

HONORING THE CAMP HILL LIONS
GIRLS SOCCER TEAM ON THEIR
UNDEFEATED CHAMPIONSHIP

HON. SCOTT PERRY

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, January 27, 2020

Mr. PERRY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to offer my heartfelt congratulations to the Camp Hill Lions Girls Soccer Team for their victory at the PIAA Class A State Soccer Championship, and for their excellence throughout their undefeated, untied, 2019 season.

Led by Coach Jared Latchford—just named the Pennsylvania Soccer Coaches Association “Girls Class A Coach of the Year”—the Lions dominated the season, achieving a stunning overall record of 25–0–0.

This is the Lions’ second appearance in the State Championship in the last three years. They were able to take an early lead in their contest against Shady Side Academy, and hold it throughout the game. Aggressive and selfless offense, vigilant defense, and stellar goalkeeping earned the Lions a 2–0 victory, and their first State Championship trophy.

These amazing athletes are the epitome of remarkable dedication and discipline, outstanding skill, exceptional sportsmanship, and an unyielding team spirit. Their dedication to excellence—to say the least—earned them this Championship.

On behalf of Pennsylvania’s Tenth Congressional District, I commend and congratulate the Camp Hill Lions for their incredible performance. We’re proud of them.

IOWAN OF THE WEEK—DAVID
WOLNERMAN IN RECOGNITION
OF INTERNATIONAL HOLOCAUST
REMEMBRANCE DAY

HON. CYNTHIA AXNE

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, January 27, 2020

Mrs. AXNE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor David Wolnerman, a survivor of Auschwitz, Birkenau, and Dachau—and Iowa’s last known Holocaust survivor—in recognition of International Holocaust Remembrance Day.

Those extraordinary men and women, like David, who survived the Holocaust have blessed us by sharing their stories and memorializing their experiences for future generations so that we never forget. Today, I am entering just part of David’s story into the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD so it may be preserved for our children and their children. David was born in Poland. When the Nazis invaded, David was just 13 years old. He was told he needed to report to a work camp in order to save his family, including his mother, Hannah, his brother, Abraham, and his sister, Gertrude. The promise was a false one, as David’s family would not survive.

When David first arrived in Auschwitz, he waited in line like so many others did—awaiting an uncertain fate. Some were selected to go left, some selected to go right. David says that God gave him the right words to say that he was 18 years old, and he was sent to the right. Had he told the truth, that he was 13 instead of 18, he would have been sent left with

the younger children and those who were ill to be sent to the gas chamber. David’s survival was a miracle. He contacted illnesses like typhus. He was so starved that he weighed 80 pounds when he was liberated on April 29, 1945.

After liberation, he lived in a displaced persons camp in Germany where he met his wife, Jennie. Together, they began to physically recover from the malnourishment, but the mental scars of concentration camps have never left David.

David and Jennie came to America in 1950. They didn’t speak English but began working at a printing plant. When they had their two sons, Michael and Allen, all David and Jennie wanted for them was a good education. Both Allen and Michael went to Drake University in Des Moines for pharmacy school, and their parents followed them to Iowa. In 2016, Jennie passed away at age 91. She often shared her memories with Iowa schoolchildren, working to ensure that her story—and the stories of her friends and family who perished—would live on. Jennie is remembered for her loving and generous spirit, her matzo ball soup, and as a loving grandmother and mother. Now David remains the last Holocaust survivor in Iowa.

Jennie and David have shared their stories and wisdom with Iowans for years. We must honor them in return by sharing their stories and taking this day to remember the atrocities of the Holocaust. We must remember those who survived, and those who did not. We must remember the sacrifices made by children, just like David.

HONORING KELLY MONTANYE FOR
RECEIVING THE FULTON MONT-
GOMERY REGIONAL CHAMBER
OF COMMERCE YOUNG PROFES-
SIONALS OF THE YEAR AWARD

HON. ELISE M. STEFANIK

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, January 27, 2020

Ms. STEFANIK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Kelly Montanye for receiving the Fulton Montgomery Regional Chamber of Commerce Young Professional of the Year Award.

Kelly Montanye, a Mayfield resident, is Manager of Community Outreach & Volunteer Services at Mountain Valley Hospice in Gloversville. Over the course of a year, Ms. Montanye successfully rebuilt the volunteer program, achieving a five-fold increase in membership. As Manager, Kelly orchestrates the details of each public event, managing the communications and marketing for the organization. She is also an active volunteer in the community, where she has served as a mentor to students at HFM PTECH, developed an annual fundraising campaign for the NYS Children’s Foundation, acted as a Relay for Life captain, and served as a Fulton County Habitat for Humanity Board Member.

Kelly Montanye demonstrates the hard working, community minded nature that the North Country is known for. On behalf of New York’s 21st District, I would like to congratulate Kelly for this well-deserved recognition. I look forward to her future success.

HONORING HABEEB QUADRI

HON. JANICE D. SCHAKOWSKY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, January 27, 2020

Ms. SCHAKOWSKY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the work and dedication of Mr. Habeeb Quadri, an educator and Superintendent of the Muslim Community Center Academy (MCCA) in Morton Grove and Skokie, Illinois. Mr. Quadri was one of five private educators in the country to receive the National Distinguished Principal award from the National Association of Elementary School Principals.

Habeeb Quadri is recognized for his important work in growing the size and status of the MCCA and helping the community be welcoming and inclusive through education. He is also recognized for his work to make MCCA one of the first Islamic parochial schools to receive national accreditation.

Mr. Quadri is always engaged in the classroom and with students. He leads a light-hearted weekly all-school assembly to recognize students for their good deeds and encourage acts of compassion. Mr. Quadri sits with students in the lunchroom, participates in classroom activities, and adds a unique character to the MCCA.

In addition to his role as Superintendent of the MCCA, Mr. Quadri has had a career committed to education and inclusivity. He has served as an educator for both the Chicago Public Schools and Detroit Public Schools systems. Mr. Quadri has also been a committed advocate for the Muslim community, dedicating himself to challenging work in order to provide opportunities for Muslim students to learn about their identity and engage with their community.

I am proud to have the Muslim Community Center Academy in my district and to honor its important role in educating both its students and the community.

Habeeb Quadri is a caring, talented, creative educator and leader, and I deeply admire his dedicated effort to provide a home and a safe place for Muslim students. His commitment to education, inclusivity, and encouraging compassion is honorable. On behalf of the constituents of the 9th Congressional District, I thank Habeeb for his service and congratulate him on his award.

RECOGNIZING NATIONAL HUMAN
TRAFFICKING AWARENESS MONTH

HON. VAN TAYLOR

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, January 27, 2020

Mr. TAYLOR. Madam Speaker, today, I rise in recognition of National Human Trafficking Awareness Month and the dedicated volunteers who work to end modern-day slavery.

As a parent, there is nothing scarier than the thought of children being removed from their families and trafficked. Oftentimes, when we think about human trafficking, we envision terrible situations across the globe. According to the Texas Attorney General, there are currently more than 300,000 victims of human trafficking just in Texas.

As we bring attention to this far too common tragedy, I would like to thank some of the incredible organizations in Collin County who work tirelessly to help survivors.

Traffick 911, CASA of Collin County, Rescue Her, Treasured Vessels, New Friends New Life, and the Collin County Sheriff's office are all helping lead the fight against human trafficking.

I ask my colleagues in the House of Representatives to join me in thanking these organizations and recognizing the importance of spreading awareness about Human Trafficking today and every day.

We must continue the battle to keep all children safe.

HONORING MARIA
PAPANASTASSIOU

HON. JANICE D. SCHAKOWSKY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, January 27, 2020

Ms. SCHAKOWSKY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the work and dedication of Ms. Maria Papanastassiou, a librarian and Kids' World assistant manager at the Arlington Heights Memorial Library. Ms. Papanastassiou was one of 10 librarians in the country to receive the national "I Love My Librarian Award" for 2019–2020 from the American Library Association.

Maria Papanastassiou was nominated by her colleagues who felt that through her work, families with diverse needs have found a home and a welcoming, inclusive place at the library. Ms. Papanastassiou works hard to help families connect with one another and receive crucial support.

Ms. Papanastassiou leads play groups for children with Down Syndrome, Cerebral Palsy, sensory processing disorders and language delays. She organizes creative learning opportunities such as story boards with felt characters to help with language development, crafts for fine motor development, instant snow powder for sensory exploration, a circus tent for children who require low-sensory environments, stepping stones for gross motor skills, and activities to facilitate imaginative play. And she instituted "Early Open for Families" so that children of diverse needs can experience library exhibits in a quiet setting before the library opens the door to the public.

In addition to her service to children with special needs, Ms. Papanastassiou created meetups for parents, caregivers, and developmental therapists to get together in an informal setting. She also leads the Arlington Heights Memorial Library's partnership with C.I.T.Y. of Support, a nonprofit that aids families with children in therapy.

My office has worked closely with the Arlington Heights Memorial Library to ensure that our shared constituents receive effective and efficient assistance. My district staff holds regular neighborhood office hours in the library.

Maria Papanastassiou is a dedicated, compassionate and creative librarian and I deeply

admire her conscientious work to provide a safe place and learning environment for families with diverse needs. On behalf of the constituents of the 9th Congressional District, I thank Maria for her service and congratulate her on this award.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate of February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Tuesday, January 28, 2020 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

JANUARY 29

9:30 a.m.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs

Business meeting to consider S. 785, to improve mental health care provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs, S. 2336, to improve the management of information technology projects and investments of the Department of Veterans Affairs, S. 2864, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program on information sharing between the Department of Veterans Affairs and designated relatives and friends of veterans regarding the assistance and benefits available to the veterans, S. 524, to establish the Department of Veterans Affairs Advisory Committee on Tribal and Indian Affairs, S. 2594, to amend title 5, United States Code, to modify certain requirements with respect to service and retirement for the purposes of veterans' preference for Federal hiring, S. 850, to extend the authorization of appropriations to the Department of Veterans Affairs for purposes of awarding grants to veterans service organizations for the transportation of highly rural veterans, S. 3110, to direct the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a study on disability and pension benefits provided to members of the National Guard and members of reserve components of the Armed Forces by the Department of Veterans Affairs, S. 123, to require the Secretary of Vet-

erans Affairs to enter into a contract or other agreement with a third party to review appointees in the Veterans Health Administration who had a license terminated for cause by a State licensing board for care or services rendered at a non-Veterans Health Administration facility and to provide individuals treated by such an appointee with notice if it is determined that an episode of care or services to which they received was below the standard of care, S. 450, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program to expedite the onboarding process for new medical providers of the Department of Veterans Affairs, to reduce the duration of the hiring process for such medical providers, S. 3182, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out the Women's Health Transition Training pilot program through at least fiscal year 2020, and the nomination of Grant C. Jaquith, of New York, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims.

SR-418

Special Committee on Aging

To hold hearings to examine protecting seniors from the Social Security Impersonation Scam.

SD-562

10 a.m.

Committee on Environment and Public Works

To hold hearings to examine stakeholder perspectives on the importance of the United States Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board.

SD-406

Select Committee on Intelligence

To receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters.

SH-219

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe

To hold hearings to examine human rights and democracy, focusing on obstacles and opportunities in the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe region.

LHOB-1334

JANUARY 30

9 a.m.

Committee on Armed Services

To hold hearings to examine United States Africa Command and United States Southern Command in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2021 and the Future Years Defense Program.

SD-G50

FEBRUARY 5

9:30 a.m.

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe

To hold hearings to examine the power and purpose of parliamentary diplomacy, focusing on inter-parliamentary initiatives and the United States contribution.

CHOB-210