

Men's Basketball team has gone above and beyond expectations. The Bulldogs end their 2013 season not only with a conference championship, but also a berth into the NCAA Division II Tournament.

Fifteen student-athletes contributed to this triumphant season, remaining focused and determined to continue the success of Bowie State Men's Basketball.

Mr. Speaker, I offer my heartiest congratulations to the members of the championship team—Julian Williams, Ray Gatling, Trawn Rogers, Cameron Knox, Dameatric Scott, Najee White, Tyrone Lawson, Jr., Carlos Smith, Byron Westmorland, Justin Beck, Bryan Wilson, Julian Harrell, David Golladay, Joel Clemmons, and Branden Doughty—on their victory. And, I also want to applaud Head Coach Darrell Brooks and his coaching staff—Larry Stewart, Sedric Baker, Darius Wilson, and Delmar Carey—for their dedication and commitment while guiding these talented student-athletes.

Like all Marylanders, I am very proud of these young men and I congratulate all of those involved in bringing home a conference title. I ask that my colleagues join me in applauding this great accomplishment.

HONORING THE DEPAUW UNIVERSITY LADY TIGERS BASKETBALL TEAM

HON. TODD ROKITA

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 9, 2013

Mr. ROKITA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the DePauw University Lady Tigers basketball team, who defeated Wisconsin-Whitewater 69–51 on March 16 to win the Division III National Championship, their second national title in seven years.

DePauw became one of only seven Division III teams to complete an undefeated season, and the only team in Division III history to win 34 games in a single season. DePauw's other recent accomplishments include 14 NCAA appearances in 18 years, including 4 quarterfinals, 14 conference championships in 17 years, and 20 or more wins in 16 of the last 17 years.

Seniors Ellie Pearson, Kate Walker and Kathleen Molloy completed their college careers with a combined record of 112 wins and just 15 losses at DePauw. The rest of the roster includes Ann Sarkisian, Jenna Stoner, Emma Ondik, Lauren Abendroth, Chelsea Francis, Morgan Skordos, Savannah Trees, Colleen McDonagh, Angela Hacker, Alex Gasaway, Hannah Lukemeyer, Ali Ross, Alison Stephens, Erin McGinnis, Abby Keller, and Colleen Frost.

Head coach Kris Huffman is a selfless leader who always redirects any credit for the team's success back to her players. Her .820 career winning percentage is the highest winning percentage ever for a DePauw women's basketball head coach, and she has been named National Coach of the Year 3 times and Conference Coach of the Year 11 times. In addition to Coach Huffman, the coaching staff includes Assistant Coach Mary Smith, volunteer coaches Donna Ferguson and Doug Miller, and Team Trainer Kara Campbell.

Located in Greencastle, Indiana, DePauw is well known for a deep tradition of social en-

gagement by its students and faculty alike, and its women's basketball team has earned much attention for their success on the basketball court as well. Incidentally, DePauw University is a friendly rival to my alma mater 30 miles to the north, Wabash College. This rivalry notwithstanding, I join basketball fans from across the Hoosier State in congratulating the 2013 DePauw women's basketball team on their remarkable accomplishments.

RECOGNIZING CONGRESSMAN JOHN R. LEWIS AS THE RECIPIENT OF THE NATIONAL PEACE MEDAL AND THE GLOBAL AND INTERNATIONAL CIVIL RIGHTS AWARD

HON. JON RUNYAN

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 9, 2013

Mr. RUNYAN. Mr. Speaker, it is my distinct honor to recognize Congressman JOHN R. LEWIS as the recipient of the National Peace Medal and the Global and International Civil Rights Award. I thank him for his service and invaluable contributions to making our country a better place for all Americans.

I am pleased that National Stop the Violence Alliance, Inc. is presenting Congressman LEWIS with these two coveted awards at a ceremony in my home district.

Congressman LEWIS has dedicated his life to the principles of non-violence as a means of social change. He believes in non-violence, but unlike so many, has actually lived accordingly, putting his own life at risk to show his commitment.

Congressman LEWIS is known as one of the most courageous leaders of the Civil Rights Movement and played a pivotal role in the struggle to end segregation and legalized racial discrimination. He knew from a very young age that the America he was living in was not the best that our country had to offer. Inspired by Rosa Parks and the non-violent message of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Congressman LEWIS would later recall, "It seemed like he was saying to me, John Lewis, you too can make a contribution."

Mr. Speaker, Congressman LEWIS' contributions are invaluable. Because of his courage and steadfast commitment to ensuring freedom and equality for all Americans, our country is closer than ever before to living up to the ideals of our founders.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in offering our sincere thanks and appreciation to the distinguished gentleman from Georgia, the Honorable JOHN R. LEWIS.

JACQUELINE DELGADO

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 9, 2013

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Jacqueline Delgado for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. Jacqueline Delgado is a 10th grader at Jefferson High School and received this award because

her determination and hard work have allowed her to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Jacqueline Delgado is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Jacqueline Delgado for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of her future accomplishments.

HONORING VPP STATUS AT L.L. BEAN WORKPLACES

HON. CHELLIE PINGREE

OF MAINE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 9, 2013

Ms. PINGREE of Maine. Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize a corporation based in my district, L.L. Bean, for achieving the highest standards of workplace safety through OSHA's Voluntary Protection Program (VPP) at its Desert Road Service Center in Freeport, Maine.

VPP is OSHA's official recognition of the outstanding efforts of employers and employees who have achieved exemplary occupational safety and health. Achieving the status requires a rigorous onsite evaluation to ensure that a workplace meets high performance-based standards of preventing occupational safety and health hazards. With missed workdays well below their industries' averages, VPP worksites are some of the safest places to work in the country.

L.L. Bean has shown an incredible commitment to the program and its employees. Since 2007, the company has achieved VPP status at its Brunswick, Maine, manufacturing facility, its call centers, Freeport outlet store, and now Star Status at the Desert Road Service Center, which employs 200 people and handles returns for its vast global business. The company continues to work toward VPP status at all its facilities.

I am not only proud of L.L. Bean for these accomplishments, but also for the way it has involved its employees in achieving them. By fully engaging them in the process, the company has made employees feel safer at work, as well as more appreciated, prized, and respected.

My congratulations and appreciation go to all of the company's owners, managers, and staff for their incredible leadership in workplace safety.

A TRIBUTE TO HONOR THE ASIAN AMERICAN PROSECUTORS ASSOCIATION

HON. ERIC SWALWELL

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 9, 2013

Mr. SWALWELL of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the Asian American Prosecutors Association, AAPA, for their dedication

to promoting justice and advancing the interests of Asian American prosecutors in California's 15th Congressional District and throughout the state of California. Their willingness to advocate for victims' rights within the Asian American community, while advocating for fairness, equality, and justice for the public at large, is a testament to their workmanship, leadership, and unwavering dedication to the community they serve.

The Asian American Prosecutors Association seeks to empower its members and all prosecutors through education and training about the needs of the Asian American community. AAPA's acting board members are a wealth of knowledge, each having many years of experience working with the Asian American community, and they are all eager to strengthen and support the roles of Asian Americans in all aspects of law and the criminal justice system. Those who serve on the board include, Annie Saadi as President, Sharon Carney as Vice President, Huy Luong as Treasurer, Michael Carney as Secretary, David Lim as Executive Board Member, Amy Deng in Public Relations & Marketing, Lauren Hashimoto in Membership & Recruitment, Mas Morimoto in Community Affairs and Glenn Kim in Information Technology.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that the entire House of Representatives join me in honoring the Asian American Prosecutors Association. AAPA's dedication to the community is an inspiration to us all and it is a high privilege to represent them, and I am glad to take this opportunity to pay tribute to their inaugural reception.

HONORING THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF MAYOR BETSY PRICE

HON. KENNY MARCHANT

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 9, 2013

Mr. MARCHANT. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to inform you and my fellow colleagues of Fort Worth Mayor Betsy Price's recent accomplishment of being recognized by the Zonta Club of Fort Worth as the distinguished 2013 Professional Woman of the Year.

The Zonta Club of Fort Worth was chartered in 1927 with the objective of improving the status of women through promoting goodwill, human rights, and justice throughout the community, country, and world. Each year since 1971, the Zonta Club of Fort Worth has honored an outstanding professional woman in the Fort Worth community. This celebration recognizes the honoree's achievement while thanking her for being a shining example for other women.

Mayor Betsy Price was elected as the 44th Mayor to her native City of Fort Worth. Throughout her early tenure, Mayor Price has focused on fiscal responsibility, creating a stronger economy through public-private partnerships, and strengthening neighborhoods through her faith-based and citywide health engagement initiatives.

As a proponent of civically active young adults, Mayor Price created the SteerFW program to organize young professionals into task forces focused on resolving local issues. The program has four areas of focus—education, public transportation, employment, and urban development. There are currently over 300

young citizens participating in the program where they learn about current challenges and work to find creative solutions.

Prior to her life in public service, Mayor Price owned and managed Price Cornelius Title Service for 17 years. In 2000, she was elected as the Tarrant County Tax Assessor, where she used her business experience to make her department one of the most efficient in Texas and saved taxpayers millions of dollars.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the 24th Congressional District of Texas, I ask all my distinguished colleagues to join me in congratulating Mayor Betsy Price on her accomplishment as the 2013 Fort Worth Zonta Club Professional Woman of the Year.

RECOGNIZING CAMBODIAN DAY OF REMEMBRANCE

HON. MIKE QUIGLEY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 9, 2013

Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Speaker, as this April marks the 38th anniversary of the brutal Khmer Rouge regime's rise to power in Cambodia, I join Cambodian Americans to commemorate this tragedy in the community's past. Yet even as we solemnly recognize this moment, we can also look at the hopeful future that lies ahead for the Cambodian American community.

The Khmer Rouge regime seized power in Cambodia on April 17, 1975, and began a reign of terror and systematic genocide. Upwards of 3.4 million innocent men, women and children lost their lives at mass grave sites now known as the Killing Fields. Thousands of refugees escaped these atrocities and were given sanctuary in the United States; many came to the state of Illinois.

Thanks to the Cambodian Association of Illinois and our strong Cambodian-American community here in the United States, we are aware of the Cambodian genocide and its devastating effects. Organizations such as the Cambodian American Heritage Museum and the Killing Field Memorial carry out the vital mission of ensuring that we do not forget the atrocities of this period. The Cambodian community is committed to remembering and paying tribute to those lost in the Killing Fields while enhancing the public's awareness of these atrocities and healing the survivors and their families.

As Illinois and other states recognize April 17th as the Cambodian Day of Remembrance, I rise today to join my Cambodian American friends to commemorate the atrocities of the Killing Fields and to provide comfort and hope to the victims' families. Let us take this moment to recognize that group-targeted violence and bigotry still exist in nations across the world, and we cannot ignore its presence.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in solidarity with the Cambodian-American community in remembering those who were lost to the Khmer Rouge regime and in recognizing our hope for a more peaceful future.

ISSA GRIMES

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 9, 2013

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Issa Grimes for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. Issa Grimes is an 8th grader at Oberon Middle School and received this award because his determination and hard work have allowed him to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Issa Grimes is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Issa Grimes for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of his future accomplishments.

CELEBRATING CESAR CHAVEZ'S BIRTHDAY

HON. SHEILA JACKSON LEE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 9, 2013

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to express my deepest appreciation for the life, legacy, and actions of Mr. Cesar Estrada Chavez.

The changes that Cesar Chavez fought for throughout his life have dramatically changed the way that farm workers are treated in our country. Cesar Chavez was one of the Nation's greatest civil rights activists and the tireless champion of migrant farm workers fighting for humane working conditions.

As a young man Cesar Chavez worked in the fields where he saw firsthand the dangerous conditions which farm workers were forced to endure. In 1952 he became an organizer for the Community Service Organization (CSO), a Latino civil rights group, and eventually became the national director of the organization.

In 1965, Chavez co-founded the National Farm Workers Association with Dolores Huerta which evolved into the United Farm Workers union. The National Farm Workers Association was successful in securing fair wages and safe working conditions for farm workers. The UFW also led a worldwide grape boycott that helped ensure farm workers had a voice in contract negotiations.

Cesar Chavez is also known for his fasts which he used as a nonviolent method of promoting his beliefs. In 1972 Chavez fasted in response to Arizona's passage of legislation that prohibited boycotts and strikes by farm workers during the harvest season.

On April 23, 1993 Cesar Chavez died, bringing great sadness to the farm workers community that he spent his life fighting for. With his death also came a great sense of pride for all the progress that Chavez brought as a direct result of his unwavering commitment to farm workers' rights.