

NASCAR racing team, who died on January 18, 2019 at the age of 93. Glen Wood was a giant of auto racing, an owner and driver on the longest-running team in NASCAR history.

Stock car racing has a long and storied heritage in Southwest and Southside Virginia, and Glen Wood, a native of Stuart in Patrick County, made notable contributions of his own to the sport. A trip to Daytona Beach in 1947 fired Mr. Wood's passion for racing, but he earned his place in racing history three years later when he founded Wood Brothers Racing with his brother Leonard. As he recalled to the Associated Press, "We started racing in 1950 with a car we bought for \$50. We put No. 50 on the side of the car because it just seemed like the right thing to do."

Wood Brothers Racing eventually changed the number to 21, and they became a powerhouse, winning 99 victories in over 1,500 starts in NASCAR's top division. Glen Wood earned four of them himself as a driver. Many of the others were won by some of the sport's greatest competitors, including Cale Yarborough, Curtis Turner, A.J. Foyt, and David Pearson, driving for the Wood Brothers team. The Wood Brothers also brought innovation to the pit stop, drastically reducing its average length. These accomplishments garnered Glen Wood many accolades, including a place in the NASCAR Hall of Fame and recognition as one of NASCAR's 50 Greatest Drivers.

Glen Wood was known for his success on the race track and for his gentlemanly demeanor off it. In his later years, he could be found at the Wood Brothers Racing Museum in Stuart greeting fans with his wife Bernece. Wood Brothers Racing remains a family business to this day, with Glen's oldest son Eddie now its president. Glen Wood was a towering figure in auto racing, and his legacy still endures. I offer my condolences to Mr. Wood's family on their loss.

IN MEMORY OF REDD REYNOLDS

HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 23, 2019

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, last week South Carolina paid deserved tribute to the late Redd Reynolds who was appreciated as the "South Carolina Bob Hope" of the National Guard. I include in the RECORD his thoughtful obituary, which was published January 15th in The State newspaper.

LEXINGTON.—Clarence T. "Redd" Reynolds, 91, went home to be with the Lord on Sunday January 13, 2019. The son of the late Henry and Lottie Reynolds, Redd was born Jan. 17, 1927 and grew up in Lexington, South Carolina, where he attended Lexington schools. He honorably served in the 78th Division of the United States Army in World War II and with the Armed Forces Radio Network. Following World War II, Redd attended Newberry College and, most importantly, married the beautiful Doris Rawl on Aug. 26, 1950.

Redd became a prominent radio personality and broadcaster at WBLR 1430 AM in Batesburg. As a result of his ties in the broadcasting industry and his patriotism, he and Doris created Caravan of Stars, a traveling music and dance group that entertained troops at military bases in Georgia,

Virginia and Mississippi. Redd was considered the Bob Hope of the National Guard, producing and directing shows for more than 30 years. In 1987 he was honored with the Order of the Palmetto by Gov. Carroll Campbell.

Redd was a committed member of American Legion Post 7 for more than five decades, dedicating his time and talents to the cultivation of his beloved community. He made significant contributions to the Palmetto Boys and Girls State programs, as well as American Legion Post 7 baseball. He also served on Lexington Medical Center's board of trustees from 1978 to 1987.

In 2012, Redd was thrilled to be selected for the Honor Flight program, joining other South Carolina World War II veterans on a trip to visit war memorials in Washington, D.C.

Redd was a vibrant member of St. John's Lutheran Church in Lexington, serving with Lutheran Men in Mission and as a Sunday School teacher, Young at Heart member and church council member. He and Doris also teamed tirelessly to care for the grounds of St. John's. If it was happening in God's house, Redd participated.

Surviving Redd are his wife of 68 years, Doris; children Terry (Anne) Reynolds, Phil (Janice) Reynolds, Jandell (Richard) Morrison and Barry (Jeanne) Reynolds; grandchildren Clay (Lindsey) Reynolds, Justin (Rachel) Reynolds, David (Ann Marie) Reynolds, Macaulay Morrison and Caroline Morrison; and great-grandchildren Cale, Jack Wyatt and Amelia Reynolds. Redd was predeceased by his two sisters, Betty Hutto and Pauline Salter.

The family will receive friends and the community at Barr-Price Funeral Home and Crematorium, Lexington Chapel from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, January 15, 2019. A celebration of life and interment will be held at St. John's Lutheran Church 3:00 p.m. Wednesday January 16, 2019. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to St. John's Lutheran Church or to the Redd and Doris Family ROTC Grant-in-Aid at Clemson University. (Mail to Deborah Towery, Clemson University Foundation, P.O. Box. 1889, Clemson, SC. 29633.)

HONORING RABBI EPHRAIM SIMON OF TEANECK

HON. BILL PASCRELL, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 23, 2019

Mr. PASCRELL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to acknowledge the outstanding and selfless achievements of Rabbi Ephraim Simon.

Rabbi Simon is the director of Chabad of Teaneck, New Jersey. As a rabbi, he has focused his studies on the three intellectual divisions of wisdom, comprehension, and knowledge but also a great focus on responsibility and love. For some, these may just seem like religious principles, but to Rabbi Simon they are more than that: they are guiding outlines for how to live one's life that he emphasizes every day in service to his community.

Rabbi Simon's commitment to community and charity was evident in 2009 when the rabbi selflessly donated one of his kidneys to a total stranger. This noble act saved the life of a father of 10. Because of Rabbi Simon's generosity, he inspired others in the Teaneck community to follow in his footsteps and register as organ donors.

Rabbi Simon could have stopped there, but he did not. Nearly a decade later he saved yet another stranger's life. Enduring a difficult surgery, on December 20, 2018 Rabbi Simon donated a third of his liver to Adam Levitz, a father of three suffering from critical liver failure. This act of goodness has given Mr. Levitz a new chance at life.

To give a kidney or a liver is an act very few can say they have done, to have given both to complete strangers is an act of generosity unknown to nearly all of us. The rarity of these procedures is not only due to a requirement of great courage and selflessness, but also due to the great physical risks they carry for the health of the donor. Donating part of one's liver, when one also only has one kidney, has such risks of complications that Rabbi Simon and Mr. Levitz could only find one clinic in the country who would perform the procedure.

Rabbi Simon's inspiring acts are done not for publicity, but out of a desire to inspire others to have a positive impact on those around them. In the words of Rabbi Simon, "a rabbi's greatest lesson is how he lives his life."

Madam Speaker, Rabbi Simon's selfless acts serve as an inspiration not just to his wife and nine children, but also to the community in Northern New Jersey and across our country. Rabbi Simon deserves great respect for his deeds.

To honor Rabbi Simon and his acts, I wish to recognize his commitments to saving lives and improving the world around him.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. RICHARD HUDSON

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 23, 2019

Mr. HUDSON. Madam Speaker, I was unavoidably detained.

Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 44, and YEA on Roll Call No. 45.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JANICE D. SCHAKOWSKY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 23, 2019

Ms. SCHAKOWSKY. Madam Speaker, on January 22, 2019, I missed recorded votes No. 44 and No. 45 due to travel delays.

Had I been present, on Roll Call No. 44, I would have voted YEA (Passage of H.R. 328); and on Roll Call No. 45, I would have voted YEA (Passage of H.R. 676).

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. VICENTE GONZALEZ

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 23, 2019

Mr. GONZALEZ of Texas. Madam Speaker, I was unable to cast my vote on January 22, 2019 for Roll Call Vote 44 and Roll Call Vote 45. Had I been present, my vote would have been the following: "yea" on Roll Call Vote 44 and "yea" on 45.

TRIBUTE TO THE STAFF OF THE CAPITAL GAZETTE, RECOGNIZED AMONG TIME MAGAZINE'S PERSON OF THE YEAR HONOREES

HON. STENY H. HOYER

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 23, 2019

Mr. HOYER. Madam Speaker, I rise to pay a heartfelt tribute to the men and women of the Capital Gazette. The staff at the daily paper, based in Annapolis and covering news across Anne Arundel County and the surrounding area, were recognized last month by TIME as one of its 'Person of the Year' honorees. They joined murdered Saudi journalist Jamal Khashoggi; Maria Ressa, a reporter in the Philippines working to expose corruption amid the country's drug war; and Burmese journalists Kyaw Soe Oo and Wa Lone, imprisoned for covering the plight of Rohingya refugees. TIME's award focused on the dangers facing journalists as they seek to fulfill their role as 'guardians' of truth. At the Capital Gazette, that danger took the form of a deadly mass shooting on June 28, 2018, which killed five employees and injured several others.

On that tragic day, a gunman entered the Capital Gazette offices in Annapolis and took the lives of Gerald Fischman, Rob Hiaasen, John McNamara, Wendi Winters, and Rebecca Smith. It was a targeted attack by a mentally disturbed individual who should never have been able to acquire dangerous firearms. The attack came after months of vitriol leveled at the press, where reporters were called 'enemy of the people' and lambasted as purveyors of 'fake news.' To their credit, even after this deadly shooting took the lives of their friends and colleagues and after having to endure threats targeted at them and other journalists, the staff of the Capital Gazette continued their important work of reporting the news to the people of Maryland and released an edition of the paper the very next day. They would not be deterred from their mission, so critical to our open and deliberative democracy.

Madam Speaker, I hope all of the Members of this House will join me in congratulating the Capital Gazette and thanking its staff for the hard work they do every day—as well as all the members of the press who are risking danger to report the news. We must continue to stand up for the freedom of the press, which is critical to the liberty of our people and to all nations around the world.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JOSH HARDER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 23, 2019

Mr. HARDER. Madam Speaker, I missed these votes because of travel delay.

Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 44, and YEA on Roll Call No. 45.

CONGRATULATING THE SAUK VALLEY AREA OF COMMERCE ON RECEIVING A FIVE-STAR ACCREDITATION FROM THE UNITED STATES CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

HON. CHERI BUSTOS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 23, 2019

Mrs. BUSTOS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Sauk Valley Area Chamber of Commerce on receiving a Five-Star Accreditation from the United States Chamber of Commerce. The Sauk Valley Area Chamber of Commerce was one of 120 chambers across the nation to receive this accreditation this past year.

Founded in 1912, the Sauk Valley Area Chamber of Commerce has gone on to develop their organization's abilities into one of the finest in the nation. The Sauk Valley Area Chamber of Commerce represents many communities across both Illinois and Iowa, where they work to expand economic opportunities in the region. With this accreditation, it is clear the Sauk Valley Area will continue to benefit from the efforts of this organization as we begin the new year. I am impressed by the work they have done to improve the well-being of local businesses across our region and congratulate them on a job well done. As we look to the future, I am eager to see how the Sauk Valley Area Chamber of Commerce builds upon this distinction and uses it to expand upon their successes and continue to improve the local business community. A strong workforce is key to a strong community, and this five-star recognition speaks volumes to that commitment.

It is because of groups such as the Sauk Valley Area Chamber of Commerce that I am especially proud to serve Illinois' 17th Congressional District. Madam Speaker, I would like to again formally congratulate the Sauk Valley Area Chamber of Commerce on its five-star accreditation and thank them for their service to our community.

CONGRATULATING TONY ANDERSON FOR RECEIVING THE 2018 DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

HON. JACK BERGMAN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 23, 2019

Mr. BERGMAN. Madam Speaker, it's my honor to recognize Tony Anderson for receiving the 2018 Distinguished Service Award from the Traverse City Area Chamber of Commerce. Through his exceptional leadership and steadfast devotion to his community, Tony has become an indispensable part of Northern Michigan.

Since 1929, the Distinguished Service Award has been given to leaders who have had a tremendously positive impact on the Traverse City area. Through his decades of service to his community, Tony has shown himself to be more than deserving of this honor. Through his Marathon4Kids organization, Tony has completed 43 marathons in 43 states and raised more than \$400,000 for Big

Brothers Big Sisters of Northwest Michigan. This year, he plans on running in Mississippi, Idaho, Kansas, and New Mexico as a part of his mission to complete marathons in all 50 states and the District of Columbia.

Tony's determination has been previously recognized on multiple occasions, including being named "Volunteer of the Year" at the 2012 Michigan Governor's Service Awards. In addition to his work with Marathon4Kids, Tony has served as a volunteer firefighter, an emergency medical technician, and as a key member of the Traverse City Area Chamber of Commerce. Additionally, he is the former president of the Freedom Builders—a faith-based organization that provides housing assistance to the local community. The impact of his work in Traverse City and across Michigan cannot be understated.

Madam Speaker, it's my honor to congratulate Tony Anderson for receiving the 2018 Distinguished Service Award. Michiganders can take great pride in knowing the First District is home to such a selfless leader. On behalf of my constituents, I wish Tony all the best in his future endeavors.

DIRECTING SECRETARY OF STATE TO DEVELOP STRATEGY TO REGAIN OBSERVER STATUS FOR TAIWAN IN WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION

SPEECH OF

HON. TED S. YOHO

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 22, 2019

Mr. YOHO. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of H.R. 353, my bill that directs the Secretary of State to develop a strategy to regain observer status for Taiwan in the World Health Organization.

I would first like to thank Chairman ENGEL and Ranking Member MCCAUL for working with my team to bring this great legislation to the floor. From 2009 to 2016, Taiwan attended the World Health Assembly, the World Health Organization's annual summit, under the status of an observer. However, following the election of Taiwan's current President Tsai Ing-wen, the People's Republic of China has stepped up its campaign to marginalize Taiwan's participation in the international community. In 2017 and 2018, due to increased political pressure from the People's Republic of China, Taiwan did not receive an invitation to the World Health Assembly.

Taiwan's exclusion from the World Health Assembly, serves no purpose other than to placate Beijing's insecurity. The World Health Organization exists to address shared transnational health challenges, and Taiwan has proven time and again that it is a model contributor to world health. Since 1996, Taiwan has invested over \$6 billion in international medical and humanitarian aid efforts impacting over 80 countries.

The United States and the U.S. Congress have long supported Taiwan's participation in international organizations, and this legislation will continue this important work. My bill will help ensure that the U.S. diplomatic strategy to advocate for Taiwan's presence at the World Health Assembly adapts to Beijing's increased efforts to box out Taiwan. A similar