

providing a positive venue for residents and children to celebrate Christmas. There is no cost to attend the Family Christmas Extravaganza as everything is absolutely FREE to the public. The sponsors of this annual event have committed to serving others during this Christmas season and that's what makes the Family Christmas Extravaganza so special.

The Heritage High School and Bayside High School Marching Bands will be performing along with local band members. This year the Family Christmas Extravaganza will feature Beckah Shae, a popular American Christian-pop-worship singer-songwriter. "I am excited and honored to participate in such a worthwhile event, and I am grateful to be able to bring my talents to share with the community with a message of Hope," said Shae.

Senior Pastor Ken Delgado of The House at Palm Bay said: "With today's news being filled with division, contention and expressions of hatred, it is exciting to see the City of Palm Bay, along with the city's businesses and the citizens, create an event where love, joy and peace are expressed. The Family Christmas Extravaganza is the greatest expression that so many people yearn for, and is what the angels proclaimed at the birth of Jesus, saying 'Peace and good will towards all men.'"

This year the City of Palm Bay issued a proclamation designating December 15, 2018 Family Christmas Extravaganza Day. Mayor William Capote said: "The Family Christmas Extravaganza is a wonderful annual tradition in the great City of Palm Bay. I am proud to be the Mayor of a City where groups like The House church spend so much time and energy selflessly giving back to our community. The House has captured the giving spirit of the holiday season with this event, providing a day of celebration and Christmas joy completely free of charge. I've seen the positive impact of the Extravaganza over the years and I am excited to see this event continue to grow!"

Reverend Rob Medina, Director of Ministries at The House at Palm Bay said: "The Family Christmas Extravaganza has exponentially grown throughout the years because of the collaboration of so many entities. The template we use of partnership with Government, Churches, and Businesses should be replicated throughout our nation and moreover the entire globe. It is an outstanding example of sharing the Christmas Spirit as we acknowledge the Greatest Gift freely given to mankind. We celebrate the birth of Jesus, so we proudly say Happy Birthday Jesus."

Many communities across our great nation have seized upon this opportunity to spread the Christmas spirit, through good deeds and charitable acts. I ask my colleagues to join me in saluting these great Americans and in congratulating all those who have worked so hard to make the Annual Family Christmas Extravaganza possible.

CLAIRE SATTLER

HON. FRANCIS ROONEY

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 28, 2018

Mr. FRANCIS ROONEY of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Claire Sattler on her impressive victory at the 2018

Teen Jeopardy Tournament. Claire worked very studiously leading up to and throughout the tournament. I am honored that she admirably represented our Bonita Springs community in front of a national audience.

Claire was rewarded with \$100,000 which she will use to pay for her college tuition. She has applied to 14 colleges and with her work ethic and determination, I know she will succeed as she pursues higher education.

Further, she plans on donating a portion of her earnings to charities, such as Stem4Students and Immokalee's Guadalupe Center. It is fitting that she chose to give back to further education for others. Our Southwest Florida community is grateful for her contributions.

HONORING WADE AND GERTRUDE
WHITAKER

HON. LUKE MESSER

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 28, 2018

Mr. MESSER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today, on behalf of the entire 6th Congressional District of Indiana, to recognize Wade and Gertrude Whitaker for their contribution to our state and their community.

Wade and Gertrude have made a positive and lasting impact in Connorsville and embody exactly what "Hoosier hospitality" is meant to be. I could always count on them, and I know our state is better off today because of their extraordinary leadership and service in Fayette County.

On a personal note, the Whitakers were among my earliest and most vocal supporters. They are loyal confidants and wise advisers. I want to thank them for their friendship and support of my work in Congress. I wish them continued success in all that God has planned for their family.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 28, 2018

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Mr. Speaker, on November 14, 2018, I missed roll call 418.

Had I voted on roll call 418, providing for consideration of H.R. 6784, the Manage our Wolves Act; and providing for proceedings during the period from November 19, 2018, through November 26, 2018, I would have voted "No."

IN APPRECIATION OF THE
SERVICE OF DOUG ANDERSON

HON. EDWARD R. ROYCE

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 28, 2018

Mr. ROYCE of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to express my gratitude to Doug Anderson, and to commend his outstanding service as General Counsel and Parliamentarian to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

Twenty-two years into his Capitol Hill career, Doug is a cherished Committee institution. Sharp-eyed observers will note that whenever I preside over a Committee markup or manage Floor debate, Doug is sitting right there next to me. His notes have assisted numerous victories, and avoided a few disasters. But that is just a tiny part of what he does.

Day in and day out, for years, Doug has provided wise counsel to me, to my predecessor ILEANA ROS-LEHTINEN, and to her predecessor, the late Henry Hyde. He has helped to draft and negotiate hundreds of successful bills and resolutions on key foreign policy issues—from North Korea, to State Department authorities, to the fight against modern slavery. You can see his commitment to human dignity not only in his legislative work, but also in the way he treats all of his colleagues, on both sides of the aisle. He is a man of uncommon judgment, even temperament, and genuine good humor.

Even more than his issues, Doug loves his family. I want to thank his wife Rebecca and their children—Sarah, Emily, Ian, and Chloe—for sharing him during the many hours that he has dedicated to the work of this House. They can be proud of his service, as I am proud of what we have accomplished together during these past six years.

HONORING THE 6TH CONGRESSIONAL
DISTRICT MANUFACTURING
ADVISORY COMMITTEE

HON. LUKE MESSER

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 28, 2018

Mr. MESSER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the individuals who served on the 6th Congressional District Manufacturing Advisory Committee.

The members of the Advisory Committee met with my team regularly to discuss emerging manufacturing issues that are impacting Indiana. Manufacturing accounts for nearly one-third of the total GDP in Indiana and manufacturers employ more than a half of a million Hoosiers across our state. The Committee's valuable insight helped me better represent Hoosiers in the 6th Congressional District in Congress.

I would like to thank all of the members of the Committee, including Jody Fledderman, John Meredith, Chris King, Whitney Foughty, Dominic Grote, John Linville, Kevin Ahaus, Lawrence McCormack, Lisa Kobe, Mike Wickersham, Ryan Hou, Sue Smith, Timothy Rushenberg, Tom Ryder, and Blair Wheat.

I appreciate their service on the Advisory Committee and their dedication to making Indiana a better place to live for all Hoosiers. I wish all of them continued success in whatever God has in store for them and their families.

HONORING THE LIFE AND SERVICE
OF SGT. LEANDRO JASSO

HON. DAVID G. REICHERT

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 28, 2018

Mr. REICHERT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life, service, and sacrifice of Sgt.