

of thousands of children from war torn Eastern Europe. Today Youth Aliyah is helping to resettle children of the Ethiopian and Russian migrations as well as Israeli children who are living on the streets.

Throughout World War II, the organization sold \$200 million in war bonds and was rewarded with 100 Air Force bombers who were given the names of different Hadassah chapters. By 1942 the U.S. State Department named Hadassah one of the largest contributors to overseas relief, especially due to the efforts of Ms. Szold to rescue thousands of children from Nazi Germany.

Over the years, Hadassah has established itself as a powerful voice for change. They have argued for federal and state funding of stem cell research and called for legislation that supports medical privacy and freedom from genetic discrimination by insurance companies and employers. In Israel, they have established and maintained two state-of-the-art medical centers, created the Hadassah College Jerusalem, and run the country's largest touring and residency program for American Jewish youth.

Today, the hundreds of thousands of women in Hadassah have upheld Henrietta Szold's commitment to improving the world we live in today. I hope my fellow members will join me in congratulating them on their 100th birthday and thanking them for the wonderful contributions they've made in Baltimore and throughout the world.

IN RECOGNITION OF LAVADA  
DILLARD

**HON. PHIL GINGREY**

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, February 27, 2012*

Mr. GINGREY of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, in celebration of Black History Month, I rise today to recognize Lavada Dillard, an African-American from Georgia's 11th Congressional District who has had a major impact on her community.

At the age of 16, Lavada displayed great courage when she carried out a successful downtown lunch counter sit-in demonstration.

Jailed for 5 days for this act, Ms. Dillard never ceased advocating for equal rights for all individuals.

She has been honored twice by the Southern Christian Leadership Conference and most recently compiled the history of Rome's Civil Rights Movement for the permanent community archives.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Ms. Dillard's outstanding accomplishments and her unwavering commitment to civil rights.

HONORING BERTRAND DAVID  
MATHIEU

**HON. MICHAEL H. MICHAUD**

OF MAINE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, February 27, 2012*

Mr. MICHAUD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Bertrand David Mathieu of Lewiston, Maine for his decades of work in Maine's shoe industry.

Bert was born in 1922 in Lewiston, Maine. By the time he was sixteen years old, he had already started working with heavy industrial equipment in a shoe factory. Bert earned his place in the "Greatest Generation" when he answered the call to service during World War II. Originally joining the Maine National Guard in 1939, he would go on to serve in the European theater and fight in the Battle of the Bulge.

After the war, Bert returned to the shoe manufacturing career that would be a part of his life for more than seven decades. With little formal training, he mastered his craft by listening, asking questions and vigilantly researching the technical aspects of the job. A committed family man, Bert also repaired televisions on the side for nearly fifty years in order to help pay for the schooling of his daughters.

I've always known that Mainers are of sturdy stock, and I strongly suspect that our healthy Maine air and peaceful surroundings have something to do with it. Today at the age of 90, Bert still displays the hard work, creativity and ingenuity which have sustained him throughout his life. You can still find him working at Pamco Shoe Machinery in Lewiston, sorting and organizing machine parts. His energy and his positive attitude remain an inspiration to all who know him.

Mr. Speaker, please join me again in recognizing Bertrand David Mathieu for his many years of good work.

RECOGNIZING PAUL BASCOMB, A  
2011 FBI DIRECTOR'S COMMUNITY  
LEADERSHIP AWARD RECIPIENT

**HON. ADAM SMITH**

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, February 27, 2012*

Mr. SMITH of Washington. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor Mr. Paul Bascomb for being named a recipient of the 2011 FBI Director's Community Leadership Award in recognition of his work on crime prevention.

Since 1990, the FBI has honored local leaders and organizations with the Director's Community Leadership Award. Honorees are recognized for their efforts in making extraordinary strides in the areas of crime prevention, violence prevention, and education in their communities. Every year, each FBI field office selects one individual or organization to receive this prominent award.

As the chair of the African-American Community Advisory Council to the Seattle Police Department and a board member for the East Precinct Crime Prevention Coalition, Mr. Bascomb has been a leader for cooperation between the African-American community and local law enforcement. Through open and considerate conversation, Mr. Bascomb and the African-American Community Advisory Council work with the Seattle Police Department to give diverse communities access to the police department and promote cultural competency training for officers.

Mr. Bascomb served as a correctional officer for more than 16 years in the Washington State juvenile justice system. In 2011, he completed the rigorous Citizen's Academy Program, which gives community leaders an overview of the FBI. This in-depth study includes

practical exercises, discussion of case studies and legal issues, and presentations from specialized units.

Mr. Speaker, it is with great honor that I recognize the accomplishments of Mr. Paul Bascomb. His dedication to improving the relationship between law enforcement and local African-American communities sets a positive example for everyone who works for crime prevention.

HONORING WILLARD "BILL"  
LINEWEAVER

**HON. FRANK R. WOLF**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, February 27, 2012*

Mr. WOLF. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to recognize and honor Willard "Bill" Lineweaver, who served as a mayor and councilman of Warrenton, VA. Mr. Lineweaver passed away on February 15, at the age of 89.

Bill Lineweaver was a great public servant, model citizen and a personal friend of mine. He will be honored and remembered by many, especially his wife, Elizabeth "Bizz", his three daughters Beth, Babs, and Bitsy, his many friends, colleagues and all who knew him.

Mr. Speaker I submit the following obituary.

[From Fauquier.com, Feb. 16, 2012]

FORMER WARRENTON MAYOR LINEWEAVER  
DIES AT AGE 89

Retired Warrenton businessman J. Willard "Bill" Lineweaver, who served on the Warrenton Town Council from 1959 until 1974, then was mayor from 1974 until 1998, died Feb. 15.

Lineweaver, 89, had recently fallen at his home on Winchester Street, suffering a head injury. He was taken first to Fauquier Hospital before being transferred to the ICU at the University of Virginia Medical Center in Charlottesville.

He was later taken to a rehabilitation facility in Lexington, Va., near the home of his daughter, Beth Knapp.

News of his death has shocked the community, as there was great hope and expectation for his recovery and return to Warrenton.

Lineweaver's nearly 40 years as a councilman and mayor of Warrenton was unprecedented. In fact, he ran unopposed for his last three terms on town council, as well as all six terms as mayor.

He led the town through periods of great change, and after his last term as mayor, he continued to be involved with other important issues, including the acquisition and reuse of Vint Hill Farms Station, the U.S. Army post east of Warrenton.

Originally from the Shenandoah Valley, Lineweaver came to Fauquier County when he was six years old. His father managed Whitewood Farm near The Plains, and Lineweaver grew up on the farm and attended public schools.

On Dec. 7, 1942, he enlisted in the U.S. Army. After Basic Training, he was sent to Ft. Benning, Ga., where he received training as a communications specialist and was promoted to the rank of sergeant.

Home on leave, Lineweaver married the former Elizabeth "Bizz" Carter of Warrenton in May 1943.

His training complete, Sgt. Lineweaver was assigned to the Antitank Company of the 393rd Infantry Regiment of the 99th Infantry Division, and mid-October 1944, his unit was sent to fight in the European Theater of Operations.

Shortly after arriving, the 99th was positioned along the Seigfried Line near Krinkelt, Belgium, defending a 19-mile front from advancing German forces.

On Dec. 16, 1944, the Germans launched what became known as the Battle of the Bulge, a massive assault on the Allied lines.

Sgt. Lineweaver's unit was pushed back to the hills west of Krinkelt, where they held the line until the weather cleared and Allied airpower stopped the attack.

Later, the 99th was involved in the battle for the Remagen Bridge and the clean up of German resistance in the Rhur Pocket during March and April 1945.

He was awarded the Bronze Star medal with three battle stars and other military decorations for his combat service.

Returning home to Warrenton after the war, Lineweaver got into the retail business, operating the H. B. Carter furniture store on Main Street for many years.

In 1959, he was convinced by then-Mayor Richard Marriott to run for town council and won, beginning a long career representing the people of Warrenton, and later providing vision and leadership as mayor.

In his role as mayor, Lineweaver became well known in the commonwealth, serving on a number of statewide boards and committees, and working with mayors of other towns and cities sharing his response to the problems and opportunities as he encountered in Warrenton.

He served as president of the Virginia Municipal League in 1988-89.

Celebrating their 68th wedding anniversary last May, Mr. and Mrs. Lineweaver were the proud parents of three daughters, six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

He was a long-time member of St. James Episcopal Church and served as a vestryman for many years. He also belonged to the Warrenton Rotary Club and the Fauquier Club.

Lineweaver's funeral will be held at 11 a.m., Monday, Feb. 20, at St. James Episcopal Church. The family will receive friends from 1 to 3 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 19, at Moser Funeral Home.

#### RECOGNIZING THE 65TH COMMEMORATION OF TAIWAN'S "2-28 MASSACRE"

##### HON. SCOTT GARRETT

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, February 27, 2012*

Mr. GARRETT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 65th commemoration of Taiwan's "2-28 Massacre."

On February 28, 1947, the brutal arrest of a female civilian in Taipei led to large-scale protests by the native Taiwanese against the repression of Chiang Kai-shek's Chinese Nationalists, who occupied Taiwan on behalf of the Allied Forces after Japan's defeat in 1945.

During the following days, Chiang's government sent troops from mainland China to the island. The Chinese soldiers began capturing and executing leading Taiwanese lawyers, doctors, students, and other citizens.

It is estimated that at least 18,000 people lost their lives during the turmoil. During the following four decades, the Chinese Nationalists continued to rule Taiwan under a martial law system that lasted until 1987.

The 2-28 Massacre has had far-reaching implications. Over the next half-century, the Taiwanese democracy movement that grew out of the incident helped pave the way for

Taiwan's momentous transformation from a dictatorship under the Chinese Nationalists to a thriving and pluralistic democracy.

I urge other Members to join me in commemorating this important historical event.

#### SAN FRANCISCO STATE UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT ROBERT A. CORRIGAN

##### HON. NANCY PELOSI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, February 27, 2012*

Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of my constituents in San Francisco, I am proud to honor Dr. Robert A. Corrigan in his final year as President of San Francisco State University. He has been a visionary leader in higher education and has made enormous contributions to San Francisco, California, and indeed, to our entire nation.

During his 24-year tenure, President Corrigan transformed San Francisco State University into a premier urban university that reflects the diversity of the city it serves, works on behalf of social justice, and educates a 21st century workforce.

President Corrigan has studied and taught at a number of prominent universities; how proud we were when he chose to come to San Francisco State University.

President Corrigan was an early pioneer for diversity in education. At San Francisco State, he made a steadfast commitment to diversity of background, ethnicity, and gender in faculty hiring. He established groundbreaking initiatives to incorporate women and minorities into the faculty, resulting in one of the most diverse faculties of any U.S. university.

Under President Corrigan's direction and guidance, San Francisco State evolved into the "College with a Conscience," boasting a multicultural campus, and a faculty and student body that are actively engaged in public service. San Francisco State's Institute for Civic and Community Service is recognized as a national model. In 2001, San Francisco State assumed management of the City's Head Start Program, one of the few universities to do so, serving 1,800 low-income children.

Corrigan made access to a quality education a priority of his presidency. With his wife, he established the Robert and Joyce Corrigan SF Promise Endowed Scholarship Fund that places higher education within reach of students from underserved, low-income neighborhoods. Joining forces with the City of San Francisco, they created an initiative that ensures admission and financial assistance to qualified San Francisco high school graduates, many of whom are the first in their family to attend college. Indeed, San Francisco State boasts one of the highest percentage of first-generation college students in the nation.

President Corrigan's visionary leadership has been recognized by many. Most notably, he was handpicked by President Bill Clinton to chair the Steering Committee of College and University Presidents for the "America Reads Challenge" and "America Counts" initiatives.

President Corrigan has been an educator, a role model, and a dynamic leader. On behalf of many of my constituents, I express gratitude for his 24 years of service at San Francisco State University.

#### RECOGNIZING THE INNOVATIVE AND LIFE-SAVING EFFORTS OF THE WOODBURY FIRE DEPARTMENT OF WOODBURY, MINNESOTA

##### HON. MICHELE BACHMANN

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, February 27, 2012*

Mrs. BACHMANN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to acknowledge the innovative efforts of the Woodbury Fire Department. Throughout America's history, firefighters have always been our hometown heroes, and I am happy to share with this body the unique efforts of the Woodbury Fire Department.

Woodbury firefighters keep track of their ability to respond to various scenarios in training or real emergencies on a scorecard. Since the department relies on a small number of full-time firefighters as well as crossed-trained police officers to meet their requests, these scorecards allow each individual to have an instant and uniform way of measuring the best practices for each situation. Most importantly, it minimizes the human risk in new and potentially dangerous conditions.

Innovation has always been a priority for firefighters. While prevention is the best way to improve a home's safety, Woodbury firefighters take fire control one step further using a method called Positive Pressure Attack. This method allows fans to generate pressure to remove heat, smoke and dangerous gases before firefighters enter a burning building. Not only is this beneficial for firefighters, it helps to keep hazardous elements away from anyone who may be trapped inside.

The Woodbury Fire Department has consistently won 100 percent approval from its citizens, and it is easy to see why. They are the model of professional development and technological innovation. Mister Speaker, I am proud to represent such a fine group of people in my district and I ask this body to join me in recognizing their achievements.

#### IN RECOGNITION OF MARVIN WILLIAMS

##### HON. PHIL GINGREY

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, February 27, 2012*

Mr. GINGREY of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, in celebration of Black History Month, I rise today to recognize Marvin Williams, an African-American from Georgia's 11th Congressional District who has had a major impact on his community.

Quality teachers are vital to ensuring children are afforded the best education possible. Mr. Williams is one such educator.

For the past 30 years, Mr. Williams has worked as a teacher to inspire children and help them reach their full potential.

Marvin currently serves as the Superintendent of the Polk County School District and I am grateful for his expertise as a member of my Education Advisory Board.

A gifted musician, Mr. Williams also serves as Minister of Music for Thankful Baptist Church in Rome.