

friendship with the Serbian people. Our troops fought side-by-side in both World War I and World War II, forging a strong bond between our nations. Today, Serbia remains an indispensable ally of the U.S. as we confront challenges like ISIS together. This relationship has only deepened over the years due to our shared dedication to democracy and freedom.

I recently returned from a trip to Serbia where I met with President Vucic and Prime Minister Brnabic. They are great friends to America and excellent representatives for Serbia. In our meetings they made clear how much the relationship with the United States matters to the security and prosperity of their country. Their only ask, was that America continues to stand by Serbia as it works to integrate closer with the West. While I am retiring from Congress at the end of this year, and unfortunately leaving my post as co-chair of the Serbia caucus, I assured them that there was no doubt that the U.S. is committed to its friendship with Serbia so long as Serbia remains committed to peace and democracy.

Serbia has no stronger partner on than the United States. We have shown this in action. For example, about 60 percent of Serbia's overseas military training and education takes place within the United States. Serbia recognized the value of this relationship and signed an agreement to deepen cooperation with the U.S. and our NATO allies two years ago. This is a big deal considering just 20 years ago, NATO and Serbia were on opposite sides of a war.

Beyond military cooperation, we are also working to forge closer economic ties and strengthen Serbia's democracy. Rule of law and transparency are making major gains in Serbia that will allow for increased American investment. All of this will bring our countries closer together, ensuring bright peaceful futures for the Balkan region and ourselves.

Belgrade and Washington must continue to build our partnership to accomplish our shared goals. I am excited to see the ties between our countries grow. I am convinced that so long as we remain committed to democratic values, America and Serbia will have an enduring friendship for generations.

And that's just the way it is.

HONORING THE LIFE AND SERVICE
OF JOHN SNYDER

HON. JACK BERGMAN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. BERGMAN. Mr. Speaker, on this Veterans Day weekend, it is my honor to recognize the life of John Snyder. As a proud Veteran of the Second World War and an upstanding member of his community, John is an indispensable part of Michigan's First District.

John served in the U.S. Navy as a pilot from 1940 until 1945—from before the attack on Pearl Harbor to when we reached the shores of Japan. He served as a flight instructor and flight leader, never losing a pilot under his command. During the Island-Hopping campaign, John flew throughout the South Pacific on his Grumman F6F Hellcat fighter and shot down several enemy aircraft over the course of the war. As an officer with several decorations, John is proud of his military service and enjoys sharing his experience with others.

For the United States, World War II was a turning point. As citizens, we found strength in a common purpose, found the ties that bind us together, and displayed the impenetrable force of American democracy. Over 400,000 American lives were lost—lives given in the defense of freedom. We owe John and his brothers in arms an enormous debt of gratitude. Veterans Day weekend gave those in Michigan's First District an opportunity to show their thanks for the sacrifices demanded of John and all of our servicemen and women. He has served our nation willingly, honorably, and without bias. John was recognized on Veterans Day, November 11th, at American Legion Post 114 in Greenwood, Michigan.

Mr. Speaker, it's my honor today to acknowledge the extraordinary life of John Snyder. I ask that you join with me and the people of Michigan's First District in thanking him for his unwavering commitment to our nation and its people.

IN RECOGNITION OF JACK HENZES
ON HIS INDUCTION TO THE
PENNSYLVANIA SPORTS HALL
OF FAME

HON. MATT CARTWRIGHT

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. CARTWRIGHT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor coach Jack Henzes, who was inducted to the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame on November 3, 2018. Henzes was among those honored during the annual meeting of the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame held in Plains, PA.

Henzes has been coaching football at Dunmore High School since 1971, where he led the Bucks to a Class A state championship in 1989. His record of 421 wins, 159 losses, and 8 ties positions him as the winningest active Pennsylvania coach. Under his tutelage, Dunmore has won ten district titles, including four straight titles, and the Bucks are currently the defending District 2 Class 2A Champion. Henzes was inducted to the Luzerne County Sports Hall of Fame in 1989, made a member of the 200 Wins Club by the Pennsylvania Coaches Association, and inducted to the National High School Coaches Hall of Fame in 2009.

It is an honor to recognize Coach Henzes' impressive coaching career. It is fitting that he should be inducted as a member of the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame. I join with the members of the Hall of Fame in recognizing his illustrious career and profound impact on the Dunmore High School football program and two generations of student-athletes.

IN RECOGNITION OF MRS. SARAH
STEWART

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, it is with a heavy heart and solemn remembrance that I rise today to pay tribute to an outstanding businesswoman, dedicated public

servant, mentor to many, and compassionate philanthropist, Mrs. Sarah Stewart. Sadly, Mrs. Stewart passed away on Tuesday, October 23, 2018 at the age of 83. The funeral service was held on Thursday, November 1, 2018, at 2 p.m. at the Stewart Community Home in Columbus, Georgia.

At the age of fifteen, Sarah, already an accomplished homemaker, married Harold Stewart, an airman, and traveled with him to his various assignments. Their family would later expand with the arrival of their six children. As a military family of eight, the Stewarts found time to serve as active volunteers in their communities, once heading three Girl Scout troops simultaneously.

Sarah's passion for service and philanthropy continued during her career as a midwife in the Philippines, an operating room supervisor in the Raiford Prison Hospital, and an active parole volunteer for VISTA. After serving at Raiford and reuniting with her father who was living in poverty, she was inspired to open a "boarding care home" to help people in similar conditions who were medically or financially ineligible for nursing home care. During one of her many visits to her mother in Columbus, Georgia, she spotted an ancient, deteriorating home at 1400 Third Avenue that she wanted to rent and renovate. Everyone thought she was crazy to rent this home because of the extensive damage and the costly repair required to fix it. Nevertheless, Mrs. Stewart did not allow the opinions of her critics to deter her vision. In April 1976, (a month after obtaining the property) and with the help of family and the manager of the rental property, she opened "The Home for Senior Citizens" (now The Stewart Community Home), the first boarding care home in the community.

Over the years, the Stewart Community Home expanded to include several homes throughout the Columbus area. Then, on April 30, 1994, when Columbus native Dorothy (Dot) Wells Knight died, the Knight Foundation, Inc. honored her by making a substantial donation to the Stewart Community Home, her favorite charity. This allowed for the purchase of the Edwina Wood School and sparked a nearly two million dollar renovation project, allowing for the housing of seventy-six residents.

Maya Angelou once said, "A great soul serves everyone all the time. A great soul never dies." Sarah Stewart was one such great soul, who served humanity in a special way. Each day she graced the people around her with an enthusiastic sincerity of presence. Her legacy on this earth extends beyond herself to those whom she inspired and supported. For her selfless dedication to others, she will always be remembered.

Sarah accomplished many things in her life but none of these would have been possible without the enduring support of her husband, Harold; their children, David, Harold, Jr., Charles, Carolyn, Ruth, and Teresa; and the countless others who positively impacted her life over the years.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join my wife Vivian and me, along with the more than 730,000 people of the Second Congressional District, in paying tribute to Mrs. Sarah Stewart, for her outstanding legacy of service and philanthropy as we extend our deepest condolences to Sarah's family and friends. We pray that they will be consoled and comforted by an abiding faith in the Holy Spirit in the days, weeks, and months ahead.