

1956, and a Ph.D. in Mathematics from the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) in 1961.

In 1976, after teaching at UCLA, Tulane University, and the University of New Orleans, Dr. Berriozábal returned to the city he was born in when he joined the faculty at The University of Texas at San Antonio (UTSA).

In 1979, following the publication of an article disparaging Mexican American students' abilities in what would become known as the STEM fields, Dr. Berriozábal founded the Freshman Engineering Program (PREP). PREP is a summer program designed to provide middle and high school students with the opportunity to take college-level engineering coursework. Since the program's inception, over 50,000 students across San Antonio and beyond have participated in the enrichment program, launching their own academic journeys and disproving preconceived notions of limitations. Dr. Berriozábal served as the program's director for 25 years with an unshakable, multigenerational dedication to expanding opportunities for community growth and development.

Throughout Dr. Berriozábal's storied career, he received numerous prestigious awards, including the Yuehin Gung and Dr. Charles Y. Hu Award for Distinguished Service to Mathematics, and was a charter member of the Texas Science Hall of Fame.

Dr. Berriozábal is survived by his wife, the Honorable Maria Berriozábal. The two met in 1972 and married in 1975. They shared over 50 years of marriage together, supporting each other as they selflessly gave back to the San Antonio community.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in recognizing the incredible life and remarkable legacy of Dr. Manuel Berriozábal. He was a servant, leader and inspiration to many and I am grateful for his commitment to the San Antonio community.

CONGRATULATING DR. MARY E. BRUNKOW AND THE INSTITUTE FOR SYSTEMS BIOLOGY ON WINNING THE 2025 NOBEL PRIZE IN PHYSIOLOGY OR MEDICINE

HON. PRAMILA JAYAPAL

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 27, 2026

Ms. JAYAPAL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to extend my heartfelt congratulations to Dr. Mary E. Brunkow and the Institute for Systems Biology (ISB) in Seattle on the award of the 2025 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine, one of the most prestigious honors in science.

A resident of Seattle and a Distinguished Investigator at ISB, Dr. Brunkow has made transformative contributions to immunology through her groundbreaking research on regulatory T cells and the FOXP3 gene, a key regulator of peripheral immune tolerance—the process by which the immune system avoids attacking the body's own tissues. In collaboration with Dr. Fred Ramsdell and building on foundational work by Dr. Shimon Sakaguchi, she helped uncover the genetic and cellular mechanisms that safeguard immune balance,

reshaping the field and laying the foundation for new treatments for autoimmune diseases, improved organ transplantation, and cancer immunotherapy.

Dr. Brunkow's pioneering work has fundamentally advanced our understanding of how the immune system functions and stands as a powerful example of the kind of federally supported biomedical research that improves lives, fuels innovation, and keeps the United States at the forefront of global scientific leadership.

This Nobel-winning discovery reflects the return on our Nation's investment in science. Dr. Brunkow's work is a reminder of why we must continue to support institutions like ISB and ensure that scientists have the resources they need to make the next breakthrough.

On behalf of Washington's 7th Congressional District and the broader scientific community, I extend my deepest congratulations to Dr. Mary E. Brunkow. Her discoveries have reshaped medicine and immunology, and her legacy will continue to inspire future generations of scientists, clinicians, and innovators. I urge my colleagues to join me in celebrating her extraordinary contributions to science, health, and humanity, and to recommit to strong, sustained federal investment in biomedical research.

RECOGNIZING DARRIEN O'REILLY

HON. BRITTANY PETERSEN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 27, 2026

Ms. PETERSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Darrien O'Reilly for earning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth Award.

Darrien has overcome many challenges along his journey to success, demonstrating perseverance at every step. Students who strive to make the most of their education, like Darrien, develop crucial skills and a work ethic that will guide them for the rest of their lives. This award is a testament to Darrien's hard work, determination, and perseverance at Arvada High School and is clearly just the beginning of a bright and promising future.

It is my honor to congratulate Darrien O'Reilly on achieving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth Award.

HONORING COLETTE D. HAIGLER

HON. MARC A. VEASEY

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 27, 2026

Mr. VEASEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor Colette D. Haigler. On June 27, 2026, family and friends will gather to celebrate Colette D. Haigler's 55th birthday and her 10th anniversary as a breast cancer survivor at the Annual Pink Party—an occasion that honors both her life and her resilience.

Colette was born on June 24, 1971, in Dallas, Texas, and was educated in the Dallas Independent School District, graduating from

the High School for Health Professions. She went on to earn a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Prairie View A&M University and a Master of Science in Nursing from Texas Woman's University, establishing a strong foundation for a distinguished career in healthcare.

A dedicated and compassionate professional, Colette serves as a Board-Certified Nurse Practitioner with Texas Oncology, where she has made meaningful contributions to patient care. She is a long-time resident of Dallas, particularly the Oak Cliff community, and now resides in Bowie, Maryland.

Colette is devoted to her family as the wife of John C. Haigler and the proud mother of twins, Ava and Austin. She has also remained deeply engaged in her community and faith. The Haigler family were long-time members of Oak Cliff Bible Fellowship Church and are currently active members of First Baptist Church of Glenarden.

Her commitment to service extends beyond her profession. Colette is a proud member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated, and Chi Eta Phi Nursing Sorority. She also serves on the Executive Committee of the Prince George's County Chapter of Jack and Jill of America, where she contributes to youth development and community leadership.

In her personal time, Colette enjoys traveling, line dancing, and exploring new culinary experiences. Her life reflects a profound dedication to service, family, and perseverance, making this milestone celebration a fitting tribute to her enduring impact.

CELEBRATING 60 YEARS OF THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION TRUST OF LANCASTER COUNTY

HON. LLOYD SMUCKER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 27, 2026

Mr. SMUCKER. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to honor and congratulate the Historic Preservation Trust of Lancaster County for reaching 60 years in operation.

The Historic Preservation Trust of Lancaster County was founded in 1966 to preserve Lancaster County's historic sites and architecture. The Trust carries out its mission through an array of educational programs, including tours, events, presentations, and outreach on the benefits of preservation. It also collaborates with property owners, businesses, and community members, and undertakes direct action through historic preservation easements and plaques.

Over the past 60 years, the Historic Preservation Trust has directly helped in the protection of more than three dozen sites across Lancaster County. Notable preservation efforts include the Sehner-Elliott-Von Hess House, headquarters, the Lancaster Central Market, and the Thaddeus Stevens and Lydia Hamilton Smith Houses.

Supported by volunteers, community partners, and a hardworking staff, the Historic Preservation Trust of Lancaster County has helped to retain the county's rich and vibrant past. I thank the organization for its positive impact, and I wish them many more years of success.

HONORING TIM REITZ

HON. ANDY BIGGS

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 27, 2026

Mr. BIGGS of Arizona. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor and celebrate Tim Reitz, the Executive Director for the House Freedom Caucus.

For the last four years, Tim has led our caucus of conservative members with all the patience, diligence, resolve, and commitment needed for success. He is steadfast in his principles and unwavering in the face of immense pressure to leave those principles behind.

He has stood by our side through some of our toughest battles—electing a new Speaker of the House, fighting to bend down the federal spending curve, implementing President Trump’s agenda, and even last week’s effort to seek necessary reforms to FISA. Tim does not shy away from the fight. He is a happy warrior, determined to restore our Nation to the Founders’ vision of freedom and limited government.

Before coming to HFC, Tim served two members of his home state of Georgia, Paul Brown and my good friend and former HFC member, Jody Hice.

But this week will be Tim’s last in the House of Representatives as he embarks on a new adventure with the Conservative Partnership Institute. I have no doubt Tim will continue to be an asset to the conservative cause.

I am deeply grateful for his devoted service and wish him well in his new endeavor.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. SCOTT H. PETERS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 27, 2026

Mr. PETERS. Mr. Speaker, my intention was to vote YEA on Roll Call No. 137, on the HEATS Act to streamline geothermal energy production.

RECOGNIZING ELIANNA BOENING

HON. BRITTANY PETERSEN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 27, 2026

Ms. PETERSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Elianna Boening for earning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth Award.

Elianna has overcome many challenges along their journey to success, demonstrating perseverance at every step. Students who strive to make the most of their education, like Elianna, develop crucial skills and a work ethic that will guide them for the rest of their lives. This award is a testament to Elianna’s hard work, determination, and perseverance at Arvada West High School and is clearly just the beginning of a bright and promising future.

It is my honor to congratulate Elianna Boening on achieving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth Award.

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF TOM MOE

HON. KELLY MORRISON

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 27, 2026

Ms. MORRISON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of Tom Moe, a distinguished University of Minnesota student-athlete, administrator, and community leader whose contributions left a lasting impact on generations of Minnesotans.

Tom Moe was a standout multi-sport athlete for the University of Minnesota in the late 1950s, excelling in both football and baseball. He led the Gophers in receiving yards in 1958, was named the football team’s Most Valuable Player in 1959, and was a member of the 1960 NCAA national championship baseball team.

Following his time as a student-athlete, Mr. Moe built a successful career in law and business, becoming a partner and later managing partner at Dorsey & Whitney, where he helped grow the firm into one of the largest in the Nation. He later returned to the University of Minnesota to serve as Director of the Men’s Athletic Department, where he emphasized academic excellence and helped guide the successful merger of the men’s and women’s programs.

Mr. Moe also played a key role in laying the foundation for the return of on-campus Gopher football, ensuring future generations could experience the tradition and spirit of Minnesota athletics. His lifelong dedication to the University extended through his family, with his children and grandchildren continuing his legacy as student-athletes.

Throughout his life, Tom Moe exemplified leadership, integrity, and a deep commitment to his community. He will be remembered not only for his accomplishments, but for the lasting impact he made on the University of Minnesota and the many lives he touched.

On behalf of the people of Minnesota, I extend my deepest condolences to the Moe family and express our gratitude for Tom Moe’s extraordinary life and legacy.

CELEBRATING 50 YEARS OF THE BRECKENRIDGE OUTDOOR EDUCATION CENTER

HON. JOE NEGUSE

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 27, 2026

Mr. NEGUSE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 50th anniversary of the Breckenridge Outdoor Education Center.

Founded in 1976 in Breckenridge, Colorado, the Breckenridge Outdoor Education Center (BOEC) has grown into one of the Nation’s largest adaptive outdoor recreation organizations. Each year, BOEC serves more than 2,000 individuals—including people with disabilities, veterans and their families. The dedicated instructors and volunteers at BOEC work to ensure that individuals of all abilities can experience the confidence, independence, and joy that come from the outdoors.

Colorado’s mountains, rivers, and public spaces draw people from around the world to experience the beauty of the outdoors. Through its innovative adaptive programming, BOEC has helped ensure that individuals with disabilities, who have historically faced barriers to outdoor recreation, can experience opportunities to explore and connect with Colorado’s natural environment. This includes programs for veterans that honor their service and promote healing, resilience, and community.

I am honored to represent this storied center in Colorado’s 2nd Congressional District, and I thank the staff and volunteers at the Breckenridge Outdoor Education Center who do this important work every day. Congratulations on 50 years.

RECOGNIZING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ORION TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARY

HON. LISA C. McCLAIN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 27, 2026

Mrs. McCLAIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a truly remarkable milestone, the 100th anniversary of the Orion Township Public Library. For a century, this institution has stood as a cornerstone of learning, connection, and civic life in Orion Township, serving generations of residents with distinction, care, and an unwavering commitment to the public good.

Since its founding, the Orion Township Public Library has evolved alongside its community, adapting to changing times while remaining steadfast in its core mission: to provide open access to knowledge, foster lifelong learning, and serve as a welcoming space for all. What began as a modest local resource has grown into a vibrant hub of education, technology, and community engagement, reflecting both the history and the future of Orion Township.

Throughout its 100 years of service, the library has offered far more than books. It has provided early literacy programs for children taking their first steps into reading, research resources for students pursuing academic success, and enrichment opportunities for adults seeking new skills and perspectives. From story times and summer reading programs to job search assistance and digital literacy training, the library has consistently met the evolving needs of its patrons with innovation and dedication.

As it celebrates this centennial year, the library stands not only as a testament to its past, but as a promise to the future. Its legacy is built upon the countless librarians, staff members, volunteers, and community supporters who have dedicated themselves to its mission over the decades.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the Orion Township Public Library on its 100th anniversary. May its next 100 years be filled with continued growth, impact, and inspiration for generations yet to come.