

around Europe often sleeping in their car and living on salami and pickle sandwiches. Their tremendous efforts and fortitude, however, paid off tremendously for Janica and Ante, her father and coach. The family made many sacrifices, but their willpower allowed for Janica's incredible victories.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Janica Kostelic on her outstanding achievements at the 2002 Winter Olympics. I invite my colleagues to join me in wishing Ms. Kostelic and her family many more years of continued success.

A TRIBUTE TO THE DOWNEY
EAGLE

HON. STEPHEN HORN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 18, 2002

Mr. HORN. Mr. Speaker, on March 29, 2002, Barbara and Jerry Andrews will suspend publication of The Downey Eagle after nine years. This news was greeted with sadness by all those who have admired the paper for all these years. Because of the importance of The Downey Eagle to the City of Downey and surrounding areas, I wish to pay tribute to the Andrews family for their commitment and devotion to their community.

The Downey Eagle has provided its readers with all of the elements that make community newspapers so essential: news from the city council, civic groups, community organizations, cultural, educational, and arts events, wedding announcements and obituaries, opinion columns based on local insights and a lively letters page for the community to discuss local opinions and events. All this with wonderful photos which accompanied many stories. A publication such as this not only provides information, but also helps to promote progress. The Downey Eagle has helped build cohesion and a sense of community among its readers.

Because my wife's father, uncle, and grandfather were all in the community newspaper business, I appreciate the difficulties involved with getting out a local paper week after week. In addition to the sheer physical challenge of producing a first class publication every seven days, a publisher must balance the competing interests of various and very passionate groups. Making these decisions takes sensitivity and both Barbara and Jerry Andrews have been available and responsive throughout the publication of The Downey Eagle. They presented balanced civic news, people news, and editorial commentary.

Essential to the success of The Downey Eagle has been its energetic and talented editor, John Adams. A veteran newspaperman, who previously worked for the San Francisco Chronicle, among other major publications, John has been the chief writer, editor, and photographer for the paper. He has tirelessly covered thousands of community events, conducted similar numbers of follow-up interviews, and produced article after article that was fair, accurate, and insightful.

As the The Downey Eagle ceases to publish later this month, Barbara, Jerry, and John can take great pride in all that they have accomplished over the past decade. They have set a high standard for what a community news-

paper can and should be, and they take the grateful thanks of all of us as they pursue new challenges.

GIRL SCOUTS CELEBRATE 90
YEARS

HON. DON YOUNG

OF ALASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 18, 2002

Mr. YOUNG. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to celebrate the 90th anniversary of the Girl Scouts. Girl Scouting began on March 12, 1912, when founder Juliette Gordon Low assembled 19 girls from Savannah, Georgia, for a local Girl Scout meeting. She believed that all girls should be given the opportunity to develop physically, mentally and spiritually. The Girl Scout mission is to help all girls grow strong values and ideals which will serve them throughout their lives. In Alaska alone 8,000 girls and 3,000 volunteers annually participate in Girl Scouts. This program is especially important to me because I married a former Girl Scout, Lu Young. My wife's former troop leader, Evelyn Melville continues to be a very close friend. At the time my wife was a Girl Scout her troop was the furthest North, eight miles above the Arctic Circle. Through Girl Scouting girls make friendships that last a lifetime, acquire self-confidence, take on responsibility, and are encouraged to think creatively. Girl Scouts have a bright and promising future. Some of the Girl Scouts future goals include addressing the digital divide and encouraging girls to pursue careers in science, math, and technology. Happy birthday Girl Scouts and I look forward to hearing of your future accomplishments.

GIRL SCOUTS OF THE USA

HON. BRIAN D. KERNS

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 18, 2002

Mr. KERNS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of the Girl Scouts of the USA. This week, the Girl Scouts celebrate their 90th Anniversary. For nearly a century, this organization has helped millions of girls develop into responsible, respectful, and caring young women. By actively promoting patriotism, integrity, community service, and self reliance the Girl Scouts of the USA is empowering each of its members to develop to her full potential, as both an individual and as a thoughtful citizen. There are currently almost 3 million young ladies involved in the Girl Scouts—and each one is committed to making our nation and the world a better place. By embracing and acting upon the values of the Girl Scouts, they are doing just that.

The Girl Scouts is dedicated to involving young ladies in every community; rural farm communities, urban centers, and suburban neighborhoods. Indeed, the Girl Scouts of the USA plays a role throughout each of our districts, and it is helping shape a future generation of teachers, doctors, computer specialists, mothers, and even Members of Congress. The Girl Scouts has and will continue to demonstrate that young ladies, through hard work

and discipline, can become anything they aspire to be.

On the 90th anniversary of the founding of the Girl Scouts, I rise to share my thanks to the great service they are doing for young women, the State of Indiana, and for our Nation. Our country is truly a better place because of Girl Scouts of the USA.

HONORING JOHN SMALE AS HE IS
INDUCTED INTO THE ADVERTISING
HALL OF FAME

HON. ROB PORTMAN

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 18, 2002

Mr. PORTMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a friend and distinguished constituent, John Smale, the retired Chairman and CEO of The Procter & Gamble Company and former Chairman of General Motors Corporation, who will have the honor of being inducted into the American Advertising Federation's Advertising Hall of Fame in New York City on March 19, 2002.

The Advertising Hall of Fame is the most prestigious honor bestowed in the advertising industry. It is awarded to individuals who have set the standard for lifetime advertising excellence. John Smale joins a notable group of industry luminaries that includes David Ogilvy, Ray Kroc, Jay Chiat, William Bernbach and William Paley.

John Smale was selected because he has been a major proponent of the power of advertising to build brands and an advocate of building global brand loyalty through advertising. He is truly a pioneer and an innovator. He joined Procter & Gamble in 1952 and later, as an associate advertising manager in 1958, he began informing the American Dental Association (ADA) about Crest toothpaste's fluoride-based anti-cavity research. After the ADA awarded Crest its first seal of approval in 1960, Crest became the category leader with its "Look Ma, no cavities" advertising campaign.

Under his leadership as Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer in the 1980s, John engineered an aggressive series of landmark changes that restructured the company from the coveted brand management system—where products compete against one another—to a broader one of category management. Significantly, this allowed the P&G manager to oversee both the product and its advertising. He was committed to new product development and invested \$2 billion into new acquisitions that resulted in tremendous growth, making the company the nation's leading personal care products company. He did this while emphasizing P&G's strengths in market research and without compromising its basic values. During his tenure, the company expanded from 24 categories to 39, and owned the leading brand in most of them.

John Smale engineered other important company changes, many targeted to the company's enormous global expansion. In Japan, the world's second largest consumer market, he hired Japanese managers, and required those from the U.S. to study Japanese language and culture. In 1992, he was elected Board Chairman of the General Motors Corporation where he also designed a major restructuring program.

But his significant influence didn't end in the corporate boardroom; he is also an effective civic leader. In the late 1980s, he unselfishly chaired the Cincinnati Infrastructure Commission—known as the Smale Commission—and enlisted other community leaders in an examination of ways to make critical improvements in the city's infrastructure. The Commission's report is widely viewed as the most comprehensive assessment of the city's physical

assets. He has also served on the Board of Directors of the Partnership for a Drug-Free America, the Nature Conservancy, and the National Park Foundation; a trustee of the Cincinnati Institute of Fine Arts and the Cincinnati Museum Association; a member of the Board of Governors of United Way and the National Advisory Board of Goodwill Industries of America.

John Smale is an innovator and achiever. One veteran corporate analyst ranked him as one of the top three chief executives of the past half century. As he receives advertising's most prestigious honor, we congratulate him and thank him for his vision, his commitment and his service to his community and his country.