowed the team to soar to new heights and has made them one of the most respected minor league baseball teams.

As he reflects upon his work as General Manager and his lifetime of achievements, Mr. Parnell can certainly be proud of his life of service to his team and his community, in which he has found great success. I look forward to celebrating the contributions and accomplishments of such a dedicated individual. His involvement has brought a greater appreciation to our area and has surely been an asset to the community. I would like to wish Mr. Todd "Parney" Parnell the best in his future endeavors as he continues to serve the Altoona Curve as General Manager and a true leader. I thank him for his far-reaching commitment and service as he continues to add greatness to his community.

HONORING WILLIAM LOBBINS III

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 5, 2008

Mr. GRAVES. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize William Lobbins III of Parkville, Missouri. Brett is a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 1395, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

William has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years William has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending William Lobbins III for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

DR. STEPHEN KREBS

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 5, 2008

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Dr. Stephen Krebs for being the recipient of the 2008 Golden Rotary Ethics in Business Award.

Dr. Krebs practices Internal Medicine in Wheat Ridge, Colorado and adheres to the highest ethical standards in his medical practice. Dr. Krebs enriches the lives of all that have the fortune to come in contact with him professionally or during his countless hours of volunteer service. Mentoring students, caring for local seniors and treating patients regardless of their ability to pay, Dr. Krebs' devotion to the community is limitless.

In business, Dr. Krebs' generosity is coupled with a continued commitment to conservation. Dr. Krebs recycles all of his household and office materials. In addition, he has converted his entire office to a paperless office significantly reducing paper consumption.

Dr. Stephen Krebs' conviction to ethical standards and initiatives in social responsibility are a model for outstanding ethics in business and is an example for all businesses to emulate. I extend my deepest congratulations to

Dr. Stephen Krebs as the winner of the 2008 Golden Rotary Ethics in Business Award.

TRIBUTE TO THE CONNECTICUT
HUMANITIES COUNCIL

HON. JOE COURTNEY

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 5, 2008

Mr. COURTNEY. Madam Speaker, the humanities have shaped nearly every aspect of our modern civilization, from our political and legal systems to architecture. Today, the proliferation of humanity fields remains as important as ever and the Connecticut Humanities Council has strived to preserve academic and cultural ideals in our community. This year, the Council celebrates its 35th anniversary.

For 35 years, the Connecticut Humanities Council has enriched our community academically and culturally and has provided greater insights into our Connecticut, and more broadly, American roots and values. Through ideology and practice, the Connecticut Humanities Council has also exemplified a public access objective. Since inception, the Council has derived public and private funds to support relevant and accessible humanities programs throughout our community, focusing on history and literature disciplines.

Programs sponsored by the Connecticut Humanities Council extend beyond the confines of museums, libraries, or any other academic institution. Programs like the family reading program, Motherread/Fatherread, typify the extensions of broader values and life lessons in a meaningful and impactful setting. The Motherread/Fatherread program not only engages a lifelong love of reading and learning, but brings families closer together by encouraging parents to read with their children.

Madam Speaker, on this 35th anniversary, I ask my colleagues to join with me and my constituents in recognizing the countless individuals and organizations that have brought the goals of the Council to fruition, by preserving our past and supporting the highest aspirations for our future.

IN RECOGNITION OF SUPER-
INTENDENT STEPHEN WATER-
MAN

HON. JACKIE SPEIER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 5, 2008

Ms. SPEIER. Madam Speaker, I rise to express my gratitude and admiration for Stephen J. Waterman on the occasion of his retirement as Superintendent of schools of Brisbane and Bayshore School Districts.

Stephen Waterman is a special individual, an inspired educator and a passionate advocate for schoolchildren. For fifteen years, he has served as Superintendent of the Brisbane School District, a small, underfunded agency nestled in a bucolic hamlet overlooking San Francisco Bay. His work there to educate children, encourage teachers and motivate parents at a time of dwindling state resources and increased federal mandates was so well-received, that in 2002, neighboring Bayshore School District asked him to do the same for their students.

While in the state legislature, I often met with school superintendents from my district. Even in a room surrounded by his peers, brilliant and committed educators who work against great odds to do the most important job in their communities, Steve Waterman stood out. His facile mind effortlessly navigated complex issues and his unassuming grace and quiet power built confidence in those around him.

Madam Speaker, Superintendent Waterman is retiring much too soon. I understand that he wants to spend more time with his delightful and engaging wife, Paulette, his sons, Kailin and Christian, and grandson, Granite. If I could, I would introduce legislation to force Stephen to keep working—maybe even require him to take on a few more school districts. But, alas, I can't do that. Instead, I can only wish him luck in his future endeavors and trust that his replacements can build on Stephen's achievements.

After growing up in Rochester, New York, Stephen received his Bachelor of Arts from Le Moyne University, a Master of Science from Southern Illinois, a Doctorate from Washington University in St. Louis and a Law Degree from the University of San Francisco. Throughout this time, he worked in virtually every job available in public education, from classroom teacher to program supervisor and eventually, superintendent.

Madam Speaker, every year, Congress debates and passes legislation to improve or enhance some aspect of public education. We do that because, unfortunately, it isn't possible to create more Stephen Watermans.

Throughout his life, Superintendent Waterman has empowered students with a love of learning. A man of his talents would excel in any field. But the world is a better place because he chose to devote his considerable intelligence, charm and energy to education.

For this, thousands of past and present students, their fortunate parents and the entire 12th Congressional District are eternally grateful.

TRIBUTE TO ANNE
D'HARNONCOURT (1943–2008)

HON. CHAKA FATTAH

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 5, 2008

Mr. FATTAH. Madam Speaker, the City of Philadelphia, its arts community and in fact all citizens who cherish our rich cultural environment are in mourning at the untimely loss of Anne d'Harnoncourt, Director and Chief Executive Officer of the Philadelphia Museum of Art.

Anne d'Harnoncourt was, as described by her countless friends and admirers, a world class leader of the arts who developed, led and leaves as her legacy a vibrant, world-class institution.

Director of the Museum since 1982 and the George D. Widener Director and Chief Executive Officer since 1997, she led the institution with greatness and grace, overseeing a massive project to reinstall all of the European collections in more than 90 galleries; renovation of 20 galleries of modern and contemporary art followed in 2000. Last September, another dream of hers was realized with opening of

the Ruth and Raymond G. Perelman Building, a neighboring landmark, with greatly expanded, state-of-the-art facilities for specialized Museum collections. As a special gift to the people of Philadelphia, this annex opened admission free for its first four months.

Anne d'Harnoncourt's fund raising prowess was legendary. She led the Museum through two major capital campaigns: the Landmark Renewal Fund, which raised \$64 million between 1986 and 1993; and the 2001 FUND 125th Anniversary Campaign which concluded in 2004, exceeding its goal and raising over \$246 million.

H. F. "Gerry" Lenfest, Chairman of the Art Museum Board of Trustees, offered the following comment to the media as the Museum broke the sad news: "Anne's death is a severe loss to our beloved Museum, to the world of art and to those who knew and loved her. I have never known a person with more human attributes: she was learned, a gifted speaker, had an effervescent personality, was a great director and, above all, a deeply caring person. We will miss her greatly."

It is important to note that Anne d'Harnoncourt's contributions and impact go far beyond the Art Museum's sturdy walls and its towering structure that overlooks the Benjamin Franklin Parkway, a thoroughfare described as Philadelphia's Champs Elysees. Under her leadership, the Art Museum has served as the anchor for arts, culture, music and civic celebration for all Philadelphians. The museum has become increasingly accessible to Philadelphia's diverse communities, both in its admissions policies, its community outreach and in its choice of showcase artists, such as the Henry Ossawa Tanner retrospective in the early 1990s that saluted the great Philadelphia raised African-American artist.

I was proud to have Anne d'Harnoncourt as a friend. I extend my condolences to her husband, Joseph J. Rishel, her legions of admirers and friends, and I urge my colleagues to join in honoring her memory.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO SPECIALIST
QUINCY J. GREEN

HON. JON C. PORTER

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 5, 2008

Mr. PORTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Specialist Quincy J. Green, who died on Monday June 2, 2008 of injuries sustained in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Specialist Green was killed in a non-combat related incident while operating in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom in Tikrit, Iraq. Specialist Green was assigned to Headquarters Company, 601st Aviation Support Battalion, 1st Infantry Division, United States Army in Fort Riley, Texas. He will not only be remembered for his sacrifice and willing service, but for the extraordinary person that he was. His warmth and optimism brightened the lives of his family and friends.

Madam Speaker, I am proud to honor the life of Specialist Quincy J. Green. Specialist Green made the ultimate sacrifice for his country while fighting the War on Terror and defending democracy and freedom.

HONORING THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE PHOENIXVILLE COMMUNITY HEALTH FOUNDATION

HON. JIM GERLACH

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 5, 2008

Mr. GERLACH. Madam Speaker, I rise today to acknowledge and honor the Phoenixville Community Health Foundation as they celebrate their 10th anniversary of service to the greater Phoenixville community.

The Foundation began as the Phoenixville Health Care Corporation in 1997. After a year of tirelessly working to create a sustainable medical infrastructure and charitable services, the Board of Directors embraced the mission of creating a vision of community health for the Phoenixville region. The Board of Directors decided to change the name of the Phoenixville Health Care Corporation to the Phoenixville Community Health Foundation to reflect their desire to implement a community health approach. Since June of 1998, the Foundation has developed a strong presence in the greater Phoenixville community's health sector. Even as the Foundation expanded its operation, the Board of Directors ensured that the development of the Foundation was in keeping with their original mission and vision.

Currently, the Foundation is increasing its charitable services and working diligently to fulfill the medical needs of the Phoenixville residents. The Foundation has achieved its vision of "championing the needs of the community" and establishes new community health programs each year. The exemplary service of the Foundation was formally recognized in 2003 with the honorary distinction of "Outstanding Foundation in the Delaware Valley." The eventual sale of the Phoenixville Hospital added \$20.5 million to the Foundation and increased their total funding to \$48.5 million. Since 1998 the Foundation has issued over 1,600 grants to non-profit organizations in the Phoenixville community.

Madam Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in congratulating the great men and women of The Phoenixville Community Health Foundation as they celebrate 10 years of protecting the health and wellness of Phoenixville area residents. The contributions and hard work of every member of the Foundation have strengthened Phoenixville's community health programs and ensured that the Foundation will be a cherished part of our community culture for many years to come.

BELLEVUE YOUTH LINK

HON. DAVID G. REICHERT

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 5, 2008

Mr. REICHERT. Madam Speaker, I rise to congratulate Bellevue Youth Link, the city of Bellevue and Bellevue Public Schools for their continued success in giving the youth in Bellevue a voice in the community and a wonderful opportunity to stay active in Bellevue and their respective neighborhoods.

Since 1990, Youth Link has served in Bellevue and Washington State's Eighth District as