

life to the fullest. This should be an inspiration for all of us to both persevere through tribulations, while also celebrating the gift of life.

Mr. Torpy's family and friends will be in my thoughts and prayers during this most difficult time.

RECOGNIZING CECIL BOSWELL

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Cecil Boswell, an American hero from Georgia who served our Nation during World War II.

Originally from Gainesville, Georgia, Mr. Boswell deployed on the beaches of Normandy during D-Day and fought in the Battle of the Bulge, where he participated in wrestling Europe from Nazi control and also contributed to a historical turning point in Western civilization.

Dodging close calls of his own, Mr. Boswell experienced, firsthand, the bravery and sacrifice of his fellow American soldiers. Until he passed away in 2017 at the age of 99, he was known for his abundant patriotism, always flying an American flag in his yard, displaying his war medals in his home, and marching every year in the annual Gainesville Memorial Day Parade.

On this 75th anniversary of D-Day, I am proud of the rich military heritage of Georgia that helped to secure victory for the Allied Forces. I am especially proud of and thankful for Mr. Boswell for his bravery and service to help defeat tyranny overseas and protect the freedom of all of Western civilization.

RECOGNIZING DENE SHEHEANE

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Dene Sheheane for his work in helping Georgia universities become national leaders in access, affordability, completion rates, and research output.

Mr. Sheheane began his work to better our State's education system nearly 30 years ago when he worked with Governor Zell Miller, who was known for spearheading the most important higher education legislation in the State of Georgia, the HOPE Scholarship.

Since 2014, Mr. Sheheane has continued this effort, working with the community relations department at Georgia Institute of Technology. In this role he has secured Federal funding for financial aid, renewal of the university's library, and projects within the Georgia Tech Research Institute that promote economic development and research of key health and environmental issues.

Because of his accomplishments thus far at Georgia Tech, he was promoted to president of the Georgia Tech Alumni Association, and on July 1 he will begin serving over 160,000 alumni worldwide.

I want to thank Mr. Sheheane for all he has done for the State of Georgia and wish him good luck in all his endeavors to come.

RECOGNIZING BLAIR GREINER

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. FITZPATRICK) for 5 minutes.

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, there is nothing more important than character, and I rise today to recognize an educator from Bucks County, Pennsylvania, who was recently honored as Character Builder of the Year by the Pennsbury LYFT. Blair Greiner, an art teacher at William Penn Middle School, received the award from Pennsbury LYFT leaders Vicky Allen and Gary Sanderson.

The Character Builder of the Year Award is a unique distinction bestowed upon gifted teachers and faculty members who encourage their students to make upright decisions and conduct themselves in a positive manner.

Blair was nominated by several of her colleagues, who described her as a kind and passionate person who is always passionate about her work. They cite a project she spearheaded designing a mural for a retiring colleague and creating a give one, take one initiative that gives students and teachers the ability to write uplifting messages for peers having a tough day.

Mr. Speaker, I congratulate Blair on this well-deserved award and would like to thank LYFT for honoring heroes in our community and for advocating for the youth in Bucks County.

RECOGNIZING THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF PERKASIE

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize a faith community in Bucks County, Pennsylvania, for its innovation in providing pastoral care to members of our community.

The First Baptist Church of Perkasie recently unveiled a community center known as Revivals that serves as a soup kitchen, a counseling center, and a food pantry, among many other purposes.

Throughout the summer, members of First Baptist Church of Perkasie will hit the road with the Revivals block party trailer mobile unit to offer services to our community throughout Bucks County. These family-friendly events, in addition to other faith services, have an array of food and games to serve to bring people together.

Mr. Speaker, I applaud the faith community of First Baptist Church of Perkasie. I would like to especially thank Teaching Pastor Chris Heller, Family Care Pastor Doug Henning, and Ministries Pastor Jon Adams for all of their work that they do for our Bucks County community.

HONORING JESSICA WILCOX AND ALEX GOLDSBY

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize two student athletes in Bucks County, Pennsylvania, that were recently honored at the 21st annual Kiwanis-Herald Scholar-Athlete Awards Banquet in Langhorne.

Jessica Wilcox and Alex Goldsby, seniors at Conwell-Egan Catholic High

School, my alma mater, were recently selected as recipients of the Levittown-Bristol Kiwanis Club Dick Dougherty Scholarship.

A 4-year starter on the Conwell-Egan girls volleyball team, a 4-year member of the softball team, and a two-time first-team all-Catholic selection in bowling, Jessica also served as a member of the student council for 2 years.

As a 2-year starting quarterback for the Conwell-Egan football team, Alex was named the 2018 Philadelphia Catholic League Paul Bartolomeo Top Scholar-Athlete and was a member of the 2018 Archdiocese of Philadelphia Scholar-Athlete Honor Roll. As a starter, Alex threw for 1,972 yards and 21 touchdowns, and he also rushed for over 1,100 yards and 25 touchdowns.

Mr. Speaker, I wish Jessica and Alex all the best as they continue their studies at Bucks County Community College and Ursinus College, respectively, and I congratulate both of them and my alma mater on this amazing distinction.

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The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until noon today.

Accordingly (at 11 o'clock and 23 minutes a.m.), the House stood in recess.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. ROSE of New York) at noon.

PRAYER

Dr. James Merritt, Cross Pointe Church, Duluth, Georgia, offered the following prayer:

Our Father in Heaven, we come thanking You for sending Your Son, Jesus, to die for our sins; for these men and women who have given their lives to public service; and for the freedom and the inalienable rights to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness that come from You, our creator.

I pray for every Member of this sacred House that You would give them the wisdom of Solomon to know what is right and the courage of Daniel to do what is right.

I pray that the golden rule would prevail in their interpersonal relationships. May they be ever mindful that they will give an account to You for every decision they make and every law they pass.

Finally, would You please revive us again that Your people may rejoice in You. Hear our prayer in the name that is above every name, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.