

his wife traveling the country in their RV and collecting antiques.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in celebrating the life of Ripon City Council Vice Mayor Elden "Red" Nutt and all of his admirable contributions to the safety and betterment of his community.

HONORING MR. HASTING BULLOCK

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 8, 2014

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a courageous and remarkable veteran, Mr. Hasting Bullock.

Mr. Hasting Bullock was born on August 8, 1920 in Yazoo City to the late Elnora Young, and the late Thomas Bullock. They later moved to Pickens, Mississippi where he was reared.

Mr. Hasting Bullock later met his wife of 70 years, the late Elmira Howard, and to this union they had 12 children. He joined the U.S. Army in 1942 and served as a 740 Air crafter for 3 years.

He was stationed at New Ginning, and fought in World War II. After departing from the military he began his farming career from 1946–1983. He retired from his farming career and began to work as a local barber. He is now 94 years old and a widower still residing in Pickens, Mississippi.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Mr. Hasting Bullock for his time and dedication to serving our country and others.

HONORING REGINALD N. "REGGIE" TODD

HON. JANICE HAHN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 8, 2014

Ms. HAHN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Reginald N. "Reggie" Todd, who is retiring at the end of this year, after his distinguished and illustrious career spanning more than thirty-eight years representing and advocating for the interests of local governments before the Legislative and Executive Branches of government in Washington, D.C. I wish to extend to Mr. Todd, currently the Chief Legislative Representative for the County of Los Angeles, my appreciation for the decades of dedicated service that he has given to Los Angeles County and the nation.

Mr. Todd has served as the Chief Legislative Representative for the County of Los Angeles for the past sixteen and a half years, leading and coordinating a team of legislative advocates who have been working tirelessly on behalf of the over 10 million people who live in Los Angeles County. My office has worked closely with Mr. Todd and his team on a broad variety of federal issues having an impact on Los Angeles County including appropriations, health care, social services, community development, public safety, transportation and infrastructure, and municipal services. He has advanced the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors' federal legislative agenda with great skill, intelligence, and accomplishment.

Prior to establishing the Los Angeles County Washington Office, Mr. Todd served as Legislative Director of the National Association of Counties (NACo), implementing a broad array of coalition-building around NACo's legislative priorities. Before joining NACo, Mr. Todd served as the Chief Executive Officer of the National Community Development Association, the Legislative Counsel at the National League of Cities, and the Washington Activities Coordinator for the National Association of Regional Councils.

Mr. Todd was born and raised in Baltimore, Maryland. A veteran, he served in the United States Air Force at the Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe, NATO. He received a B.A. in Government and Politics from the University of Maryland-College Park. He has been married to his wife, Saralee S. Todd, for 36 years and has two children, Dr. Elizabeth Todd Breland and Jonathan E Todd, and a son-in-law, Alex Breland. Mr. Todd also is a very proud, first-time grandfather of Natalie Juanita Breland.

On behalf of the United States House of Representatives and Los Angeles County, we extend our heartfelt gratitude for Mr. Todd's contributions throughout his remarkable career. With our sincere best wishes, we congratulate him upon his retirement from public service.

HONORING TRAVIS WOOD

HON. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM

OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 8, 2014

Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Travis Wood, a devoted husband, loving father and proud New Mexican.

While born a Texan, Travis was raised as a New Mexican. In 1912, Travis was born near the small town of Wellington, Texas; three short years later, his family traveled to New Mexico, where he would devote a lifetime of service to a community he loved dearly.

Travis was a man of great integrity. He grew up enduring the extremely difficult hand-to-mouth existence as a member of a homestead family. Along with the hard times, however, came many lessons that would serve him throughout his life. At the onset of World War II, Travis enlisted in the United States Navy as a motor machinist first class on the Navy sub-chaser SC 1354, often referred to as the "Splinter Fleet". The Splinter Fleet was detailed to Omaha Beach on D-Day and Travis would later be awarded the bronze star for his courage and valor.

In 1952, following the war, Travis and his wife Clara moved the family to Roy, New Mexico, where Travis accepted a job as a rural letter carrier. Anyone who knew Travis will tell you that his commitment to his country and the State of New Mexico was unwavering. He became an icon in his community as a tireless public figure, serving several terms as Mayor of the Village of Roy, on the Roy School Board, the ENMR Tele-communications Board and the Eastern Plains Council of Governments (COG). In addition, he was an avid member in the Roy Lions Club, the American Legion, the Roy and Springer Masonic Lodges, and a board member of St. Paul's Methodist Church/United Church of Roy.

Travis was always searching for ways to stimulate the economy in his cherished community. For his lasting and effective contributions, his fellow citizens honored his name with the Travis Wood Senior Center. But Travis's most treasured triumph was a private one: building a family. He passionately loved his son Gary Wood, daughter Cheryl Wood Scott, and his grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Gentle, patient, compassionate, loving and selfless—Travis was a helper to many and a friend to all. Travis demonstrates the impact that one individual can have on an entire community and his warmth was felt by all those who knew him. Today, Travis is not with us, but his legacy and lessons will endure in all those he touched. May the memory of Travis live on in our hearts.

HONORING AIRMAN FIRST CLASS LAWRENCE DAVID FRIAR

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 8, 2014

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a courageous and remarkable veteran, Retired Airman First Class Lawrence David Friar.

Lawrence Friar is a strong believer in the value of family land and property ownership. It is through this belief that prompted him to return to his native home in Lexington, Mississippi in 1972 from Compton, California where he was reared. He was born in Lexington, Mississippi April 20, 1940, but moved out West with his family not long after that.

He returned to his home state to look after his families' land, because so many boundaries and lines were being moved and timber being cut from his property that he had to come home to watch over things for his other siblings. Born to the late Mack Friar and Lettie Wright Friar, Holmes County, Mississippi natives, there were four boys and six girls. He has been a faithful citizen of the Second Congressional District ever since his return in 1972.

Protecting land is nothing new for Friar for he is a proud American Veteran who protected and served his country in the United States Air force from 1958 until 1962.

He joined the military immediately after high school in Compton. "When I joined the service, the Vietnamese Conflict has started, and it was still going on when I left the service," he said. Friar had temporary duty in the War Zone, in which they would leave Hawaii and go to the war and work the jets that needed repairing, and then they would return to Hawaii, where he was stationed.

During his tour of duty in the U.S. Air force, Friar earned and retired with the rank of (E4) Airman First Class.

The Retired Airman First Class Lawrence Friar says "Most importantly, it taught me patience and how to get along with people." he said about his most memorable experience about serving in the U.S. Air force.

Today, one will find this retired U.S. Air force veteran home in Lexington, Mississippi as a local leisurely farmer doing some gardening and planting; what people in the south call "truck patches." He hopes to return to

California one day to check on some siblings there, but for now he will remain with a watchful eye on his family's land.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Retired Airman First Class Lawrence David Friar for his time and dedication to serving our country and others.

HONORING THE LIFE OF WILLIAM SCHEIDE

HON. RUSH HOLT

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 8, 2014

Mr. HOLT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of a great American citizen and a dear friend. William Scheide, of Princeton, New Jersey, passed away on November 14, 2014, at the age of 100. Bill was a humanitarian, a philanthropist and a supporter of civil rights who, although born into great wealth, was anything but indolent.

Bill was born in Philadelphia on January 6, 1914, the only child of two musicians: John, a pianist, and Harriet, a singer. He developed a love for music early on, and that passion inspired him throughout his hundred years. Bill's family earned their fortune in oil when northwestern Pennsylvania was the center of the oil industry. His grandparents and parents began collecting books, and Bill developed that collection carefully, studiously, and energetically, and built it into one of the greatest collections of rare books and manuscripts in private hands anywhere in the world. Bill attended Princeton University, graduating with the class of 1936, and eventually gave his collection to his university. His collection is huge and hugely impressive, and includes an early fourteenth century manuscript of the Magna Carta; the first four Bibles printed; an original copy of the Declaration of Independence; the first four folios of Shakespeare; and musical manuscripts of Beethoven, Mozart, Schubert, Wagner, and Bill's beloved Johann Sebastian Bach. Today, the Scheide Library at Princeton continues to be a resource for Princeton students and faculty and for scholars around the world.

In Princeton and throughout the country, Bill Scheide is synonymous with support for the arts—particularly music. He was a renowned pianist, organist, and oboist. After graduating from Princeton, Bill went on to earn a master's degree in music from Columbia and thereafter became one of the world's most renowned Bach scholars. He was the founding director of the Bach Aria Group, which performed and recorded over a period of more than three decades. He eventually returned to Princeton where he held regular concerts in his home, inviting guest musicians or even performing himself.

Bill's impact on Princeton University stretches far beyond his library collection. Over the years, Bill's generosity has allowed hundreds of students to attend the university through the Scheide Scholars Program. His philanthropy also extended beyond the university's gates and into the Princeton community. Through Scheide Concerts, Bill brought to the community classical music performances by some of the world's most sought-after performers. He was an avid supporter of charitable organizations in the area, including Cen-

turion Ministries, which works to free wrongly convicted individuals from prison, and Isles, a community development organization serving our capital city of Trenton. And far beyond central New Jersey, Bill's philanthropy changed the history of our nation. When a young lawyer named Thurgood Marshall asked him to support a case called Brown vs. Board of Education, Bill Scheide provided funding that allowed the NAACP Legal Defense Fund to pursue the case to its stupendous conclusion. He later served on the board of the Legal Defense Fund for nearly four decades. Here in Washington, at the Newseum, exhibits funded by Bill Scheide teach the public about freedoms guaranteed by the Constitution. He also served as a trustee of, and generous benefactor to, Westminster Choir College and Princeton Theological Seminary, both of which have buildings bearing his name.

I had the pleasure of spending a great deal of time with Bill over the years. And while Bill will certainly be remembered for his generous charitable endeavors, I believe he will be remembered most by those who knew him for his intellect, his humility, and his generosity of spirit. He was thoughtful about his philanthropy and worked hard at it, and expected nothing in return. His happiness was found in watching the eyes of concertgoers or library visitors light up with joy, or seeing a new young leader emerge from Nassau Hall at Princeton commencement who was only able to attend the university because of the Scheide Scholars Program. He was so humble, in fact, that he asked the university to change the name of the Scheide Music Library to the Mendel Music Library, to honor another Princeton faculty member and renowned Bach scholar, Arthur Mendel, who he thought deserved the recognition.

Bill is survived by his loving wife, Judy; his daughters, Louise and Barbara; his son, John; three stepchildren; and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Bill Scheide's legacy of generosity and studious philanthropy will not soon be forgotten.

WAYZATA HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

HON. ERIK PAULSEN

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 8, 2014

Mr. PAULSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Wayzata High School Girls Cross-Country team on their recent victories in the state and national championships.

Their 2A Minnesota State Championship, the third in a row for Wayzata, was the result of a strong performance at the state meet in Northfield.

In addition to their third consecutive state championship win, the Wayzata girls' team won the Nike Cross Nationals Meet in Portland, Oregon by beating out teams from New York, Utah, and Indiana.

The Trojans were led by the performance of Anna French who took 3rd place at state and 8th at the national meet.

The Wayzata Girls Cross Country team took on this latest challenge in the midst of difficult practice schedules, academic expectations, and various other commitments. Their success

this season is a tribute to their excellent teamwork and tenacity, qualities they will no doubt maintain as they move forward.

I commend Coach Dave Emmans and the entire Trojans team for their passion and hardwork. Cross Country is athletics at its purest and requires mental toughness and physical endurance to excel. By pushing each other every day, Wayzata reached truly exceptional heights this season.

It is truly an honor to congratulate and represent these hard-working student-athletes and congratulate them on their success.

HONORING CHOPPA STYLES BARBER SHOP

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 8, 2014

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a remarkable business, Choppa Styles Barber Shop.

Choppa Styles Barber Shop is owned by Ramirez Lee, who was born and raised in Leeland, Mississippi. "Choppa Styles" is the name of his shop and is a new age term for the latest in music, fashion, and even hairstyles.

After Lee graduated from barber school, he went to work for other barbershops, but knew that he wanted his own business. He was very particular and wanted to please his customers while giving them the advantage of his knowledge.

Many people have the mistaken belief that men just walk into a barbershop, sit down and get a haircut. Lee doesn't have that attitude at all.

Lee states that "it's very important for a professional barber to look at the person's facial structure, the type of hair he might have as to whether it is thick or thinning, curly, straight, all those things. A good barber will then style that person's hair to compliment his facial structure."

Lee said that he tries to influence his customers on the necessity of a healthy scalp. Lee also said that he hopes to include hair care products at his shop soon.

Lee doesn't make appointments. All of his customers are walk-ins. He welcomes new customers and invites them to stop by his shop.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Choppa Styles Barber Shop for its dedication to serving and giving back to the community.

HONORING DAVE JONES

HON. BRAD R. WENSTRUP

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 8, 2014

Mr. WENSTRUP. Mr. Speaker, Dave Jones lived a life of service to freedom, to his faith, and to his family. Dave's wife Sally was a patient of mine, and I've had the opportunity to get to know their family over the past few years.

Dave passed away late last month—a loss not only for his family, but also for fellow members of his church and the people of Cincinnati's East End who he served through his church's outreach program.