

Mrs. Edwin Wenta. On Sunday, June 11, 1995, Edwin and Charlotte will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with their family and friends at the sky room of the Martinique Restaurant in Evergreen Park.

On June 9, 1945, Edwin and Charlotte were married at the San Buena Mission in Ventura, CA. It was near the end of World War II and Ed was on leave from the U.S. Navy.

Edwin and Charlotte have two children, son Terry and daughter Diane, and five grandchildren, Lisa, Nick, Deanna, Dierdra, and Gerald. The entire Wenta family joins me in saluting Edwin and Charlotte on this special occasion.

The Wentas are a role model of the family strength and integrity that has made America great. Their commitment to each other and their family is impressive and deserving of special recognition and honor. I am sure that my colleagues join me in congratulating Edwin and Charlotte on their many years of love and commitment. May their life together continue to be an adventure and offer them many more pleasant memories.

TRIBUTE TO NEW LOS ANGELES MARKETING PARTNERSHIP

HON. HOWARD L. BERMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 7, 1995

Mr. BERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I am honored to pay tribute to my good friend Larry Fisher and others for launching the New Los Angeles Marketing Partnership, a much-needed effort to counter the negative image of Los Angeles in the media. With a riot, an earthquake, fires and a sensational murder trial having dominated the news from Los Angeles in the past 3 years, the New Los Angeles Marketing Partnership could not be arriving at a better time. I wish them all the luck in the world.

Seeing the outline of the program, which will officially kick off on June 7, I am confident it will achieve its goals. The participants truly love Los Angeles, and have a keen sense of what it is that makes this a great city, including climate, extraordinary ethnic diversity and a thriving entertainment industry. The chosen theme, Together we're the best, Los Angeles conveys the spirit of optimism guiding this project.

For the first 5 years, New Los Angeles Marketing Partnership will be reminding the people of Los Angeles County about the exciting place in which they live. This effort will be specifically targeted at all 88 cities in Los Angeles County.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in saluting Larry Fisher and the other members of the New Los Angeles Marketing Partnership, whose faith in the city of Los Angeles and dedication to improving its image is an inspiration to all of us who live and work there.

MEDICARE CUTS ARE A BAD IDEA

HON. SHERROD BROWN

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 7, 1995

Mr. BROWN of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, there is an old country and western song that goes,

"She got the gold mine, and I got the shaft." The Republican budget would give the gold mine to wealthy special interests and give the shaft to America's elderly—\$300 billion in tax breaks, \$300 billion in Medicare cuts.

The Republicans indignantly cry that these are not really cuts, they are only slowing the growth of Medicare. Tell that to the literally millions of people who depend on Medicare in Ohio, and Pennsylvania, and California, and all over this country, who will have \$3,500 more taken out of their pocket over the next 7 years in higher premiums, deductibles, and copayments. Tell those people that these are not really cuts.

The cuts in services which will pay for tax breaks for the wealthiest Americans, tax breaks for special interests, tax breaks for people who do not need these kinds of tax breaks—to people with the highest income in this country.

Mr. Speaker, I support Medicare and ensuring that older Americans have access to health care services when they need them from the doctor of their choice. As Republicans move to make these cuts in Medicare, they are talking about rationing health care and limiting seniors' ability to choose their doctor.

We should reject that, Mr. Speaker. We should reject this kind of thinking. It is not good for America's elderly. It is not good for the American people.

RETIREMENT OF JOHN ADDEO: AP- PRECIATION FOR A GREAT CA- REER

HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 7, 1995

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, on Friday, June 9, 1995, Mr. John Addeo, Jr., of Ocean, NJ, will be honored with a retirement dinner at Squire Pub in West Long Branch, NJ. It is a great honor for me to pay tribute to Mr. Addeo on this occasion.

Mr. Addeo has served as the principal of the Woodmere School in Eatontown, NJ, since 1968. In total, Mr. Addeo has dedicated 34 years of his life to education. A 1957 graduate of Long Branch High School and a 1961 graduate of Monmouth University, Mr. Addeo began his teaching career in Asbury Park. He received his master's degree from Newark State College in 1968 and became principal at Woodmere later that year. He also was an instructor at Brookdale Community College and serves as a member of the Elementary Principals and Supervisors Association and the New Jersey Education Association.

John and Theresa Addeo are the parents of John Addeo III and Melissa Addeo Ardito. The list of Mr. Addeo's current and former community affiliations is a long one. He is a former member of the Italian-American Association and the Eatontown Lion's Club. He is a charter member and first vice president of the Eatontown/Tinton Falls Kiwanis Club, former Little League baseball and softball coach in Ocean Township, a former member of the Ocean Township Zoning Board of Adjustment and the organizer of Boy Scout Troop 376.

Mr. Speaker, throughout his career, John Addeo has exemplified the very best qualities

of America's proud tradition of public education. Generations of students who have passed through the Woodmere School—many of them fully grownup and now in important positions of responsibility, some of them now parents themselves—have benefited from his dedication and leadership. As his friends, colleagues, and students pay tribute on the occasion of his retirement, I am proud to add my voice in recognition of the fine job that John Addeo has done for nearly a quarter of a century in one of the most important jobs I know of: the education of our young people.

AN AGENDA FOR THE NATION

HON. LEE H. HAMILTON

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 7, 1995

Mr. HAMILTON. Mr. Speaker, I would like to insert my Washington Report for Wednesday, June 7, 1995, into the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD.

AN AGENDA FOR THE NATION

Hoosiers continue to express to me their widespread discontent in the country, their unease with government, and anger at those who conduct its business. They understand changes are being made in government—that federal jobs are being eliminated, budgets are being trimmed, agencies are being eliminated—but believe more can and should be done to make government more responsive to the needs and demands of the average American.

The challenge facing Congress and the President is to make the changes that will restore the public's faith and confidence in government. Hoosiers mention the following reforms most often in my recent public meetings, and I think their views reflect the concerns of most Americans.

Deficit reduction: Deficit reduction should be a top priority. Congress acted last session to cut \$600 billion from the projected deficits. The House and Senate recently approved budget plans to eliminate the deficit over the next seven years, but the budget resolution only provides a rough outline for how deficit reduction will be achieved. The tough decisions on specific spending cuts lie ahead. I agree that the deficit must be reduced.

Investment: Americans favor steps to reduce the budget deficit that are fair and balanced. It makes no sense to try to balance the budget by slashing federal investment programs. The private sector is the engine for economic growth, but government can play a role by supporting training and education of our workers as well as investing in our infrastructure and our technology. Such investments are critical to economic growth, and without growth, balancing the budget becomes immensely more difficult. Most of the investment trends over the past several years have been in the wrong direction. We need a shift in federal priorities away from consumption and toward investment, and we need to emphasize both public and private investment.

Reinventing government: The federal government is bloated and should be downsized. Congress and the Executive Branch adopted significant measures last session to make government work better and cost less, from streamlining Pentagon procurement policies to eliminating outdated government agencies. These efforts can and should be expanded this year. Americans want bold changes in government today, and Congress and the President should support that.