

leadership at Pensacola Christian College and nearly 60 years at Pensacola C Academy, we celebrate Dr. Horton's retirement and reflect back on a career of distinguished accomplishments.

As the Founder of my alma mater, Pensacola Christian College, Dr. Horton created one of the finest institutions of higher learning in America—and a ministry serving God's work with leadership, responsibility and faith. After he and his wife Beka graduated from college in 1951, they came to Pensacola to start this ministry. And their success was extraordinary.

In 1954, they opened the doors to Pensacola Christian School—which began with only 35 students—and since 1970, over 2,000 students from kindergarten through twelfth grade have received an education at Pensacola Christian School. With over 93,000 Christian school principals and teachers attending clinics in Pensacola, the work President Horton and his wife began paved the way for generations of students, teachers and leaders.

Years later, Dr. Horton's influence expanded from the Christian School to a broad network of Christian radio stations all across the country. He also began publishing unique curriculums for Christian Schools, which revolutionized Christian education in America. Today, over 10,000 Christian schools and daycares use their books.

Most notably thought, in 1974, Dr. Horton founded Pensacola Christian College, from which I was honored to receive my Bachelor's Degree in 1990. Beginning with only 100 students in the fall of 1974, Pensacola Christian College now recognizes over 16,600 alumni all over the world. To say that his influence was incalculable is an understatement.

So today I join Dr. Arlin and Beka Horton in celebrating a long life of dedication to education, devotion to Christ, and commitment to making a difference in the lives of others. While Dr. Horton's retirement is sad for the PCC community, we will all—PCC students and alumni alike—continue to carry his legacy with us forever. He taught us: "To God be the Glory!"—and this we will most certainly remember.

CONGRATULATING THE DILLARD
HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS' BASKET-
BALL TEAM ON THEIR THIRD
CONSECUTIVE STATE TITLE

HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 7, 2012

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Lady Panthers girls' basketball team of Dillard High School in Fort Lauderdale, Florida on their recent state championship. Once again, under the inspiring leadership of Coach Marcia Pinder, the women's varsity basketball team won the Class 5A state title. The game was hard fought on both sides but even under intense pressure, the women of Dillard High persevered to defeat St. Johns Bartram Trail. With staunch defense and discipline, this team made history by clinching their third consecutive state title and seventh title overall.

Capping off a 26–4 season, the title recently secured by the Dillard team is truly special. This third consecutive state title is a record for Dillard High, and makes their winning streak the second longest in Broward history and one title away from tying the County record of four consecutive titles. Furthermore, with their seventh state championship overall, the Lady Panthers hold the record for the most titles held by any girls' basketball program in Broward County, and makes them the second most winningest team in the State. Furthermore, they are just one championship behind the current record holders Jacksonville Ribault.

It should also be noted that all seven championships have come under the leadership of Coach Marcia Pinder, whose 804–175 record makes her the all-time winningest basketball coach overall in Florida's history. Following this recent championship, Coach Pinder was named the 2012 Russell Athletic/Women's Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA) National High School Coach of the Year. She will be honored at the 2012 WBCA High School All-American Game that is played in conjunction with the NCAA Women's Final Four in Denver, Colorado on March 31, 2012.

I would like to take the time to honor each player and coach who, along with Coach Pinder, made this record-setting win possible. The Championship Lady Panthers are: LaQuacious Adams, Alliyah Anderson, Shatorria Baker, Demetria Brown, Jo' Coretah Clayton, Brianna Green, Amber Hanna, Dominique Harris, Kareese Johnson, Jessica Jones, Macy Keen, Courtney Parson, Tiara Walker, and Kayla Wright. The Lady Panthers and Coach Pinder and their championship season were also supported by assistant coaches: George Adams, Brandon Adams, Tonia Adams, Tania Miller, Evelyn Powers, Enewetok Ramsey, and Chanell Washington. I would also like to recognize Dillard High Principal Casandra D. Robinson and Athletic Director Tracie Latimer, without whom the girls' basketball program would not be given the support it rightly deserves.

Mr. Speaker, I am extremely proud of the Lady Panthers, Coach Pinder, and all of their supporters who every year continue to push the bounds for what is possible within their sport. I am truly honored to represent such gracious sportswomen, and look forward to next season where I hope to see the Lady Panthers tie both the Broward County's record for most consecutive championships and Florida's record for most titles overall.

MR. FRED DESANTO

HON. LOU BARLETTA

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 7, 2012

Mr. BARLETTA. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor Mr. Fred DeSanto, who will be recognized as the 2011 recipient of the Joseph F. Saporito Lifetime of Service Award presented by the Pittston Dispatch in Pittston, Pennsylvania. Mr. DeSanto's selfless dedication to the service of others makes him the ideal recipient of an award that highlights the legacy of a truly great individual, Joseph F. Saporito.

Mr. DeSanto has dedicated countless hours over four decades to Little League Baseball, providing our youth with a healthy, safe, and enjoyable summer pastime. Mr. DeSanto built the Pittston Township Little League from the ground up, beginning his decades of service at the age of 24.

Mr. DeSanto, along with 12 to 15 other men, formed the league in 1975 with a vision and passion for service; without one cent of grant money. Each year, he and other volunteers signed for a \$15,000 bank loan to improve the league. Additionally, 11 years after its founding, the Pittston Township Little League was selected to host Pennsylvania's all-star tournament.

In 1995, District 31 recognized Mr. DeSanto's hard work by naming him District 31 Administrator. Under his leadership, District 31 established stronger rules and regulations that enhanced the safety of our youth. Furthermore, Mr. DeSanto advocated for background checks for league volunteers, and he created a GPS program so 9–1–1 centers had the exact latitude and longitude of all 131 fields within the district.

Mr. Speaker, by founding the Pittston Township Little League, Fred DeSanto created and worked to improve a place of fun, health, and camaraderie for the youth in Pennsylvania's 11th District. Mr. DeSanto is to be commended for his 37 years of service to our community.

THE RETIREMENT OF SHERIFF
FRANK CANTEY

HON. DAN BOREN

OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 7, 2012

Mr. BOREN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to speak in honor of my dear friend Frank Cantey, who after 11 years of service will be retiring from his role as Sheriff of Mayes County, Oklahoma.

Frank has been in law enforcement since 1973, when he started taking criminal justice classes while working at the Contra Costa County Campus Police Department in California. In 1979, he moved to Oklahoma and has since served on the force in both Delaware and Mayes Counties.

After retiring from the Police Department, Cantey was elected Sheriff of Mayes County and took office in 2001. He has served Oklahoma honorably and kept Mayes County safe over the past 11 years. As a member of the Executive Board of the Oklahoma Sheriff's Association, Frank has worked to support public safety through training, education and the promotion of positive interaction among all criminal justice agencies across the state.

I had the honor of getting to know Cantey during my first election, and I enjoy seeing him perform in his famous band, the Law Dawgs.

Frank has always been dedicated to his wife, Linda, and their two sons Jason and Jeff. It is because of this commitment that he has chosen to retire. I wish Frank the best of luck in his endeavors, and thank him for his tireless commitment to Oklahoma.