

altogether. Recent polls state that 30 percent of employers will “definitely” or “probably” stop offering health insurance after 2014. In the wake of the Court’s ruling, employers will have three options in coming years: maintain coverage and absorb cost increases, maintain coverage and pass on as many costs as possible to workers, or drop coverage and pay a penalty. Despite the court’s ruling, I remain committed to working toward the repeal of this harmful law.

The House of Representatives will vote yet again to repeal the law in early July and immediately begin deliberate work to replace the law with free market reforms that truly improve access to quality and affordable care. Americans and their doctors, not federal bureaucrats and politicians, are in the best position to determine which health care options best meet their individual needs.

300TH ANNIVERSARY OF UWCHLAN
TOWNSHIP, CHESTER COUNTY,
PENNSYLVANIA

HON. JIM GERLACH

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 29, 2012

Mr. GERLACH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Uwchlan Township, Chester County, Pennsylvania on its 300th anniversary.

Founded by Welsh Quakers in the late 17th century, the first European inhabitants called the area “Uwchlan,” meaning “upland” in Welsh. In 1712, Uwchlan was established as a township, having grown up around ancient Native American trails that today are part of South Village Avenue and Dowlin Forge Road.

Uwchlan existed principally as a rural, farming community well into the 20th century. The end of World War II brought about new changes as suburban developments gradually began replacing farms. A census taken in 1973 counted 6,616 residents, up from about only 500 in 1920. Three hundred years after its establishment as a township, the most recent census presents a robust population of 18,088.

While Uwchlan Township has changed a great deal since its establishment 300 years ago, it still retains much of the charm from its historic past. Now pre-Revolutionary farmhouses stand in close proximity to modern business parks. Today, Uwchlan Township and its citizens continue to make valuable contributions to the quality of the economic and social life of Chester County while preserving the rich and storied heritage of their past.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me today in congratulating Uwchlan Township and its remarkable history on the occasion of its 300th anniversary and to extend best wishes for the Township’s continued prosperity and longevity.

TRIBUTE TO MRS. LINDA
SCRITCHFIELD

HON. SHELLEY MOORE CAPITO

OF WEST VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 29, 2012

Mrs. CAPITO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the accomplishment of a constituent of mine, Mrs. Linda Scritchfield, and to praise her 25 years of service as Site Manager for the Ravenswood Senior Center.

Linda, whose first day as Site Manager was January 1, 1987, will work her final day on June 29, 2012. When Linda took over the Senior Center, it was located in an old locks building on the banks of the Ohio River and offered few activities. Under Linda’s guidance, the seniors started looking for land in order to build a new center. They held multiple fundraisers, and with the help of Jackson County Commission on Aging, grants, and the city of Ravenswood, the new center opened in November 1997.

Linda was instrumental in raising funds for the services that the senior citizens of Ravenswood enjoy. The new center has a dining area, computer room, billiards room, library, pool area and offices. A therapeutic pool was opened a few years later. The center also provides services for veterans along with offering wigs for cancer patients, flu shot clinics, water aerobics, and open swim classes.

Although Linda has helped the Senior Center make great strides over the years, Linda says her biggest accomplishments in life are the personal relationships she formed with the seniors. They have made such an impact on her life, and she hopes that she has been able to do the same for them.

I thank Linda for her years of service and Ravenswood is fortunate to call Linda one of its own.

IN REMEMBRANCE OF JUDGE
PATRICK F. GALLAGHER

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 29, 2012

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in remembrance of Judge Patrick F. Gallagher, who spent nearly 20 years as a judge for the Cuyahoga County Domestic Relations Court.

Born on September 1, 1918, Judge Gallagher was raised in the City of Cleveland. He graduated from St. Ignatius High in 1936. Before enrolling in college, Judge Gallagher served with the U.S. Army for four years in England during World War II. He was discharged, having earned the rank of master sergeant.

Upon returning home, Judge Gallagher graduated from Case Western Reserve University and earned his law degree from Cleveland Marshall College of Law. In 1956, he joined the Cuyahoga County Juvenile Court as a legal consultant. He would eventually become the Juvenile Court’s chief clerk.

Judge Gallagher was first elected as a Judge for Cuyahoga Court Domestic Relations Court in 1972. He was subsequently reelected for two additional terms and retired after 18 years on the bench.

I offer my condolences to his wife, Eileen; children, Patrick (Cynthia), Dr. Michael (Catherine), Dr. Timothy (Lynn), John and Captain Colleen Gallagher Thomas; grandchildren, Molly (Kevin), Kate, Mary Catherine, Brian, Kelly, Amy, Jaci, Timothy, Erin, Daniel, Bridget and Brendan; and great-grandson, Jack.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in honoring Cuyahoga County Domestic Relations Court Judge Patrick F. Gallagher.

COMMENDATION OF GROSSE
POINTE SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL
GIRLS’ TRACK AND FIELD AND
TENNIS TEAMS

HON. HANSEN CLARKE

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 29, 2012

Mr. CLARKE of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Grosse Pointe South girls’ track and field and tennis teams for being Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA) Division 1 champions! I am proud of the Grosse Pointe South athletes’ discipline, motivation, and perseverance.

For the second year in a row, the Grosse Pointe South girls’ track and field team won the Division 1 state championship and demonstrated the power of friendship and teamwork. Track and field team members Ersula Farrow, Haley Meier, Hannah Meier, and Kelsie Schwartz beat the state record in the 3200-meter relay by 17 seconds and set a National Federation high school track and field record with a time of 8 minutes and 48.29 seconds. Grosse Pointe South is the only Michigan team to break the 9-minute barrier in the 3200-meter relay.

The same day, the Grosse Pointe South girls’ tennis team won the highly competitive Division 1 state championship title and finished with 26 points. Maggie Sweeney won the individual championship at No. 4 singles and Amelia Boccaccio and Carrie Lynch won at No. 2 doubles.

I am honored to recognize the Grosse Pointe South girls’ track and field and tennis teams, their standout athletes, and their dedicated coaches for their commitment and hard work.

HONORING L.L. BEAN

HON. MICHAEL H. MICHAUD

OF MAINE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 29, 2012

Mr. MICHAUD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize L.L. Bean on the occasion of its 100th anniversary.

It was one century ago that Leon Leonwood Bean sent out his first shipment of Maine hunting shoes. Defects in the shoe’s initial design caused individuals to return 90 pairs of those shoes. Undeterred, Bean provided the purchasers with full refunds, corrected the design flaws and set back to work marketing his products. This commitment to customer satisfaction has been the cornerstone of L.L. Bean’s success throughout the last 100 years. Not only does their customer satisfaction guarantee remain in effect, but L.L. Bean’s store in