

As if that wouldn't keep them busy enough, the Nobis' have consistently and actively sought out ways to elevate Michigan agriculture. They have worked hand in glove with Michigan State University, helping hundreds of students complete research projects on the farm, hosting speaking engagements and other events, and creating scholarships for future farmers. Ken has served as the State's unofficial "Milk Man," leading at various times the Michigan Milk Producers Association, the Michigan Dairy Market Program Committee, the United Dairy Industry of Michigan, the National Milk Producers Federation, and the Michigan State University Dairy Stakeholder Committee, to name a few.

But what's always stood out to me is their desire to be the best possible stewards of what they've been given: the land, the animals, and their own time, treasure, and talents. Nobis Dairy Farms has been at the forefront of sustainability efforts in agriculture, and Ken and Liz have constantly sought to shine a light on food security issues with their involvement in supplying milk to food banks statewide. Never was this more apparent than during the Flint water crisis, when Nobis Dairy Farms helped coordinate the effort to provide tens of thousands of gallons of milk to Flint children to help mitigate the effects of lead in the body.

For thousands of years, farmers have been the unsung heroes we look to in times of feast and famine, bringing new life from the soil and stewarding resources to sustain life into the future. Today's farmers carry an extra burden: safeguarding life on this planet for generations to come. Ken and Liz Nobis have lived this quiet heroism on their bucolic St. Johns farm for more than 50 years, and it's only fitting their names now take their rightful place in the Michigan Farmers Hall of Fame.

RECOGNIZING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY FOR WALLACE CHAPEL ZION CHURCH

HON. THOMAS H. KEAN, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 8, 2023

Mr. KEAN of New Jersey. Mr. Speaker, I rise to extend my warmest congratulations to the Wallace Chapel AME Zion Church on their 100-year anniversary.

For a century, the Wallace Chapel has been a pillar of strength and a source of inspiration within our community. Their unwavering commitment to serving others and being a source of hope has left an indelible mark on our communities.

The first congregation was established in 1923 when Adelaide Edney longed for a church of her choice in Summit, New Jersey. That summer, more than 30 people were regularly attending the church services, building the strong community that Wallace Chapel is known for today. From worshipping in the hallways to having their own property, Chapel Wallace remains a historic, cultural and sacred place to celebrate and worship the Lord.

As we celebrate this milestone, may we recognize the importance of this church for our community and the positive impact they have made towards other churches in the area.

Once again, congratulations on reaching this incredible milestone, and may God's grace continue to shine upon them.

CELEBRATING THE 250TH ANNIVERSARY OF TENT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

HON. GUY RESCHENTHALER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 8, 2023

Mr. RESCHENTHALER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the congregation of Tent Presbyterian Church in Uniontown, Pennsylvania, as it celebrates the church's 250th anniversary.

Tent Presbyterian is an important institution in the Uniontown community, where its members bring the service and testimony of God into thousands of lives. Originally formed in 1773, the church was first led by Reverend James Powers, who inspired the congregation to have faith even when faced with the immense difficulties of early colonial life. Reverend Powers originally preached under a tent in the western Pennsylvania woods until the physical building was constructed 18 years after the church's founding.

Two hundred and fifty years later, Tent Presbyterian is currently led by Reverend Jeff Smith, who continues the legacy of service and faith started by Reverend Powers and built upon by many others. Reverend Smith has led his congregation faithfully over the past 4 years, dutifully bringing the Gospel's message into Fayette County. The church's work strengthens and enriches the community, providing spiritual guidance to many searching hearts.

Mr. Speaker, Tent Presbyterian Church is an important part of our region's heritage and history. On behalf of the people of Pennsylvania's 14th Congressional District, I congratulate its leadership and congregation on their 250th anniversary and thank them for their service to southwestern Pennsylvania.

WELCOMING HATEM HOSSINO

HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 8, 2023

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I offer my congratulations to the Republican Study Committee's Senior Policy Counsel, Omar Hossino and his wife Leen, on the birth of their first child, a boy.

Hatem Hossino, named after his paternal grandfather, was born at 8:29 p.m. on Saturday, July 29, 2023, in Arlington, VA. The name 'Hatem' is Arabic for "decisive," "determined," and "judge." The Hossino family traces its lineage to Syria, through the village of Salamiyeh.

As Chairman of the RSC's National Security Task Force, I have long valued Omar's strategic advice. He has been instrumental in moving forward important policy legislation through the House and continues to be integral to the Committee's congressional staff as it advances policies on behalf of the American people.

Best wishes to Omar, Leen, and all their families on the newest addition to the Hossino family.

HONORING AND REMEMBERING THE LIFE OF MR. SIDNEY BUTLER

HON. RALPH NORMAN

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 8, 2023

Mr. NORMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a remarkable individual, Sidney Butler, whose legacy continues to inspire and uplift our community. Sidney Butler dedicated his life to advocating for justice, community improvement, and school safety, leaving an indelible mark on the citizens of our county.

Mr. Butler's commitment to public service was exemplified by his unwavering presence at council and utilities meetings. He understood the importance of civic engagement and actively participated in the decisionmaking processes that shaped our community.

One of Sidney's most noteworthy contributions was his tireless work on various community projects, including the extensive remodeling of our beloved train station. His dedication to these endeavors demonstrated his deep-rooted commitment to enhancing the quality of life for all residents.

Despite facing the challenges posed by his epilepsy disability, Mr. Butler never wavered in his pursuit of a more inclusive society. He tirelessly advocated for the rights and well-being of individuals with disabilities, serving as a beacon of hope and perseverance. Remarkably, Mr. Butler never owned a vehicle, yet this never deterred him from reaching his destinations. He relied on his own two feet or the kindness of others who gave him rides, demonstrating his determination and resourcefulness.

One cannot speak of Mr. Butler without mentioning his famous saying, which encapsulates his unwavering spirit: "If you cannot run, then walk. If you cannot walk, then crawl, as long as you keep it moving." These words reflect his enduring commitment to progress, no matter the obstacles in his path.

As we remember Sidney Butler today, let us be inspired by his example. Let us continue the work he started, championing justice, community improvement, and school safety. In honoring his memory, we ensure that his legacy lives on, motivating us all to "keep it moving" towards a better future for our county.

Mr. Speaker, this tribute is a testament to the enduring impact of Sidney Butler's life and work on our community. May his legacy continue to guide and inspire us for generations to come.

KELLER HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT, MAXIMUS WILLIAMSON

HON. BETH VAN DUYN

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 8, 2023

Ms. VAN DUYN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize our Texas-24 Hometown Hero of the week, Keller High School student, Maximus Williamson. At 14 years old, Maximus set a new National Age Group record for the boys 13-14 age group at the 2021 Texas Age Group Swimming Championships, becoming the fastest American male in the event's history for his age range.

He has continued to excel, recently breaking more records, and taking home the gold in the 200 meters individual medley course at the World Junior Championships. As if Maximus taking home gold wasn't impressive enough, his performance at the championships is matched by only 1 other American teenager, a man who went on to win 4 consecutive Olympic gold medals in the race. His time compares to what the great Michael Phelps accomplished at that age.

I congratulate Maximus on his win and thank him for representing North Texas well. I wish him all the best in his future competitions and will be rooting for him.

RECOGNIZING THE SERVICE OF
THE SAVANNAH FIRE DEPARTMENT

HON. EARL L. "BUDDY" CARTER

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 8, 2023

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to thank the Savannah Fire Department for its unwavering service towards our community. Throughout my time in government at the local, state, and federal levels, I have always known them to be a reliable force for good in the Savannah area. For example, in early March the Savannah Fire Department saved the life of a young girl at a swim meet.

An 11-year old girl was swimming at the Chatham County Aquatic Center when she began to drown. Savannah Fire responded to the call and found the young girl unable to breathe and in cardiac arrest. The Firefighters quickly began CPR, and they continued until she regained breathing and a pulse. Thanks to the quick actions of Savannah Fire, she is still with us today.

I would like to personally thank Advanced Firefighter Phil Haag, Captain Brian Smith, and Advanced Firefighter Mario Smith for their actions in saving this young girl. This is just one of the many ways they keep our community safe every single day.

RECOGNIZING ASSISTANT FIRE
CHIEF STEVE DENSMORE

HON. RASHIDA TLAIB

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 8, 2023

Mr. TLAIB. Mr. Speaker, today, I want to recognize Assistant Fire Chief and Melvindale City Council Member Steve Densmore for his 27 years of service with the Dearborn Fire Department in Michigan's 12th District Strong.

Assistant Fire Chief Densmore got his start in public service in 1996. After only 1 year of service, he received the first of many Meritorious Company Commendations. In addition, he has been recognized numerous times for valor and lifesaving. Over the course of his public service career, Assistant Chief Densmore has committed himself to continuous professional development, completing numerous certification programs in various rescue operations techniques and other technical programming.

Assistant Chief Densmore has been an outstanding public servant to the communities

served by the Dearborn Fire Department. Please join me in recognizing his 27 years of commitment to protecting our families' safety across Michigan's 12th District Strong as we wish him well in his retirement.

CELEBRATING CHOWCHILLA'S
CENTENNIAL EVENT

HON. JOHN S. DUARTE

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 8, 2023

Mr. DUARTE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the city of Chowchilla's Centennial Celebration being held on September 23rd.

Since its incorporation 100 years ago on February 7, 1923, Chowchilla has distinguished itself as a vibrant agricultural city, idyllically nestled between the cities of Fresno and Merced, with close access to the Sierra Nevada Mountains, the Pacific Coastline, and Yosemite National Park.

Chowchilla hosts a rich culture that traces its roots back to the Chowchilla tribe who inhabited the area; the name 'Chowchilla' being a byword for bravery to the southernmost end of the Yokuts territory in the southern end of the San Joaquin Valley.

At the heart of its celebratory traditions is the Western Stampede Cattle Drive which arrives in Chowchilla every year with great fanfare and excitement, showcasing the city's rich history. And Downtown Chowchilla displays the city's historical buildings and storefronts.

While home to only about 19,000 people, it's the birthplace of Ronald D. Moore, best known for his work on Star Trek, and Cameron Worrell, former NFL player of the Chicago Bears.

Chowchilla is now a part of a unique collective history—along with other small communities such as Kerman and Patterson—that emerged from the foresight of a real estate promoter O. A. Robertson who envisioned the productive and agricultural significance of the area to California's Central Valley.

On behalf of the people of California's 13th Congressional District, I congratulate Chowchilla on 100 years of community-building that contributes so greatly to the Central Valley, and the state of California.

RECOGNIZING ALLAN AND KIM
OVERHISER INDUCTION TO
MICHIGAN FARMERS HALL OF
FAME

HON. BILL HUIZENGA

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 8, 2023

Mr. HUIZENGA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate both Allan and Kim Overhiser for their incredible service to Allegan County and on their induction to the prestigious Michigan Farmers Hall of Fame. It is an honor to express my gratitude for their dedication and commitment to our community and Southwest Michigan.

Mr. Allan Overhiser was raised on the Overhiser farm and decided to follow in his family's fruit growing tradition. When his father retired, Allan and Kim Overhiser took over the

business and became the fifth generation of family farmers. Under their combined leadership, the farm has expanded to 325 acres and includes more than 30,000 fruit trees. Allan and Kim have brought on their son, Alex, to continue managing the family's farming operations.

Coinciding with his agricultural and business leadership, Allan has also diligently served his community. Allan spent 16 years as the Casco Township Clerk from 1988 to 2004 and has continued his service as the Township Supervisor since he was first elected in 2004. On Allan's watch, his constituents have directly benefitted from the development of a 20-acre park overlooking Lake Michigan, the creation of the South Haven Area Water and Sewer Authority, and the establishment of the South Haven Area Emergency Services Authority. He is a recipient of the Michigan Horticultural Society Distinguished Service Award.

In addition to helping run their family farm, Kim Overhiser has also distinguished herself as a community leader. She is a founding member of the Michigan Agritourism Association, a board member for the Lakeshore Harvest Country Association, a Cub Scout leader, and as a strong supporter of Fennville High School Athletics and Bands. Kim's passion for service has helped make Southwest Michigan an even better place to live, work, and raise a family.

Mr. Speaker, I thank the House for joining me to congratulate Allan and Kim Overhiser on their well-deserved Hall of Fame induction and for their years of dedicated service to Allegan County and Michigan's 4th Congressional District.

HONORING THE EXTRAORDINARY
LIFE AND LEGACY OF INA
YVONNE WHISENHUNT TILLMAN

HON. TERRI A. SEWELL

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 8, 2023

Ms. SEWELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the extraordinary life and legacy of an educator, administrator, and all-around phenomenal woman, Ina Yvonne Whisenhunt Tillman, who passed away on August 8, 2023, at the age of 85.

Ina was born in Vredenburgh, Alabama, to the late Martha Packer Whisenhunt and Walter Carver Whisenhunt, Sr. Upon graduating high school, Ina followed her passion for education at Alabama State University where she earned her Bachelor of Science in Education in 1960. Returning home from Montgomery as a teacher, Ina spent the next decade teaching in the Selma City School System.

As a college student, Ina was inspired to get involved in the fight for civil rights by influential activists like Thelma M. Glass and Attorney E.D. Nixon, who served as her professors and frequent speakers. When she returned to Selma, she continued to stay involved in the Movement, participating in numerous marches and demonstrations. She was a proud member of the Brown Chapel A.M.E. Church, where she heard Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. speak, solidifying her commitment to fighting for liberty, equality, and justice for all, especially the African-American community. Bringing her activism to her classroom, Ina bravely