

NY. He was awarded the Robert Foley Scholarship of Honor for receiving high marks and persevering despite the loss of his mother, Donna. After graduation in 2010, he was assigned to the 1st Battalion of the 28th Infantry Regiment in the 4th Infantry Brigade Combat Team of the 1st Infantry Division based in Fort Riley, Kansas.

1st Lt. Lambka is survived by his wife, Cassie, twin brother Jordan, who is also serving in Afghanistan, and father Brian. He has been awarded the Bronze Star Medal and Purple Heart posthumously.

In his writings with others, 1st Lt. Lambka frequently referenced a quote from President Teddy Roosevelt, "There has never yet been a man in our history who led a life of ease whose name is worth remembering." Mr. Speaker, with the life that 1st Lt. Lambka has lived and the sacrifices he made, his name is not merely worth remembering. Rather, it shall be engrained in our national consciousness with the other fallen servicemembers of this generation—men who sacrificed their lives for our country and freedom. I urge my colleagues today to join me in honoring 1st Lt. Lambka.

IN HONOR OF MR. JOSEPH  
MEISSNER

**HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, September 10, 2012*

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize and honor Joseph Meissner upon his retirement from the Legal Aid Society of Cleveland and upon his new career as a neighborhood lawyer where he will continue to serve clients and advocate for justice.

I have known Joe Meissner for many years and recognize that Joe's love of justice has deep roots. In the "Freedom Summer" of 1964, while a law student at Harvard University School of Law, Joe was co-chair of the Harvard Civil Rights Committee and marched for civil rights in the South.

After service with the U.S. Army in Vietnam and receiving the Bronze Star and other commendation medals, Joe began his career with Legal Aid. He continued to serve in the Army Reserves and eventually earned the rank of Lieutenant Colonel.

Since 1967, he has been advocating for low-income clients as a lawyer for the Legal Aid Society of Cleveland. He is well-known for his knowledge of public utilities law. He used his wealth of knowledge to demand justice and fairness in public utility cases on behalf of those in need. Informed by the needs of his clients, Joe fought for a "percentage of payment plan" which keeps gas and electric costs low for low-income customers.

As an attorney, Joe has not only represented private clients, but has also been an advocate for neighborhood economic development and environmental justice. He was an organizer of the Neighborhood Environmental Coalition in Cleveland's Slavic Village neighborhood and other nearby downtown neighborhoods. His ability to navigate utility and environmental law helped stop the siting of incinerators near downtown and helped keep utility emissions in check in the low-income and racially diverse neighborhoods of Cleveland's

urban core. Years after his victories, Joe continued to build on the relationships that he developed with the people in those neighborhoods and government agencies.

At this juncture, Joe Meissner begins a new career. He will soon hang his shingle and practice law from a storefront on Cleveland's near West Side, not far from where he went to high school at St. Ignatius.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in wishing Joseph Meissner well in his retirement from 45 years with Legal Aid and in his new endeavor to represent the people of Cleveland as a neighborhood public interest attorney.

IN MEMORY OF HELEN GURLEY  
BROWN

**HON. LAURA RICHARDSON**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, September 10, 2012*

Ms. RICHARDSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the memory of Helen Gurley Brown, one of the world's most influential magazine editors and authors. As editor-in-chief of Cosmopolitan magazine for over three decades, Ms. Gurley Brown promoted the idea of a modern career woman and left a permanent mark on American culture. She passed away at 90 years old.

Even from an early age, Ms. Gurley Brown never let anyone set limits on what she should do with her life. She put herself through Woodbury Business College and jumped into a career in copyediting, all at a time when society demanded that women marry young and start families instead. She knew that women could have it all: successful careers, relationships, and the confidence to take charge of their own lives.

In 1962, Ms. Gurley Brown authored her famous book, "Sex and the Single Girl." Three years later, she became editor of Cosmopolitan, transforming it into the bold and trendy magazine we know it as today. Her frank advice on sex and careers revolutionized the entire media industry and sparked a nation-wide conversation on what it meant to be a feminist and modern woman. Although her publications were considered shocking and risqué when first published, she ushered in a new wave of ideas and made women's empowerment a mainstream concept.

Ms. Gurley Brown changed the way an entire generation of women defined themselves and their future aspirations. Her outspoken and pioneering nature will be greatly missed, but her lifetime's work has already liberated a whole generation from outdated ideas of women's place in society. Her legacy will live on through the countless women Ms. Gurley Brown has inspired.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in expressing deep condolences to Ms. Gurley Brown's friends and family.

IN RECOGNITION OF JOHN BUCKEY

**HON. WILLIAM R. KEATING**

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, September 10, 2012*

Mr. KEATING. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize a dedicated public servant from

Nantucket, Massachusetts. This year, John Buckey was honored as the Massachusetts High School Principal of the Year.

A lifelong learner himself, John received his Bachelor of Arts in Spanish from Asbury College and is currently pursuing a doctorate in Education Leadership at Northeastern University. Sixteen years ago, John began his career in education as a Spanish teacher and Chair of the World Language Department at the Lexington School in Lexington, Kentucky. From there, he pursued a Master of Education from Harvard University and began his first—of many—administrative assignments serving as Assistant Principal and then Principal of Littleton High School in Littleton, Massachusetts. Four years ago, he took over as Principal of Nantucket High School during one of the most difficult periods in the high school's history. It was his leadership, along with the help of the school and greater community that Nantucket High School has achieved tremendous growth over this period.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to honor Principal John Buckey on this joyous occasion. He is an extraordinary member of our community and I ask that my colleagues join me in congratulating him for this prestigious award.

TRIBUTE TO COACH LIANG CHOW

**HON. TOM LATHAM**

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, September 10, 2012*

Mr. LATHAM. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Iowa's own Coach Liang Chow for placing West Des Moines, Iowa among our nation's premier training destinations for aspiring Olympic gymnasts through his world-class coaching.

Coach Chow's life in gymnastics began nearly 10,000 miles away from West Des Moines when he was just five years old in Beijing, China. For more than a decade Liang represented China's national men's gymnastics team and won numerous competitions across the globe, including the World Cup master championships in 1990 and earning a bronze medal at the 1989 world championships. Unfortunately, a back injury before the 1992 Olympic Games forced him to retire prematurely from the sport he loved. However, in every challenge lies opportunity. Liang took advantage of an opportunity to move to Iowa in 1991 and hasn't looked back. Coach Chow began attending the University of Iowa on an English scholarship where his gymnastics experience led to his selection as the university's assistant coach of the men's program. Chow coached five of his gymnasts to the national men's team in his first year. After his exemplary coaching skills became evident, Coach Chow was offered a full time coaching role with the University of Iowa women's gymnastics program. Chow accepted, but soon realized that his coaching technique could reach new heights if his students were a bit younger, to better mold their early gymnastic development.

After searching across the country for an ideal location to open his own gym, Chow knew Iowa was where he was meant to be. In 1998, he secured a small warehouse and opened his first gym. By 2003, he expanded to his current facility, which includes two gyms