

groups, literacy programs and job training, as well as to establish a camp scholarship fund for underprivileged children in the Greater Wyoming Valley area to attend the Salvation Army's Camp Ladore.

Allan is an entrepreneur known nationwide and a well-respected philanthropist from the Wilkes-Barre area. He was born in Wilkes-Barre and moved at an early age to Morristown, N.J. He graduated from Lafayette College, where he was a member of the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity. After completing officer's school, he served on active duty with the Naval Reserve. He now lives in Mendham, N.J., where he also maintains an office.

Mr. Speaker, Allan's professional and philanthropic endeavors are far too numerous to list them all here, but I would like to provide the House with an overview.

He serves as a trustee and treasurer of the Angeline Elizabeth Kirby Memorial Health Center in Wilkes-Barre, which has as its mission the preservation and promotion of the public health, particularly in Wilkes-Barre and neighboring communities, and the control and elimination of disease.

He chairs the A.P. Kirby, Jr. Foundation and the Allan P. Kirby Center for Free Enterprise and Entrepreneurship at Wilkes University. For many years, Allan has been a dedicated trustee for Wilkes University, where I served with him. He also chairs Wilkes' endowment committee. He is also president of Liberty Square, Inc., and a director and chairman of the executive committee of the Allegheny Corporation, one of the largest holding companies in the United States. Allegheny is the largest single stockholder in American Express and owns Chicago Title Insurance Company and other title and casualty insurers including a large stake in St. Paul Companies.

He is also the owner of River Ridge Farms in Sussex County, N.J. He is the father of five children and 15 grandchildren.

Allan comes from a long line of Kirbys with impressive accomplishments in both their professional and philanthropic endeavors. For example, in the 19th century, at age 23, Fred Morgan Kirby committed his entire savings of \$500 in partnership with Charles Sumner Woolworth to purchase a variety store in Wilkes-Barre. Over the years the two men developed that modest investment into the enormous F.W. Woolworth Company.

Similarly, the family's commitment to helping others is also long-standing, as shown by the many organizations and community buildings built with Kirby family donations, including those I have already mentioned, as well as the F.M. Kirby Center for the Performing Arts in Wilkes Barre and the Kirby Hall of Civil Rights at Lafayette College in Easton, among many others.

Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to call to the attention of the House of Representatives the service to the community of Allan P. Kirby, Jr. and this well-deserved award, and I wish him all the best.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO WILLIAM
LORENZEN

HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 24, 2002

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, it is with a solemn heart that I take this opportunity to pay

respect to the passing of William H. Lorenzen, who recently passed away at the age of 82. William, known as Bill, was the former owner and co-publisher of the Palisades Tribune. Bill died on May 6th in Denver, Colorado. As his friends and family mourn the loss of an outstanding patriot, father, and husband, I would like to take this moment to highlight his achievements before this body of Congress and this nation.

Bill served in the Army Air Corps as a radio operator during WWII where he successfully flew 35 combat missions in B-24's and for his valiant valor and courage, he was awarded five bronze stars, a silver star, and two Distinguished Flying Crosses. Bill's service on behalf of freedom should help serve to reinvigorate our nation's consciousness of the sacrifices made to defend this country. He met and married his wife of 56 years, Margaret Sullivan, in July 1943 while both were in the Army, beginning a family future and legacy passed down through generations. After the war, Bill was active in his civic and public communities, providing Colorado's youth an upstanding foundation. Bill established himself as a longtime businessman and leader in the Palisade community where he owned and operated the Palisade Tribune for 26 years. He served six years as Town Trustee, eight years as Mayor and five-and-one-half as Municipal Judge. Bill also played an active role in the Colorado Municipal League and was a director of the League for two terms before serving as president of the Western District of the Colorado Press Association and as a chairman on the legal committee for the Press Association.

After retiring from the Palisades Tribune, Bill joined the Palisades National Bank as director in 1982 and served on the board until his death. Bill received many distinguished accolades throughout his career including the Distinguished Service Award and was named Citizen of the Year for Palisade. Bill is survived by his three children and eight grandchildren.

Mr. Speaker, it is with great sadness that we celebrate the life of William H. "Bill" Lorenzen. He was a remarkable man and his impressive accomplishments certainly deserve the recognition of this body of Congress and this nation. I, along with his grateful community and loving family, will miss you Bill.

COMMENDING PARTICIPANTS IN
DEFOREST RELAY FOR LIFE

HON. TAMMY BALDWIN

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. BALDWIN. Mr. Speaker, whereas, cancer tragically touches the lives of thousands of our family members, friends, and neighbors, and

Whereas, it is expected that there will be 25,300 newly diagnosed cases of cancer and 11,000 deaths related to cancer in Wisconsin this year, and

Whereas, evidence suggests that one-third of cancer deaths are related to nutrition, physical activity, and tobacco use, and could be prevented, and

Whereas, through education, prevention, early detection, and medical treatment the lives of many have been, and can be saved, and

Whereas, the people of DeForest have come together for the sixth time to participate in the American Cancer Society Relay For Life to raise money to be used in the battle against cancer, and

Whereas, in 2001 the DeForest Relay For Life raised over \$131,000 that combined with the efforts of 132 other Wisconsin cities funded over \$8.8 million for cancer prevention, treatment, education, advocacy, and service; and

Whereas, the 2002 DeForest Relay For Life brings us one step closer to reaching the American Cancer Society's goals of a 50-percent reduction in cancer mortality rates and a 25-percent reduction in the incidence of cancer by the year 2015, then,

Therefore, I, Representative TAMMY BALDWIN, as a member of the United States Congress and strong supporter of increased access to cancer prevention, diagnostic, and treatment therapies, commend the strides of each relay team participant, event volunteer, and the spirit of our community in this fight against cancer.

HONORING OLIVER ESPINOLA

HON. GEORGE RADANOVICH

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. RADANOVICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Oliver Espinola, a Madera County farmer, on the occasion of being selected to receive the Madera District Chamber of Commerce Salute to Agriculture's 21st Annual Senior Farmer of the Year Award.

Oliver has been involved in farming for 55 years and has lived in Madera County for 52 years. In 1951, Oliver and his family moved from Caruthers, California, to Chowchilla, California, and has been involved in farming corn, silage, hay, oats, trees, beef cattle, and dairy cattle. Mr. Espinola has served the farm industry and the community in many aspects including serving as Director and Chairman of the Danish Creamery Board and the Challenge Dairy Products Board, serving on the Board of Merced Milling Company, and on the Dairy Heifer Replacement Committee. Oliver also contributes to the FFA, 4-H, and Madera Ag Boosters. He directs and has served as president of the Chowchilla Portuguese Association, is an active member of the Elks Lodge, is active in the Catholic church, and is a member of the Young Men's Institute of the Catholic Church. For the past 30 years, Mr. Espinola and his wife, Virgie, have donated, organized and served the ice cream at the Chowchilla Fair Dairy Days. Oliver is also a contributor to the Chowchilla Historical Society and the Lions Club Eye Foundation.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Oliver Espinola for his admirable service and contributions to the farming industry. I invite my colleagues to join me in congratulating him on his outstanding achievement and wishing him many more years of success.