

University's men's and women's track and field from 1974 to 2010, on his retirement.

Coach Jones led the track and field team at Lincoln to 15 NCAA Division III championships. The men's team won 11 national titles during his tenure, and the women's team won 4 NCAA championships. He also coached more than 300 All American athletes. Coach Jones has been honored as a six-time recipient of the Division III National Coach of the Year Award, the Mid East Region Track Coach of the Year, the Linback Teaching Award, the Outstanding Men of America Award, the Lifetime Achievement Award, one of the top 100 sports figures in the Philadelphia region in the last 100 years by the Philadelphia Tribune and an honorary official during the Penn Relays in 2002. In 2007 Coach Jones was inducted into the U.S. Track and Field and Cross Country Coaches Association's Hall of Fame.

Mr. Speaker, I congratulate Coach Jones on an illustrious career at Lincoln University and wish him the best in his retirement.

SYLVIA BROCKNER

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 7, 2016

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Sylvia Brockner for receiving the West Chamber's 2016 Jefferson County Hall of Fame Award.

An avid author and environmentalist, Sylvia Brockner has led the Evergreen area preservation movement for more than forty years. Her works culminate in her published book, entitled *Birds in our Evergreen World*. In 1968, Sylvia and her late husband founded the Evergreen Naturalists which has since evolved to the Evergreen Audubon and Nature Center.

Sylvia helped Jefferson County Open Space acquire 319 acres for what would become the Lair O' Bear Open Space Park in 1987, opening to the public in 1991. Sylvia also was a founding member of the Mountain Area Land Trust in 1993, which helped to preserve thousands of acres of open lands within 50 miles of Evergreen. Sylvia's long time role as an advocate for animals and plants has been influential to the community, as evidence of her being honored with the Evergreen Area Community Service Award and Evergreen Audubon Founders' Award. At age 97, Sylvia continues to pursue writing and illustration in her weekly column for the Canyon Courier.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Sylvia Brockner for this well-deserved recognition by the West Chamber.

RECOGNIZING M. SMITH COFFMAN
FOR HER INSPIRATIONAL POEM,
GHOSTS OF THE PAST

HON. KENNY MARCHANT

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 7, 2016

Mr. MARCHANT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize M. Smith Coffman for her powerful poem and kind words of inspiration to many. While the poem is meant to move and

inspire our service members and veterans in times of need, I believe everyone should experience it. I intend for everyone to procure some good fortune and hope from her message.

GHOSTS OF THE PAST

The fog shrouded, silent vale,
comes to life before my trail.
Ghosts of the past, ride in the predawn mist,
in their stirring I am by angels kissed.

Here, the plan of war was born,
and there, soldiers' lives were torn.
Brave warriors on snorting, restless steeds,
our heroes against men of evil deeds.

See Lexington and Concord's men of pride.
Rebs and Yanks who at Chickamauga died.
See the tired, straggling wagon train,
faces parched by sun, in battle's strain.

Indians silently move their camps,
past sod houses lit by dim oil lamps.
I see the brave men from the Alamo,
as on, and on, and on they go.

Oh, ancient rocks, you saw it all,
you saw where gallant man did fall.
You echoed the shot, felt the glance of spear,
the price for freedom, we hold dear.

Our troops who fell on foreign soils,
they the victors, won the spoils.
There were those from the sky
and from the sea,

They gave of themselves to keep us free.
Their souls, at last, are at home,
no more foreign lands to roam.

All are soothed in the mist,
as o'er their separate paths they twist.
Their laughter softly echoes from the rills,
and across the windswept, rugged hills.
Mingling, they have enemies no more,
here at home or foreign shore.

In cadence, I heard them say,
"Let not our sons go this way.

Alas the new born cries at birth,
but men must know of joy on earth.

Oh, that we could right the wrong,
Oh, that we could leave but song."

Oh Lord, many of our brave, gallant men of
pride,
put their lives upon the line, fought and
died.

Men with bodies and emotions torn,
this great loss we all should mourn.
I stand and salute you, one and all.
You went through hell, for country's call.

Dear Lord, I pray their pain relive,
give them strength and hope, and ease.
They should receive the best of care,
For Freedom's Cause They did not bend,
they pledged their allegiance to the flag
until the end.

"Children, Listen," the midst does sing.
"We know not what this day or the years
will bring.

Stand brave and strong for liberty's call.
Your country needs you one and all.
Give thanks for all that was and is,
and for the heroes who lived, and live.
Give thanks for freedom that was not lost.
Give thanks to those who paid the cost."

The mist soon melted into the morning sun.
THEY ARE OUR HEART'S BLOOD
THEY ARE NOT GONE.

These brave men and women did not live or
die in vain.

Our flag unfurled we will sustain.

IN GOD WE TRUST

AMEN

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the 24th Congressional District of Texas, I ask all my distinguished colleagues to join me in recognizing M. Smith Coffman for her encouraging words.

MS. THAO NHI DO RECEIVES
PRESTIGIOUS FULBRIGHT AWARD

HON. PETE OLSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 7, 2016

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Thao Nhi Do of Houston, TX for receiving a Fulbright award for teaching English in Taiwan during the 2015 through 2016 academic year.

Each year the Fulbright Program grants students with the opportunity to study, research or teach English abroad in an effort to internationalize communities and campuses around the world. Fulbright scholars focus on the conditions and challenges differing regions face, as well as building valuable U.S. relationships. Thao graduated Summa Cum Laude in 2011 from Clear Brook High School and earned a full scholarship to Harvard University. As a Fulbright participant, she helped teach English in Taiwan.

On behalf of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, congratulations again to Ms. Thao Nhi Do for receiving this Fulbright award. Keep up the great work.

IN RECOGNITION OF DUDLEY
BROWN

HON. WILLIAM R. KEATING

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 7, 2016

Mr. KEATING. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Dudley Brown, a Plymouth, Massachusetts native who passed away on September 24, 2015 at the age of 88.

A man truly devoted to the service of his country, Mr. Brown spent his life working to honor America both in and out of uniform. Mr. Brown, who served from 1944 to 1947 in World War II and from 1950 to 1952 in the Korean war, was not content to sit back and rest upon his return to civilian life.

Balancing his career as a market researcher and salesman around the country for three decades, Mr. Brown sustained a lifelong passion for studying the genealogy of his family and the history of this country. As a direct descendant to William Brewster, one of the original Mayflower pilgrims and a respected religious leader within Plymouth County, Mr. Brown was a proud member of the General Society of Mayflower Descendants. In 2014, Mr. Brown received an award for 20 years of membership with the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, and also acted with admirable integrity as a Private 1st Class within Boston's Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company.

In addition to his passion for family and American history, Mr. Brown was also an avid tennis player and enjoyed speed skating, biking and racing motorcycles as a young man. He is survived by his loving partner, three children, and four grandchildren. Known for his sense of humor and good cheer, Mr. Brown is sorely missed by his family and many friends.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to honor Dudley Brown's many achievements on the anniversary of his passing. I ask that my colleagues join me in recognizing his life and his service.