

In the week leading up to the flight, Taylor informed Cason's parents that he was ready for solo flight after successfully completing his final safety sessions, including controlled stalls that he had to master. Following this, he was cleared to take to the skies on his own. While not yet official, an investigation is underway to confirm that Cason Brinkley made history as the youngest African American to solo a plane at the age of 16 in Mississippi on Monday, July 15, 2024. During this flight, he completed his scheduled solo and earned his first pilot-in-command hour.

Currently, Cason boasts an impressive 3.82 GPA on a 4.0 scale. He is actively involved in various extracurricular activities, including the Technology Student Association, National Student Beta Club, Student Council, and National Honor Society. Additionally, Cason is a mentee in the Kappa League program of the Cleveland (MS) Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity. Outside of academics, Cason participates in football, bowling, and track at Cleveland Central. He finds time to volunteer, particularly with his mother's special needs students, and expresses his musical talents by playing the organ and singing at his church and other venues when invited.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Cason Brinkley for his dedication and hard work for his milestone moment in performing a solo flight on his 16th birthday.

HONORING THOSE LOST IN THE AUGUST 8, 2023 WILDFIRES ON MAUI

HON. JILL N. TOKUDA

OF HAWAII

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 10, 2024

Ms. TOKUDA. Mr. Speaker, on August 8th, Hawaii gathered to observe the one-year anniversary of the fires on Maui and in Lahaina.

Today, as Congress reconvenes, I rise to honor and remember the family and friends we lost.

They are beloved mothers and fathers, sons and daughters, grandparents and grandchildren, brothers and sisters, friends and life partners. Their ages span almost a century, from our youngest keiki just 7 years old to a cherished kūpuna aged 97.

Many had lived their entire lives in Lahaina. Others chose to make Lahaina their home, having come from faraway places across the United States and abroad, like the Philippines, Mexico, and Scotland. One was on vacation from Pollock Pines in Northern California, in the district of my colleague Congressman Kevin Kiley.

Today, I rise to include in the RECORD all 102 of their names. While they no longer walk among us, they will never be forgotten by the family and friends they left behind, by our community, or by this Congress, as their names will forever be remembered:

Louise Abihai, 97; Laurie Allen, 65; June Anbe, 78; Angelica Baclig, 31; Narciso Baylosis, Jr., 67; Vanessa Baylosis, 67; Melva 'Honey Girl' Benjamin, 71; Luz Bernabe, 64; Maurice "Shadow" Buen, 79; Buddy Joe Carter, 85; Kirk Carter, 44; Edimede Pavian Castillo, 35; Rex Cole, 64; Lydia Coloma, 70; Salvador Coloma, 77; Allen John Constantino, 25; Leticia "Letty" Constantino, 56; Theresa Cook, 72; Juan de Leon, 45; Marilou Dias, 60.

Virginia "Vergie" Dofa, 90; Bette Jo Dyckman, 73; Robert Dyckman, 74; Jeanne Eliason, 57; Po'omaika'i Estores-Losano, 28; Keyiro Fuentes, 14; Alfredo Galinato, 79; Douglas Gloege, 59; Donna Gomes, 71; Michael Gordon, 68; George Hall, III, 67; Carole Hartley, 60; Claudette Heermance, 68; Roxanne Ibara-Hinau, 68; Rafael Imperial, 63; Lawrence "Buddy" Jantoc, II, 79; Coleen Jones, 59; Morris Kaita, 74; Richard Kam, 88; Mark Kaminsky, 59.

Paul Kasprzycki, 76; Valerie Kauffman, 78; Albert Kitaguchi, 62; Joseph Lara, 86; Bibiana "Bhing" Lutrania, 58; Rogelio Mabalot, Sr., 68; Michael Mahnensmith, 80; Lynn Manibog, 74; Douglas Matsuda-Boucher, 65; John "Thumper" McCarthy, 74; Michael Misaka, 61; Antonia "Toni" Molina, 64; Michael Morinho, 61; Tim Nakamoto, 69; Todd Nakamura, 61; David Nuesca, Jr., 59; Carolyn Ono, 73; Matsuyuki Osato, 83; Pablo Pagdilao, III, 75; Tau Ponali, 66; Bernard Portabes, 75.

Gwendolyn Kanani Puou, 83; Junmark Quijano, 30; Felimon Quijano, 61; Sharlene Rabang, 78; Rebecca Rans, 57; Alfred "Alfie" Rawlings, 84; Eugene Recolizado, 50; Justin Recolizado, 11; Maria Victoria Recolizado, 51; Dale Ann Richter, 66; Rodolfo Rocutan, 76; Lee Rogo, 76; Conchita Sagudang, 75; Danilo Sagudang, 55; Edward Sato, 76; Joseph Schilling, 67; Anthony "Tony" Simpson, 43; James Smith, 79; Leslie Smith, 80; Jonathan Somaoang, 76; Floyd St. Clair, 75.

Janet St. Clair, 75; Freeman Tam Lung, 80; Terri Thomas, 62; Carlo Tobias, 54; Revelina "Rebing" Tomboc, 81; Fa'oso Tone, 70; Malu'fonua Tone, 73; Salote Tone, 39; Tony Takafua, 7; Franklin "Frankie" Trejos, 68; Nicholas "Nick" Turbin, III, 71; Linda Vaikeli, 69; Angelita "Angie" Vasquez, 88; Adela Villegas, 53; Joel Villegas, 55; Leroy Wagner, 69; Clyde Wakida, 74; Glenda Yabes, 48; Todd Yamafuji, 68; Glenn Yoshino, 75.

The Maui Police Department also maintains a list of two people still unaccounted for as of February 13, 2024. They are:

Robert H. Owens

Elmer Lee Stevens

As we continue our work to recover and rebuild Lahaina, may the happy memories of those we lost carry our community forward and inspire us to live each day in their honor.

HONORING DQUAN WILSON

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 10, 2024

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a remarkable public servant, Fire Chief Dquan Wilson.

Here is to a first responder who would gladly give you the shirt off his back. Chief Wilson selfless acts of bravery recently got him recognized by the Washington County Mississippi Emergency Operations Center.

He is passionate about saving lives and guiding children and citizens to take safety precautions while enjoying life. Whether it's through his leadership as a Fire Chief or as a DJ making people happy, Chief Wilson continues to motivate and have a positive influence on the citizens of Leland and the surrounding areas.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Chief Dquan Wilson for his dedication and tenacity to serving his community and desire to be an example for all.

HONORING THE GOLDEN VALLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

HON. ILHAN OMAR

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 10, 2024

Ms. OMAR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the exceptional achievement of the Golden Valley Historical Society (GVHS) as they commemorate fifty years of serving our community.

Founded in 1974, the Golden Valley Historical Society has tirelessly worked to find, preserve, and disseminate historical knowledge about the city of Golden Valley, Minnesota. The GVHS has dedicated countless hours to collecting oral and video histories, photographs, and three-dimensional objects in pursuit of this mission.

In 1997, the GVHS acquired Golden Valley's oldest church as a permanent home and collections repository. This site has become a vital gathering place for the community of Golden Valley.

The City of Golden Valley has issued a proclamation recognizing Saturday, September 14th as "Golden Valley Historical Society Day." I am proud to join the city in recognizing the Golden Valley Historical Society for providing this essential service to our community for the past 50 years.

HONORING THE LEGACY OF LUCIO "CHIO" GONZALES

HON. JIM COSTA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 10, 2024

Mr. COSTA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the incomparable spirit and extraordinary life of Lucio "Chio" Gonzales; a true icon whose legacy transcends the ordinary.

Born on December 15, 1931, to Claro Sr. and Francisca Guzman. Chio was not just a man, he was a force of advocacy, embodying the essence of California's oldest civic traditions.

A native of Blythe, California, Chio settled in the Central Valley after spending his early years working as a migrant farmworker in the region's rich agricultural fields. He met his late wife Butter in the historic farmworker community of Delano in 1946. It was love at first sight for both Butter and Chio, and their love would endure for all the years to come as they married on November 24, 1956. The couple took over ownership of the People's Market in 1969, and the two worked together side by side managing the grocery store in Delano for over 40 years.

The Gonzales family formed a strong bond over the years with the Filipino Community of Delano. They served as advocates and allies for the inclusion and representation of Filipinos in Delano civic life. Their efforts played an instrumental role in electing the first Filipino American to serve on the elected body and worked to ensure the success of Delano's Philippine Weekend community celebration for the last 45 years. Chio engaged in a rich tapestry of civil service activities for the improvement of the community he loved so much. He founded the local chapter of the Mexican-

American Political Organization, aided the founding of the Ideal Club, and helped register people to vote at his market. Additionally, Chio served in a variety of different capacities through his memberships in the Delano City Planning Commission, St. Mary's School Board, Kern County Board of Trade, Delano Elementary School Board, and the Department of Corrections Citizens Advisory Committee.

His love for life was not only confined to politics and community service but also translated to the field with a lifelong passion and loyalty to the Dodgers. Lucio also loved playing golf with his sons and enjoyed attending church every Sunday with his beloved wife Butter.

In Chio's passing, we celebrate a life that embraced adventure, challenged norms, and left an indelible mark on all who were fortunate enough to know him. His legacy lives on in his family; daughter Hedi and sons Eddie and Anthony. May we draw inspiration from Chio's enduring spirit and the richness of a life well-lived. I extend my deepest condolences to his family, friends, and all who mourn the loss of this remarkable Californian.

Mr. Speaker, I invite my esteemed colleagues to join me in paying tribute to the memory of Lucio "Chio" Gonzales.

HONORING DR. CAROLYN MYERS

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 10, 2024

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a remarkable servant, Dr. Carolyn Myers.

In recognition and appreciation of selfless leadership and service to the Natchez-Adams community. Dr. Carolyn Myers is the CEO and Founder of the Seeds of Change Resource Foundation. Dr. Myers has dedicated several years of her time and talents to helping others, and her impact on our community has been profound.

During the Covid pandemic, Dr. Myers worked tirelessly to arrange food and supply giveaways for those in need. Everything from chicken to sanitizer arrived by truckloads, totaling thousands of pounds, and numerous volunteers helped ensure that this needed assistance made it safely into the hands of the Natchez community.

Acting on her passion for the homeless and the mentally ill, Dr. Myers began work in December 2021 on a new group home to provide housing and assistance to individuals in need in the Miss-Lou area. Once completed, this beautiful home on Claiborne Street will serve as a "safe haven" for those with nowhere else to turn.

Funding for the project has come from "Bikers on the Bluff," an annual event started by Dr. Myers that has now become a popular draw for bike clubs from all over Mississippi and surrounding states. Additional funding has been derived from numerous tour excursions to historic places, from Jackson to Washington.

Dr. Myers has also appeared on the silver screen as a cast member of the 2022 ABC miniseries "Women of the Movement."

Dr. Myers' slogan is a verse from Hebrews which says, "Do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God

is pleased." On the 16th day of June 2022, Dr. Myers was presented with a key to the city by Mayor Dan Gibson and the Board of Aldermen.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Dr. Carolyn Myers for her actions and achievements in the Natchez, MS community.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. PAT FALLON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 10, 2024

Mr. FALLON. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably detained on September 9, 2024 due to a family emergency and, as a result, I missed votes. Had I been present, I would have voted: YEA on Roll Call No. 401 (H.R. 1157), and YEA on Roll Call No. 402 (H.R. 8333).

HONORING THE ARC OF UNION COUNTY'S 75TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. THOMAS H. KEAN, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 10, 2024

Mr. KEAN of New Jersey. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate The Arc of Union County for their 75 years of service in New Jersey's 7th Congressional District.

The Arc is a non-profit organization headquartered in Springfield, NJ, dedicated to enriching the lives of individuals of all ages with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Serving more than 1,000 adults and children, the Arc engages with individuals, their families, and public and private entities to ensure that all people associated with the organization lead a productive, and enhanced life.

As we reflect on the work the Arc has done for the past 75 years, their lasting impact on our community is clear. I am honored to have such an amazing organization in the 7th Congressional District, and I look forward to what is to come.

REMEMBERING BENTLEY HIGH SCHOOL

HON. RASHIDA TLAIB

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 10, 2024

Ms. TLAIB. Mr. Speaker, today, I want to recognize Bentley High School, Livonia's first public high school. While the building no longer exists in its physical form, its space holds many special memories for many of the 12th Congressional District residents and alumni.

Livonia Township experienced population growth in the 1940s, which drove home the need for its own public high school. Before then, its school-aged population was served by seven small school districts without a high school. With the people's approval, construction of the new high school began on November 8, 1946. The school was named for school board president George N. Bentley, and it

hosted its first classes on September 15, 1947, in spite of ongoing construction. Ninety-five students comprised the school's first graduating class on June 15, 1950, just a few weeks after Livonia was incorporated as a city.

Over the ensuing years, Bentley High School was expanded multiple times to accommodate the changing needs of a growing student body. The school proudly boasted an extensive library, wood shop, auto shop, swimming pool, and music rooms. Due to declining population, Bentley High School was closed in 1984, though it lived on a community center until 1999.

Please join me and the 12th Congressional District in recognizing Bentley High School, as the community of Livonia and alumni celebrate the legacy and memories of this historic place.

HONORING DR. MARIE DAVIS

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 10, 2024

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a remarkable servant, Dr. Marie Davis.

Dr. Marie Davis was born in Natchez, MS, 68 years ago and she currently resides in Chesapeake, Virginia. Her reflection of all the beautiful smiles of her hometown people prompt her to be a change in her hometown people lives.

Dr. Davis presided over many community projects such as being a sponsor for the drive thru turkey and trimmings, donation of household supplies, hygiene products, and the ham and eggs Easter giveaways.

During the year 2023, a storm swept through Natchez and Dr. Davis was informed that some homes were without electricity for days, homes had busted pipes, and inoperable hot water heaters. Dr. Davis sent a generous donation to the Salvation Army and AJFC agency.

Dr. Davis' love for the seniors continues to radiate her heart so she connected with a longtime friend and ex coworker Alfredia Knight, together they made plans to take the elderly out to eat numerous times.

Dr. Davis sponsored haircuts, shaves, and other requested needs. During a holiday visit to Natchez in December, she met with her friend Diane Good, the owner of a Performing Arts Center. During this visit, Dr. Davis purchased all the string and wind instruments, equipment, and décor for the center. Inspired by a vision, she connected with Jacqueline Marsaw and her group of grieving mothers and fathers, treating them to dinner and providing donations and gift cards to the members.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Dr. Marie Davis for her actions and achievements in the Natchez, MS community.