

willingly and unselfishly give their time and talent and make their communities a better place to live and work. Ken Rivers is one of these individuals. On September 27, 2012, Ken will be honored as the "Citizen of the Year" at the Boy Scouts of America—Tahquitz District Distinguished Citizens Dinner.

Ken's background encompasses over 25 years of executive healthcare administration. While earning his master's degrees at the University of La Verne, he became a chief operating officer of a Southern California hospital at the young age of 23.

Prior to joining Southwest Healthcare hospitals, he served as the Chief Executive Officer and Managing Director at the Corona Regional Medical Center in my hometown of Corona. He joined Southwest Healthcare System in 2009, where he has served as the Chief Executive Officer/Managing Director. Southwest Healthcare System operates Inland Valley Medical Center in Wildomar and Rancho Springs Medical Center in Murrieta and Temecula Valley Day Surgery in Murrieta. Just recently, he joined CHA Health System in Los Angeles which will allow him to further his career at the international level of healthcare.

Ken's accomplishments at Southwest Healthcare System have reflected his attitude of treating patients like family. Along with a dedicated leadership team, physicians and the entire hospital staff, Ken directed the opening of the \$91 million expansions to both hospitals which include new emergency departments featuring more than 70 bays, expanded the Intensive Care Unit at Inland Valley by doubling bed capacity, and the largest Women's Center in the entire region located at Rancho Springs. His leadership was instrumental in passing one of the largest state and federal surveys. He is currently developing the region's first Neonatal Intensive Care Unit at Rancho Springs and Cardiac Services at Inland Valley.

It is hard to imagine that Ken would have any free time on his hands yet he always found time for his community. A Paul Harris Fellow and Rotarian, Ken serves with many philanthropic and healthcare organizations including Chairman for the Riverside County Chapter of the American Red Cross. He also enjoys spending time with his two children, traveling, and playing golf.

In light of all Ken has done for Southwest Riverside County, the Boy Scouts of America—Tahquitz District named Ken their Citizen of the Year. Ken's tireless passion for community service has contributed immensely to the betterment of the community of the Inland Empire. He has been the heart and soul of many community organizations and events and I am proud to call him a fellow community member, American and friend. I know that many community members are grateful for his service and salute him as he receives this prestigious award.

IN HONOR OF EILEEN DAILY

**HON. JOE COURTNEY**

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 21, 2012*

Mr. COURTNEY. Mr. Speaker, this year residents of Connecticut's 33rd District will bid a fond farewell to a woman who has served them for nearly two decades. Her colleagues

described Senator Eileen Daily as a woman who was concerned with the people she represented, rather than the politics of the day. While serving in Hartford for twenty years, she never stopped personally helping those living in her district near the Connecticut River and along the Long Island Sound.

Prior to being elected to the Senate, Eileen served on the Westbrook Board of Education until 1983 when she became the town's First Selectwoman. When Eileen Daily went to Hartford as a State Senator six years later, she quickly earned the respect of her peers. She became an influential member and was made Chair of the Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee—a position she held for five terms.

Among her numerous accomplishments, Senator Daily co-authored the Small Town Economic Assistance Program which provided grants for major public works projects. The program was designed to fuel development in small towns that would otherwise be unable to afford funding. She played a crucial role in negotiating components of and funding for an innovative industrial wastewater treatment facility in Clinton.

I am proud of working with Senator Daily to secure funding for a dredging project in Westbrook. A host of destructive storms had caused silt build up and erosion, impacting the marinas along the Patchogue River. Local restaurants and shop owners, dependent on the boaters, no longer have to worry about keeping their businesses afloat. I also collaborated with Eileen to protect the scenic Eightmile River Watershed and designate it within the national Wild and Scenic River system.

In addition to her legislative work, Eileen also serves on the Board of Directors of the Valley Shore YMCA, the Middlesex County Substance Abuse Action Council, and on the Fiscal Chairs Committee of the National Conference of State Legislatures. In 2004, Senator Daily was part of a select trade delegation from the National Foundation of Women Legislators to visit the Kingdom of Bahrain. On her trip, Eileen assisted women who had recently gained the right to vote prepare to run in local elections.

As Senator Daily finishes up her final term, I wish her the best of luck. Although she is retiring from public office, I have no doubt that she will remain an active and beloved member of her community. I ask my colleagues to join with me in congratulating Senator Eileen Daily on her retirement and recognizing her amazing career.

A TRIBUTE TO TREVOR SCHAFER  
2012 SACRED HEART PRE-  
PARATORY ATHLETIC HALL OF  
FAME AWARD RECIPIENT

**HON. ANNA G. ESHOO**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 21, 2012*

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Trevor Schaffer, a 1998 graduate of St. Joseph's School and a 1992 graduate of Sacred Heart Preparatory. The School is proud to offer the Athletic Hall of Fame to honor him for his athletic achievements. The award recognizes contributions of alumni athletes, teams, coaches, and administrators of Sacred

Heart Preparatory. Individuals like Trevor Schaffer who are inducted into the Hall of Fame have made significant achievements in his sports of soccer, baseball and basketball and exemplified the principals of sportsmanship and Christianity as illustrated in the Goals and Criteria of Sacred Heart Schools.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Trevor Schaffer, an athlete who lives a life which embodies the goals and criteria of Sacred Heart Schools. He lives the five commitments of faith, respect, social awareness, community building and personal growth, and his contributions to his sport have strengthened our community and our country immeasurably.

CONGRATULATING DR. ANTHONY  
ALLEN

**HON. BLAINE LUETKEMEYER**

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 21, 2012*

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Dr. Anthony Allen as the 17th President of Hannibal-LaGrange University.

Dr. Allen, a native of North Carolina, attended Duke University where he played football for four years while studying history and religion. He earned both a Master of Divinity and Master of Theology at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and then went on to earn his doctorate in higher education administration at North Carolina State University. Dr. Allen, his wife Stacy, and their five children currently reside in Kansas City, where he is Senior Vice President of Administration at Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. Dr. Allen's dedication to Christian higher education and the shared values of Hannibal-LaGrange University, or HLGU, make him an ideal candidate for the position.

I am proud to represent HLGU, a 4-year liberal arts school situated in "America's Hometown," Hannibal, Missouri. HLGU is known for its Christian commitment that has been preserved since its founding in 1858. Dr. Allen shares this commitment and is dedicated to leading HLGU into the future while preserving its Christian heritage. I am confident he will be an outstanding leader both at HGLU and in the greater Hannibal area.

Please join me in congratulating Dr. Allen on his appointment as HLGU's new president and welcoming him and his family to the Hannibal community.

HONORING KEVIN W. BRADLEY

**HON. ANN MARIE BUERKLE**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 21, 2012*

Ms. BUERKLE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Kevin W. Bradley. On August 24, 2012 I had the great honor of attending Kevin Bradley's pinning ceremony where he was promoted to the rank of Brigadier General.

General Bradley, a native of Binghamton, New York, received his Air Force commission through the Officer Training School program in 1984. After serving in the United States Air

Force, General Bradley joined the New York Air National Guard in 1992 where he has commanded frontline combat units at the squadron, group and wing level. He has served at the National Guard Bureau and the Headquarters United States Air Force. General Bradley is a command pilot with over 3500 hours in the T-37, T-38, F-16 and MQ-9 aircraft. He has flown combat missions in support of Operation Provide Comfort, Operation Northern Watch, Operation Southern Watch, Operation Noble Eagle, Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom.

In 2008, General Bradley began a four year tenure as Commander of the 174th Fighter Wing in Syracuse, New York. Under his command, the 174th saw a number of significant milestones including the conversion of the Wing from F-16 fighter jets to MQ-9 Reaper Drones, the standup of the MQ-9 Field Training Detachment, and the addition of numerous support mechanisms at Hancock field, especially the full-time Director of Psychological Health.

Brigadier General Kevin W. Bradley currently serves as Assistant Adjutant General—Air, New York Air National Guard. In this role, General Bradley is responsible for five flying wings and the Northeast Air Defense Sector. He is the primary advisor to the Adjutant General on all Air Guard matters.

General Bradley has answered the call to serve his country for more than 28 years. His service has made a great difference in the lives of so many. On behalf of the 25th Congressional District of New York, I thank General Bradley for his many years of service to our nation and community. America is grateful for his service and sacrifice, and that of his wife Karen.

#### A TRIBUTE IN HONOR OF THE LIFE OF DONALD HARVEY SEILER

#### HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 21, 2012*

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of an extraordinary man, Donald Harvey Seiler, who passed away on August 3, 2012. Don was a native San Franciscan and was educated at the University of California at Berkeley where he earned his BS and MBA degrees, and a member of Lambda Phi Fraternity. After graduation from Berkeley, he worked as an accountant before founding Seiler and Company in 1957. He served on the boards of Ross Stores, Inc., and Greater Bay Bancorp., and was active as a volunteer in the Jewish community. He served as President of the Board of Beth Am in Los Altos Hills and in other roles on the congregation's board, and as president and campaign chair on the board of the Peninsula Jewish Community Center. He served on the board of the Taube-Koret Campus for Jewish Life, the Council of Jewish Federations, the Jewish Home for the Aged, the Jewish Community Endowment Fund, Mount Zion Hospital and United Jewish Community Centers.

Don's philanthropy and leadership extended to education, medicine and environmental causes. He funded the Public Accounting Chair at UC Berkeley's Haas School of Business in 1995, and served on the boards of the

Peninsula Community Foundation and the Stanford Medical Center. He and his wife Ruthie chaired the board of Stanford Hospital's Friends of Cardiovascular Medicine. He received the Public Service Award from the California Society of CPAs, the Robert Sinton Distinguished Leadership Award from the Jewish Community Federation, and the Professional of the Year Award by the Jewish Community Endowment Fund. He was also honored with the Avenidas Lifetime of Achievement Award.

Don met his wife Ruthie in college and they were married for 62 years. They traveled widely and shared a long and loving marriage. They moved to the mid-peninsula in 1960 where they raised their children, Carol and Matt. Don was the loving grandfather of Cory and Mark Roberts, Matt and Allie Seiler, and the brother of Stuart Seiler and his wife Gaye. He also leaves his daughter-in-law Susan.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the memory of Donald Harvey Seiler and in extending our most sincere sympathy to his wife and family. He was a great and good man, one who gave so generously of his considerable talents and extensive resources to benefit others. Don Seiler's life defined what a great citizen is and can be.

#### IN RECOGNITION OF THE 49TH GEORGIA STATE WORKSHOP OF OMEGA PSI PHI FRATERNITY

#### HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 21, 2012*

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 49th Georgia State Workshop of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, which will be held on October 4–7, 2012 in Columbus, Georgia. Around 1,500 members of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. from across the State of Georgia will gather in Columbus with their families for this event. The 2012 State Workshop theme is "Friendship and Fraternity, Beyond 100 Years."

Since its founding in 1911 at Howard University in Washington, DC, Omega Psi Phi members have worked tirelessly to give back to their communities. The men of Omega Psi Phi have provided a consistent source of support and service to communities throughout the United States and the world. Upholding the organization's cardinal principles of manhood, scholarship, perseverance, and uplift, the men of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. have maintained a commitment to the betterment of mankind, enhancement of the community, and the enrichment of collegiate men. Today, the fraternity boasts more than 700 chapters throughout the United States, Bermuda, the Virgin Islands, South Korea, Japan, Liberia, Germany, and Kuwait.

The local Men of Omega Psi Phi, including the Chapters of Lambda Iota and Nu Delta at Columbus State University, have contributed to the community by holding numerous voter registration drives and blood drives. They have also donated school supplies to elementary and high school students as well as more than \$350,000 to local high school seniors who plan to attend college.

Omega Psi Phi members have also mentored hundreds of at-risk youth and have

hosted local Talent Hunt programs for gifted Performing Arts students. They have conducted hundreds of Adopt-A-Highway cleanups and donated Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets to the needy in the community. In addition, members have served on various civic boards in the Columbus community.

Continuing the tradition of giving back, Omega Psi Phi's 49th Georgia State Workshop will conduct a Health Fair and a State-wide Talent Hunt for students of the Performing Arts. They will also mentor young African-American male students at Marshall Middle School and make a collective donation to Feed the Valley, a local food bank.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me today in recognizing the 49th Georgia State Workshop of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity. The Columbus community welcomes these outstanding men and their families and applauds their dedication and service to the community.

#### STOKOE FARMS 200TH ANNIVERSARY

#### HON. LOUISE MCINTOSH SLAUGHTER

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 21, 2012*

Ms. SLAUGHTER. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to honor the Stokoe Family of Scottsville, New York. For 200 years, Stokoe Farms has thrived as a family farm, and grown to become an icon of Western New York.

Thomas Stokoe founded Stokoe Farms in 1812, after immigrating to the United States from Nafferton, England. Thomas originally purchased 100 acres on Bowerman Road in Scottsville. A year later, Thomas married Maria Romeyn and by 1859 Thomas and Maria had passed the growing family farm onto the next generation.

Today, the 7th generation of Stokoe family members continues to operate Stokoe Farms. It has continued to grow over the years thanks to the hard work, commitment and dedication of the Stokoe family, and is now home to crops, livestock and agri-entertainment that draw 60,000 visitors a year.

Today's farm is sustained by the hard work and dedication of Dick, Greg, Kim, Jeff, Scott, Debra, Larry, Martha and Suzanne. Over the years, these family members have maintained the farming practices pioneered by Thomas 200 years ago. In order to ensure the long-term sustainability of the farm, the Stokoe family uses practices such as conservation tillage, integrated crop management, and minimal use of pesticides to ensure the farm grows for generations to come.

Perhaps most notably, the Stokoe family brings the same dedication and devotion to their work in our Western New York community. When not on the farm, the Stokoe family has selflessly served on both school and town boards, and devoted themselves in service of their faith.

Mr. Speaker, like our families, our nation is the product of work that has spanned generations. As the Stokoe family celebrates 200 years of family farming, they show our nation that it is the time-honored values of hard work, integrity and dedication to community and family that will sustain our nation, and Stokoe Farms, for another 200 years to come.