

Senior Kate Mobley earned the tournament's MVP title, with a powerful performance of 11 kills, 22 digs, 25 receptions, and 5 solo blocks.

On their way to the top, the team took down the number 16 Sahuarita, as well as other teams around the region and across the State.

This thrilling victory marks Salpointe's fourth State championship win and caps off an amazing season in which Salpointe Catholic went 24-2 overall.

Mr. Speaker, I congratulate Coach Keith Rubio, the team, and everyone who played a part in this successful season. There are undoubtedly many more wins ahead. They have made their school and community incredibly proud. The Lancers should enjoy this victory. Once again, they have earned it, and I congratulate them.

□ 1100

CONGRATULATING NJROTC CADETS

Mr. CISCOMANI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the 28 NJROTC cadets from Cienega High School, Andrada High School, Empire High School, and Mica Mountain High School who competed at the Area 20 Stars and Stripes field meet in El Paso, Texas, under the leadership of Commander Micah Brewer.

These cadets did an amazing job and brought home a number of impressive awards. They placed number one overall, as well, for personal inspection, physical fitness team, armed drill team regulation, and unarmed drill team exhibition. They placed second for unarmed drill team regulation and color guard. They placed third for academic team and armed drill team exhibition.

Additionally, Madelyn Michael won the individual award for most sit-ups for girls, completing a total of 178.

Mr. Speaker, to these 28 cadets and all who took part in this special competition, I congratulate them. They have worked hard and made their schools and our community extremely proud. I congratulate them once again on all their wins. They are all well-earned.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. KENNEDY of Utah). Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until noon today.

Accordingly (at 11 o'clock and 1 minute a.m.), the House stood in recess.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. DESJARLAIS) at noon.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Margaret Grun Kibben, offered the following prayer:

Sovereign God, receive us into Your presence, as each one who enters this Chamber seeks Your guidance in ensuring the welfare of this Nation. Though disparate voices and conflicting opinions, we want the best for our compatriots and our communities.

We ask for Your assistance in ensuring that we do not just settle for tolerating one another but commit to communicating respectfully and carefully in our proceedings. In so doing, may we discover what binds us together in the mission that You have set before us.

In our kinship, our friendship, or just our shared citizenship, we pray together for the peace that transcends not just our differences but our individual understandings. In Your peace, may we find our peace. In our engagements and our arguments, may we rid ourselves of all malice, deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and slander, and together show respect for the people with whom You have called us to serve.

In awe, even fear of the judgment that is Yours, we humbly offer this day and ourselves to You.

We pray this in Your merciful name. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House the approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1 of rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from California (Mr. DESAULNIER) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. DESAULNIER led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will entertain up to 15 requests for 1-minute speeches on each side of the aisle.

WELCOMING PENN STATE LION CAUCUS TO CAPITOL HILL

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

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to welcome the Penn State Lion Caucus to Capitol Hill.

Lion Caucus is a university-affiliated student organization connected to the Office of Government and Community Relations. Lion Caucus promotes the official message and positive impact of

Penn State University to local, State, and Federal elected officials. It also educates students about legislation and policies that impact the university and students. Each year, Lion Caucus organizes and executes Capital Day, Penn State's annual State advocacy event.

The organization also hosts seminars for students across campus, holds meetings in Harrisburg with legislators and lobbyists, and welcomes elected officials to University Park.

Lion Caucus is made up of a diverse group of undergraduate and graduate students from any background or major.

As a graduate of Penn State, I am proud of these students for devoting their time and resources to educating and advocating for their fellow students, promoting civic engagement, and showcasing the Penn State community—We Are.

RECOGNIZING GWEN REGALIA

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

Mr. DESAULNIER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the life and public service of a mentor of mine and many people in California and in the bay area, and a wonderful human being, a dedicated public servant from Walnut Creek, California, in the East Bay of the San Francisco Bay.

Gwen Regalia began her career as a fourth grade teacher—she was a teacher all her life in many ways—before serving on the Walnut Creek School District governing board for almost a decade.

Gwen later served on the city council for 21 years and also served regionally on the Association of Bay Area Governments. She had five terms as the mayor of the city of Walnut Creek, during which time she championed the development of local institutions, like the Leshner Center for the Arts in Walnut Creek and the Walnut Creek Library, two remarkable local institutions.

Sadly, Gwen passed away in November. She will be remembered for her outstanding leadership, her indelible mark that she left on Walnut Creek and the San Francisco Bay Area, the State of California, and, indeed, the United States of America.

Mr. Speaker, I thank my friend, Gwen, for her service and incredible personality.

RECOGNIZING HARBOR BEACH FOOTBALL TEAM

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

Mrs. McCLAIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Harbor Beach High School football team for winning the Michigan Division 8 State championship last week.

The Harbor Beach Pirates took home their second State championship in football. Never trailing in the game, they won 31-20 at Ford Field in Detroit, and, I might add, they had a perfect 14-0 season.

Mr. Speaker, I congratulate Coach Schelke and his talented young group of men on their incredible accomplishment at Ford Field. They have made Michigan's Ninth District proud. I really hope they cherish this memory and all of the hard work that they dedicated this season. I again congratulate the Harbor Beach Pirates.

HONORING FRED DURHAL, JR.

(Ms. TLAIB asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. TLAIB. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the life and legacy of my dear friend, Fred Durhal, Jr. He was a former colleague and a remarkable public servant who devoted decades of his life to fighting for Detroiters.

Throughout his years in the Michigan statehouse and as the chair of the Michigan Legislative Black Caucus, Fred carried with him passion, courage, and a deep commitment to public service. He was so kindhearted.

From his advocacy for working families to his dedication to mentoring the next generation of leaders, Fred truly helped shape our communities and uplift countless lives. His impact can be seen in the people he guided, the change that he championed, and the lives he inspired.

I join our community in mourning his passing during this difficult time and send my deepest condolences to his family, his children, and all who were touched by his life.

Mr. Speaker, may his legacy continue to live in the city he loved so dearly, and may he rest in peace.

RECOGNIZING ARMY CONGRESSIONAL FELLOW ANDREW GEORGE

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

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I am grateful to recognize Army congressional fellow Captain Andrew "Andy" George for his service to America and the citizens of South Carolina.

Throughout his dedication to the office, Andy has been a valued team member for legislation supporting the military and veterans.

After graduating from Virginia Tech, Andy served in leadership positions within the 101st Airborne Division, including deployment to Syria with Operation Inherent Resolve. Andy later served as a special operational detachment commander for multinational exercises in Central and South America. Impressively, Andy is a White House military social aide.

The only unfortunate quality about this Massachusetts native is that he is a fan of the New England Patriots.

In conclusion, God bless our troops as the global war on terrorism continues. Trump is reinstating peace through strength, revealing war criminal Putin lies, insulting Trump, and mocking Trump envoys Steve Witkoff and Jared Kushner in Moscow today as Putin threatens expanded war in Europe.

□ 1210

GOBBLE AND WADDLE

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

Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, Thanksgiving brought families together to enjoy delicious meals and some of us are still recovering.

There were two fortunate turkeys, one named "Gobble," the other "Waddle," from Travis and Amanda Pittman's farm in Wayne County, North Carolina, and they were selected for a Presidential pardon.

They went on a journey from the East to the White House. They even stayed at The Willard InterContinental hotel and now at North Carolina State University.

Although, Gobble and Waddle survived the dinner table, they shine a light on the dedication of our agriculture community and the hard work that is taking place with companies such as Butterball and the National Turkey Federation.

Farmers allow for these longstanding traditions, and we must never forget it. Let us take a moment to recognize eastern North Carolina farmers and those across our country.

Mr. Speaker, I am extremely proud to honor the Pittmans and Gobble and Waddle as they strut their stuff now with the Wolfpack.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 4 of rule I, the following enrolled bills were signed by Speaker Johnson on Wednesday, December 3, 2025:

H.R. 970, to amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to periodically review the automatic maximum coverage under the Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance program and the Veterans' Group Life Insurance program, and for other purposes;

H.R. 983, to amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to disapprove courses of education offered by a public institution of higher learning that does not charge the in-State tuition rate to a veteran using certain educational assistance under title 10 of such Code, and for other purposes;

H.R. 1912, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the repayment

by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs of benefits misused by a fiduciary, and for other purposes;

H.J. Res. 130, providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Bureau of Land Management relating to "Buffalo Field Office Record of Decision and Approved Resource Management Plan Amendment".

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, December 3, 2025.

Hon. MIKE JOHNSON,
Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to 44 U.S.C. 2702, I hereby appoint as a member of the Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress the following person: Mr. Benjamin Francis-Fallon, Washington, DC.

With best wishes, I am,
Sincerely,

KEVIN F. MCCUMBER,
Clerk.

COMBATING THE LIES OF AUTHORITARIANS IN SCHOOL SYSTEMS ACT

Mr. WALBERG. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to House Resolution 916, I call up the bill (H.R. 1005) to prohibit elementary and secondary schools from accepting funds from or entering into contracts with the Government of the People's Republic of China and the Chinese Communist Party, and for other purposes, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to House Resolution 916, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Education and Workforce, printed in the bill, is adopted, and the bill, as amended, is considered read.

The text of the bill, as amended, is as follows:

H.R. 1005

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Combating the Lies of Authoritarians in School Systems Act" or the "CLASS Act".

SEC. 2. DISCLOSURE OF FOREIGN FUNDING AND CONTRACTS.

(a) *IN GENERAL.*—As a condition on receipt of Federal financial assistance under any applicable program by a public elementary school or a public secondary school, the school, not later than 30 days after receiving funds in excess of \$10,000 in the aggregate from a foreign source, or entering into one or more contracts with an aggregate value in excess of \$10,000 with a foreign source, shall submit to the Secretary of Education a written disclosure that identifies—

(1) the name and country of origin of the foreign source;