

University's men's and women's track and field from 1974 to 2010, on his retirement.

Coach Jones led the track and field team at Lincoln to 15 NCAA Division III championships. The men's team won 11 national titles during his tenure, and the women's team won 4 NCAA championships. He also coached more than 300 All American athletes. Coach Jones has been honored as a six-time recipient of the Division III National Coach of the Year Award, the Mid East Region Track Coach of the Year, the Linback Teaching Award, the Outstanding Men of America Award, the Lifetime Achievement Award, one of the top 100 sports figures in the Philadelphia region in the last 100 years by the Philadelphia Tribune and an honorary official during the Penn Relays in 2002. In 2007 Coach Jones was inducted into the U.S. Track and Field and Cross Country Coaches Association's Hall of Fame.

Mr. Speaker, I congratulate Coach Jones on an illustrious career at Lincoln University and wish him the best in his retirement.

SYLVIA BROCKNER

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 7, 2016

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Sylvia Brockner for receiving the West Chamber's 2016 Jefferson County Hall of Fame Award.

An avid author and environmentalist, Sylvia Brockner has led the Evergreen area preservation movement for more than forty years. Her works culminate in her published book, entitled *Birds in our Evergreen World*. In 1968, Sylvia and her late husband founded the Evergreen Naturalists which has since evolved to the Evergreen Audubon and Nature Center.

Sylvia helped Jefferson County Open Space acquire 319 acres for what would become the Lair O' Bear Open Space Park in 1987, opening to the public in 1991. Sylvia also was a founding member of the Mountain Area Land Trust in 1993, which helped to preserve thousands of acres of open lands within 50 miles of Evergreen. Sylvia's long time role as an advocate for animals and plants has been influential to the community, as evidence of her being honored with the Evergreen Area Community Service Award and Evergreen Audubon Founders' Award. At age 97, Sylvia continues to pursue writing and illustration in her weekly column for the Canyon Courier.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Sylvia Brockner for this well-deserved recognition by the West Chamber.

RECOGNIZING M. SMITH COFFMAN
FOR HER INSPIRATIONAL POEM,
GHOSTS OF THE PAST

HON. KENNY MARCHANT

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 7, 2016

Mr. MARCHANT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize M. Smith Coffman for her powerful poem and kind words of inspiration to many. While the poem is meant to move and

inspire our service members and veterans in times of need, I believe everyone should experience it. I intend for everyone to procure some good fortune and hope from her message.

GHOSTS OF THE PAST

The fog shrouded, silent vale,
comes to life before my trail.
Ghosts of the past, ride in the predawn mist,
in their stirring I am by angels kissed.

Here, the plan of war was born,
and there, soldiers' lives were torn.
Brave warriors on snorting, restless steeds,
our heroes against men of evil deeds.

See Lexington and Concord's men of pride.
Rebs and Yanks who at Chickamauga died.
See the tired, straggling wagon train,
faces parched by sun, in battle's strain.

Indians silently move their camps,
past sod houses lit by dim oil lamps.
I see the brave men from the Alamo,
as on, and on, and on they go.

Oh, ancient rocks, you saw it all,
you saw where gallant man did fall.
You echoed the shot, felt the glance of spear,
the price for freedom, we hold dear.

Our troops who fell on foreign soils,
they the victors, won the spoils.
There were those from the sky
and from the sea,

They gave of themselves to keep us free.
Their souls, at last, are at home,
no more foreign lands to roam.

All are soothed in the mist,
as o'er their separate paths they twist.
Their laughter softly echoes from the rills,
and across the windswept, rugged hills.
Mingling, they have enemies no more,
here at home or foreign shore.

In cadence, I heard them say,
"Let not our sons go this way.
Alas the new born cries at birth,
but men must know of joy on earth.
Oh, that we could right the wrong,
Oh, that we could leave but song."

Oh Lord, many of our brave, gallant men of
pride,
put their lives upon the line, fought and
died.

Men with bodies and emotions torn,
this great loss we all should mourn.
I stand and salute you, one and all.
You went through hell, for country's call.

Dear Lord, I pray their pain relive,
give them strength and hope, and ease.
They should receive the best of care,
For Freedom's Cause They did not bend,
they pledged their allegiance to the flag
until the end.

"Children, Listen," the midst does sing.
"We know not what this day or the years
will bring.

Stand brave and strong for liberty's call.
Your country needs you one and all.
Give thanks for all that was and is.
and for the heroes who lived, and live.
Give thanks for freedom that was not lost.
Give thanks to those who paid the cost."

The mist soon melted into the morning sun.
THEY ARE OUR HEART'S BLOOD
THEY ARE NOT GONE.

These brave men and women did not live or
die in vain.

Our flag unfurled we will sustain.

IN GOD WE TRUST

AMEN

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the 24th Congressional District of Texas, I ask all my distinguished colleagues to join me in recognizing M. Smith Coffman for her encouraging words.

MS. THAO NHI DO RECEIVES
PRESTIGIOUS FULBRIGHT AWARD

HON. PETE OLSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 7, 2016

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Thao Nhi Do of Houston, TX for receiving a Fulbright award for teaching English in Taiwan during the 2015 through 2016 academic year.

Each year the Fulbright Program grants students with the opportunity to study, research or teach English abroad in an effort to internationalize communities and campuses around the world. Fulbright scholars focus on the conditions and challenges differing regions face, as well as building valuable U.S. relationships. Thao graduated Summa Cum Laude in 2011 from Clear Brook High School and earned a full scholarship to Harvard University. As a Fulbright participant, she helped teach English in Taiwan.

On behalf of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, congratulations again to Ms. Thao Nhi Do for receiving this Fulbright award. Keep up the great work.

IN RECOGNITION OF DUDLEY
BROWN

HON. WILLIAM R. KEATING

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 7, 2016

Mr. KEATING. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Dudley Brown, a Plymouth, Massachusetts native who passed away on September 24, 2015 at the age of 88.

A man truly devoted to the service of his country, Mr. Brown spent his life working to honor America both in and out of uniform. Mr. Brown, who served from 1944 to 1947 in World War II and from 1950 to 1952 in the Korean war, was not content to sit back and rest upon his return to civilian life.

Balancing his career as a market researcher and salesman around the country for three decades, Mr. Brown sustained a lifelong passion for studying the genealogy of his family and the history of this country. As a direct descendant to William Brewster, one of the original Mayflower pilgrims and a respected religious leader within Plymouth County, Mr. Brown was a proud member of the General Society of Mayflower Descendants. In 2014, Mr. Brown received an award for 20 years of membership with the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, and also acted with admirable integrity as a Private 1st Class within Boston's Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company.

In addition to his passion for family and American history, Mr. Brown was also an avid tennis player and enjoyed speed skating, biking and racing motorcycles as a young man. He is survived by his loving partner, three children, and four grandchildren. Known for his sense of humor and good cheer, Mr. Brown is sorely missed by his family and many friends.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to honor Dudley Brown's many achievements on the anniversary of his passing. I ask that my colleagues join me in recognizing his life and his service.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. KEVIN BRADY

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 7, 2016

Mr. BRADY of Texas. Mr. Speaker, on roll call no. 479, I was unavoidably detained to cast my vote in time. Had I been present, I would have voted YES.

STEVE CAMINS**HON. ED PERLMUTTER**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 7, 2016

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Steve Camins for receiving the West Chamber's 2016 Jefferson County Hall of Fame Award.

Since moving to Colorado in 1970, Steve Camins has played an active role in the Jefferson County community. Steve received his bachelor's in Psychology from Colorado State University in 1968, and soon after became a certified financial planner and insurance counselor. For more than forty years, Steve has worked as an insurance agent for his self-owned and -managed company, Financial Dimensions Ltd., an Arvada business that helps Jefferson County citizens manage risk and protect assets.

Steve served on the board of the Arvada Economic Development Association for more than fifteen consecutive years, and also served on the Arvada Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors. He played an instrumental role in the formation of the Arvada Enterprise Center which joined with the West Chamber nine years ago to create the Jefferson County Business Resource Center.

Steve's determination and passion was recognized in 1996 when he was named the Arvada Chamber of Commerce Man of the Year and continues to lift the Jefferson County economy to new heights.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Steve Camins for this well-deserved recognition by the West Chamber.

IN RECOGNITION OF JUNE ROBBINS

HON. PATRICK MEEHAN

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 7, 2016

Mr. MEEHAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor June Robbins, a life member of the Rosie the Riveter Association for her service during World War II.

Ms. Robbins was born into poverty during the Great Depression. She married her husband, Melvin Robbins, of 65 years, on November 27, 1947. Ms. Robbins is the mother of 7 children, grandmother of 18, and great-grandmother of 8. She comes from a family of "Rosies," as her mother and aunts were also part of the Association.

During World War II, Ms. Robbins applied for a training position at the Philadelphia Naval Shipyard, the first and only female in her

class. There, she gained the skills necessary to work as a draftsman in the Shipyard during the War. In addition to a full time job, Ms. Robbins volunteered for the War effort through the Red Cross and the United Service Organizations (USO). As a volunteer for the USO, she was honored by the Netherlands government for her service as a Rosie in helping save the lives of the Holland people during the War.

Wesley Enhanced Living Main Line honored Ms. Robbins for her service as a Rosie the Riveter with a celebration on September 4, 2016. The celebration included a special planting of a Pink Dogwood, which is a symbol of the Riveter movement and of women who served as Rosies.

Mr. Speaker, the United States of America owes a great debt of gratitude to Ms. Robbins. It is an honor to represent her in Congress.

IN HONOR OF BRAMBLETON'S 15TH BIRTHDAY

HON. BARBARA COMSTOCK

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 7, 2016

Mrs. COMSTOCK. Mr. Speaker, I would like to honor the town of Brambleton, Virginia on its 15th birthday. Established in 2001, Brambleton has grown to become a thriving community in Loudoun County full of wonderful families and extraordinary localities.

In the span of 15 years Brambleton has gone from a newly planned community to the home of almost 10,000 people. The community has received multiple awards, including the Loudoun County Environmental Preservation Award, and in 2013 was named Community of the Year by the Great American Living Awards. In addition to the six excellent schools which already serve the community, three additional schools will be added by 2020. Its many parks, trails, and pools allow for its residents to enjoy the outdoors and spend time with their friends and family. I am proud to represent such a vibrant community.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join in recognizing the 15th birthday of the Brambleton community and thanking the residents who bring it to life. I know the community will continue to provide a wonderful environment for families to call home for many years to come.

TRIBUTE TO EMILY ABBAS

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 7, 2016

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate and recognize Emily Abbas, Chief Marketing Officer and Chief of Staff at Bankers Trust Company for being named a 2016 Women of Influence honoree as Meredith Emerging Woman of Influence 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. Abbas has devoted her life to doing so many 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 nonprofit organization and being seen as a role model because of her lofty achievements and high ethical standards.

Emily Abbas has the determination and drive to be successful in anything she does. Ms. Abbas is charged with furthering Bankers Trust's strategic focus on customers, community and employees, and solid business relationships. In all aspects of her life Emily Abbas is an example of hard work and service who makes Iowans proud.

Mr. Speaker, it is a profound honor to represent leaders like Emily Abbas 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 United States House of Representatives to join me in congratulating Emily Abbas on receiving this esteemed designation, thanking those at Business Record for their great work, and wishing Ms. Abbas a long and successful career.

RED ROCKS COMMUNITY COLLEGE

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 7, 2016

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Red Rocks Community College on the completion of their Arvada campus expansion. This expansion triples the size and capacity of the current campus located in Arvada, Colorado. I applaud Red Rocks Community College on this \$22.5 million expansion project as it is the largest expansion project in the history of the college. This expansion will have a lasting impact on generations to come as well as result in significant economic impact for the Kipling Corridor and Ralston Road Corridor and Arvada and Wheat Ridge communities.

The Physician's Assistant Program at Red Rocks Community College is one of the first of its kind in the country. The relocation of this program to the new Arvada Campus will allow for even more students to participate in this unique program. In addition, the new campus will house all of the college's health professions programs in one place and will host more than four times the current number of faculty and staff.

I congratulate the Red Rocks team for their success on this important expansion. I applaud the school and faculty for their dedication to this project and their leadership and commitment to helping community college students blaze a path for our country's future leaders and innovators. I am proud of the work Red Rocks Community College does every day and I look forward to celebrating future accomplishments of the school and its students in the years to come.