

can take away from the competition, especially because this home was their second design. They opted to scrap their original design in January and start over.

The public response "was satisfying for us as individuals because the reason we changed our design was because we didn't agree that it was the direction we should go," said Adam Jackaway, a graduate student in charge of the home's lighting and the passive solar design. "And the direction we should go is targeting the homeowners who are looking for something right now that conforms to their aesthetic taste and what they can afford and what is easy to operate."

Jackaway said he wants to challenge the Department of Energy to hold this kind of a competition not only for college students, but for home builders, car manufacturers and energy companies, to see who can build the most self-sufficient neighborhoods, the most efficient vehicles and the cleanest energy.

The CU home—which cost about \$200,000 for materials, construction and transportation to Washington—will return to campus for about a year. Then, team members say, they plan to sell the 800-square-foot house to make up some of the costs.

As for the competition, Richard King, the Solar Decathlon's founder and director, said the Department of Energy will begin focusing on the next decathlon for fall 2004.

He said future teams probably will study how the CU team wove engineering and architecture together to build a winning design.

Teams that didn't properly balance the two quickly fell from the top five. The University of Maryland, a team of all engineering students, built a plain, white, box-like house that "worked like a tank," King said. It scored high in engineering but low in design.

The Carnegie Mellon team of all design students had large windows, open ventilation systems and tons of recycled materials. "It looks great, but they couldn't get it to work," King said.

"So now the engineers will go back and say, 'Hey, we need to get some architects.' And the architects will go back and say, 'We need engineers,'" he said. "That's how it works in real life."

The team from CU used everything from compressed sunflower board to reclaimed bleacher seats for cabinet facing. Other "green" materials used included soy adhesives in the countertops and bamboo flooring.

To help make the home more energy-efficient, the team installed thermally insulated blinds and limited the highest ceiling to 18 feet.

About 100 students and faculty from engineering, architecture and design programs at CU have worked on the project for the past two years, said Matthew Henry, the team's construction manager and design leader.

Henry, 28, graduated from CU last spring with a degree in environmental design, but he said the project meant so much to him that he came back to help with the competition.

"The prize is going to be someone coming up and saying I want to build a whole community of these types of houses, I want to build better," he said.

For more information on the CU team's project, visit solar.colorado.edu.

(The Associated Press contributed to this report.)

BERNARD E. BEIDEL, DIRECTOR OF THE U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES' OFFICE OF EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE, HONORED AS 2002 MEMBER OF THE YEAR

HON. ROBERT W. NEY

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 10, 2002

Mr. NEY. Mr. Speaker, each year, the Employee Assistance Professionals Association (EAPA) selects one person who has consistently demonstrated outstanding service throughout their professional career in the field of employee assistance. It is with great honor that I am able to say that this year's recipient of the "2002 EAPA Member of the Year" award goes to one of our own, Bernard E. Beidel, Director of the House Office of Employee Assistance. Bern is being recognized for his commitment to the employee assistance field and the leadership he demonstrated most recently by providing assistance and support to the leaders of the House of Representatives, their staff, and their families following the difficult events of September 11th, 2001, and the House building evacuations due to anthrax.

When the House first implemented the Office of Employee Assistance in 1991, Bern was selected to head the program. Through his years with the House, he has helped many House employees, and managers, be at their best; both on the job and off. He has helped us expand this umbrella of care to also serve other employees of the House community to include the employees of the U.S. Capitol Police and the Congressional Budget Office and to guide us to a healthier workplace.

Bern came to the House with over fifteen years of experience in employee assistance and has continued to prove himself as a leader in the field. He has authored a number of book chapters and articles on various issues and best practices in the EA field and has been a presenter and guest faculty member at numerous EA institutes. His commitment to the field is evident in his professional work as well as his willingness to serve as a Chair for a wide variety of EAP organizations and task forces, including the committee that rewrote the professional standards for the employee assistance field. Last year, under his leadership, the House Office of Employee Assistance was awarded the EAP Digest/Employee Assistance Professionals Association's "2001 Quality Award for EAP Excellence."

On behalf of the U.S. House of Representatives, I join his staff at the employee assistance office; his wife, Donna; and daughters, Cindy and Jessica in recognizing Bern for this outstanding and well-deserved award, and, for his ongoing caring, commitment, and dedication to the House and the people who serve here. Thank you Bern, and keep up the great work!

TRIBUTE TO DON SCHNEIDER

HON. THOMAS E. PETRI

OF WISCONSIN

HON. MARK GREEN

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 10, 2002

Mr. PETRI. Mr. Speaker, we want to pay tribute today to Don Schneider, who has recently assumed the position of Chairman of the Board of Schneider National Inc., based in Green Bay, Wisconsin. Don becomes Chairman after serving as President and CEO of the company since 1974.

Don is one of the most innovative and creative businessmen we know—not only in the State of Wisconsin, but in the entire country. Upon meeting Don, one is immediately struck by his tremendous energy, drive and the commitment he has for his company and for the transportation and logistics business. Indeed, that is why he has been so successful. The enjoyment he takes in tackling problems and finding solutions is infectious and motivates all those around him. He is a forward-thinker who literally has revolutionized the transportation industry. For example, Don has been a leader in the use of technology, and his company was the first to adopt satellite-based communications and positioning in its trucks—which many years later is now considered standard in the transportation industry.

The Transportation and Infrastructure Committee of the House has called on Don several times to present testimony regarding emerging infrastructure and transportation issues. His presentations on the role of a well-performing transportation network in spurring economic growth and of reducing logistic costs—which can be as much as 11 percent of product costs—for greater product supply chain efficiency has been critical to the understanding of the Committee and the Congress as we consider related legislation.

Schneider National was founded by Don's father back in 1935. During his high school years, Don worked as a mechanic's helper and then a driver, which he continued to do while attending college. In 1961, he joined the company as a manager and succeeded his father as President and CEO in 1974. During his years at the helm of the company, he has built it into a \$2.4 billion business that is now the largest truckload carrier in the country. In 1993, Don founded Schneider Logistics as a wholly owned subsidiary. Again, with its focus on technology, Schneider Logistics guides its Fortune 1000 customers in efficiently managing and moving their goods.

Don has always been charitable with his time out of the office and is actively involved in a number of organizations. He is Chairman of the Business Advisory Committee for Northwestern University's Transportation Center and is a member of the Advisory Board for the Kellogg Graduate School of Management. Don also is a member of the board and executive committee of the Green Bay Packers football team and a former director of the Federal Reserve Board.

It is heartening these days to see a businessman who is humble, who treats his employees with respect, and who truly believes in the value of his work. The accolades and awards he has received as an outstanding entrepreneur are too numerous to mention.

So we, too, want to recognize Don and his accomplishments, and wish him all the best in this new phase of his life. We have no doubt that he will continue to make valuable contributions to our community and to the transportation industry.

HONORING MIAMI-DADE
FIREFIGHTER LINDA HERNANDEZ

HON. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 10, 2002

Mr. DIAZ-BALART. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the lives of America's fallen heroes. This past weekend, Washington, D.C. was the host of this year's National Fallen Firefighters Memorial Ceremony. Following the attacks of September 11, 2001, this year's ceremony held a higher importance as it honored the 343 brave men and women firefighters who died in the terrorist attacks over a year ago. The courage shown by these firefighters embodies the values that we as a society find all too often in our heroes. While these men and women will always be remembered, we must not forget the many other American firefighters who died in the line of duty over the past year.

One such person is Linda Hernandez, a Miami-Dade County firefighter who died September 18, 2001. While attending the firefighting college in Miami, she strived to excel in her duties. While she impressed the other trainees and instructors, Mrs. Hernandez earned the respect of her colleagues when she routinely helped other women through the rigorous physical and mental tests. Mary Giles, a friend of Linda's and a fellow Miami firefighter summed her feelings in the following words: "There were times when we wanted to throw in the towel. But Linda was always there for us. And we became determined that nothing would beat us."

Mrs. Hernandez's life was tragically cut short, just one week after the horrible terrorist attacks on America. Her health problem began on March 28, 1999. In her capacity as a Miami-Dade County firefighter, Mrs. Hernandez had become an expert using the K-12, which is a special saw used to ventilate buildings during a fire. On March 28, 1999, she was using the machinery she had used so many times before when she was enveloped in smoke and left without the use of her oxygen tank. That day she was treated for smoke inhalation and lung damage and given medication to combat the damage. Unfortunately, the medication had the opposite effect, destroying her liver, and necessitating a transplant in June of 2000. However, after a year, her body rejected the transplant and sadly Mrs. Hernandez died of her illness.

Mr. Speaker, Mrs. Hernandez is one of 446 brave firefighters who died while protecting our families and communities this past year. While we have had time since September 11, 2001 to realize the importance of public servants and the outstanding jobs they often perform, we sometimes forget that these men and women risk their lives every day to make sure we are safe. Mrs. Hernandez left behind her husband, Miami-Dade police Sergeant Paul

Hernandez, and four children. While we join to mourn their loss, we must rejoice in the positive impact that Miami-Dade firefighter Linda Hernandez had on the Miami-Dade community.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. MARY BONO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 10, 2002

Mrs. BONO. Mr. Speaker, I rise to clarify that had I not been unavoidably detained yesterday, October 9, 2002, I would have voted "aye" on the following rollcall votes: rollcall No. 448, rollcall No. 449, rollcall No. 450, and rollcall No. 451.

TRIBUTE TO FRED BAKI

HON. CLIFF STEARNS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 10, 2002

Mr. STEARNS. Mr. Speaker, I want to call my colleagues attention to a remarkable constituent of mine. He is an immigrant from Turkey, who, forty years ago, came to the U.S., became a naturalized citizen and spent many years working in the import/export business. He retired in Florida and now resides in the 6th district. He is one of the Points of Light appointees by President Bush, Senior. His name is Fred Baki.

After retirement, Fred formed a not-for-profit organization to teach adults reading, writing and arithmetic. Since 1989, he and his thirty-three volunteers have been serving U.S. citizens in the educational field.

Several years ago, he and the volunteers developed a system by which long distance instruction could be provided over the telephone. This unusual teaching system is offered to all citizens, wherever they may reside, free of charge.

Three telephone lines are open twenty-four hours a day, 365 days a year, including weekends and holidays. Now named Cottage Education Corporation, the effort is offering its services to public schools at no cost to the school system.

I think Mr. Baki's long distance teaching and tutoring system is worthy of exploration to be implemented on a larger scale. Should this program prove valuable, it could possibly be implemented throughout the country.

The system includes ten disciplines including addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, science, civics, history, geography and biology. It contains a database with one thousand questions and answers. All of the subjects are presently taught in our public schools from the grade school to high school.

HONORING COMMANDER ROBERT
R. DAVIS

HON. SAXBY CHAMBLISS

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 10, 2002

Mr. CHAMBLISS. Mr. Speaker, our country has lost a great American. My good friend, re-

tired U.S. Navy Commander Robert R. Davis, passed away on Oct. 1, 2002, and he will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

It was very much a privilege for me to have known Commander Davis for many years. I had the privilege of being with him on several special occasions including the Georgia Pearl Harbor Survivors Association on December 7, 2001 when he kindly asked me to address the survivors on the 60th anniversary of the infamous attacks on our country.

Then on July 19, 2002, I was so proud to have Commander Davis as my special guest when Vice President DICK CHENEY came to Georgia.

The last time I saw Commander Davis was on September 7 of this year when he and his son Jim were hunting in Georgia on the opening day of dove season. On many other memorable occasions he and I were together as friends. He loved his country and strongly supported its military. I always appreciated his wise counsel on defense and other issues.

Robert Roscoe Davis was born on December 16, 1914, in Jacksonville, in Telfair County, Georgia. He joined the United States Navy at age 17, enlisting as a seaman, and made the Navy his career for 28 years. On December 7, 1941, Bob Davis was assigned to the Minesweeper U.S.S. *Ogloia* at Pearl Harbor. He was not aboard when the Japanese attack came and the ship was sunk, but later put on a diving suit and went down to try to raise it. He was later commissioned as an officer, rose to the rank of Commander, and was the commanding officer of the USS *Washoe County*, LST 1165. He had assignments all over the world and was commander of the Naval Reserve Training Center on Riverside Drive in Macon when he retired.

Upon his retirement from the United States Navy Commander Davis entered the real estate business and was active in the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association, the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 658, and the Macon Exchange Club. His friends and family used the term "Commander" to respectfully address him for the rest of his life.

On Saturday, October 5, 2002, Commander Davis was given a distinguished funeral and a graveside ceremony at Riverside Cemetery in Macon, Georgia, with military honors including a Navy Honor Guard, bugler, and bagpipe player.

Mr. Speaker, my wife Julianne and I express our sadness over the passing of Commander Robert Davis and we send our sincere condolences and best wishes to his loyal family. He was a great American and he will be missed so very much. I think it is most appropriate that I close this tribute to Commander Robert R. Davis with the first verse of the "Navy Hymn."

Eternal Father strong to save, Whose arm
hath bound the restless wave,
Who bid'st the mighty ocean deep Its own
appointed limits keep;
O hear us when we cry to thee, for those in
peril on the sea.