

HONORING U.S. NAVY CAPTAIN
JOHN C. SCORBY, JR.

HON. ANDER CRENSHAW

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 12, 2010

Mr. CRENSHAW. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor U.S. Navy Captain John C. Scorby, Jr., the Commanding Officer of Naval Air Station Jacksonville in Florida, one of the nation's largest naval installations. Captain Scorby exemplifies the values of a committed naval officer and, I believe, you will agree when you hear his exceptional performance on a variety of levels.

NAS Jacksonville hosts over 117 tenant commands, 25,000 personnel and their families. As Commanding Officer, it was Captain Scorby's duty to provide oversight and to make sure everything ran like clockwork. For three years, Capt. Scorby was a dedicated leader to this key Navy installation.

A P-3 Orion pilot by trade, Jack Scorby has always seen the big picture. But like the radar on the P-3 Orion, he has the ability to zero in on the details that needed fine tuning and, thus, Jack made a great installation even better.

Captain Scorby set the highest standards for excellence and then led by example to reach and surpass those goals. Using his personality, skill, resourcefulness and the ability to manage and juggle priorities to meet the support needs of the fleet, the war fighter, and the family, Captain Scorby has upheld the highest traditions of the United States Navy. He was the catalyst behind NAS Jacksonville winning a plethora of awards including the Meritorious Unit Commendation, the Secretary of the Navy's and the Chief of Naval Operations' Safety Ashore awards for two consecutive years, and the Commander Navy Region Southeast's 2009 nominee for the Installation Excellence Award.

Under his watch, NAS Jacksonville underwent \$350 million of facility construction and upgrades. Captain Scorby oversaw the management of that endeavor and also was instrumental in the smooth relocation of five P-3 Orion squadrons and their families from Maine to Florida.

Jack Scorby cultivated an Individual Augmentee (IA) Support Program that helped sustain the families of IAs who were deployed and then honored them with a luncheon upon their return. This model program is now being replicated at bases worldwide.

NAS Jacksonville earned the reputation as the Airfield of Choice under Jack's command as personnel worked round the clock in providing services to a variety of operations including Army helicopter deployments, Pine Castle Range use, and the initial stand-up training and outfitting of the Navy Expeditionary Guard Battalion for Guantanamo Bay. Captain Scorby and his team at NAS Jacksonville provided support and facilities to the Federal Emergency Management Agency during the hurricane season as well as during the earthquake that devastated Haiti.

A recognized naval ambassador in the City, Captain Scorby hosted two Air Shows, a Presidential visit, and over 90 other ceremonies and special events. I was pleased to work with him on two veteran ceremonies at which we recognized over 250 grateful Vietnam Vet-

erans. Jack and his sailors made sure all veterans were treated as special guests and honored for their service. He partnered with the Florida Department of Labor to host a Disabled Veteran Outreach Program that provided services to veterans and their families and a Tri-Base Job Fair that brought in 155 employers and over 800 job seekers. Each of these events cemented the relationship between the City of Jacksonville and the United States Navy.

Always a strong supporter of Navy personnel and their families whether on base or deployed across the globe fulfilling missions, Jack Scorby also ensured that our fallen heroes returned with honor and a proper homecoming. No matter the time or the day, when a soldier, sailor, marine or airman returned on his final flight, Captain Scorby had police, firefighters, Patriot Guard and hundreds of civilians and naval personnel line the runway and roads. Families of the fallen were moved and grateful.

And on behalf of the City of Jacksonville and the 4th Congressional District, it is my privilege to recognize the dedication, caring and leadership that makes Captain John C. Scorby, Jr., worthy of receiving the Legion of Merit.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. DEAN HELLER

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. HELLER. Madam Speaker, on rollcall No. 256, I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted "yes."

NATHAN HOFF

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. GRAVES. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Nathan Hoff. Nathan 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 and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Nathan has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Nathan has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community. Most notably, Nathan has contributed to his community through his Eagle Scout project. Nathan oversaw the construction of a batting cage which will provide a healthy athletic outlet for the residents of Boonville, Missouri.

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

RECOGNIZING MARCIA HILSABECK
OF ROUND ROCK HIGH SCHOOL
IN ROUND ROCK, TEXAS

HON. JOHN R. CARTER

OF TEXAS

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Mr. CARTER. Madam Speaker, I would like to recognize Mrs. Marcia Hilsabeck upon her retirement from Round Rock High School after 43 years of service.

Marcia served all but the first two years of her career in the English Department and has led the English Department since 1994. Throughout the years of her teaching career, she has been honored as Teacher of the Year and Round Rock Local Legend. When Marcia first began teaching at Round Rock High School in 1967, there were 368 students in grades nine through twelve, today there are ten times that many students. Times have changed since Marcia first began her teaching career, but her dedication and love for education has not. She has been called the ultimate teacher by colleagues and generations of students fondly remember and recognize the impact she made on their lives. Her commitment to education is extraordinary and it is with great pride I honor Marcia's career today as I wish her all the best for her retirement years.

HONORING MR. SAM FREDMAN

HON. NITA M. LOWEY

OF NEW YORK

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Mrs. LOWEY. Madam Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Samuel G. Fredman, this year's recipient of the Rabbi Amiel Wohl Lifetime Achievement Award. This prestigious honor is being respectfully bestowed upon Judge Fredman by the Westchester Jewish Conference for his lifetime of contributions to Westchester County and our great country.

Sam Fredman has led a truly remarkable life. He served in the U.S. Army Air Forces in the South Pacific Theater during and after World War II. After his military service, Sam received his undergraduate degree from Pennsylvania State University and law degree from Columbia University. He is a member of the New York State Bar and admitted to practice in the U.S. District Court for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York. Judge Fredman has served as law firm partner, law school lecturer, and Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of New York for nearly 14 years. Judge Fredman still practices law today as a private arbitrator and mediator at Wilson Esler Moskowitz Edelman & Dicker and as a judicial hearing officer for New York's Ninth Judicial Circuit. In addition to his professional achievements, Sam remains a devoted family man as the grandfather of four beautiful grandchildren.

Judge Fredman has already been recognized with over 22 awards and honors during his lifetime, including the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers Distinguished Service Award, Pennsylvania State University Distinguished Alumnus Award, and Westchester Holocaust Commission Distinguished Service Award. The long list of Sam's admirers includes the United Jewish Appeal, Westchester