

Dr. Reece's appointment as interim dean is only one of her many accomplishments, among being named the PCOM School of Pharmacy Teacher of the Year for Pharmacy Practice in 2019 and Faculty Preceptor of the Year in 2022 and 2023.

In Dr. Reece's new role as interim dean, she will continue to advance the great mission of PCOM's School of Pharmacy throughout the state of Georgia.

I sincerely congratulate Dr. Reece on her accomplishments and share this excitement with the Georgia PCOM community.

RECOGNIZING DAVID LUCAS

HON. BRITTANY PETTERSEN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 20, 2024

Ms. PETTERSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize David Lucas for winning the 2024 Paul Kroegel Refuge Manager of the Year award from the National Wildlife Refuge Association.

The Paul Kroegel Award honors refuge managers who have made significant contributions to the protection and management of national wildlife refuges. During his time as a manager for the Rocky Flats, Two Ponds, and Rocky Mountain Arsenal National Wildlife Refuges, David rehabilitated two formerly hazardous waste sites into thriving animal refuges, oversaw the restoration of 15,000 acres of prairie habitat, and reintroduced the Black-Footed Ferret to one of his refuges. He also expanded access to his refuges by installing ADA accessible e trails and piers and hiring bilingual rangers. David's work brought Colorado's public lands closer to home, ensuring that everyone can learn from and enjoy our diverse environment.

On behalf of the people of Colorado's Seventh Congressional District, it is my honor to congratulate David Lucas on receiving the Refuge Manager of the Year award and thank him for his remarkable work in conserving Colorado's public lands.

LORNA KEARNEY NAMED OHIO'S 13TH DISTRICT CHAMPION OF THE WEEK

HON. EMILIA STRONG SYKES

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 20, 2024

Mrs. SYKES. Mr. Speaker, today, I recognize Lorna Kearney of Akron as Ohio 13's Champion of the Week.

Lorna recently made history at 66 years old when she became the oldest player to play in the American Women's Football League for her team, the Detroit Prowl.

Lorna has always had a love for sports, and her passion for football led to her interest in joining the American Women's Football League.

Unfortunately, the year she was supposed to start playing, she was diagnosed with breast cancer.

However, Lorna fought hard and won her battle with cancer, and this year, she played her first game.

Lorna's dedication is an inspiration, not just to her family and teammates, but to everyone in our community.

Lorna's dedication to tackle adversity on and off the field is a shining example of the spirit that makes Ohio's 13th Congressional District the Birthplace of Champions.

I congratulate Lorna Kearney, for making history and demonstrating it's never too late to do the things you love.

RECOGNIZING HENRIKSEN AMPLIFIERS

HON. BRITTANY PETTERSEN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 20, 2024

Ms. PETTERSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Henriksen Amplifiers of Arvada, Colorado for receiving the Arvada Economic Development Association's 2024 Lloyd J. King Entrepreneurial Spirit Award. Each year, this award recognizes an Arvada company that demonstrates excellence in entrepreneurial spirit, creative business practices, and economic innovation.

Bud Henriksen founded Henriksen Amplifiers in 2006 with his son Peter when a newly acquired jazz guitar led him to make his own amp. Since Bud's passing in 2009, Peter Henriksen has carried on his father's legacy while expanding further into other genres of music. Henriksen's contributions to Arvada extend beyond amplifiers: the business has been committed to investing their time, expertise, and money in local concerts, artists, and community events, such as the annual Rocky Mountain Archtop Guitar Festival in Olde Town Arvada. Henriksen Amplifiers sets a clear example of how a business can bring more to a community than just their product.

On behalf of the people of Colorado's Seventh Congressional District, it is my honor to congratulate Henriksen Amplifiers for receiving the Lloyd J. King Entrepreneurial Spirit Award and for their contributions to the Arvada community.

RECOGNIZING MRS. MARIA RODRIGUEZ MENA

HON. DAVID G. VALADAO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 20, 2024

Mr. VALADAO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Mrs. Maria Rodriguez Mena, who passed away on July 1, 2024. Maria Rodriguez Mena was born in Aquila, Michoacan, on December 27, 1958, to Maria and Severo Rodriguez. At the age of 15, she moved to the United States with her parents and siblings, where they settled in Visalia. She later graduated from the College of the Sequoias. Mrs. Mena began her career in broadcasting at KQIQ radio station, initially working in promotions. She later hosted her own show, "Mujer a Mujer," where she offered advice on relationships to her listeners. In 1986, Mrs. Mena married Patricio Mena, a local realtor and owner of Studio 45. After her time at KQIQ, she transitioned into real estate herself, becoming a well-known and respected realtor

within the Latino community. Throughout her career, she was passionate about helping families find their ideal homes. In 2007, she and her husband remodeled Studio 45 and opened Giovanni's Pizzeria and Arcade. Mrs. Mena was deeply committed to helping improve the lives of others in the Porterville community. She was an active participant in Encuentro Matrimonial, helping couples to resolve their issues. She also served as president of both the Exchange Club and the Southeastern Tulare County Republican Women. She graduated from Leadership Porterville and was a member of the Zonta Club of Porterville. Mrs. Mena was a dedicated parishioner at Holy Cross Church. In her free time, she enjoyed spending time with her family and playing golf with friends. Mrs. Mena will be remembered for her kindness, empathy, and passion for the well-being of the Porterville community. She is survived by her husband Patricio and their three children, Pierre, Bonita and Giovanni.

Mr. Speaker, I ask all my colleagues in the House of Representatives to join me in honoring the incredible life of Mrs. Maria Rodriguez Mena. Her dedication to the Porterville community will be felt for generations to come.

CHRIS POA NAMED OHIO'S 13TH DISTRICT CHAMPION OF THE WEEK

HON. EMILIA STRONG SYKES

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 20, 2024

Mrs. SYKES. Mr. Speaker, today, I rise to recognize Chris Poa of Hudson as Ohio 13's Champion of the Week.

Chris has been a Hudson U.S. Postal worker for 29 years, and recently, his awareness and quick-thinking helped save the life of an elderly woman.

Chris was on his delivery route when he noticed one of the residents he delivers to, a 91-year-old woman, had not picked up her mail in a few days.

Chris often chatted with the resident, and his concern prompted him to call in a wellness check for her.

When EMS arrived, they found that the older woman had fallen in her home and was unable to get up.

Thanks to Chris's attentiveness, EMS was able to take the woman to the hospital for treatment.

Chris was awarded the Hudson EMS Life Saving Award for his actions.

And his selflessness and compassion is a shining example of the spirit that makes our district the Birthplace of Champions—a place where neighbors care for each other and look out for one another.

I thank Chris Poa for his continued dedication to serving our community.

CELEBRATING THE ADAMS FIRE COMPANY 100 YEAR ANNIVERSARY

HON. TIMOTHY M. KENNEDY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 20, 2024

Mr. KENNEDY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Adams Fire Company's 100-

year anniversary. For a century, the Adams Fire Company has served the Town of Wheatfield and Niagara County, providing lifesaving fire protection and EMS services to our community.

In 1924, thirty residents of the Town of Wheatfield came together at the District 3 Schoolhouse with a goal to establish a fire department in Nashville, NY. Charter members George Tollner, Walter Tollner, William Adams, William Gombert, Albert Beutel, and Benjamin Tollner saw the pressing need for a fire department in their town after their friend Fred Zastrow's barn burned to the ground.

The building of the Adams Fire Company was a true community effort. William Adams, the fire company's namesake, donated a lot on Niagara Falls Boulevard for the new station; the original building still stands today. The 30 founding members built the fire station, with material donated from local lumber yards and monetary donations collected from the community fund they established.

Further, the Adams Fire Company has been a cornerstone of the Niagara County community, hosting numerous events for residents. From field days and dances to pie sales and bingo night fundraisers, the Adams Fire Company has shown its unwavering dedication to serving our community.

In 2023, the Adams Fire Company ran 754 calls, 586 Emergency Medical Service calls, and provided mutual aid 46 times. Under the steadfast leadership of Fire Chief Donald Lauer, the Adams Fire Company has continued to keep the Town of Wheatfield and Niagara County communities safe and protected.

Please join me in congratulating the Adams Fire Company on their 100th anniversary and thanking them for their incredible service to the Western New York community.

RECOGNIZING EUROPEAN GOURMET

HON. BRITTANY PETTERSEN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 20, 2024

Ms. PETTERSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize European Gourmet of Arvada, Colorado for receiving the Arvada Economic Development Association's 2024 Outstanding Retailer Award. Each year, this award honors an Arvada business that demonstrates an exceptional contribution to the local economy and commitment to excellence in service.

Since the Bien family founded the business in 1999, they have worked hard to offer a wide variety of traditional Polish and Eastern European treats, such as their sausages, hams, cheeses, bread, pierogies, and sweets. Today, European Gourmet has earned the reputation as a top destination for Polish and Eastern European cuisine in Colorado, with people from around the state traveling to Arvada to

experience their authentic foods and great service.

On behalf of the people of Colorado's Seventh Congressional District, it is my honor to congratulate European Gourmet on receiving the Outstanding Retailer Award and for their contributions to the Arvada community.

HONORING MRS. LILLIAN McCLAIN

HON. GREGORY F. MURPHY

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 20, 2024

Mr. MURPHY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to acknowledge and honor a distinguished member of my community, Lillian McClain, who is turning 100 years old next month. Born on September 5, 1924, in Charlotte, North Carolina, Mrs. McClain spent much of her childhood in Clifton Forge, Virginia. Following her graduation from Clifton Forge High School, she attended Longwood College (now Longwood University) in Farmville, Virginia, for one year. She left Longwood to contribute to the World War II effort, taking a position with the Army at Fort Bellwood and volunteering at USO clubs in Richmond, Virginia. During her time at Fort Bellwood, she met and later married John R. McClain, Sr., on April 11, 1945.

After the war, Mrs. McClain and John resided briefly in Washington, D.C., where their first son, John, was born. They soon moved to Lynchburg, Virginia, where their other sons, David and Mark, were welcomed into the family.

Throughout her career, Mrs. McClain primarily worked as a bank teller. Her unwavering dedication to her community extended far beyond her career. She has been an active member of the Methodist Church throughout her life and has engaged in numerous activities, including volunteering at her sons' events, participating in community theater, and singing with the Sweet Adelines.

Mrs. McClain has been a witness to significant historical events and has gained great knowledge to share with future generations.

Currently, Mrs. McClain resides in New Bern, North Carolina, with her son John and his wife, Dixie. It is with great respect and admiration that I lead my colleagues in recognizing Mrs. McClain for her extraordinary contributions and the remarkable life she has led in service to our Great Nation. I wish Mrs. McClain a very Happy Birthday.

HONORING SHEILA MOBLEY McNEILL

HON. EARL L. "BUDDY" CARTER

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 20, 2024

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to mourn the death of the Honorable

Sheila Mobley McNeill who recently passed away at 81 years old in the city where she was born, Brunswick, GA.

Sheila served as Navy League's 42nd national president from 2003 to 2005. She was the first and only female president in the organization's 121-year history.

Additionally, she spent 58 years with the Navy League where she held many distinguished positions before becoming its president.

She earned many awards for her service, including the Secretary of the Navy's Distinguished, Superior and Meritorious Public Service medals, the United States Coast Guard's Distinguished and Meritorious Public Service medals, and many more.

She also served as a Georgia state senator representing district 3 from January 2021 to January 2023. She was a devoted wife to Arie McNeill, a Navy veteran who passed in 2023, and is remembered as a loving mother and grandmother.

RECOGNIZING LINDSEY HORAN

HON. BRITTANY PETTERSEN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 20, 2024

Ms. PETTERSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Lindsey Horan of Golden, Colorado for representing the United States in Women's Soccer at the 2024 Paris Olympic Games.

Lindsey is a world-class athlete, having won three championship titles since she began her professional career in 2012. She played a vital role in the United States Women's National Soccer Team (USWNT) winning the Women's 2019 World Cup and earning the bronze medal during the 2020 Tokyo Olympics. She returned to the international field as captain of the team during the 2023 World Cup, where she led the team to the knockout stage of the tournament. Lindsey, along with the rest of the USWNT, has also worked hard to champion equal pay between the men's and women's national soccer teams. She is a remarkable athlete, and her valuable contributions during the 2024 Paris Olympic Games helped the United States bring home an Olympic gold medal.

On behalf of the people of Colorado's Seventh Congressional district, it is my honor to congratulate Lindsey Horan for representing Colorado and the United States during the 2024 Paris Olympic Games.