

thirty dedicated employees varying from management, front office, and service teams who work tirelessly to ensure the utmost customer satisfaction.

The employees at Mangold Ford, throughout its history, continue to make car buying an enjoyable experience for all customers. For the past thirteen consecutive years, Mangold Ford has been awarded the President's Award, an honor given to dealerships that have a consistent record of customer satisfaction and high-quality service. Beyond exceptional service, Mangold Ford has also played a significant philanthropic role in our community, partaking in and contributing to many local charitable events.

I am thankful that America has been a country where hard-working families with a vision, such as the Mangold's, can grow their small business, employ others, and impact their community in a positive manner. I extend my sincere congratulations to Mr. Mike Mangold, his family, and the staff of Mangold Ford on an outstanding sixty years and I wish them sixty more prosperous years.

A TRIBUTE TO THE 2016 NODAWAY VALLEY BOYS CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, November 14, 2016

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate the Nodaway Valley High School Boys Cross Country team for winning the Iowa Class 1A State Cross Country Championship for two consecutive years.

I would like to congratulate each member of the team:

Runners: Shane Breheny, Tyler Breheny, Matthew Dickinson, Brayten Funke, Dallas Kreager, Skyler Rawlings, Brycen Wallace, Joel Blazek

Head Coach: Darrell Burmeister

Assistant Coaches: Dave Swanson, Phyllis Eshelman, Alyse Dreher

Mr. Speaker, the two-year-long success of this team validates the rewards of hard work, perseverance, and teamwork. I am honored to represent them in the United States Congress. I know all of my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives will join me in congratulating the entire team for another successful season and in wishing them all nothing but continued success.

COMMEMORATING TRI-VALLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FOR RECEIVING THE NATIONAL BLUE RIBBON

HON. DARIN LAHOOD

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, November 14, 2016

Mr. LAHOOD. Mr. Speaker, today, I would like to honor Tri-Valley Elementary School in Downs, Illinois for receiving the U.S. Department of Education National Blue Ribbon.

Since 1982, the U.S. Department of Education has awarded the Blue Ribbon to

schools across the country based on their overall academic excellence. This year, 329 schools in the nation were awarded the National Blue Ribbon, including Tri-Valley Elementary School in Illinois' 18th District. Tri-Valley prides itself on their academic excellence and a proactive student body. The school offers a variety of clubs, intramural sports, and volunteer opportunities for its students, faculty, and parents.

Additionally, Tri-Valley Elementary School has been awarded the Illinois State Board of Education Academic Excellence Award every year since the mid-2000's. Led by Principal Sara Burnett, the faculty has developed an effective curriculum to meet the academic needs of all students. Beginning in Pre-K, students at Tri-Valley develop the skills necessary to become life-long learners.

It is an honor to represent the students, faculty, and administrators at Tri-Valley Elementary School. Their dedication to education, and their students, makes them a deserving recipient of the National Blue Ribbon, and more importantly, an example for schools all across the nation.

A TRIBUTE TO THE VAN GELDER FAMILY IN THE SECOND SESSION OF THE 114TH CONGRESS

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, November 14, 2016

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate The Van Gelder Family of Creston, Iowa, for being honored with the Pork All-American Award from the Iowa Pork Producers Association (IPPA).

Since 1970, the All-American Award is the highest honor of the Iowa Pork Producers Association awards, requiring the producer to be under the age of 40 and recognized as a Master Pork Producer. Brad Van Gelder and his wife, Terri, have operated their 4,000-head operation for 17 years, currently serving 50 local barns. They apply 14 million gallons of manure annually to customers through his manure application business. The wean-to-finish operation prides itself on providing a comfortable, ventilated environment for the pigs, as well as a high level of bio-security for the health of the pigs and the employees who oversee them. The Van Gelder family is committed to conservation, using low disturbance application toolbars on their manure equipment, and maintaining a majority of their 820 row crops acres as no-till.

The Van Gelders are equally active in their community. With their two daughters, Alison and Morgan, they keep busy through their involvement in church, school, 4-H, the Union County Pork Producers, IPPA Youth Committee, as well as the Iowa Pork Tent Committee at the Iowa State Fair. Brad also serves as the Union County Fair Board President with his daughters showing cattle each year.

I congratulate the Van Gelders on earning this coveted award and for their dedication and commitment to Iowa agriculture. Their efforts embody the Iowa spirit and I am honored to represent them in the United States Congress. I urge my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives to join me in congratulating the Brad and Terri Van Gelder family.

COMMEMORATING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR JERRY TRECEK OF PEORIA RESCUE MINISTRIES

HON. DARIN LAHOOD

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, November 14, 2016

Mr. LAHOOD. Mr. Speaker, I would like to honor Reverend Jerry Trecek for his work as the Executive Director of Peoria Rescue Ministries for the past 45 years.

As Executive Director, Rev. Trecek oversees the five divisions of Peoria Rescue Ministries, which include Peoria Rescue Mission, Victory Acres, Barnabas Center, Women's Pregnancy Center and Esther House. Peoria Rescue Ministries also supports international ministries in Latvia and the Ukraine, reaching beyond our border. Rev. Trecek has played an equally active role serving on the Board of Directors of these international ministries. With many professional and community service affiliations, Rev. Trecek remains an active part of the Peoria area community.

In 1968, Rev. Trecek and his wife, Barbara, founded the Peoria Rescue Mission, where today they provide shelter, food, and a warm bed to nearly one hundred men each night. Under the leadership of Rev. Trecek, the organization has expanded from a single rescue mission facility to a thriving 3 million dollar ministry serving the men, women, and children of Central Illinois.

Through community donations and the guidance of Rev. Trecek, Peoria Rescue Ministries housed 27,965 guests who were without shelter and served 70,737 meals to the hungry in 2015. More importantly, the ministry committed or rededicated 626 individuals in our community to Christ. In the words of Rev. Trecek, "My main goal is to introduce people to the saving grace found in Jesus Christ."

I would like to acknowledge Rev. Trecek's remarkable tenure as Executive Director of Peoria Rescue Ministries. Rev. Trecek's dedication to the Peoria Rescue Ministries has set a true example of community leadership and what it means to lead as the Lord leads day by day. It is an honor to represent such a charitable organization and I wish the best of luck to Rev. Jerry Trecek as he takes on the role of Director Emeritus focusing on the international ministries.

A TRIBUTE TO THE PERRY LUTHERAN HOME IN THE SECOND SESSION OF THE 114TH CONGRESS

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, November 14, 2016

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate the Perry Lutheran Home in Perry, Iowa, as it celebrates its 60th anniversary this year.

With the help of the Lutheran Home for the Aged Association, the Perry Lutheran Home was opened in 1956 in the former Dallas County Hospital building. Over the years, the Home has continued to expand to better serve those who needed its care. Their mission remains constant: "to treat each resident and

tenant with respect in a cheerful, loving atmosphere that will encourage a positive attitude among and between those who are served and those who do the serving." Though 60 years can change any organization, the care and compassion of the staff of the Perry Lutheran Home has never wavered. Our communities are stronger because of the Perry Lutheran Home. I am confident that it will continue that excellence for another 60 years.

I thank The Perry Lutheran Home for their 60 years of service and know my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives join me in congratulating them on this momentous occasion.

CONGRATULATING NADINE
WHITTED ON HER RETIREMENT

HON. NYDIA M. VELÁZQUEZ

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, November 14, 2016

Ms. VELÁZQUEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Nadine Whitted on her retirement. Nadine is retiring from serving as the District Manager of Community Board 4 in Bushwick, a New York City agency established to identify the needs of our community and advocate through city government to meet those requirements. In her role, she was a strong voice for local residents, community groups, small business and more. Nadine worked closely with community board members to ensure that recommended policies, capital and expense budget priorities were addressed by City government.

Born in Brooklyn, Nadine is the second child born to Rose Rucker and Emerson Whitted. Receiving an award for Outstanding Service to the Senior Class Graduating of Bushwick High School in 1972 officially accentuated the beginning of her love of service delivery and laboring on the behalf of others. She attended Brooklyn College for four years majoring in Education. In 1977, during the NYC fiscal crisis, Nadine applied for a position at Brooklyn Community Board #4 and was hired as an Administrative Aide approximately three days prior to the Black Out of July 1977.

Within two years she was elevated to the position of Assistant District Manager; under this new title she began attending more meetings with the community, city agencies, elected public officials and organizations. The neighborhood's distinction as the poorest community district in the city fueled Nadine to work harder and advocate with passion and persistence for the residents.

In 1986 Nadine was given the opportunity to become District Manager and after much consideration and prompting by many community board members and other leaders Nadine accepted the position gladly. She served under the direction and leadership of Ms. Julie Dent—Chairperson of Community Board #4 and its members.

Nadine is retiring after faithfully and professionally serving the community for over 40 years.

Nadine has a wealth of knowledge and experience that will surely be missed by all who have had the pleasure to work with her, but I am certain that she is looking forward to this exciting next chapter in her life.

I thank Nadine Whitted for her community service and longtime dedication to not only

Brooklyn, but the city of New York. I wish her all the best and congratulate her on her retirement.

A TRIBUTE TO MARGARET
FLETCHALL IN THE SECOND
SESSION OF THE 114TH CON-
GRESS

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, November 14, 2016

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Ms. Margaret Fletchall on the occasion of her 103rd birthday. She celebrated this life achievement on October 31, 2016.

Our world has changed greatly during the course of Margaret's life. Since her birth, we have revolutionized air travel and walked on the moon. We have invented the television, cellular phones and the internet. We have fought in wars overseas, seen the rise and fall of Soviet communism and witnessed the birth of new democracies. Margaret has lived through 17 United States Presidents and 24 Governors of Iowa. In her lifetime, the population of the United States has more than tripled.

Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to represent Margaret Fletchall in the United States Congress and it is my pleasure to wish her a very happy 103rd birthday. I invite my colleagues in the House of Representatives to join me in congratulating Margaret on reaching this incredible milestone. We wish her continued good health and happiness in the years to come.

A TRIBUTE TO THE PERRY GOLF
AND COUNTRY CLUB IN THE
SECOND SESSION OF THE 114TH
CONGRESS

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, November 14, 2016

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate the Perry Golf and Country Club in Perry, Iowa, for celebrating its 100th year in business this year.

The Perry Golf and Country Club was founded in 1916, and for a century has given Perry area golfers a place to not only play the game they love, but enjoy time with friends and family as well. In 1916, there was a suitable meadow south of Perry where the local farm owner allowed the golfers to use the field rent-free. Stories are told of men and women, young and old, enjoying their search for a lost golf ball in the open field. But a few years later, when that particular field was to be planted with Iowa corn, the golfers realized they needed to find a permanent location. Thus, the Perry Golf and Country Club was formally established. In 1923, the original Clubhouse burnt to the ground and all possessions were lost in the fire. A new facility was built in 1924 and the resolve of the Club membership to play another round continues to grow stronger.

The Perry Golf and Country Club has served the community in a wide range of

events, from individual players to groups of all sizes, tournaments, high school golf meets, community members, and organizational fundraisers. The course has also been witness to many holes-in-one, including one skilled local golfer who has had the distinction of making a hole-in-one a miraculous five times.

I know my colleagues in the United States Congress join me in congratulating the Perry Golf and Country Club for its 100 years in golfing recreation. I consider it an honor to represent its members in the United States House of Representatives, and I wish the club nothing but continued success.

A TRIBUTE TO MOUNT AYR PUB-
LIC LIBRARY IN THE SECOND
SESSION OF THE 114TH CON-
GRESS

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, November 14, 2016

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Mount Ayr Public Library in Mount Ayr, Iowa, for celebrating its 100-year anniversary. This is an important milestone in its history of service to the city of Mount Ayr and the surrounding communities.

On September 29, 1913, Mount Ayr citizens met to discuss creating a library in Mount Ayr. Historical records state: "On June 15, 1915, the idea of constructing a building was submitted to a vote of the people. The result of the vote showed that the women were more interested in obtaining the library than the men, as the vote of the women being 212 for, 68 against and the men's vote 180 for to 122 against." An application was made to the Carnegie Foundation and an \$8,000 grant was received to proceed. The women of the community took on additional fundraising efforts to complete the building at a cost of \$10,349.85. The funds were allocated for lighting, furniture, book shelves, outdoor landscaping, service fees and constructing an addition to the building. In September 1916, the cornerstone of the new library was laid.

Over the last century, the Mount Ayr Public Library has successfully met the needs of the community by providing excellent care and necessary services. It serves as a gathering place to develop the interests and imagination of the community. It is an honor to represent the library employees and volunteers in the United States Congress. I know my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating the Mount Ayr Public Library on this historic anniversary, and in wishing it nothing but continued success.

A TRIBUTE TO THE STEVE AND
CHANTELLE JENNETT FAMILY
IN THE SECOND SESSION OF THE
114TH CONGRESS

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, November 14, 2016

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate the Steve and Chantelle Jennett family of Blockton,