

a Central Kentucky educator, Coach Tim Cahill. By promoting a positive attitude in his students, Coach Cahill has mentored countless high school students to excel in athletics, in education, and in life.

Coach Cahill started as a swimmer for Saint Xavier High School in Cincinnati. He received a degree in Special Education from the University of Cincinnati, and received a Masters in Education from Xavier University before choosing to be a swimming coach. He has pursued that passion for over thirty years.

Coach Cahill's record speaks for itself. He has coached 40 state champions, one National Champion, one U.S. World Team Member, seven Olympic Trial Qualifiers, and one Paralympic Champion. In 2005, he received the Balfour Coach of the Year award for all Kentucky High School Athletic Association Sports. He has been nominated for National Coach of the Year four times: 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2010. This year, he finally received that honor, becoming National Coach of the Year 2010.

In addition to coaching at an outstanding level, Mr. Cahill teaches in the College of Health Sciences at Eastern Kentucky University. He has also volunteered numerous hours with Special Olympics of Kentucky. He and his wife Judy have three children who all went on to swim at the collegiate level.

Coach Cahill was diagnosed with pancreatic and liver cancer in April of this year. True to his character, he is fighting the disease and working with the American Cancer Society to make a difference for others suffering from the disease. Thus far, Team Cahill has raised over \$13,500 dollars for the American Cancer Society.

Coach Cahill's passion for swimming extends beyond teaching his students to excel—he challenges all of us to make a positive difference in everything we do. Madam Speaker, please join me in recognizing the great achievements, the generosity, and the resilient spirit of Coach Tim Cahill, truly an outstanding Kentuckian.

CONGRESS SHOULD SUPPORT ETHANOL PRODUCTION

HON. DANNY K. DAVIS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 19, 2010

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois. Madam Speaker, Members of Congress are working to remedy the current economic imbalance, immense unemployment, job creation and both domestic and international energy-based issues. As we look to the future; we must confront the many dimensions of these complex needs responsibly, to create solutions that will have a lasting positive benefit for America. I believe investing in renewable energy sources, including ethanol is an efficient and effective stimulus. Ethanol serves as an aid to meet energy policy goals by promoting domestic production of renewable energy, reducing greenhouse gas emissions and providing financial support for the agriculture sector.

Nationwide, ethanol has increased tax revenues for both State and local governments by over \$5 billion. Ethanol production and use today reduces greenhouse gas emissions compared to gasoline by 59 percent. Accord-

ing to the Congressional Budget Office report as of this July, the Argonne National Lab concluded corn-based ethanol produced 20 percent less greenhouse gas emissions in its life cycle compared to gasoline and petroleum diesel. Ethanol production contributed \$53.3 billion to the nation's Gross Domestic Product and created over 200,000 jobs in all sectors of the economy. The State of Illinois produces over 1.5 billion gallons of ethanol annually and is ranked third in ethanol production with 14 facilities. Just as ethanol has been a valuable tool for the State of Illinois, I strongly believe support for this renewable energy source can be a great benefit for the Nation.

Our current state of our economy is not sustainable. It is imperative we structure our energy infrastructure in a sustainable manner while simultaneously reducing our greenhouse gas emissions. Investing in ethanol and other renewable energy sources are an important piece of our Nation's economic and energy future.

OUR UNCONSCIONABLE NATIONAL DEBT

HON. MIKE COFFMAN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 19, 2010

Mr. COFFMAN of Colorado. Madam Speaker, today our national debt is \$13,239,903,754,450.73.

On January 6, 2009, the start of the 111th Congress, the national debt was \$10,638,425,746,293.80.

This means the national debt has increased by \$2,601,478,007.93 so far this Congress.

This debt and its interest payments we are passing to our children and all future Americans.

HONORING BISHOP PAUL A.G. STEWART, SR.

HON. DALE E. KILDEE

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 19, 2010

Mr. KILDEE. Madam Speaker, today I am honoring Bishop Paul A.G. Stewart, Sr. Bishop Stewart is the Presiding Prelate of the Michigan-Indiana Region, Third Episcopal District of the Christian Methodist Episcopal Church. The 52nd Session of the Michigan-Indiana Regional Annual Conference and Leadership School of the Mighty Thriving Third Episcopal District Christian Methodist Episcopal Church is being held in my hometown of Flint, Michigan this week. St. Peter Christian Methodist Episcopal Church under the leadership of Reverend William H. Bell, Jr. is hosting the event.

Bishop Paul A.G. Stewart, Sr. was elected the 50th Bishop of the Christian Methodist Episcopal Church in 1998. Upon his election and consecration he was assigned to the Fifth Episcopal District covering the states of Alabama and Florida.

In 2002, Bishop Stewart was assigned to the Third Episcopal District, presiding over the Southeast Missouri, Illinois and Wisconsin Region, the Michigan-Indiana Region and the

Kansas-Missouri Region covering 10 Midwestern States. He has provided the leadership to erect six new churches, purchase six parsonages, renovate numerous churches, enable eight ministers to obtain their Masters of Divinity Degrees, enable three ministers to obtain their Doctor of Divinity Degrees, employ a part-time Director of Evangelism and increase the growth and development of Church Ministries. Bishop Stewart is the Chaplaincy Endorsing Agent of the CME Church; the Chair of the Phillips School of Theology Board of Trustees; Chair of the CME Pastors' Conference; Chair of the CME Annual Convocation; Chair of the Board of Personnel Services; Vice Chair of the Conference of National Black Churches and active with many religious and civic organizations. Married to M. Earline Stewart, they are parents to three children and have three grandchildren.

Madam Speaker, the conference theme this year is, "From Good to Great: The Jesus Challenge to Make Christian Discipleship a Top Priority." I welcome the Presiding Elders, clergy, staff, congregants, family and friends of the Michigan-Indiana Region to Flint and I pray that under the leadership of Bishop Stewart, the Christian Methodist Episcopal Church will continue to thrive and grow in the blessings of Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

RECOGNIZING CENTREVILLE, VA, FOR BEING NAMED ONE OF MONEY MAGAZINE'S "BEST PLACES TO LIVE 2010"

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 19, 2010

Mr. CONNOLLY of Virginia. Madam Speaker, I rise today, along with my colleague Rep. FRANK WOLF, to recognize the community of Centreville, VA, for recently being named one of Money Magazine's "Best Places to Live 2010." Centreville ranked number 30 among 100 small communities named best for families.

Money compiled its list of "Best Places to Live 2010" after reviewing hundreds of small communities across the United States with populations between 50,000 and 300,000 for family-friendly qualities. Economic strength, the quality of the schools, availability of affordable housing, overall safety, and community spirit were among the factors used to evaluate each city's quality of life. As one of the top 30 cities on the list, Centreville passed four rounds of appraisal, including one in which appraisers visited the community to form personal impressions and to interview its residents.

Centreville ranked highest amongst the four Virginia communities named to the list. The others were Alexandria, VA, at number 47, Chesapeake, VA, at number 85, and Suffolk, VA, at number 91. Location figured prominently in Centreville's ranking, as its 54,000 residents are in close proximity to our nation's capital and local attractions such as the National Air and Space Museum at Dulles International Airport, Manassas National Battlefield Park and the Bull Run and Shenandoah Mountains.

Madam Speaker, we ask that our colleagues join us in congratulating Centreville on

receiving this designation and in encouraging its residents to continue upholding the high standards that earned them this honor. We also invite our colleagues to visit Centreville to see firsthand what makes this community special.

TRIBUTE TO IRIS DAVIS-WALKER

HON. KENDRICK B. MEEK

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 19, 2010

Mr. MEEK of Florida. Madam Speaker, today I rise to pay tribute to the life and legacy of the late Ms. Iris Davis-Walker, a constituent in the Congressional district I represent. It is with both profound sadness, but also an enduring sense of gratitude that I recognize her for the tremendous inspiration she provided to the South Florida community.

Born in Howells Content, York Town, Clarendon, Ms. Davis-Walker was the only child from the union of William S. Davis and Clara Gayle. She was the youngest of four siblings. She received her early formal education in Clarendon, Jamaica W.I. where she excelled as a seamstress and hairdresser. Before coming to the United States, Ms. Davis-Walker was an active political force in her native country of Jamaica. She often organized rallies and gathered support for various candidates.

Ms. Davis-Walker migrated to Brooklyn, New York, in the late 1960s. She began her professional career in the medical field and worked in several institutions such as the American Nursing Home and Cliffside Nursing Home. While in New York, Ms. Davis-Walker was a faithful member of the Church of God of Prophecy at Barby Street. She was in the inaugural graduating class of the Bible Training Institute, which was a three-year commitment. One of her proudest moments was becoming a licensed minister.

While in South Florida, Ms. Davis-Walker was a poll worker since 2000 and took immense pleasure in being on the ground floor of many Democratic victories in Broward County. She was especially proud when she witnessed the triumph of President Barack H. Obama, who she often called "My President."

Ms. Davis-Walker was blessed with a loving family who took pleasure in every aspect of her life and her interests. I offer my heartfelt condolences to her three children, Juleen Grant-Castillo (James), Bridgette Felix (Denfield), Raymond "Rayzor" Davis and a host of family members and friends.

Madam Speaker, I ask you and all the Members of this esteemed legislative body to join me in recognizing the extraordinary life and accomplishments of Ms. Iris Davis-Walker. She will be missed by all who knew her, and I appreciate this opportunity to pay tribute to her before the United States House of Representatives. While she will indeed be missed, her legacy, as well as the outstanding contributions she made to her church and the South Florida community will live on.

HONORING WILLIAM W. BACKUS
HOSPITAL AND DAY KIMBALL
HOSPITAL

HON. JOE COURTNEY

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 19, 2010

Mr. COURTNEY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the exceptional patient care and service exemplified by two eastern Connecticut hospitals, William W. Backus Hospital and Day Kimball Hospital.

Located in Norwich and Putnam, these two hospitals have been providing quality health care to the residents of New London and Windham Counties for over 100 years. Founded in 1893, Backus Hospital operates the only trauma center in eastern Connecticut, and has the only facility with a hangar for LIFE STAR to transfer patients by air. This capability is extremely beneficial for the critically injured, and expedites transfers to trauma centers across the state.

Serving northeast Connecticut, Day Kimball Hospital maintains a unique partnership with UMass Memorial Medical Center in Worcester, MA, which allows it to stabilize and transport heart attack patients hours faster than the national average. This partnership in concert with the level of excellence in cardiac care at Day Kimball Hospital are extremely advantageous for Connecticut residents. With such resources and capabilities, these two hospitals make achieving outstanding patient satisfaction a top priority.

Recent data published by the Department of Health and Human Services illustrates the hospitals' strong commitment to patient care, with data showing that both hospitals are performing better than the national average in a number of areas. In these hospitals, patients with chest pains or potential heart attacks receive electrocardiograms over thirty minutes faster than the national average, and over 98 percent of cardiac patients are given aspirin within 24 hours of arrival.

Both William W. Backus Hospital and Day Kimball Hospital strive to further improve their already excellent level of patient care and satisfaction. I ask my colleagues to join me in acknowledging the benefit these two hospitals provide to the residents of Connecticut, and the example they set for other hospitals across the country.

CELEBRATING THE TRANSFER OF MAJOR CA-ASIA SHIELDS

HON. ELIJAH E. CUMMINGS

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 19, 2010

Mr. CUMMINGS. Madam Speaker, today, I recognize and pay tribute to Major Ca-Asia Shields, United States Army, on the occasion of her transfer to the Secretary of the Army's Strategy and Initiatives Group. I have had the great pleasure of working with her over the past three years that she has served with the Congress: first as my Defense Fellow and then as a Liaison Officer in the Army Liaison Office in the U.S. House of Representatives.

Major Shields has had a varied and distinguished Army career. She enlisted in the

United States Army in February 1987 and served as an Administrative Specialist for 8 years in both active duty and reserve units. In May 1997, she was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the Military Police Corps, a branch of the Army of which she has always been proud to be a member.

Some of her major duty assignments include Platoon Leader and Company Executive Officer in the 58th Military Police Company, Schofield Barracks, Hawaii; S-3 Operations Officer, Headquarters Command Battalion, Fort Myer, Virginia; Adjutant, 759th Military Police Battalion, Fort Carson, Colorado; Company Commander, 984th Military Police Company; and Military Police Captains' Assignment Officer, Human Resources Command, Alexandria, VA.

Her combat experience included Operation Iraqi Freedom II, where she served as Company Commander of the 984th Military Police Company.

In 2008, she served as a Department of Defense Congressional Fellow in my office, primarily handling national security and veterans issues; but she took the lead in calling attention to Post Traumatic Stress Disorder among returning troops; pushed for more contracting opportunities with the Department of Defense for service disabled owned businesses; and worked to form the Military Leadership Diversity Commission to promote the recruitment and development of minority officers in the Armed Forces. I was very impressed with Ca-Asia's intelligence and work ethic, qualities that were only exceeded by her dedication to our Country's service members and their families.

During her assignment to the Army House Liaison Office, Major Shields developed outstanding rapport with both members and staff in a variety of venues. She planned and escorted 11 congressional and staff delegations to locations within the continental United States and overseas. Her missions ranged from a two-day trip to Fort Lewis, Washington, with 40 staffers to a complicated two-week CODEL to China. She managed the Army-escorted trips for House members and staff to Walter Reed, personally escorting 25 delegations to visit Wounded Warriors. And, in coordination with the Congressional Black Caucus, she developed and conducted the first two Army-sponsored Black History Month events on Capitol Hill. Throughout all of these engagements, she has served as an outstanding representative for Soldiers and for Army values, and enhanced the Army's reputation with the United States Congress.

Major Shields is a graduate of Armstrong Atlantic State University with a BA in History and holds a Master's Degree in History Education from Old Dominion University.

I ask that my colleagues please join me in recognizing the outstanding accomplishments of Major Ca-Asia Shields in serving the United States Army and the Nation.

REMEMBERING REGINALD SMART

HON. TOM McCLINTOCK

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 19, 2010

Mr. McCLINTOCK. Madam Speaker, I rise today in memory of Reginald Smart from Truckee, California.