

in his community, often volunteering his time and legal expertise to those in need.

He is survived by his wife Sandra and their children Dianne, Deborah (partner Antonio), John, Robert (wife Christine) and Danielle (husband Joshua). Doug was blessed with eleven grandchildren including Lucy, Everett, Elaina, Ivy, Breanna, Claudia, Lydia, Sharon, Anthony, Lizzy, and Gabe. Doug was also a brother to Steven DeLair (wife Sally), Stanley DeLair (wife Bertha), and John DeLair (wife Gail).

Doug was preceded in death by his parents Raymond and Evelyn (Crumbliss) DeLair.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. TOM COLE

OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 1, 2024

Mr. COLE. Mr. Speaker, had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 162; YEA on Roll Call No. 155; YEA on Roll Call No. 156; YEA on Roll Call No. 157; YEA on Roll Call No. 158; YEA on Roll Call No. 159; YEA on Roll Call No. 160; YEA on Roll Call No. 161; NAY on Roll Call No. 170; YEA on Roll Call No. 171; NAY on Roll Call No. 168; YEA on Roll Call No. 169; NAY on Roll Call No. 166; YEA on Roll Call No. 167; NAY on Roll Call No. 164; and YEA on Roll Call No. 165.

RECOGNIZING LARISSA BATRES LINARES

HON. BRITTANY PETTERSEN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 1, 2024

Ms. PETTERSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Larissa Batres Linares for earning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth Award.

Larissa has overcome many challenges along her journey to success, demonstrating perseverance at every step. Students who strive to make the most of their education, like Larissa, develop crucial skills and a work ethic that will guide them for the rest of their lives. This award is a testament to Larissa's hard work, determination, and perseverance at Jefferson Jr./Sr. High School and is clearly just the beginning of a bright and promising future.

It is my honor to congratulate Larissa Batres Linares on achieving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth Award.

HONORING MARIA CONTRERAS TEBBUTT

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 1, 2024

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Maria Contreras Tebbutt, whom I have named the 2024 Climate Crisis Champion for Yolo County because of the important work she has done to promote cycling as an alternative form of transportation to ad-

dress the impacts of climate change on California's 4th Congressional District.

Maria Contreras Tebbutt was born in King City, California. She and her husband Mark have a daughter, Nicole. She is a graduate of Davis High School and has lived in Davis ever since graduation.

Through her role as the Outreach Director of the Bike Campaign, Ms. Contreras Tebbutt has educated our community about the value of cycling. This campaign, along with its counterpart, the Bike Garage, was founded in 2011 to help teach people about the benefits of cycling and encourage people to ride their bikes more. These two locations offer training, internships, and jobs for youths, as well as enrichment opportunities for seniors who volunteer. The Bike Campaign works closely with city governments, county health departments, school districts, and community service groups.

Her advocacy for cycling has also given Ms. Contreras Tebbutt the opportunity to advocate on behalf of seniors and people with disabilities. She recently partnered with Cycling Without Age—Trishaw Electric's assist rides program, which provides opportunities for seniors and those with disabilities to enjoy cycling in Davis. This program allows those with mobility limitations to enjoy parks and green spaces more easily. Her work on this program has given her the opportunity to partner with the Davis Senior Center, the Yolo Healthy Aging Alliance, Yolo Hospice, various faith-based organizations, Rancho Yolo, and various senior residential facilities in the county. Ms. Contreras Tebbutt's advocacy on behalf of cycling has meaningfully benefited some of the most vulnerable in our community, which is laudable.

Ms. Contreras Tebbutt's cycling work has also given her the opportunity to connect with our local leaders. She has built partnerships with the City of Davis's Public Works Program, the City of Woodland's Department of Transportation, the Woodland Chamber, the Woodland City Council, and the Davis City Council. She has also been an influential voice in the planning of various community cycling events, such as the Zombie Ride, Ice Cream Ride, and the Polar Bear Ride.

Ms. Contreras Tebbutt's life-long advocacy for cycling and its mental and physical, as well as environmental, benefits, make her an important community leader in combatting the climate crisis.

Mr. Speaker, it is evident that Maria Contreras Tebbutt is a leader dedicated to promoting cycling as an alternative method of transportation. Therefore, it is fitting that we honor her here today as Yolo County's 2024 Climate Crisis Champion.

HONORING THE MISSISSIPPI CENTER FOR CULTURAL PRODUCTION

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 1, 2024

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the Mississippi Center for Cultural Production. This organization has gone beyond the call of duty to ensure that rural communities in Mississippi are taken care of, and their stories are told.

The Mississippi Center for Cultural Production, also known as "Sipp Culture," is an approach and resource for cultivating thriving communities. Based in the rural South, Sipp Culture is honoring the history and building the future of Rural Hinds County, especially in the Town of Utica, MS.

Sipp Culture supports community development from the ground up through cultural production focused on self-determination and agency designed by them and for them. The organization believes that history, culture, and food affirm our individual and collective humanity. Their goal is to strengthen the local food system, advance health equity, and support rural artistic voices—while activating the power of story—all to promote the legacy and vision of Utica, MS.

At the core of it all is the unwavering belief that gathering and sharing local stories is the best way to support safe and thriving communities for the future. Honoring growth, story, and imagination is an approach that can cultivate healthy and equitable places everywhere. For Sipp Culture, it all starts in Utica. I firmly believe the work Sipp Culture has done for the communities in Hinds County can be a model for what should be done for rural communities all across the United States of America.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing The Mississippi Center for Cultural Production for their service to the citizens of Mississippi.

HONORING BERNARDSVILLE'S 100TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. THOMAS H. KEAN, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 1, 2024

Mr. KEAN of New Jersey. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to extend my warmest congratulations to Bernardsville on its 100th anniversary. I am truly grateful to be celebrating this monumental milestone with them all.

Over the past 100 years, Bernardsville has blossomed into a vibrant town with exquisite natural scenery, rich culture, and a bustling town center. Bernardsville is also home to my congressional district office, so I can personally attest to its unique charm and history. I am proud to have such a remarkable town within the 7th district, and I look forward to watching it continue to flourish in the coming decades.

I wish Bernardsville a wonderful centennial anniversary. May their next century be filled with as much success as this one.

HONORING THE 2024 OHIO MILITARY HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

HON. JIM JORDAN

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 1, 2024

Mr. JORDAN. Mr. Speaker, the Ohio Military Hall of Fame will hold a ceremony at the Statehouse in Columbus on Friday, May 3, to mark the induction of its 2024 class. Selection for the Hall of Fame is a high honor that has

been accorded to fewer than 500 Ohioans since 2000. To be considered for induction, individuals must have been decorated for heroic action in a combat situation.

I am honored to commend to the House this year's 17 inductees:

Private First Class David F. Winder (posthumously), Army, recipient of the Medal of Honor.

Private First Class Marcus G. Collins, Army, recipient of the Silver Star.

Captain Stephen B. Cook (posthumously), Army, recipient of the Silver Star.

Private First Class Henry R. "Rick" Hausman, Jr. (posthumously), Army, recipient of the Silver Star.

Sergeant Gary Lee McKiddy (posthumously), Army, recipient of the Silver Star.

Master Sergeant James Brian O'Keeffe, Army, recipient of the Silver Star.

First Lieutenant Joseph D. O'Meara (posthumously), Army Air Corps, recipient of the Silver Star.

Corporal Gregory A. White, Marine Corps, recipient of the Silver Star.

Chief Warrant Officer Fourth Class Gregory R. Fleming, Army, recipient of the Distinguished Flying Cross.

Major Arthur A. Wallace, Air Force, recipient of the Distinguished Flying Cross.

Lieutenant Colonel Arnold W. Bokesch (posthumously), Army, recipient of the Bronze Star with "V" Device.

Lieutenant Colonel Matthew J. France, Army, recipient of the Bronze Star with "V" Device.

Lieutenant Colonel Michael R. Kelvington, Army, recipient of the Bronze Star with "V" Device.

Sergeant Kent S. Knight (posthumously), Army, recipient of the Bronze Star with "V" Device.

Sergeant William G. Lee, Army, recipient of the Bronze Star with "V" Device.

Sergeant William L. Webster, Jr., Army, recipient of the Bronze Star.

Master Sergeant Brad L. Bonnell, Army, recipient of the Army Commendation Medal with "V" Device.

CELEBRATING THE ROTARY CLUB OF BOCA RATON 38TH ANNUAL BOCA RATON TEACHER OF THE YEAR HONOREES

HON. JARED MOSKOWITZ

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 1, 2024

Mr. MOSKOWITZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate and acknowledge all the hard-working teachers being honored at the Rotary Club of Boca Raton's 38th Annual Teacher of the Year Awards Celebration for the Palm Beach County School District on April 18, 2024. As a father of two growing boys eager to learn, I know educators' lifelong impact on their students and families. Education is the foundation of our country's future, and as a community, we depend on our teachers daily to prepare the next generation of Americans.

We are thankful to be gifted with extraordinary teachers in Florida's 23rd Congressional District. As Teachers of the Year, they serve as an inspiration not only to their colleagues but also to educators across the re-

gion. These teachers serve as a shining example of the positive difference that teachers make in the lives of their students. Their passion, enthusiasm, and commitment to shaping the future leaders of tomorrow are truly commendable, and there is no doubt that they will continue to inspire and empower countless students in years to come.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in celebrating all the teachers being recognized at the Rotary Club of Boca Raton's 38th Annual Teacher of the Year Awards Celebration: Kristin Potter-Oliveri, Debra Tower, Laureen Potts, Danielle Hazard, Kelly Schroeder, Cynthia Petillo, Sonja Shear, Jennifer Weber, Kelly Urbano, Josh Bender, Samantha Seider, Sandra Vanegas, Denise Zegers, Clarence Crane, Laura Kirland, Brett Swan, Amanda Kennedy, Stephanie Cutrona, Michele Juceam, Tisha Thomas, Meredith Gaynor, Susan Hutchings, and Sheyla Guerrero.

HONORING LEONARD CHARLES PERRY

HON. JUAN VARGAS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 1, 2024

Mr. VARGAS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Leonard "Len" Charles Perry, who passed away on April 14, 2024 in San Diego.

Len always worked to leave our world better than he found it and he left an indelible mark.

Len was born on June 11, 1924, in Oberlin, Ohio, to his father, Attorney Clyde C. Perry, and mother, Ruth Mae Perry. Len's family moved to Cleveland when he was five. He attended Glenville High School where he was an outstanding student athlete, becoming the City of Cleveland's champion high hurdler in 1943.

Len served our nation with dedication and honor as a radio operator with the Combat Engineers during World War II.

After World War II, Len attended law school and passed the Ohio Bar in 1951. He continued his service and began his legal career as a Contract Specialist with the Department of the U.S. Army in the Ordnance Corps, where he quickly became the chief of the Research and Development Branch.

Len also played an integral role in one of our Nation's great achievements and leaps in scientific discovery. Len was the NASA Lewis Research Center's Contracting Officer during the 1960s, managing over forty administrators. Under his direction, they worked to develop Centaur, the upper-stage booster for the Surveyor, which was the first spacecraft to make a true soft landing on the moon. Len's work was critical to this mission and one of the most important successes of NASA's early lunar and interplanetary program.

In 1970, after NASA's successful completion of Moon exploration and twenty years of government service, Len was hired by SD General Dynamics. His family relocated to San Diego and Len became the Manager of Material Contracts.

Len later bought Aerospace Design and Fabrication, an engineering company that primarily performed design and services for NASA and served as the Chief Executive Officer.

Len also gave back to his community and was a member of many organizations in both

California and Ohio. He was a member of the San Diego Community College Board of Trustees, the Honorary Deputy Sheriff's Association, the Scholarship Award Board for the San Diego Air and Space Museum, and the Grand Slammers Bridge Group.

Len lived a full life and accomplished so much. But at the heart of everything was his family and his faith. A beloved husband, father, uncle, grandfather, and great-grandfather, Len was above all else devoted to his loved ones and his late wife, Elinor.

My prayers are with all who knew Len during this time of loss.

His legacy will always be remembered.

CELEBRATING THE 250TH ANNIVERSARY OF NEWARK ACADEMY

HON. MIKIE SHERRILL

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 1, 2024

Ms. SHERRILL. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the 250th anniversary of Newark Academy, an exemplary school in New Jersey's Eleventh Congressional District.

Founded in 1774 by a group of civic leaders, Newark Academy has been at the forefront of education in our community for centuries. The school's initial leadership included Alexander MacWhorter, an advisor to George Washington. Newark Academy's support for the American Revolution eventually made it a target for the British Army who burned the original building to the ground. Determined to continue serving our community, Newark Academy rebuilt and continued to grow.

Newark Academy moved from Newark to its current location in Livingston, New Jersey in 1964. While much has changed in the 250 years since its founding, Newark Academy remains steadfast in its mission to "contribute to the world engaged individuals instilled with a passion for learning, a standard of excellence, and a generosity of spirit." Graduates from Newark Academy receive a rigorous education in academics, athletics, and the arts and are encouraged to stay on the path of lifelong learning.

I am honored to join our community in celebrating this incredible milestone and the school's rich history and commitment to New Jersey students.

RECOGNIZING MICHAEL KINZEL ON HIS OFFER OF APPOINTMENT TO ATTEND THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE ACADEMY

HON. ROBERT E. LATTA

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 1, 2024

Mr. LATTA. Mr. Speaker, it is my great pleasure to pay special tribute to an outstanding student from Ohio's Fifth Congressional District. I am pleased to announce that Michael Kinzel of Bowling Green, Ohio, has been offered an appointment to the United States Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Michael's offer of appointment permits him to attend the United States Air Force Academy