

from 992 students to 7,443, expanded the curriculum from 2-year degree programs to a comprehensive range of baccalaureate and master's degree programs. He did such an exemplary job, they honored him by naming the library after him.

Dr. Rice was also very dedicated to bettering his community. He was a member of countless groups and organizations, such as being on the board of the Evansville Museum of Arts, History and Science, and starting an organization called Leadership Everyone. The group looks to develop leaders in the community who are committed to utilizing inclusion and creativity in order to bring positive change.

Dr. Rice's legacy of service and achieving excellence will live on through all the lives he impacted and through the David L. Rice and Betty Fordice Rice Presidential Scholarship.

Most importantly, his memory will live on through his family. Dr. Rice is survived by his wife of 69 years, Betty "Janey" Fordice Rice, and their two children, along with six grandchildren.

NOW IS TIME TO ACT ON CORONAVIRUS

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

Mr. KILMER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to share my sympathies for lives lost due to the coronavirus and to offer my gratitude to the first responders, healthcare professionals, and others working to respond to this public health emergency.

Now is the time for action.

Last week, Congress approved \$8.3 billion in funding to ensure the Federal Government steps up to the scale and seriousness of this growing crisis: public health funding, support to State and local health agencies, investments in R&D for vaccines, and a measure I led to help our small businesses that are already feeling the impact.

This week, the Federal Government should go further to help workers and families across the country. I am proud the House will be moving to ensure paid sick days and economic assistance for impacted workers, to increase capacity of the medical system, to protect first responders, to make testing more widespread and free, and to ensure access to food for the most vulnerable Americans.

There is no time to waste. The House should act now to ensure the safety and security of the American people.

RECOGNIZING ACHIEVEMENTS OF HAROLD AGNEW

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

Mr. BURCHETT. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the achievements of Harold Agnew, from Knoxville, Tennessee.

At 91 years young, Harold continues to be active in our community through his job as a barber and a gospel musician.

Harold was raised on a farm in South Carolina but came to call Knoxville home in his adult years. For 61 years, Harold has been a barber and still works 6 days a week at Gam's Barber-shop in Mechanicsville.

Anyone who has had their hair cut by Harold will notice something unique about him. He is a gifted singer who sings gospel tunes as he works. He is a member of the group known as Brother Agnew and the Angel Voices, which released their latest album called "Serving the Lord" in November 2019.

At 91 years old, Harold has a cheerful personality and optimistic attitude. He continues to live his life to the fullest, with no intention of taking a step back from his day job.

One of the lyrics from his recent songs is, "but sometimes a nobody is your somebody." Harold believes everyone matters, regardless of who you are. That is a message we can all believe in.

Congratulations, Harold, on all your success. Keep being an outstanding member of our great community.

HONORING PETE TAYLOR, CENTRAL VIRGINIAN OF THE WEEK

(Ms. SPANBERGER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. SPANBERGER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the commitment, selflessness, and advocacy of Peyton "Pete" Taylor, the owner of a community pharmacy in our district and our Central Virginian of the Week.

Mr. TAYLOR graduated from pharmacy school in 1979. After graduating, he began operating Goochland Pharmacy to serve our community and provide patients with healthcare services tailored to their needs.

Despite the evolving pharmaceutical landscape over the past decades, Mr. TAYLOR remains committed to providing personalized service to those in his community. His deep concern for the rising costs of prescription drugs has made him a vocal advocate for the needs of his customers in the Goochland community.

Mr. TAYLOR's knowledge of the challenges facing small business pharmacies has been a vital resource to my team and me, and I am grateful for his thoughtful engagement.

Mr. TAYLOR truly has the best interests of his community at heart, and I thank him for his 40 years of dedicated service to Goochland and the greater Seventh District.

RECOGNIZING ENTREPRENEUR ANGIE RUFF

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

Mr. SPANO. Madam Speaker, today, I rise to recognize Women's History Month, a time to highlight the many often-overlooked female contributions to our national history.

Great women have undoubtedly helped make America great. From the classroom to the boardroom, from Capitol Hill to outer space, their impact is undeniable.

Now, across our land, women-owned businesses are thriving in our booming economy above all others. Over the past 5 years, these businesses have grown by 21 percent, compared to 9 percent across all other sectors.

An example of this entrepreneurial spirit is seen in Lakeland, Florida's own Angie Ruff. Mrs. Ruff opened a dry food manufacturing business in 2018. Through her dedication and passion for creating good local jobs, her warehouse has since tripled in size, and her head count quadrupled. The future for her and other entrepreneurs like her looks bright.

It is because of individuals like Angie Ruff, who are making history, that I am proud to represent Florida's 15th District on the House Small Business Committee, and it is because of dedicated women like her that we can proudly say: America is back and open for business.

HONORING SEEING EYE DOGS

(Ms. SHERRILL asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. SHERRILL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor The Seeing Eye and Seeing Eye dogs for being named the State dog of New Jersey.

Seeing Eye dogs are New Jersey's cutest export. But that alone does not capture the inspiring and important work behind an organization that has partnered more than 17,000 service dogs in North America.

The Seeing Eye is the world's oldest guide dog school, dedicated to enhancing the independence, dignity, and self-confidence of people who are blind.

Headquartered in Morristown, they breed, raise, and train service dogs, and work with blind individuals to handle and care for their dogs.

They conduct research on canine health and development, and they helped to lead the passage of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

I have seen the care the organization puts into pairing each individual with the right dog, fundamentally transforming their owners' lives.

I would like to thank The Seeing Eye for 91 years of leadership and State Senator Tony Bucco and the late Senator Anthony M. Bucco for their work to make the Seeing Eye dog New Jersey's State dog.

HONORING EAGLE SCOUT THOMAS SCOTT JEFFERSON

(Mr. VAN DREW asked and was given permission to address the House for 1