

companies that develop software applications for smart devices along with companies that provide Internet services—like Facebook and Twitter—are able to innovate and get those innovations to consumers quickly. Because of the broadband networks in place these non-telecom companies are able to expand their businesses and service offerings.”

Other telecom-related companies on the list included Comcast at No. 8 with \$5.3 billion in investments; Southern Company, which owns wireless operator SouthernLINC, at No. 10 with \$4.5 billion; Sprint Nextel at No. 16 with \$3.1 billion in investments; Time Warner Cable at No. 19 with \$2.9 billion in investments; Google at No. 24 with \$2.2 billion in investments; and Apple at No. 25 on the list with \$2 billion in investments.

“The role of investment in the economy is essential,” Diana Carew, an economist at the Progressive Policy Institute and co-author of the report, told Breakout “It creates jobs. It boosts wages. It boosts productivity. It stimulates growth. It affects millions of Americans in a very positive way.”

**INVESTMENT HEROES: TOP 25 NONFINANCIAL COMPANIES BY U.S. CAPITAL EXPENDITURE\***

Rank and Company	U.S. Capital Expenditures (\$Bns)
1 AT&T**	20.1
2 Verizon Communications**	16.2
3 Exxon Mobil	11.7
4 Wal-Mart	8.2
5 Intel	7.4
6 Occidental Petroleum	6.2
7 ConocoPhillips	5.6
8 Comcast**	5.3
9 Chevron	4.8
10 Southern Company**	4.5
11 Hess	4.4
12 Exelon**	4.0
13 Ford Motor	3.9
14 General Electric	3.7
15 Enterprise Product Partners**	3.6
16 Sprint Nextel**	3.1
17 Walt Disney	3.0
18 FedEx	2.9
19 Time Warner Cable**	2.9
20 General Motors	2.8
21 Target	2.5
22 IBM	2.5
23 Chrysler Group	2.5
24 Google	2.2
25 Apple	2.0
Total	136.2

\* Universe includes nonfinancial Fortune 150 companies from 2011; financial reporting from FY11.  
 \*\* Reported to have U.S. operations only; may include a small amount of non-U.S. investment.

**CELEBRATING THE OPENING OF THE GENE UPSHAW MEMORIAL TAHOE FOREST CANCER CENTER**

**HON. TOM MCCLINTOCK**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 18, 2012

Mr. MCCLINTOCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the completion and opening of the Gene Upshaw Memorial Tahoe Forest Cancer Center in Truckee, California.

Led by Medical Director Laurence Heifetz, MD, FACP, and Medical Oncologist Hematologist Ahrin Koppel, MD, the Tahoe Cancer Center first opened its doors in 2006 with a mission of providing quality care for cancer patients in the Tahoe region.

The Center’s services are vast and include: medical evaluation, examination, diagnosis and treatment; chemotherapy infusion and blood product administration; pharmacy, laboratory and diagnostic imaging services; a psychosocial services program with wellness,

support groups, nutritional counseling and rehabilitation therapies; professional and caring staff; and Financial Counseling for patients. And for the first time in the Truckee-Tahoe area, the expanded Center will also house radiation oncology services as well.

In coordination with the University of California Davis Cancer Care Network, the Tahoe Forest Cancer will provide world class treatment and care for cancer patients in north-eastern California and Nevada. The Center will connect patients not just to the best in modern treatments and equipment, but to some of the most renowned medical professionals in our state. I am certain that both these patients and their families will reap the dividends of this facility for decades to come, often in the hour of their greatest need.

Mr. Speaker, the foundation of our nation’s strength has always been found in our local communities. Neighbors who willingly band together and pool their resources are remarkably skilled at employing those resources to their most useful and productive ends. They do so because they have a vested stake in the future of their towns and cities, and they understand the burdens borne to finance that future because they are the ones who bear them. I can think of no finer example of this remarkable and unique characteristic of our shared heritage than the opening of the Gene Upshaw Memorial Tahoe Forest Cancer Center and I am proud to rise today in celebration of this auspicious occasion.

**HONORING LISA WARD**

**HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON**

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 18, 2012

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a worthy member of our society Mrs. Lisa Ward. Lisa Ward and her husband, Darrel Ward, are the proud parents of two.

Mrs. Ward is a dedicated and devoted mom, who works tirelessly in the Canton Public School District and in the community to make a difference in the lives of children. As an employee for the Canton Parks and Recreation Department in the city of Canton, she has helped to create various service-oriented activities for our youth.

Some of those youth activities include indoor and outdoor sports, movies in the park, carnivals, health feasts and decreasing childhood obesity. Understanding the importance of community and parental involvement Mrs. Ward works diligently to garner support and sponsorships from vendors, merchants, and parents in the community to offer these and other activities to help provide recreational opportunities for children and to help them develop socially. In her desire to serve as a concerned and involved parent in the lives of children, she often goes above and beyond the call of duty. In honor of her dedication and contribution to her local community and children, Mrs. Ward has received the Parent of the Year award from the McNeal Elementary School and the District Parent of the Year award from the Canton Public School District.

Mr. Speaker, I ask our colleagues to join me in recognizing Mrs. Lisa Ward, for her commitment and contribution to helping improve the

lives of children in the Canton Public School District, located in the Second Congressional District of Mississippi.

**HONORING DR. JOSEPH THOMAS FELSEN, MD UPON THE OCCASION OF HIS “RETIREMENT”**

**HON. TOM REED**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 18, 2012

Mr. REED. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Dr. Joseph Thomas Felsen on his “retirement” as he transitions to a new adventure. Commonly referred to as Dr. Joe, he dedicated over 35 years to serving my district. Between raising funds for Jones Memorial Hospital, joining various health committees in the district, and working to bring more physicians to the rural areas of his county, Dr. Joe’s unselfish concern for others improved the well-being of his patients and community.

Dr. Joe has been an outstanding member of this district for his entire life. He was born at Jones Memorial Hospital and later worked there as an attending physician in Internal Medicine from 1979 until his retirement. Practicing for over 30 years in the same building as his father, Dr. Irwin Felsen, the two combined for 73 years of patient centered care in the 29th district.

I am extremely grateful for Dr. Felsen’s invaluable contributions to our community and wish him the best of luck when he and his wife, Florence Anne, leave for the Peace Corps this September.

**TRIBUTE TO JOSEPH SMUKLER, ESQ.**

**HON. ROBERT A. BRADY**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 18, 2012

Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor my friend, the late Joseph Smukler, Esq.

Joseph was a giant of a man. He was a humanitarian, a philanthropist, a scholar and an attorney of great renown. He was universally recognized as one of the most public spirited citizens of the Delaware Valley.

Joe was a tireless advocate of the voiceless. The urge to advocate led to his leadership on behalf of Jews persecuted in the former Soviet Union and to reach out to the poor and disadvantaged at home through charitable work. His professional advocacy led his statewide peers to recognize him as Pennsylvania’s “Super Lawyer” in 2004.

Joseph had a keen intellect, which he honed as a cum laude graduate of Kenyon College, with an A.B. and Highest Honors in Economics, Harvard Law School where he earned an LL.B., Oxford University England where he attained a Graduate Diploma in law, and at Gratz College where he was awarded his Doctor of Hebrew Laws (Hon.)

He was a natural leader who served as a First Lieutenant in the United States Air Force. That talent and leadership ability advanced him through the legal ranks to the positions of senior partner and chairman of the Personal