

since that time broadened its services to its membership and its assistance to the Greater McLean community. In 1997, the Chamber worked with Fairfax County and local non-profits to found the McLean Visitor Center, which is still in operation providing information about area attractions and the work of community organizations. In 1999, it installed gateway signage around the McLean area and in the business district to promote a sense of place and community. More recently, the Chamber provided input into the development of the new Tysons comprehensive plan, while maintaining a voice for responsible development in the McLean Community Business Center via the McLean Planning Committee and the McLean Revitalization Corporation.

Over the past decade, the Chamber has been perennially ranked as a Top 20 Chamber of Commerce in metropolitan Washington by the Washington Business Journal, and is the second-largest community-based chamber in Northern Virginia. In 2011, it received the Fairfax County Office of Public Private Partnerships' Chamber of Commerce Community Connector Award, in recognition of its level of service and leadership in promoting its community.

The Chamber has successfully nurtured a community of business and civic leaders in the Greater McLean community, including the McLean, Tysons, Great Falls and Chesterbrook business areas. Through networking events, education series, conferences and community awards programs, the Chamber promotes the economic and civic well-being of this important part of Fairfax County, Virginia while standing for high ethical standards in the conduct of business.

Mr. Speaker, this is an organization which helps the citizens and businesses of Greater McLean to thrive. I would ask my fellow Congressmen and women to join me in congratulating the Greater McLean Chamber of Commerce and wishing it a happy 55th anniversary. I wish this institution continued success in the future.

TRIBUTE TO DIANE GLASS

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate and recognize Diane Glass, author and founder of Pine Spirit, LLC for being named a 2016 Women of Influence honoree by the award-winning central Iowa publication, Business Record.

For 17 years, the Business Record has undertaken an exhaustive annual review to identify a standout group of women who have made a significant difference in business, civic and philanthropic endeavors throughout the Greater Des Moines Area. Ms. Glass has devoted her life to doing confronting challenges which many others might avoid. She has spent countless hours on various boards while blazing a trail for others to follow. She was selected for the chosen field of expertise, the lasting impact on the community, involvement with civic or non-profit organization and being seen as a role model because of her lofty achievements and high ethical standards.

Diane Glass has the determination and drive to be successful in anything she does,

and her exemplary work with a diverse career which spans teaching, politics, corporate America, radio talk show hosting, writing and retreat facilitation. Ms. Glass' most recent publication, *This Need to Dance: A Life of Rhythm and Resilience*, is her courageous story in the face of her struggle with spina bifida. In all aspects of her life Diane Glass is an example of hard work and service who makes Iowans proud.

Mr. Speaker, it is a profound honor to represent leaders like Diane Glass in the United States Congress and it is with great pride that I recognize and applaud her for utilizing her talents to better both her community and the great state of Iowa. I invite my colleagues in the House to join me in congratulating Diane Glass on receiving this esteemed designation, thanking those at Business Record for their great work, and wishing Ms. Glass a long and successful career.

HONORING THE LIFE OF WOODY TRAUTMAN OF TOLEDO, OHIO

HON. MARCY KAPTUR

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Mr. DeForest L. "Woody" Trautman, of Toledo, Ohio. Woody passed from this life on Thursday, August 19, 2016 at the age of 96. He was an amazing sage and a very community minded man. He was a man of peace.

Woody Trautman was born to Charlotte and DeForest L. Trautman in Panama on June 14, 1920 while his father was stationed there in the U.S. Navy. Later the family moved to Drexel Hill in Pennsylvania. Woody went on to receive his undergraduate and graduate degrees in engineering from Carnegie Institute of Technology, now Carnegie Mellon University, in Pittsburgh and his PhD from Stanford University. He married his first wife Retta and together they raised 3 children until her passing in 1998.

Woody's engineering talents were sought by many both in the United States and worldwide. He taught at Carnegie, UCLA and the University of New York at Stony Brook. Through the Ford Foundation he developed graduate schools of engineering in the U.S. He worked for Hughes Aircraft. He worked at the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development in Paris, France. Later the family moved to Chile for five years while Woody helped organize a graduate school of engineering at the University of Concepcion through UNESCO. Settling in at the University of Toledo, Woody was a former president of the Technical Society of Toledo and was named Engineer of the Year in 1978.

Once retired, Woody pursued his passions with vigor. He was a grief counselor for Hospice of Northwest Ohio for many years. He was part of the Interracial Religious Coalition and helped organize workshops on world religion. Together with his wife Judy, who he married in 2003, he co-founded the MultiFaith Council of NW Ohio "to facilitate educational and fellowship activities to promote shared community service across many faith perspectives." According to the history, "When the council began, he said 'all faiths and none.'" With more than 500 members representing

many faiths, the Multi-Faith Council is among the jewels in the crown that is Woody Trautman's legacy. In December 2014, Toledo's charter as a "Community of Compassion," was signed after a four year effort by Woody and Judy Trautman and part of an international movement.

He once noted, "I'm honored and humbled at this opportunity to be able to represent the effort to get together all kinds of people in the same room and to share and to find out firsthand we are all the same human race." Woody, "with his chest-length white beard, was a familiar figure in the audience of events that promoted understanding, even if organized by another group." His wife Judy explained, "It became his trademark. People would not recognize him anymore without his beard."

Judy Trautman commented that Woody "was persistent and intensely gregarious. People used to say of him that he would just keep asking until they stopped saying no. It was hard to say no to Woody." Pastor Ed Heilman of Park Congregational United Church of Christ summed up Woody best when he said, "He was looking to do good in a practical, pragmatic way. His own questioning mind and his engineering mind was, 'Something is going on in the world that needs to be fixed, let's do something about it,'"

To Judy and the Trautman children Patricia, Edwin and Craig, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, we extend our deepest sympathy to each of you on the passing of this extraordinary man. Called home, he most certainly was met with the embrace "Well done, my good and faithful servant."

CELEBRATING THE 100TH BIRTHDAY OF GUADALUPE DUARTE GONZÁLEZ

HON. LUCILLE ROYBAL-ALLARD

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD. Mr. Speaker, I rise to salute Guadalupe Duarte González, a beloved Angelena who turns 100 years old on September 15th. Lupe, as she is known, has lived in the Boyle Heights neighborhood of Los Angeles since 1958. She is blessed with a sharp mind and good health, and I speak for her family and friends in expressing the hope that she will continue to grace Boyle Heights with her wisdom, energy, and cheer for many years to come.

Lupe was born Guadalupe Duarte on September 15, 1916, in the coal mining town of Morenci, Arizona. When she was five, she moved with her parents, María Esparza Duarte and Ausencio Duarte, to their hometown of Villa Hidalgo, Mexico. At age nine, she moved again, this time to Aguascalientes, Mexico, with her mother, Aunt Félix, and younger siblings Panchito and Isabel, while her father worked in the United States. As Lupe grew up, she helped raise her siblings, and supported her family through sewing and factory work.

Lupe married Juan Salazar González when she was 21, and gave birth to Jose Luis, Rebecca, Juan Jr., and Imelda. Juan had his own business as a carpenter and cabinet maker. When he had every tool stolen from his shop in a robbery, the González family

moved to the United States, the land of Lupe's birth. After Lupe and Juan both worked at various jobs for a few years, Juan finally secured a permanent position as a cabinet maker.

By 1954, their family had grown to eight, with the births of Alicia Maria and Ricardo. Through struggles and sacrifices, Lupe and Juan saw to it that their children could attend private Catholic school.

After her children grew up, Lupe served the Boyle Heights community as president of the Saint Isabel Church Senior Citizens Club. In 2004, she lost her beloved 95-year-old husband, Juan, after more than 66 years of marriage.

Today, Lupe is the proud mother of six, grandmother of eight, great-grandmother of eleven, and great-great-grandmother of six. When not tending to her family, she is also a voracious reader of history, art books, and novels.

Lupe's indomitable spirit, quick wit, and love of life are an inspiration to all who know her. I hope my colleagues will join me in congratulating Guadalupe Duarte González on her first 100 years of a life well lived.

TRIBUTE TO EDITH
SCHEIDEMANTEL PICKERING

HON. JASON SMITH

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. SMITH of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the remarkable 100th birthday of Edith Scheidemantel Pickering.

Edith was born to Charles and Agnes Scheidemantel on August 15, 1916 in Lennox, MO. Edith attended and graduated Black Oak School in Lennox and was baptized on October 17, 1947 at the First Baptist Church in Salem. She was married to Raymond Pickering with whom she shares three beloved children, Barbara, Martha and Sam. She also has five grandchildren, Anita, David, Melissa, Dan and Mark.

Edith has achieved a great milestone in her life by celebrating her 100th birthday. She is a woman of character and is greatly beloved to all who know her. She has displayed great love for her church and her family throughout her long life. She has been an extremely beneficial member to our society and with that it is my pleasure to recognize Edith before the United States House of Representatives.

IN HONOR OF MR. TIM RAY

HON. DAVID G. VALADAO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. VALADAO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Mr. Tim Ray on his graduation from the National Fire Academy's Executive Fire Officer Program and to thank him for his many years of service to the City of Kingsburg, California.

Mr. Ray was born in Madera, California and at the age of three his family relocated to Kingsburg, California where his father worked at what was then the Kingsburg Volunteer Fire Department. After his graduation from

Kingsburg High School, Mr. Ray went on to receive his Bachelors of Science in Building Construction from John Brown University in Siloam Springs, Arizona.

In 1986, Mr. Ray moved back to Kingsburg and, like his father, joined the Kingsburg Fire Department as a Volunteer Firefighter. During this time, Mr. Ray also served the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CDF) through the Tulare County Fire Department. Mr. Ray's dedication to emergency services did not stop there as he also served as a paramedic for the Sequoia Safety Council and the Mobile Life Support Ambulance in Visalia, California.

As further testament to his work ethic and strength of character, in 2011, Mr. Ray was promoted to Fire Chief of the City of Kingsburg, making him one of only two out of the eighteen fire chiefs in the history of Kingsburg to have gone from a Volunteer Firefighter to Fire Chief. Mr. Tim Ray will have served the Kingsburg Fire Department and the community with dedication for thirty years on August 1, 2016.

Coinciding with his thirty year work anniversary, Mr. Ray also celebrated another incredible achievement of his career. On August 5, 2016, Mr. Ray graduated from the National Fire Academy's Executive Fire Officer Program, proving that the Fire Chief of a small town like Kingsburg is equal to those of the largest metropolitan areas in the United States.

Today, Mr. Ray resides in Kings County, California with his wife of twenty-seven years, Penny. Together they have two children, Kyle and Kaiti.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues in the House of Representatives to join with me in recognizing Mr. Tim Ray for his many accomplishments and to thank him for his thirty years of faithful service to the City of Kingsburg. The Central Valley is better off as a result of his dedication, strength of will, and commitment to emergency services.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 150TH AN-
NIVERSARY OF SACRAMENTO
CHILDREN'S HOME

HON. DORIS O. MATSUI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Ms. MATSUI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 150th anniversary of the Sacramento Children's Home. As the staff, volunteers, and community supporters gather to celebrate this momentous occasion and the beautiful renovations on their historic home, I ask all of my colleagues to join me in recognizing this outstanding organization.

I know firsthand the incredible impact the Children's Home has on our community. I have long been a supporter of the Sacramento Children's Home and I formerly served as a member of their board. I will continue to offer my support in any way that I can because I believe in their mission to serve our community's most vulnerable families. By supporting both children and parents, to create happier, more stable families, the Sacramento Children's Home is making an invaluable investment in our community.

Founded on February 14, 1867, the Sacramento Children's Home began as an or-

phanage for abandoned children during the time of the Gold Rush. Since then, the Sacramento Children's Home has continued to serve the most urgent needs of children with unwavering dedication. Today, the Sacramento Children's Home provides a variety of services to children and families, including counseling, emergency childcare, and programs promoting healthy parenting. These wraparound programs and resources, many of which are provided at no cost to the family, fight and protect against child abuse and neglect in our community.

Mr. Speaker, as the Sacramento Children's Home gathers to celebrate their renovated home on their 150th anniversary, I ask all my colleagues to join me in honoring 150 years of service to Sacramento's children and families.

TRIBUTE TO STUART &
ASSOCIATES

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Stuart & Associates, of Council Bluffs, Iowa, for being recognized with the 2016 Council Bluffs Chamber of Commerce Entrepreneur of the Year award at this year's Chamber of Commerce centennial celebration.

Stuart & Associates, based out of Council Bluffs and Omaha, is a real estate brokerage firm that serves customers in Iowa and Nebraska. Their innovative approach to selling property is what led them to receiving this prestigious award. The team at Stuart & Associates has worked tirelessly to build a reputation of hard work, honesty, and integrity, making this award well-deserved. They have displayed a dedication to their community that is second to none, helping them become one of the top real estate firms in the Council Bluffs area.

Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to represent Stuart & Associates in the United States Congress and it is with great pride that I recognize them today. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating them all on receiving this award and wishing each of them nothing but continued success.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE OLD
STONE CHURCH FOUNDATION
AND ITS UNITED METHODIST
CHURCH AFFILIATES

HON. BARBARA COMSTOCK

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mrs. COMSTOCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise to acknowledge the Old Stone Church Foundation and its United Methodist Church Affiliates which will soon be celebrating the 250th anniversary of the first Methodist land acquisition in the Western Hemisphere. Upon this land the original Old Stone Church was constructed on the 11th of May 1766 when Nicholas Minor, the founder of Leesburg, deeded half an acre of land to Methodist Robert Hamilton