

The first issue of The Greater Lansing Business Monthly hit the streets in June 1987. In its 25 years of existence, the magazine has become known for its consistent quality and for the positivity of its content.

The magazine is distributed to all non-resident addresses in the cities of Lansing, Mason, Holt, Grand Ledge, East Lansing, Haslett, DeWitt, Williamston, and Okemos. Readership has grown to an estimated 40,000 per month.

The Business Monthly's content includes feature stories centered around a theme each month. Whether the topic is banking or business travel, health care or hospitality, articles highlight the quality products and people of the Greater Lansing area. These stories highlight successful businesses in the community and the people who comprise the companies.

In response to market needs, The Greater Lansing Business Monthly has become involved in many other endeavors. For example, The Greater Lansing Business Index & Survey provides an in-depth look at mid-Michigan's economy. Other projects include CEO networks, the Greater Lansing Entrepreneurial Awards, the Greater Lansing Business Showcase and the Greater Lansing Business + Sports Luncheon. The magazine is also represented on more than a dozen boards in the area. The magazine enjoys a 92 percent awareness and readership rate among businesses in the Greater Lansing market.

Therefore Mr. Speaker, I ask our colleagues to join me in honoring The Greater Lansing Business Monthly and its staff for 25 years of exceptional service to mid-Michigan employers and their customers.

MORGAN BRAND

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 18, 2012*

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Morgan Brand of Saint Joseph, Missouri. Morgan is active in the community and in her school and has been chosen to receive the YWCA Women of Excellence Future Leader Award.

Leadership is a hallmark of Morgan's high school career. While earning high academic honors each semester, she remained involved in Student Council and was a delegate to the Missouri Association of Student Council Summer Leadership Workshop. Morgan's leadership extends to the broader community where she has worked part-time and was essential to the organization of the Senior Citizen Prom. She is often seen at athletic events supporting her peers, and is a member of the varsity tennis team as well as a gifted actor and singer. Morgan was also named to the Scholastic Honor Society at its May induction ceremony. Morgan is a natural tutor and mentor, leading activities for struggling students.

Those who work with Morgan describe her as highly organized and able to win the participation of others through her own example and dependability. Morgan Brand has a bright smile and a bright future both in terms of personal success and community.

Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in recognizing Morgan Brand. She is an amazing individual and a tremendous asset to our com-

munity. I am honored to represent her in the United States Congress.

HONORING THE 10-YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR BIOMEDICAL IMAGING AND BIOENGINEERING

HON. ROBERT E. ANDREWS

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 18, 2012*

Mr. ANDREWS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 10-year anniversary for one of the newest Institutes at the National Institutes of Health. The Congress authorized the creation of the National Institute for Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering over a decade ago, and I am proud to say I was a cosponsor of the enacting legislation. Since 2002, the NIBIB has worked diligently towards its mission to develop new technologies that are combating a myriad of diseases and conditions. NIBIB is unique in the sense that unlike most Institutes at NIH, NIBIB doesn't focus on a particular body area. Its mission is not bound to a particular disease either. Instead, it fills a vital need: it creates the tools and technologies for clinicians and researchers to fight all diseases. In a way, we are all patient advocates for NIBIB.

Some of the technological advances include innovations like advanced imaging tools, such as functional MRI and PET/CT. These not only save lives by diagnosing disease noninvasively and earlier than ever before, but they have provided researchers in other areas of medicine new tools to study and combat their particular disease of focus. In its unique role at NIH, NIBIB is not only providing new bench-to-bedside diagnostics and therapies for patients, but also delivering novel bench-to-bench tools and technologies that are revolutionizing the way other researchers fight diseases in the laboratory.

In this vein, NIBIB is providing an enormously positive return on the taxpayers' investment. The therapies, diagnostics and treatments created by NIBIB research have forever changed patient care and the way we conduct research. But perhaps equally as important, these technologies are being commercialized and manufactured by the private sector here in the U.S. We are an exporter of these incredible technologies, created and manufactured by highly-skilled workers. And when the NIBIB delivers on the next game-changing technology, the U.S. will again be the home to those job-supporting companies.

With that, I would like to congratulate NIBIB, its Director, Dr. Rod Pettigrew, Deputy Director Dr. Belinda Seto and all of the dedicated staff that have made NIBIB a model of success. I hope my fellow colleagues can agree that these are important federal programs deserving of our sustained support.

TRIBUTE TO PAUL AND SYLVIA HOLLINGER

HON. TIM WALBERG

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 18, 2012*

Mr. WALBERG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Paul and Sylvia Hollinger for

their contributions and years of service to the Christian broadcasting community.

Both born in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, Paul and Sylvia graduated from the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago in 1958 and were married that same year. After starting a "temporary" job at the Christian radio station WDAC in July of 1961, Paul's role expanded from salesman to station manager, and eventually to partner in the WDAC Radio Company. Along the way, Sylvia served as chief encourager and critic, while assisting Paul as an editor and typist.

Beyond their roles at WDAC, the "Voice of Christian Radio," Paul and Sylvia have contributed to the greater Christian broadcasting community through the National Religious Broadcasters organization. Ever-present at NRB national conventions, Paul and Sylvia developed sincere and lasting friendships with other station owners and broadcasters like David Jeremiah, James Dobson, and Joni Eareckson Tada.

From their stone farmhouse and farm in southern Lancaster County, Paul and Sylvia spent over four decades raising their two children and welcoming visitors. They are devoted grandparents to six grandchildren and eagerly await the arrival of their first great-grandchild. When not at work or home, Paul and Sylvia played an integral role in the life of Calvary Church of Lancaster. Since 1973, they have served in the capacity of Sunday school teachers, choir members, and on various church boards.

Paul is a past member of the Moody Alumni Board and I share his and Sylvia's passion for the Moody Bible Institute. I also commend them both for their unwavering commitment to upholding and defending the rights of the unborn. They have actively supported pro-life organizations and Sylvia hosts a weekly pro-life radio report titled "Heartbeat."

Today, Paul and Sylvia live in the Willow Valley retirement community where they continue to welcome family and guests, and together are writing a 70 year history of their church. Paul and Sylvia have led rich, dedicated lives to each other and for their Maker. To paraphrase a familiar verse in the Gospel of John, were all their stories written down, I suppose the whole world could not contain the books that would be written.

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF FIREFIGHTER NATHAN RAULZ

HON. KEVIN BRADY

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 18, 2012*

Mr. BRADY of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Nathan Raulz, 18, of Conroe, Texas. Raulz had been a volunteer with Central Montgomery County Fire-Rescue (formerly River Plantation Fire Department) Station 171 for the past three years and planned to continue his career in public service.

After graduating from Conroe High School approximately three weeks ago, he joined the department full time. He loved serving his community and his country, which explain why he recently enlisted in the military as well. His dream was to serve his country, gain valuable training through the military, and then return

home to resume his career in professional fire fighting. The city of Conroe, and all of Montgomery County were shocked when such a bright light of a young life was snuffed out in a tragic motorcycle accident June 6. Nathan's legacy of service and dedication to his dreams will stay with our community for years to come.

The Central Montgomery County Fire-Rescue Station 171 issued this statement after learning of the loss of Raulz: "Today our department suffered a great loss. Firefighter Nathan Raulz was killed in an automobile accident on Stidham Road. This young man won our hearts almost three years ago when he joined our department as a junior firefighter. Immediately he stood out as a stellar newcomer, and grew into an amazing young man and firefighter. The dedication and promise he showed earned him the title Junior Firefighter of The Year two years in a row. We will truly miss our "Ragoo"! We would like to send our deepest condolences to the family and loved ones of Nathan. You will be in our thoughts and prayers."

Today we honor the life of Nathan Raulz, we pray for his family, and we remember his dedication to others and hope it will challenge us all to live each day to the fullest.

#### HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF VINCENT WILLIAMS

#### HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 18, 2012*

Ms. DeLAURO. Mr. Speaker, it is with the heaviest of hearts that I rise today to pay tribute to the life and legacy of Vincent Williams. Though he was 85 years old and lived a full and happy life, to all us who knew him, his sudden passing this week came much too soon.

Vinnie was a fixture at 59 Elm Street—the building where my District Office is located. Sitting next to his shoeshine stand in the first floor lobby, he always had a kind word and a contagious smile for any passerby. Vinnie was one of those people who always brightened the days of others. He had a kind and generous nature and he loved seeing people every day—always ready for a conversation. If he saw that you were a little down, he would do what he could to make you smile. He was the last of the shoeshine men in New Haven and he was a beloved member of our building's community.

Born in North Carolina, one of Vinnie's first jobs was as a shoeshine. A local barber offered him the position and it came naturally to him. He later joined the United States Navy and served our country with honor and integrity during World War II. It was after his service that he arrived in New Haven where he took up work at the Winchester firearms factory. After five years at Winchester Vinnie took a job with the U.S. Postal Service where he worked until his retirement. However, retirement did not suit Vinnie well—he did not like sitting at home. So he went back to where he began—a shoeshine stand—setting up shop at the 59 Elm Street building.

My staff and I will always carry fond memories of Vinnie. Almost every afternoon, Vinnie would close up shop and take a walk around

the building stopping in each office to wish everyone a good afternoon. I am not sure how many people knew about Vinnie's sweet-tooth, but he had one. My staff always made sure the small candy dish at our front desk had something in it—because the few times it did not, Vinnie was the first one to let us know. He also loved the word jumbles in the daily paper and worked them out every day. Every once in a while, however, he would get stumped. There is one member of my staff that he would always ask for help. After memorizing the letters, he would come upstairs, poke his head in her office, repeat the letters and give her a minute to come up with a suggestion. Even if the others he asked were stumped as well, he would work at it until he figured it out—and then would let everyone he had asked know the answer as well.

On behalf of myself and my staff, I extend my deepest sympathies to his six children, Ulysses, Cynthia, Gail, Michael, Latanga, and Vincent, Jr., as well as his family and friends. I want them to know how many lives he touched and the impact he had on others. Vinnie was a remarkable human being. His absence leaves an emptiness in our hearts that will never be quite filled. He will be deeply missed by all of those fortunate enough to have known him.

#### A SALUTE TO THE LIFE OF DR. GARDNER CALVIN TAYLOR

#### HON. G.K. BUTTERFIELD

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 18, 2012*

Mr. BUTTERFIELD. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the life of Dr. Gardner Calvin Taylor on the occasion of his 94th birthday. Dr. Taylor's indispensable contribution to American preaching and his instrumental role in the Civil Rights Movement underscore a life devoted to uplifting the human soul and the equal treatment of men and women everywhere.

Dr. Taylor was born June 18, 1918 in segregated Baton Rouge, Louisiana. He was the only child born to Reverend Washington and Selina Taylor. He was only 13 years old when his father "Wash" Taylor passed away. Even the short time Gardner had with his father; he had already impacted Gardner's delivery of the spoken word. Originally pursuing hopes of one day becoming a lawyer, a single event would forever change his course and life pursuits. Gardner survived a horrific car accident that claimed the lives of two others. Convinced that his survival was no happenstance, it was then he experienced a call to ministry.

In 1937, Dr. Taylor forewent plans to attend the University of Michigan Law School and enrolled in the Oberlin School of Theology. It was there he met his wife, Laurabelle Scott, whom he married in 1940 and had one daughter, Martha. During his studies at Oberlin, Dr. Taylor preached at Bethany Baptist Church from 1938 to 1941. He later went on to pastor Concord Baptist Church of Christ in New York City in 1948. When he commenced his pastoral duties at Concord, church membership was a very respectable 5,000 members. By the end of his tenure in 1990, his unparalleled leadership and sermonic delivery grew the membership to more than 14,000 members.

Striving to serve equally beyond the pulpit, in 1961, he unsuccessfully sought the presidency of the National Baptist Convention. His close affiliation with Martin Luther King, Jr. and other Civil Rights leaders placed him at odds with members of the National Baptist Convention. Not one to be deterred from service, Dr. Taylor along with Dr. King, went on to found the Progressive National Baptist Convention.

Dr. Taylor's talent was revered. He taught at several elite divinity schools including Yale, Harvard, and Duke Universities. In 1979, Time magazine named Dr. Taylor one of the seven greatest Protestant preachers in America, and in 1980, the publication deemed him the "Dean of the Nation's Black Preachers".

In 1993, his influence reached into public service when he delivered the sermon for President William Jefferson Clinton's Inaugural Prayer Service. President Clinton was so impressed with Dr. Taylor that in 1997, he again enlisted Dr. Taylor to deliver the benediction at his second inauguration. And, in 2000, President Clinton honored Dr. Taylor with the Nation's highest civilian honor, the Presidential Medal of Freedom.

Dr. Taylor is commonly referred to as the "dean of American preaching" and the "poet laureate of American Protestantism." For many, Dr. Taylor's oration and style is considered the standard for young ministers seeking to learn the art of preaching. His brilliant ability to merge significant metaphors and powerful language into a seamless narrative continues to inspire clergy and laymen alike.

Dr. Taylor's life constitutes a worthy example for others, one in which everyone uses his or her individually bestowed talents to enrich the lives of the beloved community. Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Dr. Gardner Calvin Taylor on his 94th birthday and honoring his lifelong commitment to the betterment of society.

#### SARA SUMMERS STEIN

#### HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 18, 2012*

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Sara Summers Stein of Saint Joseph, Missouri. Sara is active in the community through her work and has been chosen to receive the YWCA Women of Excellence Award for Emerging Leader.

Sara is an intelligent and highly motivated young woman who is considered a sparkplug wherever she happens to be serving. During an outstanding college and post-graduate career, Sara demonstrated strong leadership both in her personal work and her ability to head up major University programs. Since graduating with a PhD in Education Leadership, Sara has used her considerable talent to improve the lives of others. Sara has worked with the youth through EmpowerU and has been pivotal in the success of the parent-child reading program Read from the Start. Sara is currently working to bring awareness to Clean Air St. Joe while being a wife and a mother of two.

Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in recognizing Sara Summers Stein. She has already made an amazing impact on countless