

Greater Des Moines Area that are making an impact in their communities and their careers. Each year, forty up-and-coming community and business leaders under 40 years of age are selected for this prestigious honor based on a combined criteria of community involvement and success in their chosen career field. The 2016 class of Forty Under 40 honorees will join an impressive roster of 640 business leaders and growing.

Collin is an interior designer and corporate focus market leader and stockholder at RDG Planning and Design. She is passionate about providing high quality, safe, and functional work environments for her clients. Collin is also an avid proponent of wellness and strives to promote it in her everyday life. Her dedication to wellness comes through in her work at RDG Planning and design as she finds new innovative ways to make client work spaces safe and healthy.

Mr. Speaker, it is a profound honor to represent leaders like Collin 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 ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating Collin on receiving this esteemed designation, thanking those at Business Record for their great work, and wishing each member of the 2016 Forty Under 40 class a long and successful career.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 12, 2016

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, on Wednesday, March 17, I missed a series of Roll Call votes. Had I been present, I would have voted "YEA" on Number 127, 128, and 129.

COMMENDING CHIEF ROBERT GUSTAFSON

HON. MIMI WALTERS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 12, 2016

Mrs. MIMI WALTERS of California. Mr. Speaker, in 1975, Robert Gustafson began his career in law enforcement when he joined the Glendale Police Department. Four years later, he joined the City of Orange Police Department, where he faithfully served our community for decades. His leadership has been critical to the public safety and the betterment of Orange.

Throughout his 41 year law enforcement career, he alleviated some of the most difficult issues facing our community. He oversaw the implementation of the Youth Services Board and the SHIELD program, which provides referrals to families and children in need of additional social assistance.

Furthermore, Chief Gustafson has been instrumental in the City of Orange's efforts to reduce gang violence, helping to establish Orange's Gang Reduction and Intervention Partnership. Additionally, he has been a tireless

advocate for those suffering from mental illness, and was awarded Orange Police Department's John Q. Wilson Award for Community Policing for these efforts in 2015.

Chief Gustafson also made the Five Pillars for Success the Department's standard. A selfless leader, he has always put others first and never failed to put the police department and the residents of Orange before himself. He exemplifies selfless public service, and he is a stalwart in our community. We are grateful for his leadership in Orange over the last 37 years.

I thank Chief Gustafson for his tremendous service to the City of Orange and wish him the best in the next chapter of his life.

HONORING JAKE WESTERBERG

HON. KEN BUCK

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 12, 2016

Mr. BUCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Jake Westerberg for his hard work and dedication to the people of Colorado's Fourth District. He served as an intern in my Washington, DC office for the Spring 2016 session of Congress.

This young man's work has been exemplary and I know he has a bright future ahead. He served as a tour guide, interacted with constituents, and learned a great deal about our nation's legislative process. I was glad to be able to offer him this educational opportunity and look forward to seeing him build his career in public service.

Jake plans to continue pursuing his degree at the University of Colorado at Colorado Springs at the conclusion of his internship. As he returns to the great state of Colorado, I wish him the best in his future endeavors. Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to recognize Jake Westerberg for his service this Spring.

IN TRIBUTE TO DR. LESTER THUROW, TRAILBLAZING ECONOMIST AND FORMER DEAN OF THE MIT SLOAN SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT

HON. SHEILA JACKSON LEE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 12, 2016

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Dr. Lester Thurow, the iconoclastic economist and former dean of MIT's Sloan School of Management, who passed away on March 25, 2016.

Lester Thurow was born on May 7, 1938 in Livingston, Montana.

Lester Thurow's father was a Methodist minister and his mother was a teacher.

Lester Thurow worked in the local copper mines for four summers as a young man, but as an excellent student soon found himself on a fast academic track.

Lester Thurow's journey began when he received his bachelor's degree in political economy from Williams College in 1960.

Following his graduation from Williams College, Lester Thurow was awarded a Rhodes Scholarship, where he studied philosophy, poli-

tics and economics at Balliol College of Oxford University in London.

Lester Thurow graduated with first class honors from Oxford University in 1962.

In 1964, Lester Thurow earned his doctorate in economics from Harvard University.

Lester Thurow joined the faculty of MIT's Sloan School of Management in 1968 and was appointed dean in 1987, a position he held until 1993.

In 1964, Lester Thurow served on the staff of the Council of Economic Advisors during the administration of President Lyndon Johnson, and served as an economic advisor to Governor Jimmy Carter during the 1976 presidential campaign.

In 1986, Lester Thurow joined with five other leading economic policy experts to found the Economic Policy Institute, the mission of which was to find solutions to address the growing problems of rising income inequality in the United States.

Lester Thurow was a longtime advocate of a political and economic system of the Japanese and European type, in which governmental involvement in the direction of the economy is far more extensive than is the case in the United States—a model that has come to be known as "Third Way" philosophy.

He supported policies that would help society and corporations make long-term investments in research in order to spur growth.

Lester Thurow authored several economics books targeted to a general readability in the 1990s, including:

1. "Head to Head: The Coming Economic Battle Among Japan, Europe, and America" (1992), which surveyed the post-Cold War economic landscape and suggested that investment and education would be keys to renewing developed economies;

2. "The Future of Capitalism: How Today's Economic Forces Shape Tomorrow's World" (1996); and

3. "Building Wealth: The New Rules for Individuals, Companies, and Nations in a Knowledge-Based Economy."

Lester Thurow's ability to explain the most complex economic issues created a path for anyone who was willing to listen and learn no matter their social or economic background.

Lester Thurow summarized the impact that economists have on society when he stated that, "Economists, can for example, always retreat to unobservable variables to explain unwelcome facts."

Lester Thurow knew that the advice economists give is not always what is the most popular thing to say, but what leaders and students need to hear.

On March 25, 2016, Lester Thurow passed away at his home in Westport, Massachusetts, surrounded by his family.

Lester Thurow is survived by his wife of 18 years, the former Anna Soldinger, of Westport and Tel Aviv; two sons, Torben Thurow and Ethan Thurow, both of Boston; two stepchildren, Yaron Karasik and Yael Shinar, both of Tel Aviv; a brother; and seven grandchildren.

Mr. Speaker, I ask the House to observe a moment of silence for this trailblazing economist and educator whose pioneering work made a significant contribution to our understanding of micro and macroeconomics.

A TRIBUTE TO JOSH BRABY

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 12, 2016

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Josh Braby for being named a 2016 Forty Under 40 honoree by the award-winning central Iowa publication, Business Record.

Since 2000, Business Record has undertaken an exhaustive annual review to identify a standout group of young leaders in the Greater Des Moines Area that are making an impact in their communities and their careers. Each year, forty up-and-coming community and business leaders under 40 years of age are selected for this prestigious honor based on a combined criteria of community involvement and success in their chosen career field. The 2016 class of Forty Under 40 honorees will join an impressive roster of 640 business leaders and growing.

Josh works as a Partner/Project Manager at Neumann Bros. Inc. where he works tirelessly to challenge his team by asking them to stick with the core values of the company but still finding new, innovative ways to improve their overall success. He is driven daily to make the thoughts of his clients a reality through hard work and dedication to his craft. Josh's passion for construction also translates into his civic duties where he is passionate about teaching young people the values of a skilled trade that lasts a lifetime. That passion has led him to create a program for high school students that educates them about construction through hands-on projects.

Mr. Speaker, it is a profound honor to represent leaders like Josh in the United States Congress and it is with great pride that I recognize and applaud him for utilizing his talents to better both his community and the great state of Iowa. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating Josh on receiving this esteemed designation, thanking those at Business Record for their great work, and wishing each member of the 2016 Forty Under 40 class a long and successful career.

NATIONAL ACADEMY OF FUTURE
SCIENTISTS AND TECH-
NOLOGISTS—ALLIX KEAN

HON. PETE OLSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 12, 2016

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Allix Kean from Katy, TX for being accepted into the National Academy of Future Scientists and Technologists to represent the state of Texas at the Congress of Future Science and Technology leaders.

Allix attends Harmony Science Academy of West Houston and is one of 13 high school honor students selected from the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas. These students were selected as Texas delegates at the Congress of Future Science and Technology Leaders. This program was designed for high school students to be recognized for their hard work in school, as well as to support

their aspirations of working in a science or technology field. The National Academy was founded by Richard Rossi and Dr. Robert Darling; Mr. Rossi currently serves as president. The Congress is being held at the Tsongas Center at the University of Massachusetts, Lowell from June 29th through July 1st. Allix was selected by a group of educators to be a delegate for the Congress thanks to her dedication to her academic success and goals of pursuing science or technology. We are proud of Allix and all of her hard work, and know she will make Katy proud.

On behalf of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, congratulations again to Allix for being accepted into the National Academy of Future Scientists and Technologists. Keep up the great work.

CONGRATULATING THE RIBAUT
HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS' BASKET-
BALL TEAM

HON. CORRINE BROWN

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 12, 2016

Ms. BROWN of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I, Congresswoman CORRINE BROWN, the representative of Florida's 5th congressional district, wholeheartedly congratulate the Ribault High School Trojan girls basketball team in defeating Riverdale Baptist at Madison Square Garden to bring home to Jacksonville the Dick's Sporting Goods High School National Championship trophy. I also would like to extend my congratulations to the coaches, the staff, and the administration and all of the friends of Ribault High School on this tremendous honor.

Beyond a doubt, the Ribault High School girls' basketball team is a powerhouse in the state of Florida, and across the nation. Given that the team has won ten previous state titles and has been ranked as high as ninth in the country, they are a force to be reckoned with! Remarkably, the Lady Trojans made it through the regular season with just one loss. This did not deter them; however, as they Roared back to win the Florida state championship, and follow that up with a national championship victory in New York.

This is now the 4th time a Florida girls team has won this event in the eight years it has been held! Ribault, 30-1 this season, led by their star players RENNIA DAVIS and NOLA CARTER, along with Day'Neshia Banks, played a press defense which suffocated their opponents throughout the tournament. Indeed, Ribault Coach Shelia Pennick did an outstanding job in maintaining the team's extraordinary discipline and level of fitness throughout the season. Certainly, playing full court defense with that kind of intensity is exhausting, yet her players rarely exhibited any expression of slowing down.

With each succeeding championship, the Lady Trojans basketball team climbs the list of schools with the most state titles in Florida high school athletics, now tied for seventh place with 11 state titles, the most of any girls' basketball team in the state, and a remarkable achievement for a public high school given the presence of so many private schools on the multi-championships list. Beyond a doubt, this outstanding achievement is tremendously ex-

citing for the entire Jacksonville community and I am proud to say once again that on behalf of the constituents of Florida's 5th congressional district, I hereby honor the Ribault Trojans basketball team for their 11th state championship and this year's national title game in New York City's Madison Square Garden—Go Lady Trojans.

LOUISIANA NATIVE BECOMES THE
ARMY'S FIRST FEMALE INFAN-
TRY RECRUIT

HON. CHARLES W. BOUSTANY, JR.

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 12, 2016

Mr. BOUSTANY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Tammy Grace Barnett of Robeline, Louisiana, for being the first female recruit to enlist with the United States Army infantry.

I am tremendously proud of Tammy, a Louisiana native who has stepped forward and answered the call to serve our nation. Prior to enlisting with the Army, Tammy has been serving her community in Louisiana as a law enforcement officer. On April 7, she gave up her Louisiana law enforcement badge and courageously took the Oath of Enlistment to become the first female recruit to enlist in the United States Army infantry division. Ms. Barnett truly reflects the spirit of Louisiana by living a life of service. We are forever indebted to these brave men and women. To commemorate this fact, I submit an article, written by Troy Washington of KSLA News.

LOUISIANA WOMAN MAKES U.S. ARMY HISTORY
(By Troy Washington)

ROBELINE, LA.—A Robeline native is making armed forces history as the first woman to enlist in the infantry in the United States Army.

Women in combat has been a topic of controversy for years, but now progress is being made.

Tammy Barnett was a police officer but traded in her badge to make history.

She's looking forward to seeing action on the front lines and making gains for women in the military.

Thursday, Barnett proudly raised her hand to take the Oath of Enlistment.

Dressed in tennis shoes, jeans and a t-shirt, 25-year-old Tammy Barnett stepped into the history books.

Barnett has been meeting with a recruiter since November and this week, at the military processing unit in Shreveport, she took a leap that's never been made before, she joined the infantry in the U.S. Army.

"They told me that I would be the first female in history to go infantry in the military," said Barnett.

Recently, the Defense Department lifted gender-based restrictions on military service. The historic change cleared the way for women like Barnett who want to serve on the front lines.

On April 4, the processing center received word that women would be allowed to sign up for combat jobs. Now, Barnett is hoping that others will follow her lead.

"I hope that I give them the courage, because I'm a small female, if I can do it, they can do it too, this could give them the courage to step out of their comfort zone," explained Barnett.

Barnett isn't fond of the limelight, but she has no problem stepping forward when it comes to service.