

and recovery. Greenfield Dental, along with many others in the community, dropped everything to help their neighbors recover from the disaster. This fall, Greenfield Dental will celebrate its fourth business anniversary.

Greenfield Dental has quickly become a staple in Greenfield by providing residents with community-based, accessible dental care. I want to congratulate the team at Greenfield Dental for their contribution and commitment to their customers and community. I look forward to seeing their continued growth and success in Iowa.●

RECOGNIZING KALEIDOSCOPE FACTORY

● Ms. ERNST. Mr. President, as ranking member of the Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, each week I recognize an outstanding Iowa small business that exemplifies the American entrepreneurial spirit. This week, it is my privilege to recognize Kaleidoscope Factory of Pocahontas, IA, as the Senate Small Business of the Week.

In 1997, Leonard Olson received a kaleidoscope as a gift while he was recovering in the hospital from a heart attack. This gift would go on to spark a lifelong passion of woodworking. A few years later, Leonard purchased a woodworking kit and began making his own kaleidoscopes. In 2000, he established the Palmer Kaleidoscope and Gavel Manufacturing Company to showcase his handmade woodwork that spanned from kaleidoscopes to household items. After 4 years, Leonard's passion project became a full-scale business, when he transitioned his studio into a store and opened Kaleidoscope Factory in Pomeroy, IA, in 2004. In 2014, Leonard moved Kaleidoscope Factory to downtown Pocahontas, where it quickly became a town staple. Kaleidoscope Factory has proudly welcomed visitors from across the world to not only purchase a kaleidoscope but also discover the art behind woodworking.

After Leonard's passing in 2019, his family and friends were determined to keep his dream alive. His family came together to carry on his mission of bringing joy to the community through woodworking and kaleidoscope making. Leonard's sisters Lois Hessenius and Margaret Egli stepped in and became owners of the business. Lois's husband Richard and son John handcraft the kaleidoscopes in their backyard, while a close family friend Patty manages the store. The community also got involved and assists with various aspects of the business, including handcrafting products or helping manage the website. Today, the unwavering support of friends and family has allowed Kaleidoscope Factory to offer a wide variety of products, from gameboards and trains to charcuterie boards, in addition to their signature kaleidoscopes.

Kaleidoscope Factory is actively involved with the Pocahontas commu-

nity. The team regularly attends county fairs across Iowa. The company is a member of the Pocahontas Chamber of Commerce. After Leonard's passing, the Pocahontas Chamber of Commerce renamed the annual Pocahontas Art Walk to the "Leonard Olson Memorial Art Walk", to honor Leonard's contribution to the Pocahontas Community and encourage visitors to support local businesses. The business also partners with the Pocahontas County Economic Development Commission to install life-sized kaleidoscopes throughout parks and community centers around Pocahontas. This April, Kaleidoscope Factory celebrated its 20th anniversary.

Kaleidoscope Factory's commitment to keeping the art of woodworking alive by providing quality handmade kaleidoscopes and wooden goods to Pocahontas and its visitors is clear. I want to congratulate Leonard Olson's family, Lois and Richard Hessenius, Margaret Egli, and Patty Mefferd, and the rest of the Kaleidoscope Factory team for their dedication to preserving Leonard Olson's passion and contribution to the Pocahontas community. I look forward to seeing their continued growth and success in Iowa.●

RECOGNIZING LICHTSINN RV

● Ms. ERNST. Mr. President, as ranking member of the Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, each week I recognize an outstanding Iowa small business that exemplifies the American entrepreneurial spirit. This week, it is my privilege to recognize Lichtsinn RV of Forest City, IA, as the Senate Small Business of the Week.

In 1976, Ron Lichtsinn, Sr., founded Lichtsinn Motors and primarily sold American-made general motor vehicles. Three years later, a collaboration with the founder of Winnebago expanded the company into selling recreational vehicles and motorhomes as well.

Ron Sr.'s son, also named Ron, was born and raised in Forest City before he moved to Des Moines for college. After graduating and meeting his future wife Hope, he relocated to Minneapolis for work and established a successful corporate career. While in Minneapolis, his wife Hope commuted to New York City for her job, and when 9/11 occurred, she was just 4 blocks away. This prompted the couple to move back to Forest City, IA.

After owning and operating Lichtsinn Motors for 25 years, Ron Sr. sold the business to his son and daughter-in-law in 2001. Ron and Hope grew the business to encompass the RV industry and had immense success in restoring market share. Now, the family expanded the space to a 52,000-square-foot facility, officially changed their name to Lichtsinn RV, and is recognized for being the top Winnebago Motor Home Dealer in North America.

Lichtsinn RV prioritizes its community. In 2009, Lichtsinn RV created the

"We Care Charitable Giving Foundation" that matches all employee contributions and has now donated over \$275,000 to organizations such as schools, sports teams, cancer society, arts centers, and Tunnels to Towers. Ron also serves on the board of Forest City Education Foundation, which provides scholarships for students in the community.

Lichtsinn RV's commitment to industry excellence and passion for their community is evident. I want to congratulate the Lichtsinn Family and the whole team for their impactful role in providing American-made recreational vehicles and motorhomes to folks across the country. I look forward to seeing their continued work.●

RECOGNIZING REVELTON DISTILLING COMPANY

● Ms. ERNST. Mr. President, as ranking member of the Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, each week I recognize an outstanding Iowa small business that exemplifies the American entrepreneurial spirit. This week, it is my privilege to recognize Revelton Distilling Company of Osceola, IA, as the Senate Small Business of the Week.

The Taylors' annual visits to the Kentucky Bourbon Festival inspired their creation of Revelton Distilling Company. Over the course of 6 years of attending this event, Robert and Christi connected with seasoned industry professionals, who revealed that many Kentucky distillers sourced their corn from Iowa. In 2016, the Taylors attended distillery school and officially opened Revelton Distilling Company in December 2020. As master distillers, the couple oversees every detail of their spirits' production.

Committed to supporting local agriculture, Revelton Distilling Company sources all its corn from Iowa farmers. The company then donates the byproduct of their spirit production back to those farmers for livestock feed. Revelton Distilling Company crafts all its products in-house, which includes 13 distinct spirits, ranging from flavored liqueurs to their multiple award-winning Revelton Mulberry Gin. Additionally, after 3 years of barrel aging and quality testing, the company launched their limited-release, single-barrel bourbon whisky.

Today, Revelton Distilling Company hosts a variety of community events, from corporate retreats to live music concerts in their 1930s-inspired art deco cocktail lounge. The company also offers hands-on whiskey-making experiences to demonstrate the inside workings of a distillery. Revelton's spirits have spread to four States and are currently in over 600 restaurants, bars, liquor stores, and grocery stores. Today, the company has grown to employ 21 members of the community.

Revelton Distilling Company has earned recognition not only in Iowa but globally. Over the years, Revelton

Distilling Company has won multiple Micro Liquor Spirit Awards and San Francisco Spirit Awards for their outstanding product design and incredible tasting spirits. The business actively participates in the community as a member of the Clarke County Development Corporation, the Greater Des Moines Partnership, and numerous other community-based organizations. The Taylors also work with the World Food Prize to support the availability of food worldwide. In addition, they collaborate with student entrepreneurs from Iowa State University and Des Moines Area Community College to support agricultural education efforts. In addition to Dr. Christi Taylor's many roles with the business, she is also the chief medical officer for the McFarland Clinic, Iowa's largest physician-owned, multi-specialty practice. This December, Revelton Distilling Company will celebrate its fourth business anniversary.

Through community events, partnerships, and high-quality products, Revelton Distilling Company has become an integral part of the Clarke County community, creating shared memories that bring people together. I want to recognize the Taylors and the rest of the team at Revelton Distilling Company for their commitment to locally sourced production in southern Iowa. I look forward to seeing their continued growth and success in Iowa and beyond.●

RECOGNIZING SALVAGED DESIGNS

● Ms. ERNST. Mr. President, as ranking member of the Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, each week I recognize an outstanding Iowa small business that exemplifies the American entrepreneurial spirit. This week, it is my privilege to recognize Salvaged Designs of Oskaloosa, IA, as the Senate Small Business of the Week.

Jennifer Thomas-Maxwell was deeply involved in small business and entrepreneurship long before she founded Salvaged Designs. In 1950, her grandfather started a waste management business in Beacon, IA. Her parents took over the business in the 1980s and began operating it as a family business. Growing up, Jen worked in every part of the company, from the back of the garbage truck to looking over the books in the front office. In the fourth grade, Jen learned about recycling for the first time, which transformed her perspective on sustainability and waste management.

The first in her family to attend college, Jen studied graphic design and worked in the industry after graduating from college. After she started a family and she was spending time crafting gifts and costumes for her daughter, parents and other children in the neighborhood began wanting her personally designed items. As demand increased, she saw an opportunity to turn her projects into a full-scale busi-

ness. After years of hard work, Salvaged Designs opened its first storefront in 2016. Before long, Jen realized she needed a larger space. In 2018, Jen imagined her company's logo on a Main Street storefront she had admired. In March of 2020, Jen successfully opened Salvaged Designs on Oskaloosa's Main Street.

Today, Jen manages all repurposing and storefront operations for Salvaged Designs. Initially, the business focused primarily on repurposing old furniture, instruments, and other miscellaneous items brought in by customers and community members. With time, Salvaged Designs expanded to carry a variety of Iowa and Midwest-made products created with sustainability in mind, from recycled crayons to chemical-free detergents. The company also offers art classes for product revitalization, painting, and refinishing, which combines Jen's enthusiasm for design and recycling with her desire to empower others to create.

In addition to running Salvaged Designs, Jen is actively involved in the Oskaloosa community. In 2006, Jen raised money to fund the Beacon Park Playground, and, in 2008, she served as the project chair for the construction of a playground at the Lacey Recreation Complex. Jen previously served on the board of Oskaloosa Main Street, which aims to improve downtown Oskaloosa. Through Salvaged Designs, she continues to support the local high school, collaborating with the band to repurpose old instruments and donating half the proceeds back to the band. Jen is also working to start a program at the high school where students learn the value of repurposing materials. She previously served on the board of Oskaloosa Main Street, an organization that aims to improve downtown Oskaloosa. This November, Salvaged Designs will celebrate its eighth anniversary.

I want to applaud Salvaged Designs' commitment to sustainability and service to the community. Congratulations to their success and devotion to Mahaska County and the Oskaloosa community. I look forward to seeing their continued growth and success in Iowa.●

RECOGNIZING SHIVVERS MANUFACTURING

● Ms. ERNST. Mr. President, as ranking member of the Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, each week I recognize an outstanding Iowa small business that exemplifies the American entrepreneurial spirit. This week it is my privilege to recognize Shivvers Manufacturing of Corydon, IA, as the Senate Small Business of the Week.

Charles Shivvers noticed the limitations and availability of existing grain auger systems which inspired him to create Shivvers Manufacturing in 1968. He patented the tapered sweep auger system, revolutionizing the efficiency

of the grain drying process. This breakthrough led to the first commercially successful Continuous Counter-Flow Grain Drying System, and within a year, Charles moved production from a home garage to a facility in Corydon, IA.

Since its founding, Shivvers Manufacturing has been a family business with Charles' wife Anita, and their sons Carl and Steve have helped grow and manage the company. During the agriculture boom of the 1970s, Carl and Steve expanded Shivvers Manufacturing by forming a sister company in Illinois, which later merged at the Corydon facility.

Recognizing the value of diversifying their product line, Charles and Steve explored new manufacturing opportunities, such as coffee and woodburning stoves. In 1984, they shifted their focus and successfully developed a plan for a zero-turn radius lawnmower. Subsequently, they launched the first prototype for the Country Clipper ZTR. Today, this line of lawnmowers continues to dominant their sales. Shivvers Manufacturing has continued to innovate with products like the CompuDry, a computerized dryer control attachment, and many others. Shivvers Manufacturing continues to advance agricultural technology, expanding its presence nationwide.

In June 2023, a fire destroyed part of the Shivvers factory. Despite this setback, the Shivvers Manufacturing team is diligently rebuilding at their current location in Corydon. Manufacturing has continued, with plans to resume operations in the new facility by the end of the year.

Today, Carl serves as the president of Shivvers Manufacturing while his grandson Dustin serves as the vice president of marketing. Shivvers Manufacturing continues to be a staple in the Wayne County community. The business is a member of the Wayne County Chamber of Commerce. They also work to support local organizations and initiatives such as the Corydon Fire Department and the Wayne County Sheriff's Office. They are annual supporters of the Wayne County Fair and sponsored an upcoming housing development project in Corydon. Shivvers Manufacturing has 140 community-based employees and will be celebrating their 56th anniversary next year.

Shivvers Manufacturing's commitment to providing farmers with quality and innovative agricultural equipment is clear. I want to congratulate the Shivvers family and the rest of the team for their dedication to the agriculture industry. I look forward to seeing their continued growth and success in Iowa.●

RECOGNIZING THE SCHOLARSHIP FUND OF ALEXANDRIA

● Mr. Kaine. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize the incredible work of the Scholarship Fund of Alexandria,