

Anna was a mother, homemaker, a Bible school and singing teacher, and highly interested in Republican politics. Anna now resides in Coalinga.

Mr. Speaker, I want to recognize Anna Mae Lynch for her hard work and dedication to her family. I urge my colleagues to join me in wishing Anna many more years of continued success.

A TRIBUTE TO JOHN J. BELLIZZI

HON. BENJAMIN A. GILMAN

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 5, 1999

Mr. GILMAN. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to share with our colleagues the remarkable life of an outstanding individual and good friend who has devoted his work to law enforcement and particularly to eradicating the impact of drugs in our society.

John J. Bellizzi is being recognized this weekend for his 50 years of dedicated service to these causes, and especially to his 40 years of devotion to the International Narcotics Enforcement Officers Association (INEOA) which he founded in 1959 and for which he became its first President. Today, John continues to serve as Executive Director of INEOA and is even more dedicated to this cause than he was in the past.

John previously retired from the position of Director of the New York State Bureau of Narcotic Enforcement, having worked under six Governors. In that position, John earned the respect of all of us who had worked with him. I vividly recall during my tenure in the State Assembly the dedication John brought to his fledgling crusade against drugs.

John Bellizzi is a product of the New York City school system, having graduated from Stuyvesant High School. He obtained his degree in pharmacy from St. John's University, and received an LL.B. from Albany Law School and his Doctor of Jurisprudence from Union University. John has also studied on the graduate level at New York University and at Fordham University.

John was also a police officer with the New York City Police Department. In that capacity, he was assigned to some of the most critical neighborhoods in the city, including Harlem, Bedford-Stuyvesant, and the south Bronx. During World War II, John was an undercover agent, investigating and reporting on some of the subversive organizations which were working against our nation.

John utilized his unique background in both pharmacy and law enforcement to help spearhead the fight against illegal narcotics. He is the author of many articles on pharmacy, narcotics, and the law. He also served on the faculty of several schools, including Albany Medical School, the University of Southern California, and St. John's University.

John Bellizzi served as a consultant on drug abuse to the White House and served on the Narcotics Commission of two successive Mayors of New York City—Robert F. Wagner, Jr., and John V. Lindsey. He also advised Mayor Sam Yorty of Los Angeles and Governor Jerry Brown of California as a member of their narcotics commissions.

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

Mr. Speaker, the awards and recognitions John Bellizzi has received over the years are too numerous to fully enumerate here. Suffice to say that he was presented the Honor Legion Medal from the New York City Police Department, the Papal medal from Pope Paul VI in 1965; the very first Anslinger Award for combating international narcotics trafficking presented in 1979; and was honored by the Columbia Association of New York State Employees and the Italian Pharmaceutical Society of New York for distinguished service to the community by an American of Italian ancestry. John also was awarded a gold medal by the Daughters of the American Revolution.

With all these honors, there is no doubt that John's pride and joy is his wife of 57 years, Celeste Morga, who has been his co-partner and confidant in all of his endeavors. They are the proud parents of two sons, John J., Jr., and Robert F.

This weekend, the International Narcotic Enforcement Officers Association is conducting its 40th Annual Conference. A special awards ceremony will honor drug enforcement officers from throughout the world. A special program will spotlight the remarkable career of John J. Bellizzi and his achievements throughout the past half century.

Mr. Speaker, I invite all of our colleagues to join with me in saluting John Bellizzi, a champion of our war against drugs.

IN HONOR OF THE SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH OF LAKEWOOD

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 5, 1999

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the 75th anniversary of the Faith Lutheran Church of Lakewood.

Faith Lutheran Church was established in 1924 by the Home Mission Board of the Evangelical Lutheran Joint Synod of Ohio. Services were first held in a storeroom at 15635 Madison Avenue next to Scherzer's Bakery. Reverend Edward W. Schramm served as the first pastor. The Madison School Building, now known as Harding Middle School became a second place of worship until the current church was dedicated on Easter Sunday, March 27, 1932. An additional educational building and chapel were dedicated October 6, 1957.

Faith Lutheran Church was designed in the Gothic style by Cleveland Architect William E. Foster. Especially noteworthy is the Reuter pipe organ designed specially for the church by the Reuter Organ Company. With 1,439 speaking pipes ranging from eighteen feet to one-fourth of an inch, the organ is recognized for its tonal richness.

Today, Faith Lutheran Church has a 582-member congregation. Reverend Richard G. Schluep serves as pastor. Upholding a long-standing tradition of goodwill, the people of Faith Lutheran Church work together to serve local community charities and agencies. Congratulations to Faith Lutheran Church for 75 years of service and religious celebration.

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My fellow colleagues, join me in honoring Faith Lutheran Church, a community that has dedicated their lives to God, freedom and the well being of all people.

BIRTHDAY TRIBUTE TO FRAN BANMILLER

HON. ROBERT E. ANDREWS

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 5, 1999

Mr. ANDREWS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to acknowledge the birthday of a dear friend of mine. On Saturday, October 2, 1999, Mrs. Fran Banmiller, celebrated her 50th birthday. Fran was born in South West Philadelphia and moved to Gloucester City, N.J. She attended Rutgers-Camden School of Finance where she earned her CPA and later went on to earn her masters in tax accounting.

Fran, and her husband Jerry, are the proud parents of three beautiful children, Liz, Sarah and Rachel.

I would like to wish her a happy and healthy 50th birthday.

H.R. 3013: TO AMEND THE ALASKA NATIVE CLAIMS SETTLEMENT ACT

HON. DON YOUNG

OF ALASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 5, 1999

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to introduce H.R. 3013, a bill to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act to allow shareholders common stock to be transferred to adopted Alaska native children and their descendants and for other purposes.

This bill is very similar to H.R. 2803, however, the Alaska Federation of Natives and the Department of the Interior have agreed to delete Section 7, the Partial Section Selections from the original bill. Other provisions in the bill contains revised language recommended by the Department of the Interior to address some of their concerns.

Again, Mr. Speaker, I am introducing H.R. 3013 with language revision changes to three provisions of H.R. 2803. This is to allow our Committee to hold a hearing next Wednesday on a new and expanded version of H.R. 2803 which reflects changes recommended by the Alaska Federation of Natives and the Department of the Interior.

THE TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL: RECOGNIZING 75 YEARS OF SERVICE

HON. JIM TURNER

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 5, 1999

Mr. TURNER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the 75th anniversary of Toastmasters International, which since its conception on October 22, 1924, has grown to over 8,000