

cherished husband and a successful businessman acknowledged by his peers as a pioneer in his field. Today, Ira is retired and remarried to Mary Gandelman, with whom he continues to travel the globe.

On June 10, we pause to celebrate the 90th birthday of Ira Weinstein. I commend Ira for his hard work and determination throughout some of the most challenging moments in American history. I hope that his story will never be forgotten.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. TIMOTHY V. JOHNSON

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 3, 2009

Mr. JOHNSON of Illinois. Madam Speaker, unfortunately last night, June 2, 2009, I was unable to cast my votes on H. Res. 421, H.J. Res. 40, and H. Res. 489 and wish the record to reflect my intentions had I been able to vote.

Had I been present for rollcall No. 292, on suspending the rules and passing H. Res. 421, Recognizing and commending the Great Smoky Mountains National Park on its 75th year anniversary, I would have voted "Aye."

Had I been present for rollcall No. 293, on suspending the Rules and passing H.J. Res. 40, To honor the achievements and contributions of Native Americans to the United States, and for other purposes, I would have voted "Aye."

Had I been present for rollcall No. 294, on suspending the rules and passing H. Res. 489, Recognizing the 20th anniversary of the suppression of protesters and citizens in and around Tiananmen Square, I would have voted "Aye."

A PROCLAMATION HONORING OHIO'S FIRST AND OFFICIAL OUTDOOR DRAMA, TRUMPET IN THE LAND, ON THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF ITS FIRST PERFORMANCE

HON. ZACHARY T. SPACE

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 3, 2009

Mr. SPACE. Madam Speaker:

Whereas, former Governor James Rhodes named Trumpet in the Land Ohio's Official Outdoor Drama; and

Whereas, more than 2,300 actors and technicians have taken part in the drama; and

Whereas, July 3rd marks the 40th Anniversary of the first performance of Trumpet in the Land; and

Whereas, Trumpet in the Land is anticipated and enjoyed every year by hundreds of Ohio families and gives them a window into the historical beginnings of our great state; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that along with the friends and family of the Ohio Outdoor Drama Historical Association and the residents of the 18th Congressional District, I congratulate the cast and crew of the 40th Anniversary production of Trumpet in the Land, as well as anyone who has been fortunate enough to experience and

take part in this uniquely Ohioan historical drama.

A TRIBUTE TO THE CAMPBELLVILLE UNIVERSITY BASEBALL TEAM

HON. BRETT GUTHRIE

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 3, 2009

Mr. GUTHRIE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the Campbellville University Baseball Team on their outstanding performance this season. They demonstrated extraordinary athletic and academic achievement that brought national attention to Campbellville University, the Campbellville and Taylor County communities, and all of Kentucky's Second District.

Under the leadership of head coach Beauford Sanders and his staff, the Campbellville University Baseball Team reached the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) World Series for the first time in school history. The Tigers reached the NAIA World Series following a tremendous performance by senior pitcher Bryan Fuller. Mr. Fuller pitched 21 scoreless innings in 26 hours to give the team three straight victories that propelled them to the highest level of competition in their league.

The team finished the season with a remarkable 39–12 record. Coach Sanders reached a noteworthy milestone this season as well by reaching 835 career wins for his tenure. Coach Sanders and his staff should be commended for providing leadership, direction, and encouragement to these student athletes.

The Campbellville University Baseball Team's performance is a testament to their exceptional talent and commitment to excellence. Theirs is an example for all of Kentucky to follow. I commend the coaching staff and student athletes for the recognition they have brought to Campbellville University, the Campbellville and Taylor County communities, and the Second District.

A TRIBUTE TO THE JEWISH LABOR COMMITTEE AND ITS WESTERN REGION BASED IN LOS ANGELES ON THE OCCASION OF THE JLC'S 75TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. LUCILLE ROYBAL-ALLARD

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 3, 2009

Ms. LUCILLE ROYBAL-ALLARD. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Jewish Labor Committee and the committee's Western Region, based in Los Angeles, California, on the occasion of the national non-profit organization's 75th anniversary of fighting to protect the rights of working families in our country.

In 1934, the national Jewish Labor Committee (JLC) formed on New York's Lower East Side by a coalition of labor and Jewish groups that recognized that European Nazism threatened the rights of trade unionists and Jews. That same year, the committee's "Western Region" formed in Los Angeles.

With its funding drawn primarily from labor union members and the Jewish community, the JLC focused its resources on saving unionists and other political prisoners from Nazi tyranny in Europe during World War II. Alerting the world to the Nazi/Fascist threat, the JLC worked tirelessly with its labor affiliates to defeat Hitler by organizing economic boycotts of German-made products and raising large amounts of money for anti-Nazi partisan fighters. Immediately following the war, the JLC helped thousands of people, especially war orphans, survive Displaced Persons camps and emigrate to America and the then-forming state of Israel.

Recognizing post-war changing labor patterns, the JLC's Western Region developed deep relationships with Latino, African American and Asian communities in Los Angeles, continuing the fight for social justice on political fronts. The JLC's Western Region fought to elect minority candidates, gain fair housing, eradicate racial discrimination, and defeat anti-labor campaigns.

In 1949, the JLC's Western Region worked with the AFL Central Labor Council, the CIO Council, The Anti Defamation League, American Jewish Congress, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Japanese American Citizens League, the Mexican-American oriented Community Services Organization, and many religious organizations, to rally behind my father, the late Congressman Edward Roybal, who was then a Los Angeles City Councilman as he proposed the Fair Employment Practices Ordinance. Eight years later, in 1958, the JLC's Western Region joined a coalition of labor, minority and religious civil rights groups to prevent California from becoming a Right-to-Work state.

In 2009, under the current leadership of President Floyd Glen-Lambert, the Jewish Labor Committee Western Region still fights anti-labor campaigns, most notably by pushing for passage of the Employee Free Choice Act in partnership with the Los Angeles County Federation of Labor.

To remind the community how critical it is for workers to safeguard organized representation to bargain for fair wages, benefits and conditions, the JLC holds annual Labor Pass-over Seders and continues to work with labor and Jewish businesses to resolve disputes. The JLC is also forming a new Ethnic Coalition to address persistent labor issues.

Under the auspices of Captive Daughters of the Los Angeles Unity Coalition, the JLC's Western Region is using a grant to make labor aware of human trafficking, the fastest growing crime in America. The JLC will never forget how quickly slave labor burgeoned in Europe during World War II and remains committed to its eradication.

As an affiliate of the Labor Task Force for Universal Healthcare, the JLC's Western Region is making headway on another crucial issue to workers—bringing health care reform to California and the nation. With state budget cuts looming, the Jewish Public Affairs Committee and the JLC's Western Region are also lobbying state legislators on many other critical issues, including how budget cuts will affect our most vulnerable citizens who need in-home health care to avoid being forced into nursing homes and the need for fair wages for in-home health care givers.

Finally, in keeping with the Jewish principle of Tikun Olam, which means "to repair the

world," the JLC's Western Region is planning a training program for foster youth who are about to find their first jobs. In an effort to help them succeed, the training program is designed to give them an in-depth understanding of the legal, social and political intricacies of the workplace.

To mark the national organization's 75 year anniversary, the committee's Western Region is holding an awards brunch on June 14 at the Century Plaza Hyatt Regency Hotel in Los Angeles at which a number of honorees will be recognized for their outstanding service to our communities. The honorees are: State Controller John Chiang; Executive Liaison for Universal Pictures James D. Brubaker; President/CEO of the National Association for the Hispanic Elderly Dr. Carmela Lacayo; and Business Manager, Southern California District Council of Laborers, Mike Quevedo Jr.

Madam Speaker, as the Jewish Labor Committee observes this milestone and continues the fight for social and political justice in Los Angeles, California and throughout our great nation, I ask my colleagues to please join me in commending everyone involved with the national JLC and its Western Region as well as this year's honorees for their continued commitment to securing fairness for all working families. I extend to them my best wishes for many more successful years ahead.

PAYING RESPECTS TO PRESIDENT
EPHRAIM KATZIR

HON. SCOTT GARRETT

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 3, 2009

Mr. GARRETT of New Jersey. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay my respects to a great statesman and an important world leader. This past Saturday, Ephraim Katzir, the fourth President of the State of Israel, passed away at the age of 93.

Over a long and remarkable life, President Katzir dedicated himself to the security of the State of Israel and the progress of mankind. In addition to being a leading Israeli statesman, President Katzir was a world-renowned biophysicist, performing groundbreaking research in defense studies and the natural sciences. After receiving his Ph.D. from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Katzir went on to study and teach at leading American universities, such as Harvard, Columbia, and UCLA. He then returned to Israel to lead the Department of Biophysics at the Weizmann Institute of Science, and later became the chief scientist for the Israel Defense Forces. Katzir was awarded the Israel Prize—the state's highest civilian honor—for his work in natural science, and was the inaugural recipient of the Japan Prize for "original and outstanding achievements in science" and "having advanced the frontiers of knowledge and served the cause of peace and prosperity for mankind." He was also elected into the British Royal Society of London for the Improvement of Natural Knowledge, and in 1996 became the first Israeli inducted into the American Academy of Sciences.

In 1973, Ephraim Katzir answered Prime Minister Golda Meir's call to serve as President of Israel. During the first year of his tenure, Israel was attacked by her Egyptian and Syr-

ian neighbors in the Yom Kippur War. Just four years later, President Katzir and Prime Minister Menachem Begin welcomed Egyptian President Anwar El Sadat to Jerusalem, making Sadat the first Arab leader to visit the Jewish capital. This visit, combined with President Katzir's dedication to peace and human progress, led to the Camp David Accords a year later and an easing in the previously contentious Israeli-Egyptian relations.

Like Cincinnatus returning to his field, President Katzir chose to not stand for a second term, instead returning to his studies and spending time with his beloved wife, Nina. Though an able public servant, Katzir was never motivated by power not defined by his position. His integrity and intellect had few peers, and his devotion to the State of Israel was sincere and complete. As a scientist, a politician, and a proud citizen, President Katzir dedicated his life to a Jewish state for the Jewish people. Through his stewardship of the Office of President, President Katzir handed down to later generations a safe and prosperous nation.

The prophet Isaiah writes, "Those who walk uprightly enter into peace; they find rest as they lie in death." On behalf of the Fifth District of New Jersey, I wish peace for former President Katzir, and convey my deepest condolences to his family, friends, and country.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. GREGG HARPER

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 3, 2009

Mr. HARPER. Madam Speaker, on rollcall Nos. 292, 293 and 294, my flight was delayed due to weather. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea" on all three.

HONORING DR. LEONARD SHLAIN

HON. LYNN C. WOOLSEY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 3, 2009

Ms. WOOLSEY. Madam Speaker, I rise today with sadness to honor Dr. Leonard Shlain of Mill Valley, California who passed away May 11, at the age of 71, after a struggle with brain cancer.

Dr. Shlain excelled in two professions simultaneously. He was a pioneering surgeon in San Francisco as well as a best-selling author. As Chairman of Laparoscopic Surgery at California Pacific Medical Center and Associate Professor of Surgery at UCSF, he developed his surgical techniques to such an extent that he was flown around the world to train other doctors and also patented several surgical instruments.

His three published books have been best-sellers, their thoughtful and provocative content earning him fans from singer Bjork to Vice President Al Gore. Despite some initial skepticism about a surgeon writing on other topics, his books wove connections between everything from art and physics to human evolution in a highly creative and accessible style.

Art & Physics (1990) was hailed as a visionary exploration of the work of scientists and

artists over the centuries. The Alphabet vs. the Goddess (1998) further enhanced his reputation as an insightful and poetic storyteller while Sex, Time and Power: How Women's Sexuality Shaped Human Evolution (2003) offers dramatic explorations into the emergence of the human species. His fourth book, Leonardo's Brain, The Right-Left Roots of Creativity, will be published next year.

Dr. Shlain won many awards and was in high demand as a speaker from Italy to Los Alamos. But the most memorable thing about him was his generous and outgoing personality matched by intellectual curiosity and encyclopedic knowledge. His colleagues, friends, and family were privileged to experience this side of him, and he instilled his enthusiasm and drive in his children.

Daughter Kimberly Brooks relates "dinner conversations typically spanned from the Heisenberg Uncertainty Principle to politics, literature to an incredibly dirty joke." He would often "diagram the operation of the day on a napkin. Later, his diagrams became more adventuresome and expanded to thought experiments that included what it would be like to sit astride a beam of light and how that corresponded with Picasso's rose period." She also remembers how, for show and tell at her elementary school, her dad brought a human brain in a white bucket of formaldehyde and how he built a stained-glass geodesic dome (complete with a hot tub) in the back yard instead of a conventional swing set.

Born in 1937 in Detroit, Michigan, to immigrant parents, Dr. Shlain graduated from high school at the age of 16 and from medical school when he was 23. After a stint as a Captain in the U.S. Army, he got married and moved to Mill Valley in the late sixties.

He is survived by his wife, Judge Ina Gyemant, and children, artist Kimberly Brooks, filmmaker and Webby Awards founder, Tiffany Shlain, and doctor/entrepreneur Jordan Shlain. He was also father-in-law to filmmaker Albert Brooks, scientist/artist Ken Goldberg, Ph.D. and Caroline Egli Shlain, Ph.D., respectively. He had two stepchildren, attorney Anne Gyemant Paris and writer Roberto Gyemant, Jr. His son-in-law Michael Paris is a medical engineer. He is pre-deceased by his sister Shirley Wollock and survived by siblings Marvin Shlain and Sylvia Goldstick, and nine grandchildren (with a tenth on the way).

Madam Speaker, although Dr. Shlain taught his children never to trust a man who needs more than one sentence to describe what he does for a living, it is impossible to sum up his own accomplishments so briefly. The world is a richer place for his work, his spirit, and his wonderful family.

TRIBUTE TO MR. DAVE SALLENGS

HON. HAROLD ROGERS

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 3, 2009

Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Dave Sallengs, a Kentuckian whose efforts to fight the scourge of drug addiction throughout Kentucky have made huge strides towards stopping this horrific epidemic. His extensive knowledge of scheduled prescription drug trends has impacted the method in which doctors prescribe