

moment of his life: The American flag was slowly raised over the town of Moosburg. There wasn't a dry eye in the camp.

Robert recently passed away, peacefully, with his family at his side.

I am honored to have gotten to know this brave American and his family. He didn't like to be called a hero, but that doesn't change the fact that he certainly was one.

God rest in peace, Robert Pioli.

AVIATION SAFETY

(Ms. JACKSON LEE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Madam Speaker, I serve on the Homeland Security Committee, and I have done so since the heinous act of 9/11.

I have a great deal of faith in the aviation industry of this Nation, but I want to offer my deepest sympathy to the people of Ethiopia and Indonesia.

In the instance of the Ethiopian flight, some eight Americans died. Ethiopian Americans have been calling my office saddened by the fact that some of their relatives, who are very special to them, lost their life.

I called, earlier today, for the grounding of the 737 Max 8 not because I don't have faith in America's genius, but because I believe people are number one and first. Pilots count, flight attendants count, and passengers count.

It is time for the FAA to remove their fear and to be able to assess a temporary grounding of this aircraft so that all of the systems can be checked, even the one that is automatic that the pilot is to release, which is alleged did not happen, but to release in order to save lives.

These planes, this aircraft, should be grounded now, and I will be sending a letter to the FAA to demand that.

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HONORING DAN JENKINS

(Mr. WILLIAMS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. WILLIAMS. Madam Speaker, I would like to take this time to honor a great man and even better friend, Mr. Dan Jenkins, who passed away last Thursday at the age of 90.

Many of us know Mr. Jenkins as a sports and literary icon. He wrote for "The Washington Post", "Sports Illustrated", "Golf Digest", and the list goes on.

He won countless awards and authored more than 20 books, all the while representing our shared alma mater, Texas Christian University.

He was a true sports phenomenon, and he greatly impacted my life. In fact, he played a role in my decision to attend and play baseball at TCU. He was a vital member of the Horned Frogs golf team and has always been a regular at TCU sporting events.

Just recently, the school named the press box at Amon G. Carter Stadium after him. At 90, you may wonder what kept Mr. Jenkins going all these years.

The answer is that he never stopped writing. He was quoted as saying: "I want to keep my mind active. I don't believe in retirement. Everybody who retires too early dies too early."

Sadly, no matter what age Mr. Jenkins left this Earth, it would have been too soon.

I join the Fort Worth community in mourning an absolute legend in sports and in the media, but I take comfort in knowing his legacy will carry on for generations to come.

I hope you join me in praying for Mr. Jenkins' wife, June; his sons, Danny and Marty; and his daughter, Sally, during this difficult time.

May God bless their family, and most importantly: Go Frogs.

In God we trust.

CONGRATULATING GOOSE ISLAND AND BISHOP ENGLAND GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAMS

(Mr. CUNNINGHAM asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. CUNNINGHAM. Madam Speaker, today I rise to acknowledge the remarkable accomplishments of both the Bishop England High School girls basketball team and the Goose Creek High School girls basketball team, who are South Carolina's State champs in the class AAA and AAAAA, respectively.

The Lady Gators rallied from behind to defeat Spring Valley with just seconds left in the game. Senior Mary Davis scored two free throw points to send the Goose Creek girls ahead. And then, with less than half a second on the clock, Shayla Nelson swatted a last-second attempt to defeat them.

The very next day, the Lady Bishops beat Keenan High School for their sixth state title in the last 8 years, captured on the front page of "The Post and Courier" back home in Charleston.

I would say that that makes for quite a sports dynasty. It was a great season for Lowcountry basketball. And as a former high school basketball player myself, I could not be more impressed and proud of the Bishop England and the Goose Creek girls basketball teams. Onward towards next season.

REMEMBERING THE LIFE OF JAMES "JAMIE" PARKER

(Mr. CARTER of Georgia asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to remember the life of James "Jamie" Parker, who passed away on Monday, February 25, at the age of 65.

Upon his passing, Mr. Parker had worked for 10 years as the editor for

"Bryan County Now" as well as the night editor for the "Savannah Morning News."

He reported on nearly everything happening in Richmond Hill, from sporting events to city council hearings, tear-jerking accidents, and stories where individuals made heartwarming contributions to their community.

His friends remember Mr. Parker not only as a trustworthy journalist reporting on these stories, but also a great friend and having a heart as big as the country.

Deeply dedicated to his community, he attended more local sporting events than anyone else in town.

My thoughts and prayers are with his family, friends, and the entire Richmond Hill community during this difficult time.

CELEBRATING OAKLAND LITERACY COUNCIL'S 35TH ANNIVERSARY

(Mr. LEVIN of Michigan asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. LEVIN of Michigan. Madam Speaker, I am proud to rise today in celebration of the 35th anniversary of the Oakland Literacy Council.

Since the Oakland Literacy Council was formed in 1984, volunteers have helped thousands of adult learners improve their literacy skills with the simple method of one neighbor helping another.

The dedicated and trained volunteers of the Oakland Literacy Council provide free basic literacy and English language instruction to adults who live in Oakland County, Michigan.

For 35 years, the efforts of the Oakland Literacy Council have helped residents, students, and workers improve their English language skills so that they may communicate with their child's teacher, enhance their skills for a GED or to become a citizen of the United States, and improve their reading to receive promotions at work.

I commend the tireless work of the Oakland Literacy Council as it continues to improve the lives of Oakland County residents and strengthen the fabric of our southeastern Michigan community.

RECOGNIZING JAN GEE

(Mrs. RODGERS of Washington asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. RODGERS of Washington. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Jan Gee, the President and CEO of the Washington Food Industry Association.

Jan was recently presented the Woman of the Year award from the Women Grocers of America.

She has dedicated more than 30 years to being a voice for small businesses in