

Judge Cudahy was born in Milwaukee in 1926 and spent his childhood in Cudahy, Wisconsin. He attended college at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, earning his degree in 1948. He served in the military until 1951 before attending Yale Law School, where he earned his Juris Doctor degree in 1955.

In 1956, Judge Cudahy went to work for the U.S. State Department Office of Legal Adviser in Washington, DC, and then moved into private practice in Chicago in 1957. After serving as the head of his family's meat packing company, he ran for Attorney General of Wisconsin. He served as the Wisconsin Democratic Party Chairman from 1967 to 1968. In 1979, under the recommendation of Senators William Proxmire and Gaylord Nelson, President Jimmy Carter appointed Judge Cudahy to the United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit.

During Judge Cudahy's long legal career he was also a professor at many prominent law schools, including DePaul University College of Law, George Washington University Law School, Marquette University School of Law, and University of Wisconsin Law School. Judge Cudahy was well known for his writings on environmental law and public energy law, two issues about which he was extremely passionate.

From being the head of a large meat packing company that provided many jobs to the citizens of Wisconsin, to teaching future lawyers at Wisconsin and Marquette, to being a highly respected judge that presided over many cases involving citizens of Wisconsin, Judge Cudahy was a model Wisconsinite. Judge Cudahy was exceptionally well regarded by his peers for being knowledgeable, kind-hearted, and humane. The state of Wisconsin will miss him and all of the wonderful things he did to benefit its citizens.

HONORING ALEA WILLIAMS FOR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT

HON. PETER J. ROSKAM

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 9, 2015

Mr. ROSKAM. Mr. Speaker, today I wish to recognize Alea Williams, an outstanding young woman from the 6th District of Illinois who was recently honored with the prestigious Gold Award from the Girl Scouts of America. The Gold Award honors young women who are leaders in their community and represents the highest achievement a Girl Scout can reach.

Alea, a resident from my hometown of Wheaton, has a passion for helping those in need. She has acted on this passion by working with the Ronald McDonald House in Hines, Illinois where she helped renovate bedrooms for families who stay at the non for profit while their children are receiving medical care. During her time with the Ronald McDonald House, Alea spent more than 80 hours and raised more than \$3,000 to complete the project for her Gold Award.

According to the Girl Scouts of America, only 5.4% of eligible Scouts achieve the Gold Award. It is rare to see the level of commitment and determination Alea has exemplified through her volunteer efforts. Along with her studies and extracurricular activities, Alea

maintained her involvement in Girl Scouts achieving the Bronze and Silver award before reaching the final capstone, the Gold Award and graduating from Girl Scouts.

Mr. Speaker and my fellow colleagues, please join me in congratulating Alea Williams on her outstanding accomplishments and wishing her the very best of luck as she continues to strive to be a leader and a role model in her community.

IN RECOGNITION OF NEW JERSEY INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE NA- TIONAL COLLEGIATE HONORS COUNCIL

HON. DONALD M. PAYNE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 9, 2015

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the National Collegiate Honors Council for their 50th anniversary this year. The NCHC represents 800 colleges and universities and is composed of 325,000 students dedicated to achieving educational excellence in diverse subject curriculum areas in order to achieve professional career goals.

In my district, the New Jersey Institute of Technology's Albert Dorman Honors College challenges its brightest and most motivated students by intellectually stimulating them with a well-balanced education that includes special activities, lectures, and colloquium series that feature prestigious speakers. The program accomplishes its overarching missions of fostering leadership skills and ensuring academic excellence through rigorous learner-centered education by providing undergraduate research opportunities, innovative learning seminars, community service engagement, and study abroad programs. Students prepare for competition for highly desirable jobs in the modern economy by participating in technology based education and internship programs that provide professional work experiences and opportunities to network with real-world business leaders. The College also offers accelerated pre-law, pre-med, and entrepreneurial programs that enable students to quickly move on to graduate or professional schools by allowing them to earn their undergraduate degrees in just three years. Indeed, Albert Dorman graduates leave the New Jersey Institute of Technology well prepared to find jobs in prominent corporations or to pursue graduate education in our nation's best academic institutions.

The National Collegiate Honors Program, after decades of growth and experience, continues to dedicate itself to promoting educational excellence within our nation's colleges and universities while preparing students for successful professional careers.

Mr. Speaker, I invite my colleagues to join me in commending NJIT's outstanding contributions to our nation's educational and professional communities and honoring its 50th anniversary of the National Collegiate Honors Council.

RIDDING CENTRAL AFRICA OF JOSEPH KONY: CONTINUING U.S. SUPPORT

HON. CHRISTOPHER H. SMITH

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 9, 2015

Mr. SMITH of New Jersey. Mr. Speaker, since 1987, the Lord's Resistance Army, or LRA, has killed, raped, kidnapped, enslaved or robbed thousands of people in the Great Lakes region of Africa and beyond. In October 2011, the Obama administration deployed about 100 military advisers to help Ugandan and other military forces in the region to seek out and capture or kill the members of a terrorist force that has now dwindled from thousands of fighters in the late 1990s and early 2000s to fewer than 200 today, but remains a very real danger to people in the east and central regions of Africa. A hearing I held last week looked at why the effort to end the LRA is so critical for the international community and how the U.S. counter-LRA program has worked thus far.

Last week's hearing was held even in the absence of the Department of Defense or the State Department (whose relevant officials are unavailable for a few weeks) because it will serve as acknowledgement of the importance of countering the LRA prior to the administration's decision on whether to continue the program. The decision on renewing the American deployment will come in the next few weeks. We trust the administration will decide to continue this worthy effort. We hope to cover U.S. counter-LRA policy with administration witnesses in a future hearing on Africa's Great Lakes region.

One can use a number of metaphors to describe the LRA today. It is like a wounded animal, less capable but still very dangerous. It is like a vulture, feeding off the existing misery it finds in countries otherwise troubled by conflict. The LRA is like a fire that is tamped down but not extinguished and can re-ignite at any time. However, the danger posed by the LRA is not metaphorical; it is very real to those who still live in fear in eastern and central Africa.

The LRA is a vivid example of how ethnic strife can provide a cover for wanton viciousness. In the name of protecting the rights of northern Uganda's Acholi tribe, LRA founder Joseph Kony has brought only wretchedness to his people and their neighbors, as well as to people living in surrounding countries. Efforts to come to a negotiated settlement have all come to naught because Kony apparently has no coherent demands. His terrorist group seems to want nothing more than chaos and destruction.

The international community has been much too quick to abandon humanitarian activities, largely because the number of victims has been reduced significantly. In confirmation hearing testimony before the Senate Armed Services Committee last year, General David Rodriguez referred to the counter-LRA effort as "a good success story," citing the group's decline and American determination to support African efforts to finish off the LRA.

Unfortunately, this is where the metaphors about the group must be kept in mind. Whenever the LRA has had a setback due to international efforts to eliminate it, the group's retaliation has been ruthless. Ongoing conflict in

Central African Republic, South Sudan and eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo has provided a welcoming environment in which the LRA can hide and resume its deadly activities with less fear of regional government action against it. When we take our eyes off the LRA, they have enhanced maneuverability and opportunity to regroup.

Thanks to the #Kony2012 campaign by the advocacy group Invisible Children, the LRA became notorious worldwide and garnered international support, especially among the young, on behalf of a robust counter-LRA effort. Yet the staying power of social media is fleeting. There are always new causes, also legitimate, to draw attention away. Remember #BringBackOurGirls on behalf of the Chibok schoolgirls kidnapped by Boko Haram?

Our caring has to extend to the victims of LRA and other such groups, which not only include those whom they attack, but also those whom they cruelly use in their destructive campaigns. We had one such victim with us, who described the ongoing desolation the LRA brings to so many young lives. We also had witnesses familiar with the LRA and its terrorist activities who described the ongoing threat this group poses, however diminished their ranks may be.

Countering terrorist groups cannot depend on Twitter campaigns. The United States and other members of the international community must retain our resolve to capture or remove the leaders of the LRA and any terrorist group that threaten the lives and well-being of innocent people worldwide. Whether such groups pose a direct, confirmable threat to the homeland or not, by terrorizing those whom we help, they oppose U.S. interests and must be dealt with.

HONORING JIM JOHNSTON

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 9, 2015

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Jim Johnston of Grain Valley, MO. This October, Jim will be completing his eighth term and fourth decade as the President of the Owner-Operator Independent Drivers Association (OOIDA), an organization that formed to give owner-operators and drivers a voice where they previously had none. Jim is widely considered to be a national leader on all issues affecting small business trucking professionals and professional truck drivers.

It is hard to believe that OOIDA began in an office trailer chained to a light pole at a truck stop in Grain Valley. Under Jim's leadership, it is now the largest organization of small business trucking professionals and professional truck drivers in the country, with more than 155,000 members nationwide. OOIDA has members in every state across every Congressional district.

There is no question that Jim and his organization strive daily to represent the best interests of truck drivers around the country. In fact, Jim leads a 22 member Board of Directors that has more than 800 years of truck driving experience collectively, and a staff of 320 OOIDA employees, many of whom were truck drivers themselves. Needless to say, Jim

is an invaluable resource on trucking and transportation issues to those fortunate enough to work with him.

Representing the interests of truck drivers has been Jim's life's work, and I can confidently say there is no one more dedicated to the cause. Throughout his career, he has worked with legislative, executive, and judicial branches of government, law enforcement agencies and other trucking and transportation organizations, all while serving on numerous commissions and advisory boards. His mission is simple: fight for the rights of all professional truck drivers. While some of his colleagues might say that he is a fierce adversary, I think most would agree that the integrity and professionalism with which he conducts himself has endeared Jim to all of his colleagues and competitors.

Mr. Speaker, it is a privilege to work with Jim and his team at OOIDA. I would ask all of my colleagues to join me in commending Mr. Jim Johnston for his lifelong dedication to the members of OOIDA and the trucking industry, and we wish him the best in his future endeavors.

HONORING THE CREW OF EL FARO

HON. ANDER CRENSHAW

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 9, 2015

Mr. CRENSHAW. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the crew of the *El Faro*, the 790-foot container ship that recently perished in the Atlantic during Hurricane Joaquin. We cannot know the heartache that their families and friends are facing in the midst of the unanswered questions surrounding this maritime disaster. In their time of need, we send them strong prayers of support to help ease their pain.

The 33 crew members aboard the vessel, 18 from Florida, 12 from my hometown of Jacksonville, 10 others from cities and towns across America, and five Polish nationals, all faced the toughest of odds from a Category 4 hurricane. These brave men and women include: Jacksonville residents Roosevelt Clark, Brookie Davis, Frank Hamm, Carey Hatch, Jack Jackson, Jackie Jones, Jr., Lonnie Jordan, Roan Lightfoot, James Porter, Theodore Quammie, Lashawn Rivera and Anthony Thomas. Florida residents Louis Champa of Palm Coast, Keith Griffin of Fort Myers, Joe Hargrove of Orange Park, Howard Schoenly of Cape Coral, German Solar-Cortes of Orlando and Mariette Wright of St. Augustine were also aboard.

Sylvester Crawford Jr. of Lawrenceville, Georgia; Michael Davidson of Windham, Maine; Michael Holland of North Wilton, Maine; Mitchell Kuflik of Brooklyn, New York; Jeffrey Mathias of Kingston, Massachusetts; Dylan Meklin of Rockland, Maine; Richard Pusatere of Virginia Beach, Virginia; Danielle Randolph of Rockland, Massachusetts; Jeremiah Riehm of Camden, Delaware; and Steven Shultz of Roan Mountain, Tennessee are also mourned as are Piotr Krause, Marcin Nita, Jan Podgorski, Andrzej Truszkowski and Rafal Zdobych of Poland.

As we learn more about their lives we see the experience and professionalism they brought to their careers, their love of family

and the hope they had for the future. May those closest to them take comfort from this diverse collection of stories.

We also take time to recognize the United States Coast Guard, United States Navy, United States Air Force and other maritime assets who combined forces in the search for the stricken ship and its members. They are to be commended for their full commitment and dedication to that mission.

As we move ahead, investigations are underway by the National Transportation Safety Board and the Coast Guard to determine what happened and how to prevent another such disaster from happening in the future. I have no doubt that those answers will come. In the meantime, America's maritime community is a tight one and will rally around those who need it the most right now—the loved ones of the *El Faro* crew. We stand with them, ready to meet their needs in whatever way we can, today and in all of the tomorrows.

RECOGNIZING THE DEDICATED SERVICE OF COACH MICKEY LINDSEY ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT FROM PACE HIGH SCHOOL, FLORIDA

HON. JEFF MILLER

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 9, 2015

Mr. MILLER of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize Coach Mickey Lindsey on the occasion of his retirement from Pace High School, located in Northwest Florida. For nearly four decades, Coach Lindsey has dedicated his life to serving his students and local communities throughout the Gulf Coast and Southeastern United States, and I am pleased to honor his outstanding achievements.

Born and raised in Alabama, Coach Lindsey graduated high school from Grove Hill Academy in Grove Hill and received his Bachelor of Science and Masters in Physical Education degree from the University of West Alabama in 1976 and Valdosta State College in 1984, respectively. At the collegiate level, Coach Lindsey was a member of the Livingston University Football team from 1972 to 1975, where he was part of a Division II semi-final run, and his love of the game and athletics would continue to play an integral role in his successful coaching career.

Coach Lindsey began his coaching career as assistant football coach and head track coach at Choctawhatchee High School in Fort Walton Beach, Florida in 1977. After stops at various other schools—including Dodge County High School, Central High School, Escambia High School, and Century High School—Coach Lindsey became the Head Football Coach at Pace High School, where he has remained for the last 25 years. His numerous awards and accolades include four-time Pensacola News Journal Football Coach of the Year, two-time WEAR-TV Football Coach of the Year, and two-time State Weightlifting Coach of the Year. Under his leadership, Coach Lindsey's teams have captured four state weightlifting titles, 10 district football championships, four undefeated football seasons, and three regional football championships. Over the course of his career, Coach Lindsey has compiled a career record