

on the square in downtown Ashland, Alabama, since approximately 1916. The business got its name from its original clientele, and originally catered to the needs of local farmers. Planter's Hardware has altered its inventory to reflect changing times in favor of supplies for timber, poultry, and cabinet making. Planter's Hardware offers customers cost-effective solutions and personalized service six days a week.

On March 13, 2023, one of the pioneers of Planter's Hardware, Joseph Walton Runyan, Sr., passed away at the age of 89. Joseph was deeply loved by his community and will be deeply missed.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in recognizing the Runyan family for their hard work in operating Planter's Hardware for over a century, as well as honoring the memory of Joseph Walton Runyan, Sr.

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF
QUINTON ROSEBORO SMITH

HON. BRIAN HIGGINS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 6, 2023

Mr. HIGGINS of New York. Mr. Speaker, today I recognize the impact and celebrate the life of the late Quinton Roseboro Smith. Affectionately known by his loved ones as "Smitty," this native son of South Carolina made the City of Buffalo his home at an early age. Through the many years that followed his move north, Quinton was able to leave his mark in our community—whether it was at church, the hair salon, or through the lens of his camera, Smitty's lovable spirit followed him everywhere.

A student at Buffalo Public Schools 31, 75, and 87, Quinton would later become a student at Burgard High School. It was there that he was given the chance to study aviation mechanics and pursue a career with the United States Air Force. Upon Smitty's discharge from the military, he worked for decades at the General Motors Tonawanda Engine Plant. However, it was his passion for cutting hair and the beauty industry that was clearly evident throughout his other ventures.

He started cutting hair at age 13 with his cousin, Israel "June" Blackmon. He cut hair while stationed in Alaska with the Air Force, and he eventually took night classes at Culver Beauty College while working at GM. So, after gaining his license, it was not long before he opened Studio 322. This hair salon was not only an instant success, but it was something that he shared with the love of his life, Mary.

Smitty was a devout Christian and irreplaceable member of St. Paul's A.M.E. Zion Church. Quinton's commitment to Buffalo could be tangibly felt by countless people, not just those who frequented Studio 322. His actions toward others created a legacy that will long outlive him. Survived by his 5 children, 9 grandchildren, and 1 great-grandchild, there is no shortage of loved ones to recount their fond memories of Smitty. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Quinton for his commitment to the Western New York area and for the warmth he provided to so many. He will be dearly missed.

HONORING ALEXIS KOEFOED

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 6, 2023

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Alexis Koefoed whom I have named the 2023 Woman of the Year for Solano County because of her service to our agricultural community. Woman of the Year recognizes women who have made important contributions to California's 4th Congressional District in Arts and Culture, Professional Achievement, Entrepreneurship and Innovation or Community Service.

Born in Danville, Ms. Koefoed started her agricultural life when she stumbled upon a 56-acre property in Vacaville and became a farmer on a whim. What started as a small-scale chicken and egg farm eventually evolved into the Soul Food Farm, a hub for community events where she teaches workshops and supports local producers and farmers.

Ms. Koefoed currently serves as the president of the Pleasants Valley Agriculture Association, an organization of Vacaville farmers focused on promoting local businesses and sharing their sustainable agricultural practices. In doing so, she has helped her community's economy grow while providing a positive environment for farmers to share their stories and experiences. She is also a member of the policy board of the Community Alliance of Family Farmers, where she advocates for state and national policies that help sustainable agriculture.

Her work in creating the Soul Food Farm Farmstand and the Soul Food Farm Reserve, food hubs for local and regional farmers to sell their produce, has also been invaluable for members of our community to have more choices when deciding where to get their food. Through this hub, she has been able to expand access to healthy and affordable alternatives to processed food, all while supporting regional farmers.

Ms. Koefoed's work at Soul Food Farm and with the Pleasants Valley Agriculture Association has helped farmers across Solano County by teaching them about the business of running a farm while also bringing the community together. She has taught new farmers about the best ways to grow their business and their crops more efficiently. Her work also extends to organizing events where members of the community can connect with industry leaders.

Mr. Speaker, Alexis Koefoed has been a strong leader in Solano County's agricultural community. Therefore, it is fitting that we honor her here today as Solano County's 2023 Woman of the Year.

RECOGNIZING EDWIN F. SMITH

HON. BRETT GUTHRIE

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 6, 2023

Mr. GUTHRIE. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize Edwin F. Smith.

I am proud to join the community of Glasgow in celebrating Edwin Smith's 100th birth-

day on April 12, 2023. The community is not only recognizing the Kentucky native for his momentous birthday milestone, but also recognizing his service to our nation.

U.S. Army Air Force 2nd Lieutenant Edwin F. Smith is a veteran of World War II. He played football at Glasgow High School and was offered a scholarship to play at the University of Louisville. However, his life went down a different path after the attack on Pearl Harbor. He enlisted in 1941 to fight for our country and became a pilot. Shortly after serving in World War II, he was one of two people to survive a deadly plane crash during a military training exercise.

Following his service, he attended the University of Tennessee before transferring to Bowling Green Business University, which is now Western Kentucky University, and graduated with a degree in accounting. Edwin Smith continued to give back to his community following his military service through volunteer work and sharing his experience in the military with students.

Edwin Smith is a father, stepfather, grandfather, and great-grandfather. A piece of advice he gave one of his children is to "count your blessings—not your troubles." He has lived a remarkable life of service. I thank him for his service and wish him a very happy 100th birthday.

CHERYL SHERMAN DAY
PROCLAMATION

HON. MARK POCAN

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 6, 2023

Mr. POCAN. Mr. Speaker, I include in the RECORD the following proclamation in honor of Cheryl Sherman.

Whereas, Cheryl Sherman began her public service to the Village of Prairie Du Sac in 1983 by serving on the Plan Commission, and was first elected to the Village Board in 1991; and

Whereas, Cheryl Sherman has played a vital role in her community's growth and development through her service on a variety of boards, commissions, and committees throughout her tenure; and

Whereas, Cheryl Sherman has consistently proven herself to be a thoughtful, effective, and dependable community leader by continuously serving as Village President since 1995; and

Whereas, Under Cheryl Sherman's leadership, the Village has more than doubled its population, expanded its community spaces, entered into a variety of future oriented inter-governmental cooperative agreements, and seen multiple community projects successfully come to fruition; and

Now, therefore, I hereby proclaim April 25, 2023 as Cheryl Sherman Day in honor of her 40 years of public service to her community, the Village of Prairie Du Sac, and the State of Wisconsin. I join her friends, family, and colleagues in offering her best wishes on her much-deserved retirement.

CELEBRATING THE FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY MEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM'S HISTORIC FINAL FOUR FINISH IN THE 2023 NCAA DIVISION I MEN'S BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

HON. JARED MOSKOWITZ

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 6, 2023

Mr. MOSKOWITZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the historic achievement of the Florida Atlantic University Men's Basketball team, the Florida Atlantic Owls, in the 2023 NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Tournament.

The Owls have appeared in the NCAA tournament only twice. The first time in 2002 and again this year, where for the first time, they finished in the Final Four. To celebrate their success, I include in the RECORD their names so their achievements may be remembered forever:

No. 0, Brenen Lorient from Ocala, Florida

No. 1, Johnell Davis from Gary, Indiana

No. 2, Nick Boyd from Garnerville, New York

No. 3, Giancarlo Rosado from West Palm Beach, Florida

No. 4, Bryan Greenlee from Gainesville, Florida

No. 5, Isaiah Gaines from Pensacola, Florida

No. 11, Michael Forrest from Lauderhill, Florida

No. 12, Jalen Gaffney from Columbus, New Jersey

No. 13, Jack Johnson from White Plains, New York

No. 15, Alijah Martin from Summit, Mississippi

No. 21, Alejandro Ralat from San Juan, Puerto Rico

No. 23, Brandon Weatherspoon from Canton, Mississippi

No. 25, Tre Carroll from Punta Gorda, Florida

No. 30, Leo Beath from Malibu, California

No. 50, Vladislav Goldin from Nalchick, Russia

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of Florida's 23rd Congressional District, please join me in congratulating the FAU men's basketball team's historic Final Four finish in the 2023 NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament. They should be genuinely proud of their accomplishment.

HONORING SHARON STENSAAS

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 6, 2023

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Sharon Stensaas for her 25 years of serving our Yountville community through local journalism.

Ms. Stensaas founded the Yountville Sun 25 years ago with her husband, Oscar. She has served as the editor and publisher during the entirety of her tenure, working long hours to faithfully report the news.

The Yountville Sun is a weekly, local paper dedicated to local news that is impacting

Yountville, Oakville, Rutherford, and unincorporated areas of Napa County adjacent to the Silverado Trail and Highway 29. The paper distributes about 3,700 copies every week which are all free of cost for the reader. The local issues the paper covers spans a wide range of topics including natural disasters, local government decisions, and wine news. In 2018, the paper did extensive and important coverage on the shooting at a veteran's home in Yountville.

Through the challenging Covid-19 pandemic, when many other publications closed, Ms. Stensaas kept the paper running to ensure her community was informed about public health information and other newsworthy events. In all her years of publishing, Ms. Stensaas only missed one week, when her beloved husband passed away.

In 2018, the Yountville Sun had the honor of being named "Small Business of the Year" by the Yountville Chamber of Commerce. The impact this paper had on our community is exemplified by a 2016 poll, conducted by the National Citizen Survey, which found that the Yountville Sun was a major source of news for 80 percent of people in the local survey.

Ms. Stensaas is devoted to providing her community with quality local news. She describes her time as the publisher and editor at the Yountville Sun as one of the best gifts of her life. She remains involved in the Yountville Sun as a member of the board of directors.

Ms. Stensaas is a proud graduate of California State University, Northridge. Outside of her work at the Sun, Ms. Stensaas is also known in her community for her generous nature, great sense of humor, enjoyment of fishing, and love for Yountville.

Mr. Speaker, I thank Ms. Stensaas for her selfless service and commitment to the people of Yountville. Therefore, it is fitting and proper that we honor her here today.

RECOGNIZING JENNIFER MANGANELLO FOR HER YEARS OF CONGRESSIONAL SERVICE

HON. MATT CARTWRIGHT

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 6, 2023

Mr. CARTWRIGHT. Mr. Speaker, today I honor Jennifer Manganello for her years of exemplary service to the United States House of Representatives, the citizens of my Congressional District, and American Democracy as a whole.

Jennifer officially joined my Scranton, Pennsylvania office in 2015 after serving as an intern the prior year. A Moreau Honors Scholar and magna cum laude graduate of Stonehill College in North Easton, Massachusetts, she received a bachelor's degree in American Studies and English and was named to the honor societies of Lambda Epsilon Sigma, Stonehill Honor Society and Sigma Tau Delta, the English National Honor Society.

She also studied abroad at England's University of Oxford, completing coursework on Victorian novels, Shakespeare, Nostalgia in American Culture, and novelist Philip Roth.

Jennifer's love of writing and the English language was evident in all her office roles but was especially apparent in the thousands of Congressional Records and Letters of Rec-

ognition she crafted to honor those deserving in my district. Thanks to her immense writing talents and abundance of creativity, every single one of the recognitions she penned came to life on the page.

She started off in my office as a Caseworker, serving as a dedicated community servant and helping our most vulnerable constituents find housing, resolve insurance issues, and secure financial assistance if struggling with household bills and food supplies.

She also served as the Program Manager for my district's Congressional Arts Competition and App Challenge, nurturing and mentoring student artists and encouraging participation in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM).

She most recently was a member of our Communications Team, serving as the Press and Media Manager, where once again her writing abilities continued to shine.

Sadly, yesterday was the last day Jennifer Manganello served in my office. She is on to the next phase of what will no doubt be an incredible career that will allow her to share her immense talents and consummate dedication to our country's democratic principles in order to further inspire citizen engagement, expand economic opportunities, and improve the world as we know it.

I thank you, Jennifer, for going above and beyond for our office and our district. I wish her much success with her new nonprofit role.

RECOGNIZING KEOKI KAUANOE

HON. MARILYN STRICKLAND

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 6, 2023

Ms. STRICKLAND. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor an exceptional member of the Thurston County, Washington, community. I would like to recognize Keoki Kauanoe and his dedication to supporting families in his role as Director of Father Engagement at Family Education and Support Services (FESS), as well as his work fighting for equity in Washington State.

A South Sound-based nonprofit 501c3 organization, FESS is focused on fostering positive child development and furnishing families with critical child-care and parental support resources. At FESS, Keoki has administered programs, trainings, and support services that connect parents with peer mentors, provide families with diapers and other child-care necessities, and offer evidence-based courses that promote healthy parenting practices.

Pulling from a diverse network of partner organizations across Washington State, FESS seeks to educate families and ensure healthy outcomes through community trainings. Among the many impactful community trainings offered by FESS is the Q.P.R. Suicide Prevention course, which gives individuals the tools that they need to identify warning signs and help those in crisis.

Aside from his work with FESS, Keoki sits on the board of the Equity in Education Coalition, which works to help close the opportunity gap for minority communities in Washington State, and serves on the Thurston County DEI Committee. Additionally, he is a member of