

The Bergers' values, dedication, and work ethic exemplify the Wyoming way of life. I want to extend my congratulations to them and thank them for their service and years of hard work. Jack and Diana Berger truly live the Cowboy way of life, and I am proud to have the opportunity to recognize their achievements as inductees into the Wyoming Agriculture Hall of Fame. Wyoming is well served by their lasting and continuing contributions to our great State.●

#### TRIBUTE TO BRAD BONER

Mr. BARRASSO. Mr. President, at the 108th Wyoming State Fair, Senator ENZI and I will have the pleasure of introducing Brad Boner as one of the 2020 inductees of the Wyoming Agriculture Hall of Fame. He is a man of honesty, hard work, and strong leadership. I am proud to say Mr. Boner exemplifies the ideals of the Wyoming way of life through his immense contributions to Wyoming agriculture.

Mr. Boner has demonstrated his deep-rooted commitment to the Wyoming community and, above all, his family. He is supported by his wife Laurie and three children, Braden, Meghan, and Ryan. After graduating from the University of Wyoming with an ag business degree, Brad returned to Glenrock, WY, where he still ranches at the M Diamond Angus Ranch alongside his two brothers, Rob and Jeff, and their father, Bob.

Mr. Boner's involvement in agriculture goes far beyond production. In fact, his dedication and passion for the industry are evident through his active involvement in both cattle and sheep industries on local, State, and national levels. Brad is the current American Sheep Industry Association secretary and treasurer, as well as president of both the Wyoming Wool Growers and Wyoming Angus Association. Brad has served in various capacities whenever he has been called upon, often sacrificing valuable time on his home ranch. Brad serves as the supervisor of the Converse County Conservation District, Wyoming Animal Damage Control Board, and American Sheep Industry "Let it Grow" committee. Brad's dedication to the State and the industry has not gone unnoticed. In 2014, he was recognized as a University of Wyoming College of Agriculture "Outstanding Alumni."

In addition to serving in many capacities to the benefit of Wyoming's sheep ranching community, Brad steps up and serves as an articulate spokesman on moving the sheep industry forward. One of the most noteworthy accomplishments is Brad's active role in forming the Mountain States Lamb Cooperative, including serving as MSLC's first chairman and current chairman.

Mr. Boner is not only a leader in Wyoming's strong agriculture community, but a wonderful mentor to the youth across our State. He believes sharing his love for agriculture with students

is the best way to ensure the continuation of this great industry for generations to come. I would agree. I think that the greatest accomplishment is the mentorship that we can provide to the young folks of this country, and this is exactly what Mr. Boner continues to do. Through the Future Cattle Producers of Wyoming program, he donates a heifer to a student applicant that wants to learn about the industry. This program assists students in becoming involved in cattle production and helps them establish their own herds.

In addition to assisting many students on the agriculture front, for more than 30 years, Brad has dedicated his time to his community by refereeing basketball games from middle school to intermural college games. He also helped coach the boys and girls traveling teams to support his children. As Peter Camino, former president of the Wyoming Wool Growers Association, observed, "He has worked diligently to solidify a future not only for himself, but the future of generations to follow."

Brad's humble character and dedication to agriculture have truly made an impact and helped grow our agriculture community. I think I speak for many when I say I am truly grateful for his leadership, contributions, and caring demeanor that has so graciously blessed our State in many ways.

With Brad Boner's constant diligence to improve and impact his community, it is with my great honor to induct him into the Wyoming Agriculture Hall of Fame. He represents every positive attribute of a leader in Wyoming agriculture and the Code of the West. He has represented Wyoming's interests with dedication and honor. It is because of people like him that the agricultural community in Wyoming has a bright and productive future. My wife Bobbi joins me in congratulating the outstanding individual, Brad Boner, who is a 2020 inductee into the Wyoming Agriculture Hall of Fame.

#### ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

##### TRIBUTE TO DR. NATE SMITH

• Mr. BOOZMAN. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize Dr. Nate Smith, whose expert medical guidance and strong leadership will be deeply missed following his departure from the Arkansas Department of Health.

Dr. Smith launched his career with the Arkansas Department of Health in 2009. His extensive medical background and dedication to the department's mission allowed him quick advancement through the agency ranks. He initially served as State epidemiologist and subsequently served as branch chief for infectious diseases and deputy director for Public Health Programs. However, Dr. Smith's more recent and notable appointments to director and State health officer in 2013 and sec-

retary of health in 2019 presented him with even greater responsibility in maintaining and protecting public health in the State of Arkansas. As a member of Governor Asa Hutchinson's cabinet, Dr. Smith crafted and implemented the State's response to the COVID-19 emergency. He has worked diligently alongside the Governor's team to provide medical and scientific reasoning for pandemic-related decisions. Dr. Smith's commitment to the health and well-being of Arkansans has always been evident. We are especially grateful for that commitment as he navigated unprecedented times on behalf of our State.

Dr. Smith's distinguished career with the Arkansas Department of Health comes after years of education and preparation, including over a decade of comprehensive medical schooling, four degrees, and two board certifications. After graduating from Rice University in 1986, Dr. Smith claimed home to Texas and its classrooms for the next 10 years. By 1991, Dr. Smith had earned two more degrees: a doctor of medicine from Baylor College of Medicine and a master of arts from Dallas Theological Seminary. In 1996, Dr. Smith earned a master of public health from the University of Texas School of Public Health, focusing on disease control. He completed two infectious disease fellowships at Baylor College of Medicine before pursuing a degree in tropical medicine and hygiene from the Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene in England.

What emerged as an area of interest for Dr. Smith in medical school led to an expansive, acclaimed career in infectious disease medicine. After years of education and training, Dr. Smith took his knowledge to Africa at the height of the AIDS epidemic. While simultaneously serving as a medical missionary with his wife, Dr. Smith worked at Kijabe Hospital in Kenya in the roles as chief of internal medicine, medical intern program director, and infectious disease consultant. He found himself back in Kenya in 2006 under the direction of the University of Maryland School of Medicine, this time working with the Kenya Institute of Human Virology as a senior medical technical adviser and country medical director.

His expertise in infectious disease is well-respected and has led to his participation and leadership in several medical advisory groups. Dr. Smith served as chairman of the infection control committee for the Arkansas Department of Health, chairman of the Arkansas AIDS Drug Assistance Program Formulary Advisory Committee, and chairman of the Infectious Disease Policy Committee for the Association of State and Territorial Health Officials, ASTHO. He sat on the National Vaccine Advisory Committee for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for several years before an appointment to the CDC Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices. Further, Dr. Smith has published more

than 25 scientific papers with the majority citing infectious disease studies.

It is clear that Dr. Smith's passion for service and selfless dedication to public health has brought tremendous value to Arkansas, its institutions, and, most importantly, its 3 million citizens. The University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences is one such institution that will undoubtedly feel Dr. Smith's absence, as he has held several academic appointments alongside his career at the Arkansas Department of Health. What began as a voluntary position in 2009 became a mainstay endeavor for Dr. Smith. He has since held several professorships at the university in the division of infectious diseases and the epidemiology department. When Dr. Smith is not teaching, working or spending time with his family of five, he can be found donating his time and service to St. Andrew's Anglican Church in Little Rock, where he works with the leadership team and missions team. His robust professional and community impact have earned him the following awards: the Arkansas AIDS Foundation's Compassion Award, the Arkansas Public Health Association's Director's Award for Science, and the Living and Affected Corporation's Distinguished Service Award.

I want to graciously thank Dr. Smith for his tireless commitment to improving the health and wellness of Arkansans. I appreciate his friendship and example for us all as a true public servant. His transition to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is bittersweet, and we are full of gratitude and pride for Dr. Smith and his dedication to our State over the past two decades.●

#### TRIBUTE TO MARGARET DAGMAN

• Mr. CRAMER. Mr. President, I want to honor a very special North Dakota resident who turned 100 years old on July 17. Margaret Michalski Dagman has been a lifelong resident of the Nome and Enderlin, ND, area. She and her late husband, Vernon, raised two children and farmed for many years near Enderlin. They were active in their community, and Margaret supported Vernon during his years representing Ransom County in the North Dakota Legislature in the early 1960s.

Throughout the decades of her life across the past century, Margaret has experienced great moments in North Dakota's history. She shared her memories of attending the Nome Schoolhouse in a recent video produced about the restored building. She recalled bringing lunch to school in syrup pails, the many poems she and her classmates were required to memorize, and some of her favorite teachers. Although a large celebration did not happen on Margaret's birthday, the community of Enderlin drove by her home and honked with birthday wishes. I hope she will be able to celebrate this great milestone with friends and family at other opportunities throughout the year.

North Dakota is home to more than 200 centenarians, and we consider them among our most treasured residents. Their pioneer spirit, dignity, and hard work have brought them through many challenges and personal achievements. On behalf of all North Dakotans, I wish Margaret a happy 100th birthday and hope this is the start of a year filled with happiness and joy.●

#### TRIBUTE TO CARTER MANSON

• Ms. HASSAN. Mr. President, I am proud to honor Carter Manson of Manchester as July's Granite Stater of the Month. Carter's efforts to encourage Granite Staters and all Americans to get outside and help clean up their communities has made a true difference in a difficult time.

Carter, who is only 5 years old, has wanted to be a garbage man since he was 3. For Halloween last year, he even dressed up as a trash collector to show his appreciation for his heroes. Now, due in part to the COVID-19 pandemic, Carter has taken his passion for garbage collection one step further.

One day in April while the stay-at-home orders for New Hampshire were in place, Carter asked his mom, Kelly, if he could go outside and pick up some trash. Kelly obliged and took some photos of her young son cleaning up his neighborhood and posted them on her Facebook page.

Much to her surprise, the photos Kelly posted of Carter's efforts received a lot of attention from her friends and family. In response, she decided to build on the momentum Carter had inspired by creating a group called Carter's Clean Up Crew.

The "Crew" now has nearly 800 members from across the United States and Canada. The group has also received support from 22 businesses and raised \$1,400 to help get members of the group the supplies that they need to clean up their communities, including trash grabbers and gloves.

The Crew is planning their first big cleanup day at the end of August, and Carter and Kelly have been rallying members of their community to join them in Manchester for the big day.

In the meantime, Carter has been diligent in his clean up regimen and goes out with his mom at least once a week to pick up 5 gallons of trash in neighborhoods across Manchester.

Carter's passion for cleaning up his environment and encouraging others to do the same represents the best of our State and our all-hands-on-deck spirit. It also represents how eager people are to strengthen and improve their communities even during this pandemic. I applaud Carter for his efforts and look forward to seeing what he accomplishes next.●

#### TRIBUTE TO JAMES "RUSTY" MITCHELL

• Ms. SINEMA. Mr. President, I rise today to congratulate Lt. Col. (Ret.) James "Rusty" Mitchell on his retirement from the Community Initiatives Team—CIT—at Luke Air Force Base in my home State of Arizona.

Rusty first joined the Air Force in 1976 and spent years serving his country around the globe. Rusty also spent a significant amount of his Air Force career at Arizona military installations, serving as an A-10 jet instructor at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base and

#### TRIBUTE TO JOHN "MIKE" CROTEAU

• Ms. HASSAN. Mr. President, today I would like to congratulate Mr. John "Mike" Croteau of Newbury, NH, on his retirement from the Newbury Fire Department after a remarkable 75 years of service.

Mike's father, George, was a long-time member and chief of the Newbury Fire Department, and in 1945, 15-year-old Mike, joined the department too. At first, Mike helped put out brush fires caused by trains that ran from Boston to Newbury Station. When Mike was 18, he fought the fire on Mount Sunapee that claimed 1,700 acres. Hundreds of firefighters worked for 7 days straight to battle the fast-moving fire during one of the worst fire seasons ever recorded in New Hampshire history.

Beyond his work at the fire department, Mike was an engineer for the New Hampshire Department of Transportation for 33 years, and the Town of Newbury often called upon his expertise for site work and design. While working for the State, he continued to serve the fire department, serving as the fire chief, as well as forest fire warden.

Mike has dedicated many hours of his time to the Newbury Fire Department in addition to firefighting by helping with fundraising efforts, including the annual bingo nights and auctions. His dedication to his community also went beyond his exemplary fire department service; he also volunteered for many town groups, boards, and activities and has always stepped up when something needs to be done.

In 2012, Governor John Lynch commended Mike for 67 years of service as a firefighter, and in 2015, he received the Fire Service Lifetime Achievement Award from the New Hampshire Police, Fire, and EMS Foundation.

Mike's commitment to his community and the Newbury Fire Department is a shining example of the spirit of New Hampshire, and he serves as a role model for all Granite Staters. He has been a critical part of the department for 75 years, and he has put himself at risk day after day to protect his fellow citizens. His town, State, and country are better because of his dedicated efforts.

I hope you will join me in honoring an exemplary Granite Stater, Mike Croteau.●