

grown to include persons of Hispanic and Asian ancestry.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me today in congratulating The Baptist Church in the Great Valley and its storied history on the occasion of its 300th anniversary and to extend best wishes for the Church's continuing work to meet the pastoral and spiritual needs of its congregation and the community.

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RECOGNIZING THE LIFE OF  
CLAUDE B. DUNLAP, JR.

**HON. JEFF MILLER**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 7, 2011*

Mr. MILLER of Florida. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the United States Congress, I rise today to honor the life of Northwest Florida's beloved Claude B. Dunlap, Jr.

A native of Florida's First Congressional District, Mr. Dunlap spent his childhood and adolescence in Baghdad, Florida. Mr. Dunlap then enlisted in the United States Army and served with honor and distinction during the Vietnam War. He earned the Good Conduct Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, the Vietnam Service Medal, the Vietnam Campaign Medal, and the Expert Rifle Medal.

Following his military service, Mr. Dunlap joined the Baghdad Volunteer Fire Department in 1973. For nearly 40 years, Mr. Dunlap served the citizens of Baghdad and Santa Rosa County, Florida. Mr. Dunlap's dedication to the fire department was evident from the beginning, and his leadership capabilities were clearly demonstrated as he rose to Captain and then to Assistant Chief. In 1995, Mr. Dunlap was named Chief of the Baghdad Volunteer Fire Department, a position that he held until his recent passing.

During his tenure as the Fire Chief, the Baghdad Volunteer Fire Department grew tremendously. Mr. Dunlap ensured that firefighters had the necessary safety equipment to operate on a daily basis and respond to calls. Mr. Dunlap also oversaw the purchase of a new Engine, Rescue truck, Brush truck, boat, and 2 staff vehicles, as well as the beginning of construction on a new fire station.

In addition to his duties as Fire Chief, Mr. Dunlap worked for more than 30 years at the Florida Department of Transportation, where he served as a Maintenance Supervisor. In this capacity, Mr. Dunlap traveled extensively throughout the state of Florida to assist in the cleanup efforts after numerous hurricanes.

To some, Claude Dunlap will be remembered as a Fire Chief and a dedicated servant to the Santa Rosa County community. To others he will be remembered as a hero and a patriot, who answered the call of duty with honor and distinction. He will long be remembered by his family and friends as a loving husband, father and grandfather, and his impact on the Northwest Florida community will not be forgotten.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the United States Congress I am proud to honor the life of Claude Dunlap and his lasting legacy.

HONORING SUSAN SORDONI

**HON. TOM MARINO**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 7, 2011*

Mr. MARINO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of one of my constituents, Susan Sordoni, as the recipient of the Distinguished Service Award from the Eastern Pennsylvania/Delaware Region Anti-Defamation League.

Susan Sordoni graduated from College Misericordia in 1968 with a Bachelor's degree in biology. She went on to conduct her post-graduate work in biology at Wilkes University in 1968 and 1969. In 1980 and 1981, Susan pursued Liberal Studies at the New School for Social Research in 1980 and 1981.

With the support of her family, Susan returned to school to pursue her childhood dream of becoming a physician. She attended Wilkes University in 1991 and 1992 to pursue Post Baccalaureate studies. At age 45, Susan took the Medical College Admission Test. She was accepted at the Medical College of Pennsylvania. She graduated in 1997, and in November of 2000, she completed a family practice residency through Hahnemann Medical School.

Upon opening her practice, Susan saw a great need for medical services for those with little or no insurance. In response to this need, Susan founded the Volunteers in Medicine Medical Clinic in Wilkes-Barre. She has served as the Chairperson of the organization, as well as a Physician volunteer, since the organization's founding. The clinic has served over 4,000 patients in the Wyoming Valley and continues to expand its services to include a dental clinic.

Susan currently serves at the Medical Director for Home Hospice in Kingston. Susan, along with her husband Andy, founded Circle of Friends at Misericordia University, to help mentally challenged women as they transition into the work place.

Susan continues to devote her time to many community organizations including the Osterhout Free Library, Pennsylvania Ballet, Commonwealth Medical College of Pennsylvania, University of Scranton, Commonwealth Commission of the Bicentennial of the United States and the Scranton Diocese Special Education Program.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Dr. Susan Sordoni. Dr. Sordoni continues to serve the people of the Wyoming Valley. She is a remarkable woman with strong commitments to her family, her career, and her community.

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HONORING THE BRITISH FLIGHT  
TRAINING SCHOOL IN TERRELL,  
TEXAS

**HON. JEB HENSARLING**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 7, 2011*

Mr. HENSARLING. Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize the 70th Anniversary of the Lend-Lease Act and the subsequent establishment in Terrell, Texas of the first British Flying Training School in the United States.

On March 11, 1941, the Lend-Lease Act was signed into law by President Franklin D.

Roosevelt. The President described the Lend-Lease Act as "helping to put out the fire in your neighbor's house before your own house caught fire and burned down."

During World War II, thousands of British pilots learned to fly at six civilian training schools in the United States. The first and largest of the schools was in Terrell, Texas, located in Kaufman County. After the United States entered the War, American Aviation Cadets also trained at the school. More than 2,000 Royal Air Force and American Army Air Force pilots earned their wings in the skies over North Texas between 1941 and 1945 to help our nation achieve victory.

As the Congressman for the Fifth District of Texas, I am pleased today to recognize founding of the first British Flying Training School in the nation. Today, its legacy is commemorated by the No. 1 British Flying Training School Museum in Terrell, Texas. It is my honor to recognize the dedicated museum board of directors and patrons whose efforts afford future generations the opportunity to understand and appreciate America's history.

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RECOGNIZING FRED FRERES FOR  
HIS RETIREMENT FROM CHRIS-  
TIAN BROTHERS HIGH SCHOOL

**HON. STEVE COHEN**

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 7, 2011*

Mr. COHEN. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to honor Mr. Fred Freres after learning of his upcoming retirement after thirty nine years of teaching at Christian Brothers High School in Memphis, Tennessee.

A native of Chicago, Fred moved to Memphis to attend what was then called Christian Brothers College where he became the first person in his family to attend college and received his degree in History in 1970. A decade later he would receive his Masters in Political Science from Memphis State University.

That same year he married his college sweetheart, Cathy, and went to work selling insurance to support his new family. His dream to teach and inspire young people proved unflappable and his opportunity came in August, 1972 at Christian Brothers High School teaching in the history department—a department he would later chair.

Due to his passion for teaching and his tireless efforts at coordinating numerous extracurricular activities, Fred became an integral part of the CBHS family. Participants in organizations such as the Key Club, the Organization for Young Political Scientists, the LaSallian Development Committee, and the National Honor Society Committee found a tireless mentor and advocate. Fred even worked as the baseball and basketball announcer for five years and coached the Cross Country team for three years.

As I read an article in the CBHS newsletter about Fred, I was moved by a quote where he used the word "vocation" to describe his profession—and that part of that vocation was inspiring the young men he taught, "to become good citizens, not just interested in what's happening in their community, nation and world, but have a positive impact on their world."