

Marsh deflects such praise. In this small farming community that he and his family call home, he has rediscovered what he loved most about Delta Force. "It's the same atmosphere," he says. "Everybody takes care of each other, and we do our jobs."

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ELTON GALLEGLY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 20, 2002

Mr. GALLEGLY. Mr. Speaker, on March 7 I missed roll call vote number 52. Had I been present, I would have voted "aye" on the vote.

TRIBUTE TO DR. JOE CRAIG

HON. SUE WILKINS MYRICK

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 20, 2002

Mrs. MYRICK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and work of one of my constituents, Dr. Joe Craig.

Dr. Craig has spent his entire life working to better the lives of others. Since 1978, he has traveled overseas to the poorest of regions, including Africa and Latin America, to provide free medical and dental care. This is a special year for Dr. Craig because he is 70 years old and will be conducting his 70th and final overseas medical mission.

Dr. Craig's altruistic work also extended to his local community of Charlotte, North Carolina. He greatly helped our local Charlotte community by providing free dental services to recovering drug users and alcoholics and by counseling dozens of families through marriage and family problems. He also volunteered in the Charlotte Police Crime Lab in the 1960s before a full-time chemist was hired.

Dr. Craig is a perfect example of the selfless call to volunteerism recently highlighted by President George W. Bush. For this reason, I am honored to recognize Dr. Craig for his life work and congratulate him and his family for his 70 years of dedication to making this world a better place.

CELEBRATING THE WOMEN OF LEWISTON/AUBURN

HON. JOHN ELIAS BALDACCI

OF MAINE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 20, 2002

Mr. BALDACCI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to call my colleagues' attention to a dinner being held next week in the Lewiston/Auburn community of Maine. The event, "Celebrating the Women of L/A," will honor women who have touched the lives of others in their communities.

I am proud to have the opportunity to pay tribute to the following Women of L/A here in the House of Representatives. The Honorees are Diane Anctil, Gail Baillargeon, Kathryn Beaulé, Sue Capponi, Sandy Conrad, Theresa Cote, Christine Clabby, Lori Cummings, Robin Duffy, Belinda Gerry, Nancy Hinds, Patience

Johnson, Rachel Kay, Kathleen Noel King, Simonne Lavoie, Linda Mynahan, Venise Pratt, Muriel Richard, Patricia Robitaille, Trena Hamblin Steele, Linda Tanguay, Ann Tourtelotte, Dr. Luz Maria Umpierre, and Kathy Varney.

Those submitting nominations were asked to briefly describe what it was about the nominee that made her such a special and important part of the community. Here are a few examples: "She truly cares about the company's employees . . . She is interested in their lives, and she treats everyone with respect and dignity."

"My sister has been an example to me. We came from a single parent home where our father was an alcoholic. She quit school at 16 and worked as a nurses' aide to earn money so our family could stay together. No one thought she would make anything of herself. Through hard work she proved them wrong."

"Despite an extended career with many successes and contributions, she is always focused on the next opportunity to serve. . . . Her dedication to family and friends is equally as selfless."

"How can a daughter even begin to explain how much her mother means to her? There are certainly not enough words in the dictionary for me to tell you who and what my mother is to me."

"She is a loving person with a 'Heart of Gold,' who has touched the lives of many people through her love and dedication in helping others and never wanting anything in return."

"If there could be only one person that I look up to it would be my grandmother. . . . She is the bravest, most courageous person I have ever met and no one could ever replace her."

"Now that I'm grown up with children of my own, I love and appreciate my mother more than ever. I now know how much hard work is involved in being a good mother, although she always made it seem so effortless. . . . When people tell me how much I am like her I take that as the greatest compliment, for I hope I could be half of the woman that she is."

"She saw my need, reached out her hand, and impacted another life—which is just what she does on a daily basis."

These are but a few examples of the testimonials received on behalf of the honorees. They speak to the importance and influence that these women have had on their families, colleagues, and communities.

For decades, the women of Lewiston and Auburn—like those throughout Maine, the nation and the world—have raised children, served as caregivers, worked inside and outside the home, and volunteered their time and talents. They have maintained a strong and quiet foundation for our families that has nourished us all. This celebration recognizes all that women bring to families and our community.

These 24 women are all extremely deserving of this honor, and I congratulate them as they are recognized for their efforts in the home, in the workplace and in the community. I know that they are also representative of many other women throughout these communities and as we honor them, we also look around at the many other women who have made positive differences in L/A. I offer my thanks and best wishes to all the women of L/A for making Lewiston and Auburn such a strong and vibrant community.

A RESOLUTION ADJOURNING THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES IN LOVING MEMORY AND HONOR OF WILLIAM ANDREW CANNON

HON. MARY BONO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 20, 2002

Mrs. BONO. Mr. Speaker, The most prominent glory of a country is in its great men. A nation's spirit and its success will depend on its willingness to learn from their example. In life we shall find many men that are great, and some men that are good, but very few men that are both great and good. William Andrew Cannon was such a man.

With deepest respect and admiration, we pay homage and tribute to William Andrew Cannon, and we pause in silent reverence for his soul.

Whereas, William Andrew Cannon was born on August 25, 1920, a native of Sweeny, Texas, and longtime resident of the State of Mississippi, and he traversed these earthly bounds on February 28, 2002; and

Whereas, William Andrew Cannon was the devoted husband of Lucy de Forcade de Biaix, a member of the Italian aristocracy, whom he married on the Isle of Capri in 1945; he was the loving father of a son, Fred, and a daughter, Tina Jennie, and he was the proud grandfather of six grandchildren, Carlo, Crystel, Francesco, Elena, Lauren, and Guglielmo; and

Whereas, William Andrew Cannon graduated from Corinth High School in Corinth, Mississippi in 1938, and he attended Western Kentucky University School of Business in Bowling Green from 1938 to 1941, after which time he became a managing partner of the Van Bibber Lumber Plant in Fulton, Mississippi, before joining the United States Air Force to serve in World War II; and

Whereas, William Andrew Cannon served his country with pride and distinction during World War II; he was a pilot, stationed in Foggia, Italy, from 1943 to 1946, and he held the rank of 1st Lieutenant with the 463rd Bombardment Group of the United States 15th Air Force; and during this perilous time, along with the personnel of the 463rd Bombardment Group, he exhibited commendable efficiency in skill, devotion, courage, and determination while facing intense enemy opposition over the skies of Germany and Eastern Europe, flying gallantly through in wing formation to reach designated targets; and William Andrew Cannon, receiving an honorable discharge in May 1946, was the recipient of the Second Presidential Unit Citation for his extraordinary heroism and outstanding performance of duty in military operation against the enemy at Ploesti on May 18, 1944, and at the Daimler Benz Tank Works in Berlin on March 24, 1945; and

Whereas, William Andrew Cannon, upon being discharged from the United States Air Force in 1946, returned to the Van Bibber Lumber Plant in Fulton, Mississippi, serving as a partner until 1954, before joining the United States Department of Defense in 1955 in Naples, Italy, where he worked as Maintenance Control Engineer for Public Works at the Naval Support Facility until 1983, and afterwards, he received many honors for his outstanding service; and in 1983, he joined the Naval Communications Mediterranean as Facility Manager, and he retired from that post on March 31, 1990; and

Whereas, having received numerous awards for active service, William Andrew Cannon, at the time of his retirement, also was the recipient of the Department of the Navy's