

Honor recipients, the late Army Specialist Ross McGinnis. The post office in Knox, Clarion County, is named for Specialist McGinnis, who died in December 2006 in Iraq.

While on patrol in eastern Baghdad on December 4, 2006, an unidentified insurgent positioned on a nearby rooftop threw a grenade into a Humvee carrying McGinnis and other troops. Specialist McGinnis threw his body on top of the grenade, saving the lives of his fellow soldiers.

He was posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor by President George W. Bush in 2008.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of a grateful Nation, I salute all our Medal of Honor recipients.

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HONORING ROBERT McDANIEL

(Mr. VEASEY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. VEASEY. Mr. Speaker, last week the city of Fort Worth said good-bye to its last surviving member of the World War II Tuskegee Airmen, Robert T. McDaniel.

Born in Fort Worth, Mr. McDaniel was a proud graduate of Fort Worth ISD, where he excelled as a student. In 1940, he finished as class president and valedictorian at the venerable I.M. Terrell High School.

At a time when the military was still segregated and Black men were not welcomed in the service, Mr. McDaniel became a member of the first class of African American bombardiers in the U.S. Army Air Corps. He was part of a group of skilled Black airmen who flew combat aircraft in World War II.

After serving his country, Mr. McDaniel returned to Fort Worth to teach at I.M. Terrell and later became a principal and a counselor. In this role, he worked to inspire a generation of leaders in Fort Worth's Black community that is countless.

As many of his friends will tell you, Mr. McDaniel never boasted about his military service, and only a few people knew about his service to the Nation as a Tuskegee Airman.

I know that we are going to miss Mr. McDaniel.

I also wanted to touch on the fact that I will never forget when his wife, Hester, died. They were married for 55 years, and they were an institution in the Black community in Fort Worth. Everybody knew them. They were just a lovely couple. He was so sad when she passed away. They were always at each other's side.

While we will miss Mr. McDaniel, we know that he is happy to be reunited with his wife, Hester McDaniel.

My deepest condolences go out to his family and his friends as we reflect on the trails that he blazed and his deep commitment to our country.

RECOGNIZING BEN DAVIS

(Mr. OLSON asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, the Boy Scout motto is "Be Prepared." All Scouts say it, but very few live it. A young Scout from Sugar Land, Texas, lived it. His name is Ben Davis.

On July 2, 2018, Ben hears faint cries. He is horrified when he finds the source: an 87-year-old neighbor lying in her yard. She had fallen doing yard work. She had been lying in the hot Texas July sun for hours. She was dying.

Being a prepared Boy Scout, Ben knew exactly what to do: go into the woman's house, call 911. And that is exactly what Ben did. Ben stayed with his neighbor until help arrived.

Ben Davis is the best in Sugar Land, in Fort Bend County, in Texas, and in America. He is a prepared Boy Scout hero.

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

(Mrs. LAWRENCE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mrs. LAWRENCE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in celebration of Women's History Month, where we recognize women who are living today, making a difference in America.

I want to recognize a Detroit woman, Adrienne Bennett, who was the first Black female master plumber in the United States of America. She had already broken barriers and made history, and her impact only continues to soar in her position as the CEO of her own company.

This month and every month, we must stand up and lift up women all across this country, ensuring our laws and policies empower and protect all women.

Mr. Speaker, I stand here today as co-chair of the Women's Caucus and join women all over this country as we step up and ensure that this country, for the girls and young women coming behind us, is one of respect, one of equality, and one of opportunities.

HONORING NATIONAL YOUNG FARMERS AWARD

(Mr. ROUZER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. ROUZER. Mr. Speaker, Jessica and Brandon Batten of Johnston County, North Carolina, have received the distinct honor of being selected as the 2019 National Outstanding Young Farmers of the Year. No couple is more deserving of this award than Jessica and Brandon.

Brandon has been farming his entire life. He is a sixth-generation farmer and the third generation of his family's operation Triple B Farms, Incorporated, where he and his family

produce tobacco, wheat, rye, soybeans, corn, and hay, along with beef cattle. His wife, Jessica, is an environmental engineer, providing innovative conservation plans to help increase farm productivity.

Not only are the Battens helping to produce our food supply, they are also very active members of their community. Brandon is a first responder for Strickland's Crossroads Volunteer Fire Department, and both are active in their church.

During a time when North Carolina's farm families have been facing a great deal of uncertainty, Brandon has been a strong advocate for his occupation through various farm organizations as well as the promotion of research and technological advancements in agriculture to help the industry remain strong.

Mr. Speaker, these are two great young Americans who deserve to have their hard work and efforts rewarded, and I congratulate them on being selected for this very distinguished recognition.

WHEN WOMEN SUCCEED, AMERICA SUCCEEDS

(Mrs. BEATTY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mrs. BEATTY. Mr. Speaker, I come today to the floor to salute women, living legends, women who are focused and determined and hopeful and empowered—not just one, but a roll call from my district:

Karen Morrison, Ohio Health; Trudy Bartley, The Ohio State University; Stephanie Hightower, the Urban League; Kathy Espy, Mount Carmel; Yvette McGee Brown, Jones Day law firm; the Women's Fund; the YWCA, with Christie Angel; Go Red for Women; Delta Sigma Theta; The Links, Incorporated; the Matriarch; Barbara Benham, Huntington Bank; Dawn Tyler Lee, the mayor's office; Emilia Sykes, Ohio House Democratic leader;

Our judges, African American women elected to the courts: Jaiza Page, Laurel Beatty Blunt, Monica Hawkins, Kimberly Browne, Terri Jamison. And the list goes on and on: Jennifer Brunner, judge; and, yes, the Ohio Supreme Court, Melody Stewart.

Today I stand here and I say thank you to Jo Ann Davidson, the first female Speaker in Ohio; Colleen Marshall, reporting it every day on the news; and so many more.

Today I join women on this floor because we salute women. Women make a difference. But most importantly, Mr. Speaker, we know when women succeed, America succeeds.

MOTORCYCLE PROFILING

(Mr. BURGESS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. BURGESS. Mr. Speaker, as co-chair of the Congressional Motorcycle

Caucus, I am committed to advocating for riders both on and off the road.

This week, Congressman TIM WALBERG and I will reintroduce a resolution highlighting motorcycle profiling. This resolution recognizes motorcyclists' importance to their communities and promotes collaboration between motorcyclists and law enforcement.

We introduced this resolution in a previous Congress, and its Senate companion was passed in December of last year.

Mr. Speaker, more than 27 million Americans are estimated to operate a motorcycle, annually, representing 9 percent of the population, yet motorcyclists account for a significant portion of road accidents and road injuries. That is why I co-chair the Congressional Motorcycle Caucus: to support riders through education and awareness.

Together, we can make travel safer for all motorists in general and motorcyclists in particular. This first week of spring, I look forward to continued engagement on motorcycle safety and awareness.

Remember: Share the road.

NATO'S 70TH ANNIVERSARY

(Ms. KAPTUR asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, during this Women's History Month, I rise to recognize the life of Madeleine Jana Korbel Albright, the first female U.S. Secretary of State, serving from 1997 to 2001, who has dedicated the best years of her life to defending liberty.

Concurrently, it is my honor to commemorate the 70th anniversary of NATO, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. This historic alliance emerged out of the ashes of the bloodiest conflict humankind has ever known: World War II.

It is thanks to NATO that the free world defeated Soviet Russia's tyrannical grip over Europe and expanded democracy eastward. Seventy years later, NATO remains as vital as ever to national security.

Today, Russia seeks to undermine democratic values enshrined by NATO and its member nations as Russia leads a deadly war against the freedom-loving people of Ukraine, seeks to spread corruption across Europe, and undermines democratic institutions around the world, including in our own elections.

For this reason, Congress welcomes Jens Stoltenberg, Secretary General of NATO, to address a joint meeting here on April 3 to invoke the importance of America's commitment to this abiding relationship.

On the 70th anniversary, on behalf of grateful millions of Ohioans and Americans, we send a message of reassurance to our European allies: We stand together in liberty's cause.

Onward, NATO.

74TH EXPEDITIONARY FIGHTER SQUADRON

(Mr. CARTER of Georgia asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 74th Expeditionary Fighter Squadron for being awarded the Gallant Unit Citation on March 14.

An extraordinarily high honor for these pilots based at Moody Air Force Base in the First Congressional District of Georgia, this is only the fifth time ever the Gallant Unit Citation has been awarded, and the first since 2001. It was created to honor remarkable acts of heroism while engaged with an opposing foreign force on or since 9/11.

The 74th Expeditionary Fighter Squadron earned the award while they were deployed in Turkey, flying for over 10,000 hours in Syria, targeting objectives controlled by ISIS. Their efforts were critical to the elimination of ISIS from 99 percent of Iraq and Syria.

I want to thank the 74th Fighter Squadron for their hard work and sacrifices to make the entire world a safer place to live. I am also very proud to see this work recognized.

Congratulations.

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

(Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Women's History Month and the important role that New Hampshire has played in our proud tradition of women breaking barriers.

In 1870, 50 years before passage of the 19th Amendment, Marilla Ricker attempted to vote in New Hampshire. She was denied the ballot, but she refused to stand by and continued to attempt to vote over the coming decades.

Ms. Ricker was denied admittance to the New Hampshire Bar, but fought all the way to the State supreme court, and in 1890 became the first woman admitted to our State bar.

Women hold many firsts in elected office in New Hampshire. Dudley Dudley, the first woman on the New Hampshire Executive Council; JEANNE SHAHEEN, Governor; Beverly Hollingworth, Senate President; and Donna Sytek, Speaker of the New Hampshire House, all served together in 1999. Linda Dalianis became our first Chief Justice of the New Hampshire Supreme Court.

In 2012, I was honored to be a member of the first ever all-female congressional delegation with Senators JEANNE SHAHEEN, Kelly Ayotte, and Congresswoman Carol Shea-Porter. Now, JEANNE SHAHEEN and MAGGIE HASSAN are the only women ever in American history to serve as Governor and U.S. Senator.

For Women's History Month, I am proud of New Hampshire's contribution to advancing women.

THE MUELLER INVESTIGATION IS OVER

(Mr. LAMALFA asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. LAMALFA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to express my relief that this political witch hunt into the President's alleged and now disproven ties with Russia is finally over.

Most of us knew all along there was no smoking gun, including the majority of my Democrat colleagues who have been parroting these lies for more than 2 years. Now, Special Counsel Robert Mueller has all but confirmed the President's innocence, his report finding there was no evidence of collusion with Russia.

This whole thing started because the left couldn't accept that they had lost an election, and the American people have suffered through this divisive investigation as a result.

Those in Congress or in the media who perpetrated this false narrative for 2 years should be ashamed of themselves. Believe me, the American people know who you are, and they will not soon forget.

Even worse, still now the response by some—the lack of acceptance of Mr. Mueller's findings, the need to dig deeper and deeper—shows they still haven't learned a thing.

But I believe Americans will accept this truth, as most have all along. I pray that we as a people can now finally begin to move on from this disgraceful chapter in American history.

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WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

(Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I rise to join my colleagues on the Women's Caucus in celebrating Women's History Month.

I am very fortunate to come from New York State, the birthplace of the women's rights movement in Seneca Falls, and a State that has given many great women leaders to this country, such as Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Susan B. Anthony, Bella Abzug, Geraldine Ferraro, and Shirley Chisholm.

But the truth is that many women who have made extraordinary contributions to our country are largely left out of the telling of our Nation's history. That is why I am reintroducing bipartisan legislation this week to establish a Smithsonian Women's History Museum in Washington, D.C., and I hope that all my colleagues will join me in this goal.

It comes down to a basic question: How can we empower women if we do not even recognize them? There is not one comprehensive women's museum anywhere in the United States of America. The U.S. needs and deserves a women's history museum that will inspire men and women of all ages for future generations during Women's History Month and all through the year. It