

local organizations dedicated to serving and empowering Latino and Latina students and the community at-large.

During Hispanic Heritage Month, I am thrilled to recognize the efforts of leaders, like Lisa, whose service to others strengthens our unique and diverse community. I'm so grateful for residents of California's 49th Congressional District who dedicate their lives to the betterment of our community, and I'm proud to honor Lisa Montes as my Constituent of the Month.

RECOGNIZING STEVE MASSINI ON HIS RETIREMENT

HON. LLOYD SMUCKER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 11, 2024

Mr. SMUCKER. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to recognize Steve Massini, who is retiring as Chief Executive Officer of Penn State Health, a position he has served in since 2019.

Mr. Massini first joined Penn State Health in 2015 as chief financial officer for Milton S. Hershey Medical Center before being promoted to executive vice president, chief financial officer, and chief administrative officer for Penn State Health.

Throughout his tenure at Penn State Health, the system has grown significantly, 11 developed strategic partnerships, and made investments in expanding the system's reach across South Central Pennsylvania. These investments included the development of a hospital in Pennsylvania's 11th Congressional District, the Lancaster Medical Center, which opened in October 2022. I appreciated the opportunity to visit this and other Penn State Health facilities in our district to learn about the great work they are doing to serve patients.

I have appreciated Mr. Massini's feedback and perspective on federal policies and the impact they have on residents of Pennsylvania's 11th Congressional District.

Mr. Speaker, I wish Steve the best in all his future endeavors and thank him for all he has done to make a positive impact in our community.

TRIBUTE CELEBRATING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE U.S. FOREST SERVICE'S REDBIRD RANGER STATION CLUB HOUSE

HON. HAROLD ROGERS

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 11, 2024

Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the U.S. Forest Service's Redbird Ranger Station Club House in southeastern Kentucky, which has a rich history tied to Henry Ford, founder of the Ford Motor Company and Fordson Coal Company.

Southern and Eastern Kentucky has an abundance of historic American treasures tucked away in our Appalachian communities, like the Redbird Purchase Unit. Location names in the mountains preface the stories that unfold on the land, including the fork in the Kentucky River where this unit is located,

named for Chief Red Bird, a legendary Cherokee.

The Ford Motor Company owned 60,000 acres in the Daniel Boone National Forest to harvest timber when hardwood was used for automobile parts and wheel spokes. The land was eventually acquired by the U.S. Forest Service and today, the Redbird Purchase Unit includes nearly 146,000 acres of the forest. Mary Breckinridge, the region's famous nursing pioneer who established the Frontier Nursing Service to offer prenatal care to Appalachian women, personally visited Washington, D.C. to advocate for the federal purchase unit to help protect and manage the forest at the headwaters of the Kentucky River. Mary Breckinridge was a friend of Henry Ford's wife, Clara, who helped support her efforts to provide nurse-midwives in our rural region where healthcare access was desperately needed. Her dedicated efforts to save lives and protect the forest were both successful.

The building that now serves as the Redbird Ranger Station was built by the Fordson Coal Company 100 years ago to house Fordson survey crews, engineers and draftsmen. The "Club House," as it was known, is where employees would gather for meals and social activities. The original hand-cut wood paneling in the home was made from native maple, oak, walnut and American chestnut trees, and is still preserved on the walls today.

Conservation efforts of the U.S. Forest Service have helped preserve the Daniel Boone National Forest and the incredible history of Kentucky's Appalachian region. It is an honor to recognize their diligent efforts on the 100th Anniversary of the U.S. Forest Service's Redbird Ranger Station.

COMMEMORATING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF ANTHONY P. AMIGONE, SR.

HON. TIMOTHY M. KENNEDY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 11, 2024

Mr. KENNEDY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to commemorate the life and legacy of Anthony P. Amigone, Sr.

Anthony P. Amigone, Sr. passed away peacefully on September 7, 2024, in Florida at the age of 92, surrounded by his beloved family. Born on January 5, 1932, in Buffalo, New York, Mr. Amigone remained deeply connected to his hometown throughout his life. He is survived by his devoted wife, Marjorie L. Parmelee, and his children: Mary Amigone-Jennings, Anthony P. Amigone, Jr., Vincent J. Amigone, Sr., and Danielle Marie Amigone. He also leaves behind a large extended family of grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Mr. Amigone was educated at the University of Buffalo, the Simmons Institute of Mortuary Science, and several local schools, including Kensington High School and Canisius High School. As the chairman of Amigone Funeral Home, Inc., a family business established in 1926, he became a licensed funeral director in New York in 1953 and later in Pennsylvania in 1976. Under his leadership, the company expanded significantly, growing from its original location to 13 branches across Western New York. His innovative vision led to the creation of the city's first modern funeral home, as well

as the distinctive "Amigone Blue" fleet, a signature mark of the business.

Throughout his career, Mr. Amigone served his community and established himself as a preeminent figure in his industry. Among several other posts, Mr. Amigone served as President of the National Association of Approved Morticians, the President of the New York State Funeral Directors Association, and the District Governor of the National Funeral Directors Association.

In addition to his professional accomplishments, Mr. Amigone served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War and was stationed in the Far East as part of the Graves Registration Unit. He also briefly worked for Mitsubishi Chemical in Japan and had the honor of being received by the Emperor of Japan. In 1955, he was instrumental in modernizing funeral practices in Hong Kong.

A devout Catholic, Mr. Amigone had the rare privilege of a private audience with Pope John XXIII in 1958. He was also a dedicated community leader, honored as Buffalonian of the Year in 1987, and active in numerous civic and professional organizations, including the Rotary Club, Knights of Columbus, and several chambers of commerce. A man of many interests, Mr. Amigone was a passionate reader with a love for Shakespeare and enjoyed boating as well as playing the piano, particularly the song "Deep Purple."

Today, we honor Anthony P. Amigone, Sr. and we commemorate his unwavering commitment to Western New York. Mr. Amigone's legacy endures through his loving family, the continued success of his family business, and the profound impact he made on the Buffalo community.

HONORING THE LIFE OF MR. JOHN BILLY PURRY, SR.

HON. TRENT KELLY

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 11, 2024

Mr. KELLY of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of a remarkable man, Mr. John Billy Purry, Sr., who passed away on July 31, 2024, at the age of 90. Mr. Purry was born on May 30, 1934, and from that moment, his life became a testament to hard work, dedication, and a commitment to his community.

Mr. Purry was more than just a resident of Brandon, Mississippi. He was a pillar, a foundation upon which countless lives were built. His kindness and generosity were unmatched. No matter the task or the need, Mr. Purry was always there, leading with a helping hand. His influence touched the lives of so many who had the pleasure of knowing him, and his legacy will continue to shape his family, friends, and the community for years to come.

Whether volunteering, providing guidance to the younger generations, or simply being a neighbor people could count on, Mr. Purry's presence was always felt. His leadership wasn't formal or announced—it was quiet, steady, and strong. He led by example, demonstrating that real success comes not from personal gain but from the positive impact one can make on others.

He was a devoted family man, a loyal friend, and a respected figure in the community. Mr. Purry lived his life with humility, integrity, and an unmatched love for the people

around him. His passing leaves a void that will be difficult to fill, but his spirit will forever remain in the hearts of those who knew him.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the life of Mr. John Billy Purry, Sr. His legacy of kindness, service, and selflessness is a model for us all, and his memory will continue to inspire generations to come. May he rest in peace.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. PATRICK T. MCHENRY

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 11, 2024

Mr. MCHENRY. Mr. Speaker, due to an unforeseen circumstance, I was unable to cast my votes for H.R. 1157 or H.R. 8333. Had I been present, I would have voted: YEA on Roll Call No. 401, and YEA on Roll Call No. 402.

RECOGNIZING FLAGS FOR HEROES IN ORANGE PARK, FLORIDA

HON. AARON BEAN

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 11, 2024

Mr. BEAN of Florida. Mr. Speaker, when I was a boy, I thought that heroes were imaginary characters who wore capes or masks that hide their secret identity. As I grew older, I came to realize that there are heroes around us every day: police, firefighters, first responders, and of course, our men and women who serve in the armed forces.

Twenty-three years ago today, when our Nation and this city were attacked by pure evil, the world saw that America is made of heroes. The world watched as we came together to search, rescue, pray and grieve together. Heroes by trade and heroes by choice answered the call across the land.

That's why today, in the town of Orange Park in the free state of Florida, you will see hundreds of Star-Spangled Banners flying to recognize the heroes who protect us every day.

Flags for Heroes is not just an event, it's a movement. The Rotary Club of Orange Park Sunrise, led by President Duane Mallicoat, has put together this incredible display to honor men and women who know the true meaning of being a hero.

Each of these flags is individually dedicated to a hero who has personally touched the life of someone in our community.

Today, as we remember one of the great tragedies in American history, I encourage my colleagues to honor the heroes who protected us then and protect us still today.

COMMEMORATING THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF 2024 FLORIDA TOURISM HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE CAROL B. DOVER

HON. JARED MOSKOWITZ

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 11, 2024

Mr. MOSKOWITZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Ms. Carol B. Dover, the 2024 in-

ductee into the Florida Tourism Hall of Fame. Since 2001, this honor has been awarded annually to figures whose vision has positively and significantly impacted the development of Florida's tourism industry.

Since 1995, Ms. Dover has served as President and Chief Executive Officer of the more than 10,000-member Florida Restaurant and Lodging Association (FRLA). In 1989, Ms. Dover was appointed Deputy Chief of Staff within the Executive Office of the Governor. She was also the first woman to serve as Chief of the Bureau of Fire Prevention in the Florida State Fire Marshall's Office. In her capacity with the FRLA, Ms. Dover has worked to expand and fund the Florida Horse Park, a key addition to Florida's rapidly growing equestrian industry.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, Ms. Dover worked tirelessly to ensure governmental support for and the continual operation of Florida's tourism industry. She was a key advocate in relocating the FRLA Headquarters to Tallahassee, strengthening the relationship between Florida restaurants and policymakers. Furthermore, as a cancer survivor, Ms. Dover has served as an advocate for research and awareness.

Mr. Speaker, I invite you to join me in honoring Ms. Carol B. Dover as she is inducted into the Florida Tourism Hall of Fame.

HONORING AMY BEGAYE, MISS NAVAJO NATION

HON. ELIJAH CRANE

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 11, 2024

Mr. CRANE. Mr. Speaker, last week, contestants competed in the 72nd Annual Miss Navajo Nation Pageant in my district.

To become Miss Navajo, contestants participate in a rigorous week-long annual competition, which requires contestants to demonstrate proficiency in both the Navajo and English languages, knowledge of Navajo culture and beliefs, business interviews, contemporary talents, and traditional skills such as sheep butchering and preparing traditional foods.

I'd like to recognize Amy Naazbah Reeves-Begaye, who has served as Miss Navajo for the past year.

I met Amy last year during her first trip to the U.S. Capitol and learned about her experience and background and the process of becoming Miss Navajo.

We've had a few chances to connect throughout the years and I've been impressed with her hard work and professionalism.

She's been a strong leader and advocate for Navajo history and culture.

I thank Amy for her leadership as Miss Navajo over the last year. I wish her the best in her future endeavors and know that she will continue to make the Navajo Nation proud.

COMMEMORATING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF ALBERT J. "SKIP" GAZY

HON. TIMOTHY M. KENNEDY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 11, 2024

Mr. KENNEDY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to commemorate the life and legacy of Albert J. "Skip" Gazy of Niagara Falls, NY.

On September 3, 2024, Albert J. "Skip" Gazy, 95, of Niagara Falls, NY, passed away peacefully at Our Lady of Peace Nursing Care Residence. Born and raised in Niagara Falls, he was the son of the late Nasri and Victoria (Jacob) Gazy, and the devoted husband of Ramona Gazy, whom he married on June 15, 1968. Albert served proudly in the United States National Guard. He worked alongside his brothers at Gazy Brother's Texaco Station until it closed in 1981, later retiring after many years of service with the Niagara Falls City School District.

As a passionate boxing enthusiast, Albert boxed at the Niagara Falls Boys Club in his youth. Known for his sharp sense of humor, Albert found great joy in bringing laughter to those around him. His greatest joy, however, was spending time with his family, especially his three beloved granddaughters.

Albert was preceded in death by his wife, Ramona, but survived by his children, Monique (Keith) Crossley and Louis DalPorto; his granddaughters, Danielle DalPorto, Samantha DalPorto, and Elise Gazy; daughter-in-law Joanne DalPorto; as well as numerous nieces, nephews, loved ones and friends.

As we remember Albert "Skip" Gazy, we grieve the loss of a dedicated husband, father, and grandfather and a beloved member of our community.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. BRENDAN F. BOYLE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 11, 2024

Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, on September 9, 2024, I was unable to vote during roll call vote No. 401 and No. 402 on the floor of the House of Representatives. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on roll call vote No. 401 and No. 402.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate of February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily