

Anshe Sholom's move to its current North Avenue location in 1959, under the tenure of Rabbi Philip Weinberger, marks the beginning of the modern age of the synagogue. It is hard to imagine Jewish life in New Rochelle without the influence of Anshe Sholom. As a mother of three, and a new grandmother, I know the impact that institutions such as these can have on the quality of life for local families. For generations, children have attended Hebrew school at the synagogue, become Bar/Bat Mitzvah, gone on to become active adult participants themselves in the synagogue, and had the good fortune to see their own children begin the process anew. Anshe Sholom has helped raise generation after generation of Jewish families for more than 100 years. As Rabbi Ely Rosenzweig leads the synagogue towards its second centennial, I would like to recognize the tremendous accomplishments and the future promise of Temple Anshe Sholom.

TRIBUTE TO PANZER COLLEGE

HON. MARGE ROUKEMA

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 13, 1997

Mrs. ROUKEMA. Mr. Speaker, I rise to congratulate Montclair State University's Panzer School of Physical Education and Hygiene on the 80th anniversary of its founding. This institution of higher education has trained countless physical education and health teachers for New Jersey's public schools. It is, therefore, indirectly responsible for the good health and physical fitness of generations of New Jerseyans.

Panzer College began in 1917 as the Newark Normal School of Physical Education and Hygiene, founded in response to a new State law mandating the teaching of physical education in the State's schools. The name was changed to the Panzer College of Physical Education and Hygiene when the school moved to East Orange in 1925. The college's namesake was Henry Panzer, president from 1920 until his death in 1932.

In addition to Henry Panzer, his successor as president, Margaret C. Brown, was also instrumental in the school's success. It was under her leadership that Panzer, previously a 3-year school, became a 4-year institution and began granting bachelor's degrees.

Panzer College served as a single-purpose institution for more than four decades before merging with Montclair State in 1958.

Today, the Panzer School is the home of a highly respected human performance laboratory and a physical fitness center that benefits the entire campus.

Graduates of the school have worked as physical education and health education teachers, coaches, directors of athletics, and in other academic roles. Many have moved up as principals and assistant principals, with a number having risen to the post of school superintendent.

I commend the faculty, staff, and students of the Panzer School for their excellent work. Academic skills are vitally important but students must learn to keep themselves healthy and fit as well. The Panzer School has helped millions attain that goal.

COLORADO SCIENTISTS WIN INTERNATIONAL PRIZE

HON. DAVID E. SKAGGS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 13, 1997

Mr. SKAGGS. Mr. Speaker, I am delighted to report to the House that two Colorado physicists have won the prestigious King Faisal International Prize in Science for 1997. This is among the four or five most significant international prizes that are awarded for science.

The Colorado scientists are Dr. Carl Wieman of the University of Colorado's Department of Physics and Dr. Eric Cornell of the Quantum Physics Division at the Commerce Department's National Institute of Standards and Technology [NIST] in Boulder. Both are Fellows of the Joint Institute for Laboratory Astrophysics [JILA], a joint institute of the University of Colorado and NIST.

In 1995, Dr. Wieman and Dr. Cornell and their team created the first Bose-Einstein condensate, a new form of matter predicted by Albert Einstein. The condensate occurs when several individual atoms meld into a single entity called a "superatom" at a temperature of 170 billionths of a degree above absolute zero. Dr. Wieman and Dr. Cornell cooled the superatoms to 20 billionths of a degree above absolute zero, the lowest temperature ever achieved. The discovery marks a breakthrough in the field of quantum mechanics and has already opened up new areas for scientific exploration, including the recently-demonstrated "atom laser."

On behalf of my colleagues, I congratulate Dr. Wieman and Dr. Cornell and their team for their scientific breakthrough and for winning the 1997 King Faisal International Prize in Science. I also congratulate NIST, the University of Colorado, and JILA for supporting this important project.

A TRIBUTE TO MARY BAKER

HON. BRAD SHERMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 13, 1997

Mr. SHERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the work of Deputy Mary Baker of the Los Angeles Sheriff's Department. Ms. Baker's excellence both on and off duty is being awarded this week with the Valley Community Legal Foundation Award.

In 1969, Deputy Baker was one of a small group of women hired by the Sheriff's Department to work as a patrol deputy. Those women faced great obstacles as they were the first women to work patrol. Mary faced this challenge and not only overcame any adversity, but excelled. Mary and her colleagues were pivotal in opening up opportunities for all women that would follow in their path.

From patrol duty, Deputy Baker went on to work both as a detective and in custody duty in the East L.A. and Downtown stations. For the past 10 years she has worked as a detective in the Malibu/Lost Hills Station, during which time she has been called upon to handle both sensitive and high profile cases. A recent high profile case was that of the "Long-

Note-Bandit" who was suspected in a string of 10 bank robberies. Mary's work was pivotal in both the identification and arrest of the suspect, who is currently awaiting trial.

Deputy Baker's diligence, investigative skills, and years of experience make her an invaluable asset to the Malibu/Lost Hills Station, as well as the residents of those communities. She handles cases ranging from theft and robbery to fraud and home invasion. Her excellence is well known in the surrounding communities as she has an extensive working background with several of the surrounding stations.

Sallust once noted that: " * * * mental excellence is a splendid and lasting possession." This has certainly been the case with Deputy Baker as her excellent investigative skills and deductive logic have been a great asset to our community. Indeed, her years of distinguished service is truly remarkable. She is in every way a deserving recipient of the Valley Community Legal Foundation Award.

FLOOD RELIEF—MANCHESTER, OH

HON. SAM JOHNSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 13, 1997

Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, in the wake of the flooding along the Ohio River in Ohio, I would like to recognize the following 27 men who gave of their personal money, time, and energy to assist with flood relief. At the invitation of Senator Doug White and under the direction of disaster relief coordinator Rodney Yates, they served in and around the town of Manchester, OH, from March 7-14, 1997. During this time they assisted the local emergency relief agencies in the salvage and cleanup in the aftermath of the flooding, while spreading goodwill, faith, hope, and charity wherever they went. Their sacrifice, diligence, and thoroughness conveyed a true sense of brotherly love to the citizens of Adams County. The experiences these men received while serving will enrich their lives permanently, causing them to become better citizens, and thus have a greater impact on the world around them.

LISTING OF STUDENTS AND (STATES)

Jonathan Barber (GA), Joel Beard (TX), Jonathan Bendickson (BC), Evan Bjorn (WA), Jonathan Bowers (TN), Nathan Bultman (MI), Thomas Chapman (MI), Reuben Dozeman (MI), Jonathan Elam (IN), Paul Ellis (MS), Ron Fuhrman (MI), Matthew Harry (MI), Timothy Hayes (NY), Joshua Johnson (WA), Caleb Kaspar (OR), Jason Luksa (TX), David Mason (GA), John Nix (TX), Steve Nix (TX), Timothy Petersen (GA), Matthew Pierce (MS), Joshua Schoenborn (WA), Michael Shoemaker (IN), Daniel Strahn (IN), Nathanael Swanson (NB), Seth Tiffner (WV), and Jared Wickham (IL).

INTRODUCTION OF THE FAMILY BUSINESS PRESERVATION ACT

HON. DARLENE HOOLEY

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 13, 1997

Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon. Mr. Speaker, the two great certainties in life—death and taxes—

are making it difficult for heirs to hold onto family farms and small businesses. I believe that it is time to take action to reform the estate tax so that it will be easier for family farmers and small business owners to pass their operations on to their children.

The Family Business Preservation Act is a targeted tax exclusion that is designed to have the biggest possible impact on family business owners with the smallest possible impact on the Federal Treasury. The bill would exclude the first \$1.2 million of value in a family-owned business interest from a decedent's estate. The new exclusion would be provided in addition to the unified credit which currently lets heirs protect up to \$600,000 of their inheritance from the estate tax.

It is critical to take action on estate tax reform now. The \$600,000 exemption to the estate tax has not been raised since the mid-1980's. And rising farmland costs coupled with an aging farm population makes swift action on this proposal critical.

I urge my colleagues to support this legislation. Please join me in taking a step to ensure that when a family has to face personal tragedy, such as the death of a parent or a loved one, they will not have to worry that it will also lead to the loss of their family farm or business.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY

HON. GEORGE E. BROWN, JR.

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 13, 1997

Mr. BROWN of California. Mr. Speaker and colleagues, I am pleased to come before you today to pay tribute to the remarkable achievements of citizens in my home district and the County of San Bernardino.

As the proceedings concluded last month in Philadelphia at the President's Summit for America's Future, those who have contributed and made a difference in their communities were commemorated. Through both community service and volunteerism, the County of San Bernardino has made a difference.

Participating in the sixth annual "Make A Difference Day," citizens of San Bernardino County defined the term intensely debated over the past few weeks: volunteerism.

In answer to the challenge of Make A Difference Day, San Bernardino organized a project, spearheaded by Mayor Tom Minor, entitled "Community Cleanup: Our Fight Against Blight." As a result, 130 residents from various neighborhoods came out of their houses, set aside differences and worked on a common goal, making their city better. Given the opportunity to communicate and openly express concerns, any neighborhood can become a better place to live. This is exactly what happened on October 26, 1996.

As the fragmented lines that sometimes divide our communities along ethnic, social, and economic barriers were set aside, a single task united the County of San Bernardino.

On October 26, up to 10,000 cars and trucks lined the streets of San Bernardino, all in an effort to properly dispose of 3½ tons of trash. In addition, 5,000 tires were collected and 2,400 gallons of used oil and other hazardous waste were recycled and disposed.

Community Cleanup: Our Fight Against Blight, brought businesses, government, and

residents together with a common goal of giving back to the community. This goal was realized by actions such as 16 of the county land fills being open free of charge, and the San Bernardino Refuse Department making free rounds collecting used and unwanted tires.

October 26 was clearly a day when individual residents took responsibility and gave back to the community. The separation of generations had no bearing, as members of all sectors of the community participated. From Girl Scouts collecting trash, to senior citizens cleaning a 4-mile radius of rubbish, the County of San Bernardino made a difference. The volunteers from San Bernardino County served as a shining example for residents of other neighborhoods and communities. Their efforts were so exemplary that they were chosen as a top 10 winner of the sixth annual USA Weekend's "Make A Difference Day" project. The citizens of San Bernardino County have proven that when we come together as neighbors, under a common cause, we can truly make a difference.

DISASTER RELIEF—OAKFIELD, WI

HON. SAM JOHNSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 13, 1997

Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, in the wake of the tornado disaster in Oakfield, WI, I would like to recognize the following 25 men who gave of their personal money, time, and energy to assist with tornado relief. At the invitation of State Senator Carol Buettner, and under the direction of George Workman, Marquette County emergency management director, they served in and around the city of Oakfield, WI, for a period of 2 weeks from July 19 to July 29, 1996. During this time they coordinated relief efforts in removal of trees from homes and cleanup of house debris, while spreading goodwill, faith, hope, and charity wherever they went. Their sacrifice, diligence, and thoroughness conveyed a true sense of brotherly love to the citizens of Oakfield. The experiences these men received while serving will enrich their lives permanently, causing them to become better citizens, and thus have a greater impact on the world around them.

LISTING OF STUDENTS AND (STATES)

Matthew Bertholic (WA), Benjamin Blair (CA), Jonathan Bowers (TN), Jason Butler (AL), David Carne (OR), David Curlett (TX), Timothy Davis (CA), Paul Ellis (MS), Gerald Garcia (MI), Andrew Griffin (WA), Craig Guy (MO).

Trevor Hayes (NY), Joshua Kempson (NJ), Matthew Linquist (CA), Clayton Lord (KS), Russell Moulton (OK), Keon Pendergast (CA), Carl Popowich (CO), Jeremy Sikes (IA), Robert Smith (CA), John Tanner (MI), Matthew Watkins (CA), Matthew Wood (WA), John Worden (CA).

DISASTER RELIEF—BULLITT COUNTY, KENTUCKY

HON. SAM JOHNSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 13, 1997

Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, in the wake of the tornado disaster in Bullitt

County, KY, I would like to recognize the following 19 men who gave of their personal money, time, and energy to assist with tornado relief. At the invitation of state senator Lindy Casebier, and under the direction of the Army Reserve command post, they served in and around the cities of Brooks and Zoneton for a period of 2 weeks from May 31, 1996, to June 12, 1996. During this time they coordinated relief efforts in removal of trees from homes and cleanup of house debris, while spreading goodwill, faith, hope, and charity wherever they went. Their sacrifice, diligence, and thoroughness conveyed a true sense of brotherly love to the citizens of these communities. The experiences these men received while serving will enrich their lives permanently, causing them to become better citizens, and thus have a greater impact on the world around them.

Jason Allen, Ohio; Kory Boudreau, Illinois; T.W. Chapman, Michigan; Michael Forrester, Tennessee; Stanley Forrester, Tennessee; Timothy Hammeke, Kansas; Marvin Heikkila, Michigan; Jason Litt, Ohio; Jason Mallow, Georgia; Daniel Reynolds, Minnesota; Jeremy Sikes, Iowa; Ben Stixrud, Washington; John Tanner, Michigan; Joshua Tanner, Michigan; Justin Tanner, Michigan; Zachary Taylor, Wisconsin; Michael Shoemaker, Indiana; and Matthew Yordy, Indiana.

TRIBUTE TO COL. JAMES VAN EPPS IN HONOR OF HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE U.S. ARMY

HON. WILLIAM O. LIPINSKI

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 13, 1997

Mr. LIPINSKI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a man of great stature who is retiring after a distinguished career in the U.S. Army, Col. James Van Epps. Colonel Van Epps served in the U.S. Army with more than 30 years of dedicated service to our country.

For the past 2 years Colonel Van Epps has held the position of Commander, North Central Division, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in Chicago, IL. In this position, Colonel Van Epps faced the daunting task of solving water and land resource related problems in a 12 State area from North Dakota to New York, from the Canadian border to parts of Missouri. Colonel Van Epps manages a \$380 million budget and directed the engineering, scientific, and support staff of approximately 2,700 personnel who are engaged in civil works construction and environmental activities in this part of the United States. Included in this area are all of the Great Lakes and the upper Mississippi River, in addition to the Souris, Red, and Rainey River Basins. The division's major missions include navigation, flood control, and disaster assistance as well as environmental restoration, regulatory functions, and significant support to the International Joint Commission.

Colonel Van Epps has continually met challenges headon during his tenure, continuing the superb performance record of the North Central Division. Through his personal involvement, leadership and command attention, the Corps made notable progress in the pursuit of solutions to the unique problems which exist throughout the region.