

career in the service of her country and reflect great credit upon herself, the United States Army, and the Department of Defense.

CONGRATULATING THE TOWN OF COLLIERVILLE, "AMERICA'S BEST MAIN STREET"

HON. STEPHEN LEE FINCHER

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 18, 2014

Mr. FINCHER. Mr. Speaker, I proudly rise today to congratulate the Town of Collierville, TN on winning Parade Magazine's "America's Best Main Street" contest. Over 2,000 main streets were nominated and ultimately trimmed down to the best 16 representatives. The finalists faced off in a bracket-styled competition that demonstrated not only Collierville's beauty and livability, but also the dedication and pride of the citizens of the Town of Collierville.

The history of Collierville dates back to 1836, when Jessie Collier divided his farm into lots and posted an advertisement that lots were for sale in the Town of Collier. Originally incorporated in 1850, Collierville was the scene of a bloody Civil War battle the featured famed Union General William T. Sherman. Following war and reconstruction, Collierville was re-incorporated in 1870 with a picturesque downtown square with the town's businesses surrounding it. The Square's iconic gazebo today serves as the focal point of annual fairs, festivals, and political activities with the ever-changing colors of the season the backdrop. The Town of Collierville's Historic Town Square doubles as the business and social center of the town, playing host to a wide array of small businesses and local restaurants that exemplify what small-town America is all about.

From inception to war, from cotton to dairy, from the industrial revolution to information age, the Town of Collierville has maintained its southern tradition and charm. The voters of Parade Magazine could not have made a better choice and I am indeed privileged to represent the Town of Collierville. On behalf of Tennessee's 8th Congressional District, I congratulate the Town of Collierville on winning Parade Magazine's "America's Best Main Street" contest.

HIGHLIGHTING THE VALUE OF TOURISM THROUGH LITERATURE

HON. BRADLEY BYRNE

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 18, 2014

Mr. BYRNE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor two outstanding English professors for their innovative contributions toward promoting tourism through literature.

First, Professor Mary S. Palmer's short story "Raisin' Cain" recently won the Southeastern Literary Tourism Initiative Tourism Writing Contest Award.

Professor Palmer's story highlighted the family-friendly nature of Mobile's Mardi Gras and was published online at the Southeastern Literary Tourism Initiative's website. The story

includes photos and tourism links at the end so readers can learn how to visit the real Mardi Gras parades and other nearby Mobile attractions included in the inspiring story.

I also want to recognize Dr. Sue Walker who currently teaches tourism writing to several of her English classes at the University of South Alabama in Mobile, Alabama.

Dr. Walker is using the examples of tourism writing from this initiative to challenge her students to compose original short works of literature that encourage their readers to visit the actual places included in the stories.

Mr. Speaker, on Alabama's Gulf Coast, we know just how important tourism is to our local economies. I proudly support any effort to encourage tourism in our region, and I especially applaud innovative methods in the classroom, like tourism writing. Professor Palmer and Dr. Walker have found a unique way to highlight the heritage and culture of South Alabama while providing an enriching experience for their students.

I hope my colleagues in the House will invite their state's writers and teachers to take a look at what is going on in Mobile and consider ways to incorporate these types of college courses into their curriculum, and in turn, highlight their state's unique tourism attractions.

I will be honored to present Professor Palmer with the 2014 SELTI Tourism Fiction Award on October 15 at the Mobile Carnival Museum, and I am excited to highlight these types of innovative teaching methods.

A DAY TO HONOR "ROSIE THE RIVETER"

HON. JARED HUFFMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 18, 2014

Mr. HUFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today, along with my friend and colleague GEORGE MILLER, to honor the important contributions of women on the Home Front during World War II.

During World War II, 6 million women entered the workforce nationwide, increasing the female percentage in the workforce from 27 percent to 37 percent. Women replaced men in many traditionally male jobs as men enlisted in active military service. They worked as riveters, welders, electricians, and draftsmen, among others.

Working women during World War II set the stage for working women today. African American women overcame long-held policies of discrimination and made significant contributions to the war effort by working in the shipyards and in supporting the Home Front. Federal, state, and local public and private agencies coordinated efforts to develop child care programs for working mothers.

Today, the image of "Rosie the Riveter" and the phrase "We Can Do It" have come to symbolize women's empowerment.

On October 24, 2000, the Rosie the Riveter-World War II Home Front National Historical Park Establishment Act of 2000 was enacted into law. As we approach the anniversary of that date, we ask that you take time on that day to honor the important contributions of women on the Home Front during World War II.

HONORING THE CITY OF THOUSAND OAKS

HON. JULIA BROWNLEY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 18, 2014

Ms. BROWNLEY of California. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to recognize the City of Thousand Oaks as it celebrates 50 years as a thriving and prosperous municipality in Ventura County, California. I would like to congratulate the city, along with its residents, on this momentous milestone.

The City of Thousand Oaks was incorporated on October 7th, 1964, and was named for the beautiful and bountiful oak trees that are the hallmark and symbol of the city to this day. In the early years of its incorporation, nearly 20,000 people lived within the 14.28 square miles that was Thousand Oaks.

Since its incorporation, Thousand Oaks has developed into a flourishing community, growing to 56 square miles with over 127,000 residents. This successful expansion is due to collaborative partnerships among city administrators and involved citizens working towards a vision to create a family-oriented community.

Additionally, city officials have done an outstanding job to maintain the healthy growth of this community, while conserving and integrating the natural beauty that surrounds Thousand Oaks through its development. Over the last 50 years, more than 15,000 square acres of land have been designated as "Open Space," including more than 75 miles of trails that have been protected to ensure that residents of the city today can enjoy the same beauty that the Chumash Native Americans experienced hundreds of years ago.

While this natural acreage gives our community the best of nature, another source of pride is the Civic Arts Plaza, which is a jewel of cultural arts. Thousand Oaks has become a beacon for our region featuring world-class entertainment, musicals, concerts, children's shows, ballets, and much more. In addition, some of the city's most impressive accomplishments have come in the realm of infrastructure improvements, which have significantly enhanced the quality of life and ensured the mobility of its residents and businesses.

Over the last five decades, the City of Thousand Oaks has grown into an exceptional and premiere community that has been recognized for being one of the most desirable places in all of California to live, work, recreate, and raise a family. It is my sincere pleasure to congratulate the City of Thousand Oaks on their 50th anniversary!

RECOGNIZING REVEREND DR. JAMES CHERRY, SR. OF AENON MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH OF ROCHESTER, NEW YORK, UPON HIS RETIREMENT

HON. LOUISE MCINTOSH SLAUGHTER

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 18, 2014

Ms. SLAUGHTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay homage to the life and ministry of the Reverend Dr. James Cherry, Sr. Reverend Cherry is the long-serving, revered and accomplished pastor of the highly regarded

Aenon Missionary Baptist Church in Rochester, New York.

Throughout his thirty-four year tenure as pastor of Aenon Missionary Baptist Church, Reverend Cherry has earned the love and respect of Aenon congregants and countless others throughout the United States and abroad. His teaching and preaching have enabled innumerable people to lift themselves from the depths of despair, given them hope for a brighter future and the determination to reach their full potential in life. His outstanding ministry can be credited in great part for the unprecedented growth of the Aenon Missionary Baptist Church.

His compassionate spirit and boundless love for humanity have guided Aenon to reach far beyond its four walls and into the darker places of our society. With his guidance, the church established ministries such as Dorcas's Closet, Monks Bread, and the Urban Farm Stand to address the basic needs of people in the southwest area of Rochester, New York. Through his work with the New York State Empire Baptist Mission of America, Reverend Cherry has ministered to the needs of countless people throughout our nation and in foreign countries.

Often referred to as the "pastor's pastor" by his colleagues, Reverend Cherry is notable for sharing wise and profound counsel with other ministers and pastors. Not being one to promote himself or a personal agenda, he has always freely shared his wisdom; thereby aiding younger pastors to excel in ministry and more seasoned pastors to benefit from his wealth of experience and ministerial expertise.

Reverend Cherry faithfully served our nation through his service in the United States Marine Corps (1954–1957). He has faithfully served as an American Baptist pastor for 54 years and as pastor of Aenon Missionary Baptist Church for 34 years. He has received numerous accolades and many awards, including awards from the National Baptist Convention, the Great Lakes Baptist Association, the Empire State Congress of Christian Education, the Urban League, the NAACP, the YMCA and the National Black Leadership Commission on AIDS.

Through his ministry and works, Reverend Cherry has proven himself to be a servant of God and a friend to all of humanity. In tribute to his lifetime of service to the Rochester, New York community and far beyond, I stand to honor him today. As Reverend Cherry enters into retirement at the end of 2014, let the record show that his legacy is one of love, compassion, empathy and great works. Today I am proud to honor the life and legacy of one of the finest residents of New York's 25th Congressional District. Mr. Speaker, the Rochester community, the State of New York and our nation are far better places because Reverend Dr. James Cherry, Sr. has walked among us.

MARKING THE PASSING OF
THOMAS HALE BOGGS, JR.

HON. NANCY PELOSI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 18, 2014

Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the memory of a civic-minded giant and one of

our nation's leading legal minds: Thomas Hale Boggs, Jr., who passed earlier this week at the age of 73.

Thomas Boggs, Jr. belonged to a great American family—a family devoted to public policy and leadership. His father, Congressman Hale Boggs, represented the people of Louisiana in the House for almost 28 years, elected by his colleagues to become Democratic Whip and Majority Leader. When Leader Boggs tragically died, Thomas's mother Lindy won the election to fill his seat, serving for 18 years as a forceful and dynamic Congresswoman unafraid to know her own power and make her own mark. Tommy's late sister Barbara Boggs Sigmund won public office as mayor of Princeton, N.J., and his sister Cokie Roberts is one of our nation's finest journalists.

Thomas Boggs's family taught him that public service was a noble calling, leaving a sterling legacy of leadership and civic engagement that would guide and define his entire life. As an undergraduate at Georgetown University, he studied government from within the halls of Congress, working as an elevator operator in the House of Representatives. As a law student at Georgetown, he worked with the Joint Economic Committee, at one point helping to advance President Johnson's 1964 anti-poverty tour of Appalachia.

Later, he spent 15 months as Assistant to the Director of the Office of Emergency Preparedness, before leaving to pursue a life in law.

In 1966, he joined the law firm that would become Squire Patton Boggs, building a list of accomplishments that includes critical victories for American automakers and preserving thousands of American jobs. Although he lost an election for Congress in 1970, he continued his commitment to public service as part of the Presidential Commission on Executive Exchange and as a Presidential Delegate to our trade mission to China in 1979.

In recognition of his intellect and ability, The National Law Journal has named him to their list of the top 100 lawyers in the United States every year since the list's inception.

Thomas Boggs was a towering advocate for American workers and middle-class families—carrying forward the legacy of public service that his family continues to exemplify. I hope that it is a comfort to his wife, Barbara, his children, his sister Cokie, and all of his loved ones that so many people throughout the world share their grief and mourn the loss of the devoted and loving patriarch of the Boggs family during this most difficult time.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. TIM RYAN

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 18, 2014

Mr. RYAN of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, on Tuesday, September 16, 2014, I inadvertently voted "no" on roll No. 503—On Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass: Gun Lake Trust Land Reaffirmation Act. I had meant for my vote to be recorded as "aye".

HONORING JAMES LINTOTT

HON. FRANK R. WOLF

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 18, 2014

Mr. WOLF. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to recognize Mr. James W. Lintott, a constituent who recently stepped down as chairman of the board for the Children's National Medical Center. Mr. Lintott has held this post since 2010 and has been a passionate advocate for access to quality health care for all children.

Jim's leadership has helped to advance pediatric health in our community and beyond. He has been actively involved with Children's National for more than 12 years and has served as a member of a number of governance committees and boards. He began his involvement as a member of Children's Hospital Foundation Board of Directors in 2002 and later served as chairman of that board.

Jim has been a champion for children by leading philanthropic giving initiatives and building awareness in the community of the importance of supporting the mission and goals of Children's National. Under his leadership, Children's National secured a gift to establish an institute for pediatric surgical innovation. This institute is advancing pediatric medicine by discovering new treatments and devices and implementing innovative approaches to improving children's health.

Lintott's efforts have helped to advance pediatric medicine and research. He is truly a passionate advocate for children's health. I would ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating and thanking Jim Lintott for his leadership as chairman of the board of Children's National Medical Center.

CELEBRATING THE AMERICAN
SPIRIT

HON. BILL POSEY

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 18, 2014

Mr. POSEY. Mr. Speaker, on October 24, 2014, Honor America, Inc. will celebrate its 40th Anniversary and hold its 3rd Annual Patriot Awards Dinner at the Rialto Hilton in Melbourne, Florida. Founded in 1974 in Washington, D.C. by the Rev. Billy Graham, Bob Hope, Hobart Lewis, and J. W. Marriott, Honor America seeks to reawaken a sense of pride in American traditions, ideals, and accomplishments.

It's critical to the survival of our nation and our freedom for young people to learn about our nation's cultural heritage, our Constitution and history. That's what Honor America is all about—promoting awareness of the great blessings of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness—instilling both pride in American citizenship and respect for our flag.

To do this, Honor America sponsors the Liberty Bell Memorial Museum, the Brevard Hall of Fame, and the Melbourne Military Memorial Park in Melbourne, Florida. They also sponsor the City of Melbourne's Independence Day Parade and Veteran's Day Parade to pay homage to the many Americans who have made tremendous sacrifices protecting and defending our liberty.