

At end of 2018, Butterfield bought in to the business and is now a co-owner alongside Paquette. Butterfield, an East Montpelier native and graduate of the New England Culinary Institute, has been with Sarducci's for nearly seven years. His experience pre-Sarducci's included running kitchens in tourist locales from Charleston, S.C. to Stowe.

"When a sous chef position opened [in 2012], I jumped at the chance. I was ready to move back home, and I fell in love with this place on day one," Butterfield said.

Butterfield said that Sarducci's has a family atmosphere amongst its employees that's unique to other places he's worked. Paquette added that several employees have been with the restaurant for years and even decades.

Butterfield was promoted to head chef in 2014; around the same time Korshak decided to retire, leaving Paquette as sole owner. But the demands of running one of the city's most popular restaurants became challenging for one person. Butterfield pitched himself to be Sarducci's next co-owner. Paquette knew it would be the right fit.

"He's so good at what he does, he's super smart, and his ego doesn't get in the way. That last part is very important," she said.

Sarducci's 25-year story is one of growth and consistency. Customers know what they'll get each time they walk through the doors. The pollo al marsala and salmone cucina remain the most popular menu items, as they have since the first year.

"Montpelier has changed a lot, but we're still here. We're still serving great Italian food that's affordable, fresh, and locally sourced," Butterfield said.

S. 47

Mr. CARDIN. Madam President, I am pleased that today the Senate passed S. 47, a bipartisan package of conservation and natural resources bills that will help preserve irreplaceable historic sites and conserve unique wildlife throughout my State of Maryland.

I worked with my counterpart, the junior Senator from Maryland, to secure multiple provisions in the bill recognizing the historical and cultural significance of great places, including Baltimore's President Street Station, the oldest surviving urban railroad terminal in America, as well as Public School 103, the elementary school where Justice Thurgood Marshall first learned many of the lessons that would make him a legendary lawyer and American jurist.

For years, we have worked to move Justice Marshall's elementary school and President Street Station closer to improved, permanent preservation so that current and future generations can learn the facts about Baltimore's role in the American Civil War and in the Civil Rights movement. In addition, the public lands package includes permanent reauthorization of the Land and Water Conservation Fund, which has been a vital tool for securing public access in the Chesapeake Bay Watershed through the creation of treasured parks, refuges, community green spaces, battlefields, and habitat conservation and restoration projects.

S. 47 also includes reauthorization of the Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act, which promotes long-

term conservation, education, research, monitoring, and habitat protection activities for more than 380 species of migratory birds, including Maryland's State bird, the Baltimore Oriole.

The Baltimore Oriole and other migratory birds are critical indicators of the health of Maryland's ecosystems, agriculture, and outdoor recreation economy.

I am also delighted the package includes the Appalachian Forest National Heritage Area Act, legislation I cosponsored led by my colleagues in the Senate delegation from West Virginia. This bipartisan legislation proposes to protect forest management heritage in portions of West Virginia, as well as two counties in western Maryland, and to develop interpretive and recreational themes. This will bring visitors and small business development to this remarkable region.

No compromise is perfect, but this package will advance priorities in every corner of my State that have been years in the making. I applaud Senate passage of this landmark legislation.

REMEMBERING JOHN D. DINGELL

Ms. STABENOW. Madam President, I wish to pay tribute to a true Michigan and American legend: the Dean of the House and my longtime friend, Congressman John D. Dingell.

Congressman Dingell ably represented his district for 59 years, the longest tenure of any Member in history. However, his service to our Nation started long before that.

He was there on the House floor as a page on December 8, 1941, to hear President Roosevelt declare that the bombing of Pearl Harbor was "a day which will live in infamy." Three years later, he joined the Army to fight against Nazi Germany. He would have been in the Battle of the Bulge if he hadn't been hospitalized with meningitis. Later, he was 3 days away from shipping out to the Pacific Theater to take part in a ground invasion of Japan when the atomic bombs were dropped.

So John Dingell proved his patriotism long before he joined Congress in 1955, following the death of his beloved father, who preceded him as Representative for Michigan's 15th Congressional District.

When he joined Congress, there was no Interstate Highway System. Alaska and Hawaii were not yet States, and Medicare and Medicaid did not exist yet. In fact, he helped vote these life-saving programs into law.

Congressman Dingell was not merely a witness to history. He was a maker of it. His original family name, translated into Polish, meant "blacksmith." That was fitting because this was a man who hammered out our Nation's laws, forging a stronger union that could weather the challenges of the future.

Perhaps his most courageous vote occurred in 1964, in favor of the Civil

Rights Act. Advisers told him that vote would destroy his chances at reelection; yet Congressman Dingell had faith in his constituents, and he refused to compromise his principles for the sake of political survival.

Healthcare was one of his passions, one that he inherited from his father. John Dingell, Sr., introduced a bill for universal healthcare in 1945 and continued to fight for it till the end of his life.

John Dingell, Jr., adopted that cause from his first day as his father's successor. He always believed that every American should have access to healthcare, and he never stopped working to make that goal a reality.

As a boy, he lived through America's Great Depression, and as a Congressman, he helped to overcome America's Great Recession.

He witnessed the rise of the automobile industry and saw how those unionized workers built America's middle class. Then he led efforts with me and others in the Michigan delegation to make sure that American autos and American workers could compete on an even playing field.

While scientific consensus was still forming about how pollution threatened our air, land, and water, John Dingell wrote the Endangered Species Act in 1973 and the major expansion of the Clean Air Act in 1990.

He led our efforts to create the first national wildlife refuge in North America and teamed up with me and my friend and former colleague, Senator Levin, to make the River Raisin Battlefield a national park.

John Dingell loved Michigan. He understood the connection our people have to manufacturing, to agriculture, and to the land and our Great Lakes.

Even during the years he spent chairing the House Energy and Commerce Committee, when Congressman Dingell was one of the most powerful Members of Congress, you could still find him riding atop a Ford Mustang convertible at Dearborn's Memorial Day Parade or at a booth at the Monroe County Fair.

The people of his district never doubted his dedication. That is why they would still put "Dingell for Congress" signs on their lawn, long after his district boundaries had changed. If a piece of Southeast Michigan was "Dingell Country" once, then it was Dingell Country forever.

This was not a man eager to retire; he loved his job too much. He considered it an enormous privilege, one that gave meaning and purpose to his life. He fought for his constituents until his health prevented him from fighting anymore.

And he felt great pride and his constituents felt great comfort knowing that the district would remain in the hands of his beloved wife, DEBBIE, who was his closest confidant for more than 40 years and understood him better than anyone.

I know that all of us are sending her and their family and many friends our love and support at this time.