

2001, used sustainable materials and building techniques and serves as a model for innovative architecture. To accommodate a growing student body, Sonoma State University doubled the capacity of residential housing, offering students diverse housing options. Through Dr. Armiñana's vision, the University opened the Donald & Maureen Green Music Center and its acoustically-perfect Joan and Sanford I. Weill Hall.

An enthusiastic community servant, Dr. Armiñana shares his educational expertise by serving on the North Bay Leadership Council and the Corporation for Education Network Initiatives in California, and maintains memberships in the Hispanic Association of College and Universities and the Santa Rosa Chamber Business Education Leaders Committee. Dr. Armiñana has championed Sonoma State University's commitment to diversity with the President's Diversity Council, and established the successful Osher Lifelong Learning Institute to expand services for students over the age of 50.

Mr. Speaker, Dr. Armiñana has dedicated over two decades to ensuring the success of Sonoma State University. Therefore, it is fitting and proper that we honor him here today.

HONORING WHITE'S CHAPEL M. B. CHURCH

**HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON**

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 12, 2016*

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor White's Chapel M. B. Church, Jackson, Mississippi.

The White's Chapel Missionary Baptist Church was organized under the pastorage of Rev. D. J. White, in the home of sister Julia Taylor located at 734 South West Street in the year 1920. The officers were: Bros. Smith, Belt, Jones, Johnson, Outlaw, Jackson, Taylor and Carter. The mothers board was composed of the following members: Sis Julia Taylor, Sis Viola Taylor and Sis Viola Ward. After four years of hard work, by a group of dedicated members, their dream to build a church became a reality. After the resignation of Rev. White, Rev. Grove served until Rev. Caesar was called.

In 1934, Rev. R. W. C. Smith was called to pastor the White's Chapel Church and served for 36 loyal years. The following officers served under Rev. Smith's leadership: Brothers Seaton, Sparkman, Nelson, Sutton, Shear, Dorsey and Williams. Rev. Smith gave his all to pastoring the church.

After the passing of Rev. R. W. Smith in 1970, Rev. James A. Washington, Sr., was called to pastor the church in the year 1971. Under his pastorship and God's divine leadership the church grew bountifully. While he pastored, members of the Deacon and Trustee Board included: Deacon Shears, Dorsey, Williams, Caston, Jennings, Mix and Trustee Robert Morris.

Under the pastorship of Rev. James A. Washington, they were blessed to have moved from 728 South West Street to their present location, where they have been for the past three years.

Rev. Washington resigned in December of 1982. After weeks of prayers the Lord saw fit

to send to them in February of 1983, the Rev. Nathaniel V. Booker, a great Pastor and Leader. Under his leadership present members of the Deacon Board include: Deacon Hillman Shears, Robert Dorsey, Lewis Williams, Tillman Caston, Charlie Jennings, and Ronnie Mix.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing White's Chapel M. B. Church.

RECOGNIZING CLIFFORD AND ERMA CAMPBELL

**HON. JASON SMITH**

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 12, 2016*

Mr. SMITH of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Clifford and Erma Campbell of Bucyrus, Missouri on receiving this year's Century Farm Award. Receiving this honor is no easy task, and the Campbells have exemplified hard work, perseverance, and dedication to the community throughout their lives. The farm was originally owned by Clifford's grandparents, Edward and Ethel Campbell. The farm was purchased in 1910 and has been in the family for 106 years.

Qualifying to be a Century Farm is a great feat. The farm must be in the same family for at least 100 consecutive years and the original tract of land has to be more than 40 acres. These farms represent an important part of American heritage, feeding generations upon generations and greatly improving the quality of life of Missourians. Their integrity and determination serve as an example of the great work that farmers do for our country.

I applaud the hard work and achievements of the Campbells and look forward to seeing what they accomplish in the future. It is my pleasure to recognize the Campbell family before the House of Representatives.

RECOGNIZING NICKI GROSSMAN ON HER RETIREMENT

**HON. LOIS FRANKEL**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 12, 2016*

Ms. FRANKEL of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the retirement of a woman whose work has greatly benefited the South Florida community. Nicki E. Grossman served for 21 years as the head of the Greater Fort Lauderdale Convention and Visitors Bureau and, before that, served as a commissioner to both the Broward County and Hollywood Commissions.

During her tenure at the Convention and Visitors Bureau, the Broward County hospitality industry grew to employ more than 168,000 people and in 2015 generated \$14.1 billion in revenue with over 15 million visitors.

Under her leadership, the tourism bureau won accolades for its innovative marketing campaigns and efforts to attract LGBTQ visitors. Nicki personally received awards recognizing her outstanding work in the tourism industry and her commitment to diversity.

In honor of her retirement and years of service to her community, I am pleased to recognize Nicki Grossman and wish her the best in her future endeavors.

HONOR FLIGHT OF NORTHERN COLORADO

**HON. KEN BUCK**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 12, 2016*

Mr. BUCK. Mr. Speaker, in honor of America's heroic veterans, the Honor Flight Network conducts a twice annual Honor Flight ceremony to Washington D.C. in order to give our nation's heroes a day to visit and reflect at their war memorials. I am pleased to recognize that an Honor Flight took place on September 13, 2015 to honor the World War II, Korean War, and Vietnam War veterans of Northern Colorado.

Honor Flight Northern Colorado was founded in 2008 by retired Army Colonel Stan Cass, and recently held its 15th Honor Flight. Honor Flight Northern Colorado shares the Honor Flight Network's philosophy that America felt it was important to honor our veterans with dedicated memorials, and it should be equally important that these courageous veterans experience their memorial in person. We honor the brave men and women who were willing to lay down their lives in service to America, and Honor Flight Northern Colorado is part of that ongoing effort.

Mr. Speaker, those who participated in this flight are as follows:

From World War II: Paul Bechthold, Floyd Cooper, Raymond Ernest, Charles Hoelscher, Joseph Isley, Carl Johnson, Frederick Kaehler, Rex McFadden, Allan Meenen, William Ramsey, Donald Stephens, John Ulvang, Ceylon Weller.

From the Korean War: Robert Ault, Adolfo Benavides, Henry Bjorklund, Edwin Bowker, Albert Cain, Kenneth Creamer, Robert Crouch, Gerald Donnelly, Robert Eckhardt, Gary Eyre, William Ferguson, Elmer Fortin, Glen Geilenkirchen, James Gribben, Kent Grimsley, Walter Harris, Warren Hawkins, Carl Heufel, Eugene Hitchman, Neil Hoffman, Frank Hummel, Harold Jochum, Eldon Johnson, Roy Johnson, Michael Kennedy, Jimmie Kramer, Burman Lorensen, Robert McCauley, Gerald Meis, Robert Plick, Donald Reininger, Earl Reynolds, William Richardson, Royal Ryser, Merle Sapp, Raymond Schmitz, Ralph Sherman, Ned Steel, Vernon Sterkel, Richard Vandewalker, Richard Weinmeister, Donald Wiseman, Paul Zimmerman.

From the Vietnam War: Walter Amack, Ernest Anderson, Bruce Avery, Allen Brink, Wayne Burriss, Gary Cain, James Christopher, Richard Cobb, Harold Colaizzi, Harold Collins, William Deivert, Russell Emmons, Michael Ferrell, Osia Fox, Robert Goodwin, Jerald Gossel, Josef Gruenwald, David Hallahan, Charles Ham, Calvin Hamilton, Jr., Arnold Hart, Leland Haskell, Charles Hixon, Michael Jacomet, Dale Jenkins, Doyle Jenkins, Jimmie Johnston, Patrick Kistler, Edward Lobb, Danny Lynn, Thomas Marlo, Manuel Martinez, John McCarthy, Edward Meikel, Marilyn Miyaima, Royce Modisette, Stephen Mulvihill, Charles Munroe, Rueben Olivas, Jr., Edward Olson, Ralph Otte, Stephen Pangrac, Jerry Park, Linda Plick, Thomas Pusel, Phillip Rangel, William Rhodes, John Robley, Rodney Rodriguez, Christopher Romero, Rueben Sanchez, Kenneth Sheppard, Wayne Shortridge, Walter Silva, Dennis Sindelir, James Spears, Thomas Steinbach, Robert Stolz, David Stout, Raymond Stroot, Floyd Taladay, Dennis Teter,

Larry Uhlenkott, Robert Wheeler, Everett Winkler, William Vick, Merle Wood.

It is my distinct pleasure as the U.S. Representative of the 4th District of Colorado, to recognize the honor, courage, and sacrifice of these heroes, along with all members of America's Armed Forces. I thank them for their dedication and service to this nation.

DELANO STUDENTS MAKING A NATIONAL MARK

**HON. TOM EMMER**

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 12, 2016*

Mr. EMMER of Minnesota. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate Gretchen Ness, Naomi Thoelke and Liliana Schroedl, all students from Delano, Minnesota who have received national recognition for producing a documentary on water pollution.

These incredible seventh grade students entered their documentary into C-SPAN's national StudentCam competition, which is meant to highlight issues students hope to see the candidates discuss during the Presidential election.

All of the girls are pet owners and thought of this project because they were deeply concerned with how water pollution negatively affects animals and the environment. Among the thousands of documentaries that were submitted, their documentary was one of fifty chosen for a prize—true testimony to a job well done.

I thank Gretchen, Naomi, and Liliana for taking an interest in our country and the environment. Our students are the future of this nation, and these three young girls make me believe that the future of this nation is a bright one.

HONORING JERRY M. JUDIN

**HON. DANIEL M. DONOVAN, JR.**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 12, 2016*

Mr. DONOVAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor former Staten Island resident Jerry Judin's endless commitment to legal service in the public interest.

Jerry's career as a public servant began as a Ranger for the National Park Service assigned to Liberty Island and the Statue of Liberty. After a short stint serving the public safety as an Air Traffic Controller, Jerry returned to school, attending night classes at Brooklyn Law School. Following law school, Jerry spent two years working for the Richmond County Family Court, before transferring to the Richmond County Surrogate's Court in 1982.

For the last 34 years, Jerry has been a fixture in the Surrogate's Court, and in April of 2006 he was made the first ever Supervising Court Attorney in the Surrogate's Court. As he approaches retirement, he caps his career having served three Surrogates, the people of Staten Island, and the attorneys of Staten Island for a total of 36 years. He has served his community by lecturing before civic organizations on Staten Island, and the Richmond County Bar Association. He has taught Busi-

ness Law at the College of Staten Island, as well as at Rutgers, while also serving on the Board of Directors of Meals on Wheels of Staten Island.

Mr. Speaker, it is right and proper that we recognize Jerry Judin's dedication to serving his community and the legal profession. I thank him for all of his great work and I am proud to honor this great man who has consistently put others before himself.

HONORING EYESHINE CREATIVE ARTS COMPANY

**HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON**

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 12, 2016*

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a remarkable minority business, EyeShine Creative Arts Company of Clinton, Mississippi and the great leadership it is under.

EyeShine Creative Arts Company is a locally owned and operated Christian faith-based dance company and ministry that provide quality education and training for multiple dance disciplines. ECAC serves as a conduit to stage productions, TV commercials, dance competitions, and other events that allow dancers to showcase their God-given talents. EyeShine offers workshops, after school programs, Spring and Summer camps, and fitness focus classes—"Fit to Dance", that broaden the creative experiences of dancers while developing levels of competence and confidence. The goal is not only to provide quality dance education, but also to educate, empower, and inspire the minds of students in a Christian environment.

Shawuanna, the founder of EyeShine Creative Arts Company, started her dance journey at the age of 4 years old. By age 6, she was performing with the "Eye of the Tiger" dance company founded and produced by Beverly Branson and her sister, a stage and television actress, Dr. Tonea Stewart. Shawuanna began performing in stage productions by the age of 7. In 1985, she was selected for the Academic and Performing Arts Complex (APAC) program, where she studied ballet, modern, and jazz at Ballet Mississippi. After experiencing traumatic situations as a teenager, Shawuanna turned to dance as a creative outlet and spiritual solace. She decided to focus on becoming a more diversified dance artist, expanding her studies from acrobatic creative dance, to more contemporary dance styles, such as: jazz, hip hop, Middle Eastern, and inspirational.

In 2004, Shawuanna relocated to Atlanta, Georgia and began working within the burgeoning entertainment industry, working with various, well-known R&B and Hip Hop artists throughout the metro Atlanta area. It was in Atlanta where she began to hone her craft as a choreographer and develop essential relationships and knowledge of the dance & entertainment industry. Inspired by FAITH and always the artist and educator at heart, in 2010, Shawuanna founded EyeShine Creative Arts Company.

Today, in addition to operating EyeShine Creative Arts Company and non-profit organization, EyeShine Inc., Shawuanna, choreographs and ministers with the National

Baptist Convention, Inc. USA dance ministry, ministers to General Missionary Baptist State Convention of Mississippi, instructs dance for Fairview Learning Academy, Agape' Phaze II Academy, Girl Scouts of Greater MS. She also choreographs and ministers for church home, Grace Inspirations, various community events, and conferences locally and throughout the southeastern region.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing EyeShine Creative Arts Company for its dedication to serving our great state of Mississippi and our country.

RECOGNIZING USNS "BRUNSWICK" AND BRUNSWICK, GEORGIA'S INVOLVEMENT DURING WORLD WAR II

**HON. EARL L. "BUDDY" CARTER**

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 12, 2016*

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Brunswick, Georgia's involvement in the United States' World War II effort and, in turn, the newly commissioned United States Naval Ship (USNS) *Brunswick*.

Soon after the United States' entrance into World War II, German U-Boats began to sink American cargo ships at an unprecedented rate—stalling America's war machine and creating a severe crisis for American ships at sea.

In 1942, to curtail the crisis, Vice Admiral Emory S. "Jerry" Land contacted the J.A. Jones Construction Company of Brunswick, Georgia, with a request to build the fastest cargo ships of the time. Although J.A. Jones was a "building" contractor company with no previous experience in building sea-going vessels, J.A. Jones unbelievably met the challenge.

The company produced 99 ships in 2 years. In December 1944, the U.S. Navy requested 6 ships built that month and J.A. Jones responded by building 7. The J.A. Jones employees even worked through Christmas Day and denied receiving a payment for the extra ship they built.

I rise today to recognize these brave men and women from Brunswick, Georgia, who kept America's war machine running through World War II as well as the USNS *Brunswick*, which was named in honor of the men and women of Brunswick's effort during the war. I wish the sailors of the USNS *Brunswick* the best in living up to the name of their ship.

TRIBUTE TO MR. ART PING LEE FOR HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE ASIAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITY

**HON. CHRIS VAN HOLLEN**

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 12, 2016*

Mr. VAN HOLLEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Mr. Art Ping Lee on his outstanding contributions to Chinese communities throughout the United States and his leadership in the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area.

Mr. Lee immigrated to the United States from the Guangdong Province of the Republic