

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

TRIBUTE TO HOWARD H. "TIM"
HAYS

HON. KEN CALVERT

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 27, 2011

Mr. CALVERT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Howard H. "Tim" Hays who recently passed away at the age of 94. He will be deeply missed.

Mr. Hays spent 51 years at the Riverside Press Enterprise, the sixth largest newspaper in the state of California. Before coming to the newspaper, Mr. Hays was an FBI Special Agent during World War II. In 1946, he joined the paper as an Assistant Editor and also passed the California bar exam. The Riverside Press Enterprise wrote an article detailing the many accomplishments of Mr. Hays and the incredible contributions he made to the newspaper, the community and the country.

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FORMER P-E PUBLISHER AND EDITOR TIM
HAYS DIES

Howard H. "Tim" Hays, Jr., the Harvard-educated lawyer who chose a newspaperman's life and led what became The Press-Enterprise into national prominence as a Pulitzer Prize-winning advocate of open government and defender of the First Amendment, died Friday in St. Louis. He was 94.

Mr. Hays had been struggling with Alzheimer's disease, his son Tom Hays said Friday. He said his father died in the afternoon at Barnes-Jewish Hospital following a brief acute illness.

Mr. Hays spent 51 years at The Press-Enterprise. He was an FBI special agent during World War II and joined the newspaper as assistant editor in 1946. He passed the bar the same year but never practiced law.

His subsequent roles included editor, co-publisher, publisher and chairman. He continued as chairman until 1997, when The Press-Enterprise was sold to the A.H. Belo Co., ending 67 years of family ownership of the Riverside-based newspaper.

The news organization's five-story office on Fourteenth Street was named in 2006 as the Howard H. "Tim" Hays Media Center.

"Tim was a rarity, a man whose moral compass was set on true," said Mel Opatowsky, the former managing editor of The Press-Enterprise. "That is especially important as a newspaper owner because of the obligation as a public trust. There are many instances of Tim's beneficence, not only to his employees, but to his readers and to principles of quality journalism."

Mr. Hays once joked that his choice of journalism over law and his "semi-meteoritic rise" at the newspaper were due to "diligence, and the fact that my father was co-owner."

Courtly, soft-voiced and with a penchant for remembering anyone's name, from civic leaders to cleaning crews in the hallways of his newspaper, Mr. Hays' personality contrasted sharply with flamboyant news-executive contemporaries. His memos were to his "Fellow Employees."

But his reserved manner was matched with a steely resolve.

He stood up to pressure and confrontation to lead his newspaper to a Pulitzer Prize. He took two open-government cases to the U.S. Supreme Court, winning both.

Media attorneys use shorthand to refer to two landmark cases won by the newspaper, Press-Enterprise One and Two.

In January 1984, the newspaper won a case establishing the public's right to attend jury selection in criminal trial proceedings. In a 1986 case, the court asserted the right of the public to attend pre-trial hearings in criminal cases with few exceptions.

Mr. Hays oversaw publication of a series of articles in 1967 that exposed malpractice in the conservatorship program for Agua Caliente Indians in Palm Springs. Editorials combined with more than 100 stories, mostly written by reporter George Ringwald, earned the newspaper the Pulitzer Prize for meritorious public service in 1968. (Ringwald died in 2005.)

During the newspaper's reporting of that issue, a judge who was under investigation became infuriated by a Press-Enterprise editorial and ordered Mr. Hays arrested.

The publisher stood his ground and was not jailed.

Mr. Hays also stood by his reporters, even as advertisers took their business away in protest over investigative pieces.

Despite national recognition, Mr. Hays kept his community at the foreground of his work. He was among the civic leaders who worked to get a University of California campus established here. UC Riverside opened in 1954.

"Tim had a very active mind that saw beyond the ordinary but was able to bring it down to earth," said his former executive secretary, Jean Wingard. "He was an excellent newsmen, and had the respect of those who worked with him and for him."

Mr. Hays established the Hays Press-Enterprise Lecture in 1966, which was underwritten in 1998 by a \$100,000 endowment after the newspaper was sold.

The free lectures, open to the public, featured leaders in news media, including retired Washington Post Executive Editor Ben Bradlee; Gene Roberts, former managing editor of the New York Times; and W. Thomas Johnson, who was then president of Cable News Network.

Mr. Hays also undertook the cause of preserving the Mission Inn.

He and other civic leaders maintained their effort during a seven-year stretch in which the state and national historic landmark in downtown Riverside was closed—at one time surrounded by a chain-link fence.

Several attempts to reopen the Inn failed. Some suggested the land was a prime spot for a parking lot. In 1992, Duane Roberts bought the hotel and invested millions of dollars in renovations.

The Press-Enterprise under Mr. Hays also quietly helped to underwrite local cultural and arts organizations.

"I'm not married to any cause," Mr. Hays once said. "I believe in generosity to the community in which you live. I think you can contribute more with time and energy than with dollars. But I guess the money can be pretty dandy, too."

Retired appellate court Justice John Gabbert said Mr. Hays, similar to his brothers, developed his sense of community engagement early in life.

"He was motivated by the very strong civic background that he probably inherited from his father," Gabbert said Friday. "They were all there, out in the community, making it better."

Contemporaries of Mr. Hays said he was less likely to deliver a fiery speech, and more likely to argue his points over lunch or in a casual conversation. Former state Sen. Robert Presley said each time he would meet Mr. Hays at the same downtown Riverside restaurant, the publisher would prod him for support of downtown Riverside projects.

"He didn't seem to have a lot of ego, although he could be vigorous and persuasive in his arguments," Presley said Friday from Sacramento.

"He was a very special person," said Marcia McQuern who worked for Hays at The Press-Enterprise and eventually became the paper's publisher. "He had a true journalist's heart. He always tried to live up to his standards and ideals."

McQuern remembered Hays being well tied into the community. So much so that he often knew what was going on before his reporters did.

"I would come to him with a story and he'd say, 'You finally found that out,'" she said. "But he never would kill anything."

Even when it may have been unpopular among the community leaders he mingled with.

"He took a lot of heat. He really stuck by the newsroom. That's where his heart was," she said.

McQuern remembered one instance where the paper wanted the name behind a large anonymous donation to UC Riverside.

"We fought for access," she said. "He let us go fight for the information. We were about to file suit and he finally admitted it was him."

Howard H. "Tim" Hays, Jr. was born in Chicago on June 2, 1917, the son of Howard H. Hays, Sr. and Margaret Mauger Hays. He came to Riverside with his parents in 1924.

A graduate of Riverside Polytechnic High School, he was editor of the school newspaper, Poly Spotlight, during his senior year.

Mr. Hays earned a bachelor's degree in social sciences at Stanford University, graduating in 1939.

In 1942, he received a law degree from Harvard Law School. After his service with the FBI, he briefly served as a reporter at the San Bernardino Sun before joining the family newspaper and beginning his leadership role in American journalism.

Mr. Hays moved to St. Louis part time in 1989, and began living there full time after his retirement from The Press-Enterprise, his son Tom said.

In a message read at the 2007 dedication of the news building named after him, Mr. Hays noted that he still read every day the newspaper that he had led for so long.

Survivors include wife Susie Hays of St. Louis, sons Bill Hays of Corona Del Mar and Tom Hays of New York City, and brother Dan Hays of Riverside. His brother, William H. Hays, died earlier this year. Mr. Hays' first wife, Helen Hays Yeager, died two years earlier, to the day, of Mr. Hays' death.

Said Tom Hays, "He lived a very long and productive and fortunate life, and he died very peacefully, so we are thankful for that."

Mr. Hays will always be remembered for his incredible work ethic, generosity, love of

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family, and the numerous contributions he made to the newspaper industry. His dedication to the integrity of the newspaper, the protection of the First Amendment and to the community as a whole are a testament to a life lived well and a legacy that will continue. I extend my condolences to Mr. Hays' family and friends. Although Mr. Hays may be gone, the light and goodness he brought to the world remain and will never be forgotten.

HONORING THE CENTRALIA HIGH SCHOOL LADY PANTHERS

HON. BLAINE LUETKEMEYER

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 27, 2011

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating the Centralia High School Lady Panthers Softball team for winning the Class 3 Missouri State Championship on October 22, 2011.

The young women and their coaches should be commended for all their hard work throughout the regular season and for bringing home the state softball championship to their school and community. In its final championship game against the Chillicothe Hornets, every team member made important contributions that led to the team's 2-0 win.

This Lady Panthers team will hold a special place of honor in the history of Centralia High School for winning the school's first-ever softball state championship. The team finished the season with a 28-2-1 record, including wins over this year's Class 1 and Class 2 softball champs.

I ask that you join me in recognizing the Centralia Lady Panthers for a job well done!

HONORING DAVID BRIGGS AND NORBERT PUTNAM

HON. MARSHA BLACKBURN

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 27, 2011

Mrs. BLACKBURN. Mr. Speaker, musical genius is commonplace in Middle Tennessee. From songwriters to executive producers, the notables of Nashville are known the world over for their dedication to the perfect sound. I rise today to honor two pillars of Music City as they receive the Cecil Scaife Visionary Award and are recognized for their contribution to Tennessee's legendary sound.

David Briggs excels at more than the ivory keys. Dedicated to great and beautiful music, Briggs moved to Nashville and worked on over 200 number one hits. Playing keyboard for Elvis, Kris Kristofferson, Reba McEntire, Dolly Parton, and many more of the greats, Briggs has decades of success as both a musician and an executive of Quadrofonic Sound Studio.

Together with Briggs, Norbert Putnam was part of the original Muscle Shoals Recording Section at Fame Recording Studios. From opening for the Beatles in their first American concert, to becoming one of Nashville's most successful pop-rock bassists, to currently his place as one of the top pop/rock producers in

Music City with Quadrofonic Sound, Putnam too has a storied devotion to Tennessee music.

The greatness of Music City is only as strong as the next generation of billboard leaders. I appreciate David Briggs and Norbert Putnam for their contributions to our great music legacy. I also appreciate the hard work and support of those who established and continue the Cecil Scaife Business Scholarship. Your devotion to those who pioneer the way for future music legends helps to strengthen Music City. I rise today to honor two industry leaders whose drive and dedication to offer their experiences to tomorrow's musicians, publishers, composers, and arrangers. I ask my colleagues to rise and join with me in celebrating David Briggs and Norbert Putnam as they receive the Cecil Scaife Visionary Award and continue to offer their experience and wisdom to those who seek the next great note.

IN HONOR OF MR. TOM FERAN

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 27, 2011

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Mr. Tom Feran, a writer and editor with the Cleveland Plain Dealer, who is being honored by the Press Club of Cleveland and inducted into the Cleveland Journalism Hall of Fame, Class of 2011.

Tom is a longtime Clevelander who graduated from St. Ignatius High School before attending Harvard University. While at Harvard, he was the president and editor of the Harvard Lampoon, the world's longest continually published humor magazine. He graduated from Harvard in 1975.

Tom joined the Cleveland Plain Dealer in 1982 as the editor for the publication's Sunday magazine. He has since worked as the editor of the Arts&Life section of the paper, a columnist, television critic and is currently working as a writer of PolitiFact columns. In addition to the Plain Dealer, Tom has published articles in Ohio, Cleveland, and DirecTV magazines. He is the author of Ghoulardi: Inside Cleveland TV's Wildest Ride and Cleveland TV Memories. He has also co-authored Six Inches of Partly Cloudy, Big Chuck! and The Buzzard. Tom was recognized by the society of Professional Journalists in 2007 as the Best Columnist in Ohio.

In addition to his career, Tom has served as the president of the Television Critics Association of North America for two terms. He is also a member of the Harvard Club of Northeast Ohio.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in congratulating the Cleveland Plain Dealer's Mr. Tom Feran as the Press Club of Cleveland inducts him into the Cleveland Journalism Hall of Fame, Class of 2011.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. MICHAEL G. GRIMM

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 27, 2011

Mr. GRIMM. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 805, I had district work that required my pres-

ence. Had I been present, I would have voted "nay."

HONORING NATIONAL BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

HON. MICHAEL G. FITZPATRICK

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 27, 2011

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of National Breast Cancer Awareness Month. For those of you who do not know, October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Founded in 1985, this is an annual campaign by various breast cancer organizations to increase awareness of the disease. Part of the awareness includes educating the public about early detection, the cause, diagnosis, treatment, and support for survivors.

Not long ago, I survived my fight with cancer, and since then, I have made it a top priority to help others overcome this terrible disease. Along with Congresswoman BETTY SUTTON, I introduced the Breast Cancer Recovery Improvement Act (H.R. 2510) to provide critical medical devices to women recovering from post-mastectomy breast cancer surgery.

The American people have become much more aware of this deadly disease. Today, on the 25th anniversary, I'd like to thank all of the people who have been involved with National Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Be it wearing a pink ribbon to pledge your support, or giving a donation for cancer research, it all plays an important part in promoting the message, so that way we can finally find a cure for this disease.

RECOGNIZING MADONNA UNIVERSITY

HON. THADDEUS G. McCOTTER

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 27, 2011

Mr. McCOTTER. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to recognize Madonna University, located in my hometown of Livonia, Michigan, upon the 75th anniversary of the school's founding by the Felician Sisters.

In 1937, the Felician Sisters established Presentation Blessed Virgin Mary Junior College on what had been sprawling farmland. As a teaching college with a staff of 18 Sisters committed to providing higher education to area Catholic schools, the school grew to include service-oriented majors such as nursing, hospice, sign language and criminal justice.

After 10 years of rapid growth, Presentation Blessed Virgin Mary College expanded to a baccalaureate institution and was renamed Madonna College. In 1965, the main Academic Building and Residence Hall were dedicated. Madonna launched its first master's program in 1982, and in 1984 dedicated a new library and Kresge Hall. Madonna became a University in 1991 and currently offers more than 50 undergraduate majors toward associate and bachelor degrees as well as 22 masters programs in clinical psychology, business, criminal justice, education, history and health professions. The year 2009 brought the University's first doctoral program in nursing