With gratitude and respect for the work they do, I offer my congratulations to Al-Anon Family Groups on their 50th anniversary.

TRIBUTE TO OVARIAN CANCER NATIONAL ALLIANCE

- Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to the Ovarian Cancer National Alliance of Washington, D.C. during Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month of September. The Alliance has been instrumental in implementing a three phase public education program targeting key constituencies to deliver crucial information about ovarian cancer.

- The information provided to the public about ovarian cancer has allowed the Alliance to successfully develop the tools, strategies and relationships necessary to educate women about the symptoms, risks and treatment of ovarian cancer.

- The main thrust of the education program was the development of a pilot awareness program in the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area. Working closely with the Ovarian Cancer Coalition of Greater Washington, the Alliance trained more than 30 volunteers to go into the community to give educational presentations and partnered with area gynecologic and oncology physicians and nurses to do similar presentations in the medical community.

- The combined aspects of the program have reached several hundred healthcare professionals and tens of thousands of women. The pilot program has made a marked impact in raising ovarian cancer awareness in the Washington, D.C. area.

- The Alliance has begun to identify other communities around the country in which to conduct similar educational campaigns to heighten awareness of ovarian cancer.

- I commend the Ovarian Cancer National Alliance for its selfless dedication to the education of women concerning ovarian cancer and applaud the efforts to reach thousands of women in our country with life saving information. It is truly an honor and a privilege to represent you in the United States Senate.

TRIBUTE TO ALICE WATERS

- Mrs. BOXER. Mr. President, today I pay tribute to an extraordinary American and Californian, Alice Waters, who has revolutionized our approach to food and the way we eat.

- I congratulate her and her flagship restaurant, Chez Panisse, for reaching the milestone of being in business for 30 years. This exquisite restaurant for all of these years is significant, Alice’s broader contribution to our culture in the past decades is unparalleled.

- While I have known and admired Alice for many years, I am astonished when I consider the effect she has had on our country. Alice has cultivated programs and integrated food and gardening into imaginative projects as ways of fostering love, growth, responsibility and togetherness.

- Alice’s disciples and her philosophy of fresh, local and natural, have spread throughout our land. A remarkable number of protégées have opened their own path-breaking restaurants and have become culinary artists themselves. But her influence goes far beyond the kitchen. Due to the leadership of Alice and her restaurant, Chez Panisse, the National Restaurant Association reports that over 60 percent of the top American restaurants now mention organic ingredients on their menus. Alice worked to pass the Federal organic food law and has helped define new U.S. Department of Agriculture guidelines for school lunches.

- Alice has written and co-authored many cookbooks, which provide more than 1,000 recipes. Her philosophy of food into American home kitchens. She has founded gardening projects at the San Francisco jail and the Edible Schoolyard in Berkeley’s Martin Luther King Jr. Middle School, where she established a curriculum that brings organic gardening into classes and where the results of the children’s gardening are used in the school’s lunch program.

- The students who participate not only learn valuable skills but also cooperation and responsibility.

- Alice believes that as Americans change their thinking about food, America will change for the better. Alice has talked about our children that “Most families in this country don’t even eat one meal a day with each other. So how are we going to pass on our values to them if we don’t eat with them?”

- While Chez Panisse has been graced with many talented people over the years, the one constant has been Alice. She has poured her life into Chez Panisse and into what it represents, and we are all the richer for it.

- I am proud to know Alice and I wish her, her good works for our community and nation, and Chez Panisse another 30 years of continued success.

COMMENDING THE SERVICE OF GENERAL THOMAS P. KANE

- Mrs. BOXER. Mr. President, I take this opportunity to bring to the Senate’s attention the exemplary career and service of General Thomas Kane, Commander of the 60th Air Mobility Wing at Travis Air Force Base in California.

- General Kane is leaving Travis to accept and will report with NATO on September 12, 2001. When he arrived in Solano County almost 2 years ago, he brought with him a sense of honor, purpose and teamwork that not only resonated on the base itself but throughout the surrounding community. I am not the only one who will miss his spirit, good nature and character.

- General Kane is a career Air Force officer. He graduated from the Air Force Academy in 1974 and has earned numerous advanced degrees since. A pilot and highly decorated officer, he has served in many capacities and in many locations over the course of his time in the Armed Forces including Portugal and Korea. Advancing steadily, he was promoted to Brigadier General on September 1, 2000.

- I had the pleasure of meeting General Kane in person once at my office in Washington, DC. To me, the most striking thing about him is how much he cares about the men and women in his command. This impressed me very much. For my part, my attitude is more than an approach to leadership; it is the very essence of leadership.

- General Kane often likes to mention that if he ever leaves the Air Force he would like to be a baseball coach. I am not sure if America needs more baseball coaches, but I do know that we very much need dedicated people leading our military. General Kane is just such an officer. He is a credit to his uniform and his country. I wish him, his wife Renee and their family the very best.

RECOGNIZING JIM WOSTER FOR HIS SERVICE TO SOUTH DAKOTA

- Mr. JOHNSON. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize a friend and an extraordinary South Dakotan who is about to be inducted into the South Dakota Hall of Fame on Saturday, September 8th. I am very pleased that Mr. Jim Woster, of Sioux Falls, SD has been selected for this very prestigious honor. I am sure this is also a great honor for Jim’s wife, Penny, their three children, Jim, Sara, and Michelle, and their new granddaughter, Tessa. Jim’s contributions to our State have been many, but he has, in particular, been an absolute champion for the interests of agriculture and South Dakota’s rural communities.

- After growing up on a ranch near Rapid City, Mr. Woster graduated from South Dakota State University with a degree in animal science. As a young man, Jim began to compile an incredibly impressive list of accomplishments in all aspects of South Dakota agriculture. Jim’s experiences range from working in the cattle alley at the Sioux Falls Stockyards to conducting important ruminant nutrition research. Jim has been involved in conformation sales of livestock at sale barns throughout the State, and became a highly respected and beloved media personality in our State through his market reports on radio and television. Nobody knows rural America,