

as the community celebrates its 50th Anniversary.

Spring Hill was founded in 1967 by the Mackle Brothers' Deltona Development Corporation as a sister city to Deltona. The Spring Hill waterfall, located at Spring Hill Drive and US 19, marks the original entrance to the community. The Mackle Brothers developed a fly and buy program where they would fly potential buyers down to play golf and see the community. The Mackle Brothers marketing strategy brought huge crowds to the community and within three years the majority of the 28,500 platted lots were sold.

Today, Spring Hill's award-winning golf courses and gated communities attract newcomers to the area. Situated near Weeki Wachee Springs and the Gulf of Mexico, Spring Hill has developed itself into the largest community in Hernando County.

I congratulate the people that live and work in Spring Hill. It is truly an honor to serve the residents of Spring Hill, and I thank them for their tremendous contributions to Florida's Adventure Coast.

RECOGNIZING BALDWIN FAMILY HEALTH CARE'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. BILL HUIZENGA

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 27, 2017

Mr. HUIZENGA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Baldwin Family Health Care, a community health center in Baldwin, Michigan, for their 50 years of dedicated service. On Friday, August 11, 2017, they will celebrate this momentous anniversary.

Founded in 1967, Baldwin Family Health Care is a non-profit, Federally Qualified Health Center that provides quality, integrated, and comprehensive health care services that are accessible to all. At the time, it was the nation's third community health center and the first of its kind in Michigan.

Committed to providing primary health care to families in the surrounding communities, Baldwin Family Health Care offers one-stop medical shopping opportunities. This includes primary medical care, dental, lab, x-ray, pharmacy, behavioral health, health education, perinatal services, and vision services. They also provide school-based child and adolescent health centers for the Baldwin area.

Baldwin Family Health Care serves the uninsured and underinsured in Lake County. Baldwin Family Health Care is purposely located to care for families in need, especially those in Lake County's nearby public housing. Baldwin Family Health Care is implementing new health initiatives to further strengthen health services for the poor. It is more than just treatment for illnesses and injuries; there is also an emphasis on education and prevention that promotes wellness to help people lead healthier lives.

Today, they have additional centers in White Cloud, Grant, Cadillac and McBain. In all, Family Health Care serves 30,000 medical patients and nearly 8,000 dental patients.

The efforts and success of Baldwin Family Health Care in providing health education, health care, and community services should be celebrated. Congratulations to Baldwin

Family Health Care on your 50th Anniversary, and thank you for your compassion for communities in West Michigan.

HONORING THE SELMA 15U ALL STAR BASEBALL TEAM

HON. TERRI A. SEWELL

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 27, 2017

Ms. SEWELL of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to congratulate the Selma 15U All Star baseball team for winning the 2017 Dixie Baseball World Series. It has been 45 years since a team paraded the World Series trophy through the streets of my hometown, Selma, Alabama, but this losing streak finally came to an end on Sunday, July 23, in Independence, Louisiana.

After falling short of winning last year's title, the team was ready for a taste of redemption. In a hard fought, 8–3 win against Hattiesburg, Mississippi, the Selma 15U All Stars secured their place in history and brought home the gold. An enthusiastic crowd of family and community members was waiting to welcome their hometown champions back to Selma.

The team is comprised of 14 boys: Dione Allen, Alex Colquitt, Tevin Craig, Matthew Davis, Trovonn Davis, Joseph Estes, Xavier Green, Jeremy Lee Jr., Amaron Molette, Octavious Palmer, Jacob Peavy, George Turner, Milam Turner, and Richard Allen Waters.

They come from a combination of Dallas County High School, Meadowview Christian Academy, Morgan Academy, and Selma High School. Built on a foundation of diversity, this team showcases what can happen when communities are united in a common cause. Through their hard work and dedication, these boys displayed what it means to be a leader in their communities. Selma is often portrayed as a city lacking in opportunities for civic engagement, but the Selma 15U All Stars is a direct antithesis to this misguided characterization.

The man behind this remarkable group of young men is Head Coach Ricky Waters. I had the great privilege of going to grade school with Ricky in our hometown of Selma. I know that this victory is of special importance to him since he took the field against the same opponent, Hattiesburg, at the Dixie Baseball World Series when he was a player, 38 years ago. Although Ricky's time at bat ended in a loss, he was able to lead this team of Selma 15U All Stars to victory in 2017. Ricky, along with Coaches Richard Davis, Jake Peavy, and Jason Foti, created a winning team of boys that everyone in Alabama should be proud of.

As every sports fan knows, behind every great team is an even greater community. A raucous crowd of over 100 cheering fans and the blaring sirens of police cars and firetrucks welcomed the team of champions home. It was a bright day for Selma as the city came together to celebrate these young athletic ambassadors and their competitive triumph.

This extraordinary group of young men and their dedicated coaches are a shining example of the positive impact sports can have on a community. I am proud to represent these local heroes, and I ask my colleagues to join me in paying tribute to the 2017 Dixie Base-

ball World Series champions, the Selma 15U All Star Baseball Team. Congratulations.

HONORING THE 100-YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF FORT LEWIS, WASHINGTON

HON. DENNY HECK

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 27, 2017

Mr. HECK. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased today to share my admiration and appreciation for the institution of Fort Lewis, which this year is celebrating 100 years in Washington's South Sound. In 1917, as the United States was fighting at the peak of World War I, the people of this community came together to show solidarity and sacrifice. Pierce County overwhelmingly passed a bond to raise \$2 million dollars to purchase and donate over 60,000 acres to the Army in order to found Camp Lewis. Civil-military partnerships and cooperation are a heritage we proudly continue to this very day.

What started as a modest training area has grown to become the premier power projection platform on the West Coast. Camp Lewis became Fort Lewis in 1927 and then Joint Base Lewis-McChord in 2010. It is now the fourth largest military base in the world, with active duty service members, National Guard, Reservists, and civilians working side by side to ensure our national security.

The soldiers stationed at Camp Lewis fought valiantly in World War I. The Ninety-First Division took part in the Battle of Flanders where it captured 2,300 German prisoners and 400 machine guns, despite facing enormous odds. Incredibly, five members of the Division were awarded the Medal of Honor for their bravery, including First Lieutenant Deming Bronson, a graduate of the University of Washington.

America's 34th President, Dwight D. Eisenhower, served at Fort Lewis as Chief of Staff of Third Army Division with the rank of Colonel between 1940 and 1941 before going on to become the Supreme Allied Commander in World War II. In that conflict, Fort Lewis units, including the 41st Infantry Division and the 3rd Infantry Division, deployed to New Guinea, North Africa, Sicily, Italy, France, and Central Europe. Their record was astounding; soldiers from the 3rd Infantry Division earned 16 Medals of Honor.

From early on, Fort Lewis was a bastion of diversity. In 1943, Fort Lewis was home to the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps, with heroic women serving in the motor pools, on sentry duty, and as medical technicians. The military, under President Truman's Executive Order, helped lead society toward desegregation in the 1940's and 50's. When the segregated "South Fort Lewis" and the black soldiers there joined ranks with the rest of the post, both the units and soldiers became stronger.

The storied history of Joint Base Lewis-McChord has chapters in Korea, Vietnam, Afghanistan, and Iraq. The Soldiers and Airmen stationed there have fought for freedom and democracy across the globe and back here at home. The base is now home to the Army I Corps, the Air Force 62nd and 446th Airlift Wings, the 7th Infantry Division, the 1st Special Forces Group, the 2nd Battalion of the 75th Ranger Regiment, and Madigan Army

Medical Center—the Army's second largest medical treatment facility. They lay claim to an inspiring and influential past, only to be surpassed by a great future, full of potential, full of bravery, and full of patriotism.

Mr. Speaker, our country owes Joint Base Lewis-McChord and the brave women and men working there an insurmountable debt of gratitude. On the 100-year anniversary of its historic founding, I want to say thank you for the past century of protection, hope, and comradery coming out of Joint Base Lewis-McChord.

HONORING MITCHELL HUSTON FOR
HIS 2ND PLACE FINISH AT THE
NATIONAL SPEECH DEBATE
TOURNAMENT

HON. BLAINE LUETKEMEYER

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 27, 2017

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor my constituent, Mitchell Huston, on his 2nd Place finish at the National Speech and Debate Tournament that took place in Birmingham, Alabama June 17–24, 2017.

Mitchell, who is a junior at Jefferson City High School, performed a piece entitled: "Not a Genuine Black Man," by Brian Copeland. Mitchell chose this piece because of the important message it instills about the need for our society to be accepting of all races and creeds. Throughout his performance, Mitchell portrayed Brian Copeland's life story that involved years of criticism about his status in the African American community and eventually how Copeland confronted stigma and successfully overcame it. To make it to the National Tournament, Mitchell took 3rd place in the St. Louis District Tournament and at the National Speech and Debate Tournament, Mitchell placed 2nd in the prose category.

To receive 2nd Place at the competition was a great accomplishment for Mitchell. As this was Mitchell's first year on the Jefferson City High Debate Team, Mitchell's coach, Jordan Hart, was especially excited with this accomplishment. While competing during the national competition, Mitchell exhibited humility and as he continued to excel, he gave the glory of his success to God. Besides his participation with the debate team, Mitchell is also a member of the Jefferson City High School football team and participates in several other extra-curricular activities.

I ask you to join me in congratulating Mitchell Huston on his 2nd Place finish at the National Speech and Debate Tournament. The commitment he has shown to the Jefferson City High School Debate team is a commendable accomplishment.

RECOGNIZING COLONEL DEACON
MADDOX FOR HIS SERVICE TO
THE PEOPLE OF THE 9TH DIS-
TRICT AND THE NATION

HON. BILL SHUSTER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 27, 2017

Mr. SHUSTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in tribute to the dedicated service of Colonel

Deacon Maddox, commander of Letterkenny Army Depot.

Since his arrival in August of 2015, Colonel Maddox has brought the finest elements of the U.S. Army Warrior Ethos to bear on the task of revitalizing operations at Letterkenny Army Depot. Through his innovative leadership, Colonel Maddox has brought about substantial and lasting changes that have cemented Letterkenny's place as the premier defense industrial facility in the nation for decades to come.

Throughout his career as an Army officer, Colonel Maddox has exemplified the finest traditions of this nation's armed forces. His tenure at the helm of Letterkenny has been marked by an unshakeable commitment to the men and women under his command, and his work to improve the efficacy and production at the depot has made this nation safer and more secure.

Let no one make the mistake of underestimating the role of America's organic industrial base. Our depots and arsenals work tirelessly to put the weapons and equipment in the hands of the warfighter, and the labor being done in the heart of Pennsylvania saves lives in lands far from home. That would not be possible without the steadfast guidance of leaders like Colonel Deacon Maddox.

In his time at Letterkenny Army Depot, Colonel Maddox has done more than simply steer the installation towards greater success—he has also become a welcome part of the Franklin County community. From his engagement with local officials to his collaboration with Team Letterkenny, Colonel Maddox has been a valued member of the 9th District. It has been an honor to work with him, and his presence will be missed in Franklin County.

On behalf of Pennsylvania's 9th District, I want to thank Colonel Deacon Maddox for his selfless service, and for working so hard to protect both the American warfighter and the dedicated workforce at Letterkenny Army Depot. Though Colonel Maddox's time at Letterkenny Army Depot may be over, the impact he has made to improve the installation and the lives of its employees will be felt for decades to come.

RECOGNIZING THE CONTRIBU-
TIONS OF THE DENVER PRESS
CLUB, A NATIONAL TREASURE
CELEBRATING ITS 150TH ANNI-
VERSARY

HON. DIANA DeGETTE

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 27, 2017

Ms. DeGETTE. Mr. Speaker, one year after Colorado became the 38th state, in 1877 a group of Denver journalists formed the nation's first press club. Now celebrating its 150th Anniversary, the Denver Press Club is significant to our community and our country in a number of ways.

What started as a means for frontier-town rival reporters to play poker, tap into a barrel of Taos Lightning whiskey and debate the news of the day became a magnet for some of the most famous names in the field, defenders of the First Amendment and strong advocates for the values of journalism that are so critical to our democracy.

In its early years, the club met in various spots, including the "cyclone cellar" of Wolfe Londoner's grocery store before he was elected mayor of Denver, a term cut short due to a scandal that his journalist friends covered with gusto. He was later elected president of the Colorado State Press Association.

As the club grew, it met in local hotels, among them the prestigious and famous Brown Palace. The club's own prestige increased as it brought national speakers and performers to Denver, awarded honorary membership to several U.S. presidents, brought the International League of Press Clubs to Denver in 1906 and served an instrumental role in elevating Denver's profile and meeting the needs of national media when the city hosted the 1908 National Democratic Convention.

A permanent home for the club was built with the help of an architect team that included the designer of the Denver Public Library, Daniels & Fisher department store and Red Rocks Amphitheater. In 1986, this structure was named a Historic Landmark, and the Society for Professional Journalists designated the club a "significant historical place in journalism" in 2008. It was listed on the National Register of Historic Places this year.

Oh, and of course the building includes a card room, home to one of the oldest card games in Denver.

But the Denver Press Club's nearly 500 members do a lot more than play games and socialize, though. They work to strengthen and promote journalism while educating the public on matters that reflect the importance of empowered and free media.

Through the years, the membership has included renowned reporters, editors, cartoonists, and authors, several of them Pulitzer Prize winners, who made their mark in the pursuit that has long been the watchword of many journalists: comforting the afflicted and afflicting the comfortable.

Among the luminaries on The Denver Press Club's historic roster was Damon Runyon, for whom the club has named its cornerstone award, given to people whose careers have embodied his style and verve. Recipients have included Molly Ivins, Tim Russert, Jill Abramson, Frank Deford, Katie Couric, Carl Hiaassen, Bob Costas and many others.

The club also awards scholarships in Runyon's name to Colorado's top journalism students, as well as a separate award in coordination with the University of Colorado Boulder for outstanding crime reporting that's named for the late Al Nakkula, who was on the police beat for decades. These activities and others serve to raise awareness of what good journalism means to Colorado and the United States. And that cause is more relevant now than ever, amid vast changes to the media landscape in recent years and new, unexpected challenges.

The Denver Press Club has long played its part in shining a light on our city and helping democracy thrive. As it celebrates its sesquicentennial, I am proud and honored to congratulate the club's members on its legacy, and to wish them all the best in the future.