

college algebra with one goal in mind: to help his students surpass him, and they do.

One of his students just ranked number one in Utah and number two in the Nation in the Trig-Star exam, beating Mr. Otten's own timed score.

Some of Mark's former students are now his doctor, dentist, and even his mechanic. That is the kind of legacy every teacher hopes for.

Mr. Otten says he is not ready to retire, and I hope he doesn't because Utah needs more educators like him: humble, committed, with passion for and belief in the next generation.

BRING MEANINGFUL RELIEF FOR CONSTITUENTS

(Mr. OLSZEWSKI asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. OLSZEWSKI. Madam Speaker, it is now the fourth time I have come to this floor with a poster to count the days. We are now 200 days into this session of Congress and, sadly, I return with the same message. I wish it weren't so.

I have scoured our voting record, trying in vain to find one vote, just one, that would lower costs for American families. The closest I found was a bill that would improve price transparency for concert tickets, but nothing to actually address price gouging.

When it comes to the most basic of necessities, there hasn't been one serious effort from House leadership to lower costs. Instead, President Trump and this GOP majority are doing the opposite, driving up costs through tariffs. The big, ugly budget makes things even worse by ending food programs and causing both healthcare costs and utility bills to skyrocket.

I again call on House leadership to bring legislation to this floor that delivers meaningful relief to all our constituents.

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HONORING VIRGINIA BEACH LIFESAVING SERVICE

(Mrs. KIGGANS of Virginia asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. KIGGANS of Virginia. Madam Speaker, the Virginia Beach Lifesaving Service started in 1930, and it is the largest and oldest beach lifesaving service in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Over their almost 90-year existence, thousands of lifeguards have come through this program and provided critical services to the millions of visitors who travel to Virginia Beach annually.

Virginia Beach Lifesaving Service employs around 200 lifesavers each summer to guard and patrol more than 5 miles of public oceanfront beaches.

This was on full display for the Fourth of July holiday shown here.

Virginia Beach Lifesaving personnel are trained in surf lifesaving surveillance and rescue techniques, as well as emergency medical response.

Under the leadership of Tom Gill, the Virginia Beach Lifesaving Service also hosts and participates in local, regional, and national competitions to motivate guards to train harder and better work together to protect the citizens and visitors of the oceanfront.

Madam Speaker, I offer my sincere appreciation to the Virginia Beach Lifesaving Service for providing the highest level of care to the citizens and visitors that enjoy our beautiful beaches.

HONORING ARCHBOLD BUCKEYE

(Ms. KAPTUR asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. KAPTUR. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the legacy of the Archbold Buckeye. This community newspaper published its final edition on June 25, after 120 years of unwavering service to Archbold, Pettisville, and greater Fulton County, Ohio.

The Archbold Buckeye held value as a small-town newspaper that has been far more than print and ink. It was part of the beating heart that is our northwest Ohio community. It has been upfront and present.

I have had the honor of meeting with the Buckeye's devoted team that included Mary Huber, David Pugh, and generations of the Taylor family. They saw and reported firsthand their commitment to truth, neighbors, and to the stories that shape small-town life in America.

From town council meetings to birth and death announcements, the Buckeye chronicled life with dignity and care. It won dozens of awards but, more importantly, earned the trust of its readers.

As local newspapers sadly vanish across our country, we must remember democracy cannot thrive without informed and engaged citizens. On behalf of myself and our northwest Ohio community, I thank the Archbold Buckeye for 120 years of leadership and service. We are flying a flag of gratitude over our capital to honor their generations of patriotic- and community-minded publishers and reporters.

Let us hope that the future will produce leaders like these to keep America informed and engaged.

RECOGNIZING MAYOR MARILYN HATLEY

(Mr. FRY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. FRY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize an incredible public servant and a great friend, Mayor

Marilyn Hatley of Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, who is retiring after two decades of public service.

Marilyn has been a constant force for many years, leading with strength, dedication, and a genuine heart for the people of North Myrtle Beach.

She is a pioneer. She has worked harder than anyone. In fact, she is one of the hardest-working women that I know to make North Myrtle Beach not just a premier tourist destination but a place we are all proud to call home.

She has championed beach renourishment, expanded recreational opportunities, and helped build major infrastructure, all while keeping North Myrtle Beach on budget with some of the lowest taxes and crime rates in South Carolina.

The entire city is proud of the lasting impact Marilyn has made on North Myrtle Beach. I know she will enjoy this next chapter. She has earned it.

HONORING CONSTITUENT OF THE WEEK DALE SISSON

(Mr. VINDMAN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. VINDMAN. Madam Speaker, today I rise to congratulate my constituent of the week, Dale Sisson, on his retirement from the Naval Surface Warfare Center, Dahlgren Division.

A native of King George, Mr. Sisson has dedicated his career to his community. In addition to his membership in the Senior Executive Service, Mr. Sisson has a career at Dahlgren that spans 21 years. He has a variety of responsibilities, working his way up to the position of technical director where he has managed over 5,000 workers and a multibillion-dollar portfolio.

Much of that work that Mr. Sisson does is classified and, therefore, cannot be publicly recognized. As a 25-year veteran, I know Mr. Sisson's work has safeguarded our country and service members.

Public servants like Mr. Sisson have always had the backs of our communities, and I am committed to paying this forward in Congress.

Mr. Speaker, I extend my deepest gratitude to Mr. Sisson for his service to our country and wish him well on his next chapter.

CELEBRATING THE 154TH BIRTHDAY OF THE CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS

(Mr. CRANK asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. CRANK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the 154th birthday of the city of Colorado Springs.

Founded in 1871 by General William Jackson Palmer, Colorado Springs is now home to hundreds of thousands of people nestled in the shadow of the majestic Pikes Peak which inspired Katharine Lee Bates to write the great song, "America the Beautiful."

I have been proud to work for the people of Colorado Springs for over 30 years, and I have seen it grow from a thriving city to an emerging economic titan in Colorado and in the West.

Home to several military installations, Colorado Springs has always been a haven for Active-Duty service-members and our honorable veterans.

In 1870, General Palmer said this about Colorado Springs after seeing the area for the first time. He said: "Could one live in constant view of these grand mountains without being elevated by them into a lofty plane of thought and purpose?"

Madam Speaker, it is this thought and purpose that has driven Colorado Springs to be a world-leading city, and I look forward the city's continued growth.

CBP TURNS HOUSTON AIRPORT INTO TRAP

(Ms. BALINT asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. BALINT. Madam Speaker, I take to the floor today because I am angry and so are Vermonters. We are furious because of what happened yesterday to a Vermonter, a U.S. citizen, as he attempted to return home.

Wilmer Chavarria is a community leader. He is a school superintendent in my State. He was held and interrogated for hours yesterday in the Houston airport by CBP agents and given no reason for his detention. Wilmer called this experience psychological terror.

Again, we are talking about a U.S. citizen here. When we say this can happen to any of us, this is what we are talking about. This kind of violation of our constitutional rights is how leaders use terror to intimidate us into silence.

I don't want to hear about how everyone is going after the violent criminals in this country and trying to get violent criminals off the streets, when community leaders and school superintendents are being detained because of the color of their skin and the sound of their last name.

Madam Speaker, we need to hold onto our collective outrage. We do not need to accept this. This is not what Americans want.

RECOGNIZING CANTON REPOSITORY REPORTERS

(Mrs. SYKES asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. SYKES. Madam Speaker, today I rise to recognize five exceptional journalists from the Canton Repository, one of Ohio's most important publications, as this Ohio's 13th Congressional District Champion of the Week.

Grace Springer received second place in the Best Government/Political Reporting category.

Charita Goshay received second place in the Best Religion Reporting category.

Nancy Molnar received first place in the Justice Reporting category.

Finally, for the Best of Show in Ohio category, Tim Botos received second place, and Kelli Weir took home first in this category.

I congratulate these outstanding journalists and thank them. I thank them for keeping readers across Canton Ohio's 13th Congressional District in northeast Ohio region informed.

These five journalists earned top honors in the 2025 Ohio's Best Journalism contest sponsored by the Cleveland, Columbus, and Cincinnati chapters of the Society of Professional Journalists.

Their work at the Canton Repository is truly exceptional, and I am proud to represent a district that is kept informed by their outstanding reporting.

I hope all my colleagues will join me in saying congratulations to our fourth branch of government and these exceptional reporters as we recognize them as Ohio's 13th Congressional District Champion of the Week.

CELEBRATING RACER TRUST

(Ms. STEVENS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. STEVENS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate RACER Trust based in Detroit for its extraordinary work turning abandoned industrial sites into engines of economic growth across Michigan and this country.

Following the Great Recession, the RACER Trust was established to clean up and redevelop over 7,000 acres of shuttered properties. In fact, it was created by the team that I had the privilege of working on in the Obama administration, the U.S. Auto Rescue Task Force.

RACER Trust has reimaged the process to meet challenges facing long-held industrial sites. I have also gotten a chance to visit many of these sites through my Manufacturing Monday program.

They include Williams International, United Wholesale Mortgage, Challenge Manufacturing, and the M1 Concourse featured here, all of which are located in Pontiac, Michigan. These were shuttered industrial plants that are now beacons of light in our community, and we should celebrate their success.

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RECOGNIZING THE CITY OF BEAVERTON AND MAYOR LACEY BEATY

(Ms. SALINAS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. SALINAS. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the city of Beaverton and Mayor Lacey Beaty for being selected as 1 of 50 finalists in the 2025 Bloomberg Mayors Challenge.

Selected from over 630 global applicants, Beaverton's bold initiative reimagines housing through community-

led, intergenerational models that put homeownership within reach for more Oregonians.

Imagine a walkable neighborhood with vibrant shops, restaurants, and community-led events for all residents, a neighborhood that sets up families with the resources and support they need to own a home, a neighborhood where sustainability and accessibility are priorities.

This is Beaverton's dream, and they are making it a reality. At a time when too many families are priced out, this idea addresses unnecessary barriers, high costs, zoning limits, and a lack of housing options through a new and innovative plan to create more starter housing.

I congratulate Mayor Beaty and the entire city of Beaverton for this remarkable achievement and for showing the world what is possible.

FEMA CUTS AND HURRICANE SEASON

(Mr. LATIMER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. LATIMER. Madam Speaker, the harrowing videos and stories out of Texas earlier this month are another reminder of how unpredictable and dangerous weather has become. Climate change is fueling more frequent and extreme weather events, and the Federal Government has a duty to be ready to respond quickly.

What happened in Texas shows we need to strengthen FEMA, not weaken it. That means making sure the agency is fully staffed and fully funded. That means answering the phones.

Unfortunately, the administration is doing the opposite, gutting our Nation's largest emergency management agency.

As a New Yorker, I saw the flooding in Texas and immediately thought of hurricane season on the East Coast. It has been a few years since a major storm hit our region. We are due. Local and State agencies are preparing, but this year they are doing so without the help of FEMA's predisaster mitigation grants because the administration canceled the program.

Cutting emergency preparedness funding doesn't prevent disasters. It just makes them harder to handle. Once again, it is Americans who will pay the price.

CLIMATE CRISIS IS A PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY

(Ms. DEXTER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. DEXTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to declare that climate crisis is a public health emergency, and the Federal Government must treat it as such.