

Because of persons like them the future of our country is bright and its best days lie ahead. I wish them all well.

Mr. Speaker, I am grateful that such thoughtful committed young men and women can be found working in my office, those of my colleagues, and in every community in America. Their good works will keep America great, good, and forever young.

RECOGNIZING THE OUTSTANDING SEASON OF THE 2013 DICKINSON RED DEVILS MEN'S LACROSSE TEAM

HON. LOU BARLETTA

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 28, 2014

Mr. BARLETTA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today, along with my colleagues, Rep. JIM GERLACH (PA-6) and Rep. BILL SHUSTER (PA-9), to congratulate the players and coaches of the 2013 Dickinson College Red Devils Men's Lacrosse Team of Carlisle, Pennsylvania on their incredible season which was capped by their advancement to the "Elite Eight" in the 2013 NCAA Division III National Championship Tournament.

The 2013 Dickinson Red Devils captured the Centennial Conference Championship for a third consecutive season en route to their appearance in the quarterfinals of the NCAA National Championship Tournament. The team was led by First-team All-American, Division III Long Pole Midfielder of the Year and Iroquois Award winner for Outstanding Player of the Year, Brandon Palladino; First-team All-American and Lt. Col. J.I. Turnbull Award winner, Brian Cannon; and First-team All-Americans Matt Cherry and Peter Zouck. Slay Sudah was named Third-team All-American and Greg Hanley and Parker Waldron received honorable mention recognition.

The Red Devils' 2013 roster included: Reid Barger, Nick Baxter, Christian Beitel, Matt Brinc—kerhoff, Greg Castro, Chris Clementi, Reiley Crosby, Eric Dircks, Draper Donley, Collin Farrell, Kobi Frankel, Nolan Funchion, Brian Gleason, Youssef Gorgi, Patrick Haig, Mattison Hamilton, D.J. Henderson, Rob Kendall, Greg Kirchner, Marek Laco, Dave Largey, Kevin Leary, Nick Leon, Chris Menard, Carter Moore, Andrew Morgan, Palmer Murray, Jack O'Connor, Brett Parker, Graham Parsons, Max Pawk, Chris Pianko, Mike Reid, Sam Rosenburgh, Reed Salmons, Andrew Salvitti, Will Scott, Mike Serpa, Nick Shepherd, Greg Shildkrout, Michael Smith, Ace Sudah, Will Trevenen, and Tyler White. The Red Devils were ably led by Head Coach David Webster, Assistant Coaches Tim Marshall and Pat March, Statisticians Emily David and Rachel Moore, Athletic Trainer Adam Richmond with dedicated administrative support by College Athletic Director Dr. Les Poolman.

Mr. Speaker, in light of their outstanding accomplishments and noteworthy season, we ask that our colleagues join us today in recognizing the players and coaches of the Dickinson College Red Devils Men's Lacrosse Team of Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

TRIBUTE TO THE MEN AND WOMEN OF THE INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF ELECTRICAL WORKERS LOCAL 58

HON. SANDER M. LEVIN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 28, 2014

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the men and women of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 58, who celebrated their 100th Anniversary at a gala I was pleased to join on Saturday, April 12th. In 1914, IBEW Locals 18 and 271 merged to create IBEW Local 58. For the last 100 years, IBEW members helped to build the City of Detroit and Southeast Michigan, served our nation at home and overseas during wartime, engaged in volunteer activities to strengthen our communities, and have stood at the forefront of workers' rights on the job.

The rich history of Local 58 is inextricably bound with the history of Southeast Michigan and of the nation. Local 58 was created to ensure that its members have safe working conditions, receive fair wages and health and welfare benefits, and security when they retire. These vital responsibilities helped propel the men and women of Local 58 to the forefront of the labor movement in Southeast Michigan, and due to their efforts as well as those of many others, working people can achieve and thrive in the American middle class.

While building the middle class, the members of IBEW Local 58, along with their brothers and sisters in other building trades unions, literally built the City of Detroit and the Southeast Michigan region. Iconic Detroit projects such as the Ambassador Bridge, the Fisher Building, the Guardian Building, the Detroit Opera House, the Fox Theater, and the Masonic Temple were built using the skills of IBEW Local 58's members. In 1948, Local 58 wired Briggs Stadium for lights so that the Detroit Tigers could play nighttime games. As Detroit and the region grew along with the growth of the automotive industry, Local 58 workers brought electricity to the new homes being built in Wayne, Oakland, and Macomb counties.

Local 58 members have served in the armed forces in every war our nation has fought since World War I. Beginning in World War II and in every war since then, Local 58 has ensured that those members who served in the military during wartime would have their union dues paid while they were in service, and that they could return to the union with no loss of status or seniority when their service was completed. The men and women of Local 58 also served our country at home during times of war, most notably during World War II, when Detroit was known as the "Arsenal of Democracy" and skilled workers were needed to retool automobile factories to produce the aircraft, tanks, and artillery needed to win the war. More than half of the tanks, 75 percent of the aircraft engines, and 92 percent the cars and trucks used by the military in World War II were built in Detroit factories.

The men and women of Local 58 have always been involved in efforts to strengthen the communities in which they live and work and to support causes important to them. From their donations to the American Red Cross, Boys Town and the National Foundation for

Infantile Paralysis in the 1940s and 1950s to their work on behalf of Habitat for Humanity and to local churches, community centers and schools today, IBEW members have been willing to commit their time, talents and money to help others.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to represent so many members and families of IBEW Local 58 in Michigan's 9th Congressional District. For the last century, they have demonstrated a steadfast commitment to excellence on the job, to the rights of working people, to the well-being of Detroit and Southeast Michigan, and to the strength of our country. I hope my colleagues will join me in congratulating the men and women of Local 58 as they celebrate 100 years of excellence, and in wishing them continued success in their second century.

TRIBUTE TO ANDREW LIVERIS

HON. DAVE CAMP

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 28, 2014

Mr. CAMP. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Andrew Liveris in recognition of his 60th birthday on Monday, May 5, 2014.

Originally from Darwin, Australia, Andrew currently resides in my hometown of Midland, Michigan with his wife Paula and three children. Mr. Liveris has been an instrumental figure at The Dow Chemical Company for over 35 years, serving in a myriad of positions spanning three continents. He is currently the company's President, Chairman, and Chief Executive Officer. Under his guidance, the Company has continued unparalleled success across the globe, in addition to being a key employer in Midland. He is a true visionary and an innovative leader in the field of manufacturing.

In addition to his success at Dow, Mr. Liveris has carried on and expanded the company's culture of community outreach to improve the quality of life of all Midland residents. The company continues to play a crucial role in the vitalization of the City of Midland, sponsoring local events such as the Dow Tennis Invitational and the Midland Community Center's Dow RunWalk. With strategic planning and a focus on the lives of those within the company and the community, Mr. Liveris has taken to new heights, the important relationship, and friendship, between Dow and Midland.

On a national scale, Mr. Liveris is an advocate for expanding the important role of manufacturing in our economy and his expertise expands well beyond his work at Dow. He serves as co-chair of President Obama's Advanced Manufacturing Partnership in the United States, where he continues to present viable business policy solutions for economic growth.

As a successful business leader and community organizer, Mr. Liveris has received numerous awards including the Chemical Industry Medal by the Society of Chemical Industry, the CEO of the Year award at the Platts Global Energy Awards, and the George E. Davis Medal by the Institution of Chemical Engineers. Most notably, he has been identified for his influence in the global chemical markets as a Top Power Player by the ICIS Chemical Business magazine for several consecutive years.

On behalf of the Fourth Congressional District of Michigan, I am honored today to recognize Andrew Liveris in celebration of his 60th birthday and to thank him for his continued work in Michigan, the nation, and abroad. I wish him many years of continued health, happiness, and success.

**HONORING MAYOR GARY BROWN
OF SALEM, MISSOURI**

HON. JASON T. SMITH

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 28, 2014

Mr. SMITH of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Mayor Gary Brown of Salem, Missouri for his achievements and years of service to the community.

This April, Mayor Brown will have served for fourteen years as mayor of Salem. Prior to being elected mayor, he served as Alderman of the East Ward for four years. Mayor Brown has dedicated much of his life to public service. This dedication has not only been towards his local community, but also to our nation during the four years he served in the Navy.

In his eighteen years of service to the city of Salem, Mayor Brown has devoted his time to be a positive influence to the community. I am thankful for his leadership which has greatly benefitted my hometown of Salem. It is my pleasure to recognize his service and achievements before the House of Representatives.

**IN RECOGNITION OF VIRGINIA
“GINNY” TREACY**

HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 28, 2014

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Virginia “Ginny” Treacy on her retirement as Executive Director of JNESO District Council 1 International Union of Operating Engineers AFL-CIO. Ms. Treacy has dedicated over 35 years of service to labor causes and her contributions and accomplishments are truly deserving of this body’s recognition.

Virginia Treacy has been an active labor member since 1977 when she organized her first campaign while a Registered Nurse looking for fair and equitable treatment. She began her labor career as a business agent for the New Jersey State Nurses Association’s labor division and became Union Director in 1980. Five years later, she began an independent professional health care union under the name JNESO with the then 2,300 Registered Nurses from the New Jersey State Nurses Association. In 1992 JNESO became District Council 1—IUOE after affiliating with the International Union of Operating Engineers. Today, JNESO District Council 1—IUOE represents over 5,000 registered nurses, licensed practical nurses and other healthcare professionals and technical employees in both New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

In addition to her leadership of JNESO District Council 1—IUOE, Ms. Treacy is a member of the Gender Parity Council, the New Jersey

Health Care Workforce Council. She has been recognized for her many accomplishments, being honored with awards from her union and other labor and nursing groups.

A graduate of New York City’s Beth Israel Medical Center School of Nursing, Ms. Treacy worked at various hospitals in New York and New Jersey before entering the labor movement. She is married, a mother of two daughters, a grandmother and an avid golfer.

Mr. Speaker, once again, please join me in congratulating Virginia “Ginny” Treacy on her retirement and thanking her for her years of service.

HONORING KATE VERNEZ

HON. HENRY A. WAXMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 28, 2014

Mr. WAXMAN. Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize Kate Vernez as she retires after 27 years of dedicated service as the Deputy City Manager of Santa Monica.

Kate transitioned to Southern California after a successful career with the City of New York, and the City of Santa Monica has truly benefited from her presence. I have had the distinct pleasure of working directly with Kate for many years, and I have personally witnessed how crucial her participation was in cultivating the necessary cooperation and collaboration among city, county, state, and federal governments time and time again.

Kate has played an instrumental role in numerous transportation projects, including the City of Santa Monica’s Big Blue Bus. My staff and I also were able to work one-on-one with her on the Expo Line project, which will ultimately connect Downtown Los Angeles to Santa Monica.

In addition to improving transportation, Kate has been an integral part in addressing the issue of hopelessness, specifically among the Santa Monica veteran population. Furthermore, she has been a strong advocate for legislation at all levels of government that would provide support to veterans at our local West Los Angeles VIA campus.

Kate is a natural leader and I have repeatedly been impressed with her talent and dedication. Her record of excellence is an inspiration. With Kate in City Hall, I have always been confident that our mutual constituents in Santa Monica were being well-served at the city level.

I ask that my colleagues join me in celebrating the remarkable career of Kate Vernez and in wishing her all the best for the future.

FAIR PLAYING FIELD ACT OF 2014

HON. JIM McDERMOTT

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 28, 2014

Mr. McDERMOTT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to introduce the Fair Playing Field Act of 2014. In 1978, Congress was concerned that lack of clarity as to the proper classification of some workers, increased IRS enforcement activity, and retroactive application by IRS of interpretations that were arguably new had caused

hardships for some small businesses and other taxpayers and confusion as to the applicable rules.

To allow time to develop a comprehensive approach to the problem, Congress enacted section 530 of the Revenue Act of 1978 as an interim measure protecting taxpayers from liability for misclassification if the taxpayer has a reasonable basis for classifying a worker as an independent contractor and meets certain other conditions. In addition, the Act prohibited the Secretary of the Treasury from publishing regulations or revenue rulings on workers’ employment tax status pending the expected near-term enactment of clarifying legislation.

During the ensuing 33 years, Congress made section 530 of the Revenue Act of 1978 permanent, however, changes in working relationships and the continued prohibition on new guidance have increased the uncertainty as to the proper classification of workers.

Many workers are properly classified as independent contractors. In other instances, workers who are employees are being treated as independent contractors. Such misclassification for tax purposes contributes to inequities in the competitive positions of businesses and to the Federal and State tax gap, and may also result in misclassification for other purposes, such as denial of unemployment benefits, workplace health and safety protections, and retirement or other benefits or protections available to employees.

Workers, businesses, and other taxpayers will benefit from clear guidance regarding employment tax status. In the interest of fairness and in view of many service recipients’ reliance on current section 530, such guidance should apply only prospectively.

SUPPORT FOR CYPRUS

HON. MARK MEADOWS

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 28, 2014

Mr. MEADOWS. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to express my support for the people of the Island of Cyprus. The Greek Cypriots have agreed to come to the table and begin negotiations with their Turkish counterparts. The United States stands by its commitment to peace in the Eastern Mediterranean. While this is merely the beginning of what could be a very long process, it deserves our commendation. A peaceful resolution would set an example of stability in a region beset by turmoil, tumult, and upheaval.

The Turkish Cypriot people have been isolated for too long. They have desired a unified island for nearly half a century and this new start is a significant step towards their reinsertion into the political, economic, and social structure of not just the Island of Cyprus but also of the entire world.

Mr. Speaker, I restate my resolute support for the start of talks between the Turkish Cypriots and Greek Cypriots. It is important that we encourage both sides to remain at the table and negotiate in good faith. I also implore our State Department to continue to be resolute in supporting these talks. The power of diplomacy is strong. The world is watching and waiting with hopeful anticipation.