Although 4–H has changed over the years to meet the changing needs of Missouri families, clubs continue to live up to the 4–H motto: to make the best better. Group focused and family oriented, 4–H promotes positive physical, mental, and emotional growth through programs that help young people build self-confidence and acquire essential life skills. Today's 4–H features programs covering traditional topics such as cooking and agriculture as well as classes about the environment, workforce preparation, leadership and teamwork, and community involvement.

Missouri 4–H programs are intended for youth of all income levels, abilities, and ethnic backgrounds. With the upcoming centennial celebrations, it is an especially good time for anyone who is interested in joining or volunteering for 4–H to get involved. I know the Members of the House will join me in congratulating the National 4–H Program on reaching this outstanding milestone.

TRIBUTE TO ANTHONY J. BELLOMO, LITURGICAL ARTIST OF THE YEAR AWARD

HON, DAVID E, BONIOR

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 23, 2002

Mr. BONIOR. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to pay tribute to a man whose leadership and achievements in art, building, and craftsmanship has touched the lives of so many across southeastern Michigan and beyond. Anthony Bellomo, or Tony, as many of his friends and associates have come to know him, has put Mount Clemens, MI, on the map as a center of some of America's finest liturgical art. This year, as the Ministry and Liturgy Magazine of San Jose, CA, selected their "Liturgical Artist of the Year", they honored Tony Bellomo for his wining art "Trinity in Glory" which is incorporated in the Sanctuary of St. Joseph's Church in Trenton, MI.

As the former director of art at L'Anse Creuse High School North, Tony left his teaching job to pursue his love of art and good craftsmanship. His strong interest in building and construction led him to launch the Black Forest Building Company in 1982, which has since grown into a highly successful company specializing in uniquely designed decks, gazebos, gardens, and buildings. As a deeply devoted Christian, Tony then brought his unique talents and style to the field of liturgical art. Recognized nationally for his prayerful approach and artistic sincerity, today Tony's liturgical art is in 50–100 churches in 10 States across the Nation.

Additionally, Tony's innovative style and artistic philosophy will bring him to the next White House conference on the "Healing Arts" in Washington, DC. His philosophy on art and its healing power has also led him to begin pioneering work with hospital traumatic units, cancer treatment centers, and psychiatric units.

Tony Bellomo's commitment to art and faith has truly been the driving force in his success. He is a distinguished artist and leader in his community. It gives me great pleasure to honor Tony, and I urge my colleagues to join me in saluting him on this milestone occasion.

MOTION TO INSTRUCT CONFEREES ON H.R. 2646, FARM SECURITY ACT OF 2001

SPEECH OF

HON. CHRISTOPHER SHAYS

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, April 18, 2002

Mr. SHAYS. Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong support of this motion.

This Congress has consistently, and in a bipartisan manner, supported easing our failed trade embargo on Cuba. A few years ago, we had a breakthrough and enacted legislation that allows the export of food, medicine, and humanitarian aid to the island nation. Unfortunately, that landmark legislation placed restrictions on these sales, the most onerous of which was the prohibition on U.S. financing.

For the life of me I've never understood why we are allowing United States farmers access to the Cuban market, but prohibiting our banks from financing these sales. This type of inconsistency doesn't just harm our financial institutions, it ultimately harms the very farmers we are tying to help.

The continued restrictions are also hurting the Cuban people. I don't think endangering the health and nutrition of the Cuban people is a proper response to our political disagreements with Fidel Castro. United States policy must focus on promoting a peaceful transition to democracy in Cuba. As Castro grows older, it is more important than ever for the United States to open the Cuban embargo to some trade and make efforts to develop a meaningful relationship with the people of Cuba.

Mr. Speaker, changing United States policy toward Cuba is long overdue. Unfortunately, the current restrictions on trade show there is still a cold war mentality, when it comes to our Nation's Cuba policy. Yet, I find it difficult to understand how a small island nation of 11 million people—without the Soviet Union and Warsaw Pact to protect it—could threaten the world's last remaining superpower.

I urge my colleagues on both sides of the aisle to support this motion which will clear away legal restrictions on the sale of food and medicine to Cuba. Besides benefiting the people of Cuba, passage of this motion will benefit United States trade interests, strengthen our economy, and create jobs.

RECOGNIZING MARY ANNE CASADEI

HON. SHERWOOD L. BOEHLERT

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 23, 2002

Mr. BOEHLERT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mary Anne Casadei, President of the American Legion Auxiliary, Department of New York Inc. for her outstanding efforts in assisting veterans and children. Ms. Casadei's dedicated service and leadership has helped enhance the quality of life for many veterans and children in the Rome, New York area. I applaud Ms. Casadei's achievements and those of the American Legion Auxiliary.

I am inserting into the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD, an article that outlines Ms. Casadei's accomplishments for the review of my colleagues.

ARTICLE BY THE AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY, DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK, INC.

Mary Anne Casadei is a resident of Rome, New York. She is currently serving as President of the American Legion Auxiliary, Department of New York.

As a member of the largest women's patriotic organization in the world, assisting veterans is a top priority. She volunteers at the Rome Veterans Administration Clinic and Memorial Hospital. Mary Anne is the founder and Coordinator of the Griffiss Independent Veterans Effort Program (G.I.V.E. Program), which supports the Griffiss VA Clinic with donations and supplies.

One of the major programs that the American Legion Auxiliary deals in, involves Children and Youth. Not only has President Casadei been the recipient of State and National Awards for her auxiliary efforts, she has also served as a Youth Director for the Rome Family YMCA. As Youth Director she led programs for youth at risk and for developmentally delayed participants from age to adults. In addition, President Casadei is involved in the Family Nurturing Center of Central New York State as a facilitator of parenting programs. She is also involved at the Court Street Diagnostic and Treatment in the Social Work Development.

As President of this great organization her focus is on Parkinson's Disease. No one knows the causes of Parkinson's Disease; therefore monies raised will go toward much needed research. The Parkinson's Alliance goal is to find a cure by 2005. Due to the generosity and commitment of the Tugman Family Foundation, all donations received by the American Legion Auxiliary during Mary Anne's year as Department President will be matched dollar-for-dollar. "We have an amazing opportunity to make a difference," said President Casadei. President Casadei's passion for this program can be attributed to the love and support she has for her ailing mother who suffers from Parkinson's disease. Ms. Casadei and her family have seen this disease ravage her mother's body and take away her independence. However, she and her family remain confident that a cure for this dreadful disease will eventually become a reality. The Veteran's Administration has recently allocated funds to six VA facilities to be used directly for Parkinson's research. These allocations are a

for this devastating disease.

President Casadei is also a strong supporter to an amendment to the U.S. Constitution that would ban burning of the American flag. Traveling throughout the 62 counties in New York State, President Casadei has vowed to protect the American Flag from physical desecration. The prominence of the American flag in just hours following the September 11th attacks on America is a matter of visual record that will stand for some time. Americans revere the Flag as a symbol that unites us all across our great nation

crucial component in the quest to find a cure

President Casadei's leadership and loyalty is evident not only to the American Legion Auxiliary but throughout her community; to her family and friends; and especially to the veterans that sacrificed their lives while defending our country.

80TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE BOROUGH OF LINCOLN PARK, NJ

HON. RODNEY P. FRELINGHUYSEN

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, April 23, 2002

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the 80th anniversary of

the Borough of Lincoln Park, County of Morris, NJ.

The history of Lincoln Park dates back to the founding of our Nation, with settlers first taking up residence as early as 1690. Originally referred to as Two Bridges and later as Beavertown, the town's current name was adopted in 1872.

In April of 1922 the residents established the Borough of Lincoln Park as a separate town from the Township of Pequannock following the passing of a referendum.

Today Lincoln Park is home to 10,930 proud citizens and has been voted by the State of New Jersey as its "Third Kindest Town."

As the Borough of Lincoln Park commemorates its 80th anniversary its residents also remember those that were lost on September 11, 2001, with a memorial service and the dedication of a "Living Memorial" near the railroad station.

In September 2001, Lincoln Park suffered the loss of three of its residents, Peter Wallace, Catherine Nardella, and Mark Zangrilli. Despite the tragedy, the Borough banded together and raised \$20,000 for the World Trade Center Fund at its annual Lincoln Park Day on September 22.

"By serving causes greater than ourselves," the men, women, and children of Lincoln Park are helping to defeat terrorism with the "Best of America," as President Bush has urged us all to do.

Mr. Speaker, for the past 80 years, the Borough of Lincoln Park has played a significant role in helping to create the cultural fabric of our State and the municipality will certainly continue to do so in the years to come. I congratulate the citizens of the Borough of Lincoln Park on their special anniversary year, and urge all my colleagues to join me in wishing them well.

CONGRATULATING SISTER KATHLEEN QUINN

HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, April~23, 2002

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure and admiration that I congratulate Sister Kathleen Quinn upon her retirement as chairperson of the Ancilla Systems Board of Directors. I can truly say Sister Kathleen is one of the most dedicated, distinguished, and committed citizens of Indiana's First Congressional District. Northwest Indiana and Ancilla Systems, Inc., has certainly been rewarded by the true service and uncompromising loyalty she has displayed to her community.

Sister Kathleen entered the religious community and made her First Profession in June of 1949. She graduated from St. Joseph's School of Nursing in 1952, and received a BSN in Nursing from Loyola University and a MSN in Nursing Service Administration from the Catholic University of America, located in Washington, DC. She began her nursing career in the Obstetrics Department at St. Anne's Hospital in Chicago and later served as the hospital's Director of Nursing Services from 1960 to 1965. For the next 2 years, Sister Kathleen served as the Assistant Administrator of Nursing at St. Mary's Hospital in East St. Louis. She then became the Assistant Pro-

vincial of the PHJC Community from July of 1967 to July of 1973. For the next twelve years, Sister Kathleen held hospital administrator positions at St. Joseph's Hospital in Fort Wayne, Indiana and St. Mary's Hospital in East St. Louis, IL. From 1985 to 1991 Sister Kathleen served as Provincial of the PHJC congregation. Most recently, Sister Kathleen served as chairperson of Ancilla, Inc., from July 1991 to April 2002. While serving as chairperson, she has served on a number of boards and committees, including: American Hospital Association, Catholic Health Association. Illinois Catholic Health Association. Garv Community Health Foundation, Edgewater Systems for Balanced Living, Legacy Foundation, Inc., St. Joseph Community Health Foundation, Health Visions Midwest, St. Joseph Hospital Advisory Board, St. Joseph Hospital Ethics Committee and Mission Effectiveness Committee, Sagamore Health Network and Advantage Health Plan Mission Effectiveness Committee, Community Foundation of Northwest Indiana, Inc., St. Joseph Regional Medical Center Board, The Discovery Alliance Board, YWCA of Garv, and Linden House of Garv.

Among her many contributions to the care of all God's people, Sister Kathleen founded the Nazareth Home in East Chicago, IN, in 1993. Nazareth Home is a foster home for children born of mothers who are addicted to various substances or who have AIDS. She was also a leader in founding the Sojourner Truth House, which is a daytime ministry for needy women and children in Gary, IN. Sister Kathleen is currently active in parish life at Holy Angels Cathedral in Gary.

Mr. Speaker, America is made a better place because of the tireless and unselfish service of its citizens. Sister Kathleen Quinn is a woman who has dedicated her entire life to helping those around her, resolutely working to aid the needy, and serving as an upright pillar of morality and conscience. In so doing, she has strengthened her community and the whole of our country and society. I ask you and my other distinguished colleagues to join me in commending Sister Kathleen Quinn for her lifetime of remarkable accomplishments, enduring service, and the unforgettable effect she has had on the people of northwest Indiana. The staff at Ancilla Systems, Inc., will surely miss her enthusiasm, but we thank her for her years of service and wish her happiness in her well-deserved retirement.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE SHORELINE/SOUTH COUNTY YMCA

HON. JAY INSLEE

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 23, 2002

Mr. INSLEE. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I commend the Shoreline/South County YMCA on their outstanding contribution to youth and families in the greater Shoreline/South Snohomish County area of the State of Washington.

Now in their 49th year of service in the community, the YMCA builds upon a long-standing tradition of putting kids and families first by providing a location where families can spend time together and young children and teens can find a safe environment full of stimulating

and educational activities. For an increasing number of children, the YMCA fills the void in their lives and gives them direction and support in our ever-changing world.

Through a variety of innovative and sup-

portive programs, the Shoreline/South County YMCA serves more than 3,450 individuals each year. The YMCA reaches out to families of young children through such programs as Y-Guides & Y-Princesses and an endless array of youth sports activities. Additionally, the YMCA child care sites at public schools and summer day camps give working parents the security of quality, affordable day care, with nearly a third of participants receiving financial assistance from the YMCA. In an effort to reach out to teens in the community-many of whom are considered at-risk-the YMCA partners with area schools and city governments to provide tutors at middle schools. after school programs through Klub Kellogg, and leadership building skills for teens through their YMCA Youth & Government program.

The YMCA does not do this alone. The greater Shoreline/South County community generously supports the YMCA to sustain these invaluable services. This year alone, Shoreline/South County residents, community leaders and area businesses donated a record-breaking \$100,000 to the annual Partners for Youth Campaign.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in honoring the Board of Directors, staff, and volunteers of the Shoreline/South County YMCA for their unwavering commitment to youth and families and their tireless work to improve their community, one child, one family at a time

TRIBUTE TO MR. RICHARD SHOWLER

HON. GARY G. MILLER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 23, 2002

Mr. GARY MILLER of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the accomplishments of Richard Showler, a professional truck driver for Roadway Express, Inc. who recently logged over one million miles on the road without a preventable accident.

To put Mr. Showler's accomplishment in perspective, a million miles is the equivalent of circling the earth's equator 38 times. That's quite a distance.

Although a million miles is probably more than an entire family ever drives—or more than I would ever drive—what is particularly important and noteworthy about Mr. Showler's record is that he's managed to log all of those miles responsibly and attentively.

Even more impressive, perhaps, is that Mr. Showler has driven the majority of these miles on what are arguably the most congested parts of Southern California's highway system. Indeed, anyone familiar with the gridlock and traffic that is characteristic of Southern California could attest to the difficulty of negotiating those roads in a car, much less a semitruck with a full trailer of goods. In short, Mr. Showler is among the most distinguished and safe drivers out on the road today.

Mr. Showler, a member of Local 952 of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, has been with Roadway for twenty-two years. Happily married, with a son, Mr. Showler resides