of children, minorities, the disabled, crime victims, workers, patients, women and many others, social workers continue to lead efforts that enhance human, and thereby societal, wellbeing. They shape programs and policies that strengthen individual lives and improve the society in which we all live.

HONORING CORNELL SCOTT FOR HIS LIFETIME OF CONTRIBU-TIONS TO THE COMMUNITY

## HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 17, 2003

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I rise today to join the many family, friends, and community leaders who have gathered to pay tribute to one of New Haven's most respected community leaders and one of my dear friends, Cornell Scott. His lifetime of dedication and compassion has made a real difference in the lives of thousands.

Chief Executive Officer of the Hill Health Center in New Haven, Scotty has been the driving force behind its success for the last thirty-four years. His tireless efforts have literally changed the face of healthcare in this community and across the nation. I have had the privilege of working with Scotty over the years and I am in awe of his endless energy. He is an inspiration to so many and I consider myself fortunate to call him my friend.

Established in 1968, the Hill Health Center is a private, non-profit community health center-the first of its kind in the State of Connecticut-which provides some of our most vulnerable citizens with the medical, dental, and behavioral health services. Too often, those children, families, and individuals most in need do not have access to critical healthcare programs and services. Now operating in eighteen locations throughout Greater New Haven, Hill Health Center has become an irreplaceable asset to our community. Scotty's leadership, vision, and enduring tenacity has been the backbone of the Hill Health Center-and for that we owe him a debt of gratitude.

In addition to his professional career, Scotty has also played an integral role in many local service organizations—helping to shape our community and improve the quality of life for all New Haven residents. The Community Foundation of Greater New Haven, the New Haven Housing Authority, the Connecticut Association for Human Services are just a few of the area agencies which have benefitted from his time and energies.

I am proud to stand today to join the many who have gathered today to pay tribute to my good friend, Cornell Scott, for his lifetime of invaluable contributions. He has left an indelible mark on this community and a legacy that will not soon be forgotten.

RECOGNIZING PATUXENT HIGH SCHOOL

#### HON. STENY H. HOYER

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, June 17, 2003

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Patuxent High School in Calvert County, Maryland for its ranking among the Nation's top 700 most demanding public schools as reported by Newsweek. I would like to commend Patuxent High School on incorporating a curriculum that challenges and advances the abilities of all students who attend this public school.

The Challenge Index rated each school by analyzing the number of advanced placement or International Baccalaureate tests taken by students in the high school and the number graduating from that school in a given year. Those schools that received a rating of 1.0, which meant that the number of students graduating was less than the number of tests given, were considered above average and included in the index. Based on this ratings scale, Patuxent High School achieved the ranking of 697th of schools across the Nation who met this 1.0 rating.

The Advanced Placement (AP) and International Baccalaureate (IB), a European based program, are courses students can take which have a challenging curriculum and prepare the students for their endeavors at the collegiate level. In addition, these exams allow the individual students to earn college credits depending on what score they receive on the

In 2003 the Patuxent High School student body numbered 1775 students with a senior class of 371. It offers fifteen AP courses as well as numerous honors courses that challenge their students. This year twenty-seven percent of the graduating class will attend a four-year college or university with forty percent attending a two-year college. In 2001, Patuxent High School was honored for receiving the top average SAT scores in Calvert County.

Principal Robert F. Dredger along with the four Vice Principals: Nancy Highsmith, Steve King, Christian Hodge, and Robert Lawrence, have established an environment that motivates and challenges each and every student. Without the hard work of the administration, staff, and students this honor could not have been obtained.

Mr. Speaker, Patuxent High School has demonstrated an outstanding commitment to its entire student body by offering numerous courses that provoke the minds of each and every student. I would like to congratulate Patuxent High School on achieving such an honor and wish the faculty, staff, and students continued success in the future.

A SPECIAL TRIBUTE TO SPANGLER DUM DUM POPS® ON OCCASION OF THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

# HON. PAUL E. GILLMOR

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, June 17, 2003

Mr. GILLMOR. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pride that I rise today to pay special tribute to

an outstanding Ohio corporation, Spangler Candy Company, and the 50th anniversary celebration of the Spangler Dum Dum Pop. Considered the largest selling penny pop in the Midwest, the Dum Dum Pop came to Bryan, Ohio in the spring of 1953, when Spangler purchased the machinery, equipment and trade name from the Akron Candy Company of Bellevue, Ohio. By 1956, the Dum Dum Pop was a nationally acclaimed candy.

Mr. Speaker, on June 4, 1953, Bryan celebrated the acquisition of the Dum Dum Pop with a declared "Dum Dum Day." On this special occasion, thousands of free lollipops were distributed to children and families gathered on the front lawn of the Spangler plant.

In August 1957, Spangler announced its "largest production day ever" of 1,545,750 Dum Dum Pops. In 1959, Spangler introduced a new program, encouraging children to save their Dum Dum wrappers and send them in with money for prizes. Today, the "save wraps" continues to function in a modified version.

By 1979, Spangler was producing 2.8 million Dum Dum Pops on a daily basis. By 1989, Dum Dums were the third largest selling lollipop in the country.

During the summer of 2001, a warehouse in Archbold, Ohio burned to the ground, costing Spangler more than 110,000 cases of Dum Dum Pops ready for shipment. In the months following the devastating fire, Spangler employees worked long hours to replace the loss, producing approximately 10 million Dum Dum Pops a day. After the Archbold fire, Spangler workers proved their dedication to the industry of Dum Dum Pops in their efforts to compensate for the lost products. Demonstrating pride and civic duty, factory workers and distributors proved their allegiance to Spangler and Dum Dum Pop consumers.

Today, Spangler generates about 8 million Dum Dum Pops each day, distributing cases of lollipops world-wide. Available in a variety of packaging sizes, ranging from 7 ounces to bulk cases of more than 2,000-count, consumers can purchase Dum Dums in food, drug, and mass market retail stores, as well as on the Spangler Candy Co. website.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in paying special tribute to Spangler Candy Co. In producing Dum Dum Pops®, the Spangler Candy Co. has provided jobs and a positive work environment not only for the Bryan community, but for members of communities nationwide. We wish Spangler Candy Co. all the best as we acknowledge one of our State's finest companies and all of their accomplishments.

HONORING MR. WALLACE E. EVANS

### HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 17, 2003

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Mr. Speaker it is with great pride and honor that I congratulate Mr. Wallace E. Evans on his contribution to the residents of Northwest Indiana. Wallace will be retiring on July 1, 2003 as Local 881 United Food and Commercial Workers (UFCW) International Union's Executive Vice President. There will be a celebration dedicated to honoring his achievements on Friday, June 27 in Oak Brook, Illinois.

After 13 years of working as a Frozen Foods manager at Burger Supermarkets in Munster, Indiana, he was hired on full-time as the Organizer and Business Representative for Local 1460 of the Retail Clerks Union of Lake County. In 1980, Wallace became the President of Local 1460, and the first contract he negotiated as President increased the membership wage by \$2.10 over the three-year contract. During his tenure, he dedicated himself to improving the working and financial conditions of the membership. After his time served as President, he became the Secretary-Treasurer of Local 1550 of UFCW, from 1986–1989

After the merger of Local 1550 and Local 881 of UFCW in 1989, Wallace served as a Collective Bargaining Negotiator until he was named Director of Collective Bargaining in 1994. In 1996, he was named Executive Vice President and Director of Collective Bargaining.

Not only has Wallace had many positive accomplishments in his career with the union, he has also actively contributed to his community through many service organizations. He has served as the Union Trustee for the UFCW Union and Employers Calumet Region Insurance Fund since 1974, as well as holding the office of Democratic Precinct Committeeman in Highland, Indiana. He has also been a community leader through his role as Vice President of the Northwest Indiana Federation of Labor AFL-CIO (Retail Wholesale Sector), Although Wallace has dedicated his life to his career and his community, he has never neglected to provide support and love for his family. Wallace and his wife, Sheila, have been married for 36 years, and have two sons, Steven and Jason.

Mr. Speaker, Wallace Evans has been an active force in his union, as well as a positive leader for the Northwest Indiana community. I respectfully ask that you and my other distinguished colleagues join me in congratulating him on his well-deserved retirement. His service to his career and devotion to Indiana's First Congressional District deserves the highest commendation, and I am proud to represent him in Congress.

IN HONOR OF EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING, LINDA MILLER—TEACHER

## HON. CIRO D. RODRIGUEZ

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, June 17, 2003

Mr. RODRIGUEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Linda Miller, an inspirational and loving teacher in San Antonio, TX at Theodore Roosevelt High School. Today Linda Miller, who dedicates her life to the success and education of her students, is honored with Time Warner Cable's National Teachers Awards Division Crystal Apple Award.

Each year Time Warner Cable honors 20 classroom projects, and the teachers who develop them, with the Crystal Apple Award. This award recognizes outstanding teachers who create learning experiences using cable technology. Ms. Miller's project embraced Japanese animation's historical and cultural heritage as well as technology's impact on its popularity.

Linda Miller has a record of achievement reflecting her passion for teaching. She has received the Teacher of the Year award presented to her by the American legion, as well as being identified as an Outstanding Teacher by the Rotary Club. Linda Miller's immense dedication to her students speaks for itself as Roosevelt High School presented her with the Humanitarian award for identifying students with special needs and pairing them with the mainstream students, in a buddy system. According to one fellow teacher, she surprised many of her colleagues who did not even realize that special needs students even attended.

Time Warner Cable seeks ways to support the educators and institutions that help shape our Nation. By enabling the power of cable television's 21st century technology and high-quality programming to unite teachers, students and parents, both in the classroom and for the benefit of the community, Time Warner strives to enhance the level of education in the classroom. It is, however, remarkable teachers such as Linda Miller who make this possible.

Mr. Speaker, it is my distinguished pleasure to honor Linda Miller because I recognize that it is the perseverance and dedication of teachers like her that will lead our youth to a brighter future.

HONORING LIEUTENANT GEOF-FREY CHENEY FERRIS AS HE IS REMEMBERED FOR HIS OUT-STANDING MILITARY SERVICE

## HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 17, 2003

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Speaker, today at the Headquarters of the 1st Battalion, 33rd Field Artillery of the United States Army in Bamberg, Germany many have gathered to pay tribute to a true hero and a New Haven, Connecticut native, Lieutenant Geoffrey Cheney Ferris. Today, the actions of Lieutenant Ferris will be memorialized with the dedication of the Headquarters in his honor. I am proud to stand today to join the members of the 33rd Field Artillery Regiment in paying tribute to Lieutenant Ferris, who made the ultimate sacrifice in defending our nation during World War II.

On the morning of May 6, 1943, Lieutenant Ferris, an artillery observer, reported to Company E, 26th Infantry during an assault of a strongly held enemy position in Dj El Deba, Tunisia. As an artillery observer, Lieutenant Ferris' duties included securing observation posts from which artillery strikes on the enemy could be called. In the breaking light of the morning. Lieutenant Ferris determined it impossible for a suitable observation post to be secured in the area occupied by Company E, and—as described by his commanding officer and others-with extreme disregard for his own safety advanced alone in front of Company E to establish an observation post. Determined and unyielding, Lieutenant Ferris advanced over an area of several hundred yards beyond the closest of infantrymen and was iust short of an excellent observation post when he was mortally wounded by enemy fire.

Lieutenant Ferris' heroic attempt to advance his fellow soldiers was recognized by our nation with the award of the Distinguished Service Cross—the second highest award for valor and heroism in action which can be bestowed. Today, his former company, the "Golden Lions" of the 1st Battalion, 33rd Field Artillery again pay tribute to Lieutenant Ferris' memory and selfless sacrifice with the dedication of their headquarters in his honor.

It is my honor and privilege to rise today to join the 33rd Field Artillery, Governor John Rowland of Connecticut, and all of those who have gathered to recognize Lieutenant Geoffrey Cheney Ferris—one of Connecticut's sons—for his unparalleled courage and distinguished service in the United States Army. I am proud to present this statement and a flag which has been flown over the United States Capitol to be displayed at the Battalion Headquarters. Lieutenant Ferris is a true American hero whose story and legacy of heroism is sure to inspire generations to come.

THOMAS STONE HIGH SCHOOL, A TOP AMERICAN HIGH SCHOOL

## HON. STENY H. HOYER

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 17, 2003

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Thomas Stone High School in Charles County Maryland, for its ranking among the nation's top 700 most demanding public schools as reported in Newsweek. I would like to commend Thomas Stone High School on incorporating a curriculum that challenges and advances the abilities of all students who attend this public school.

The 2003 Challenge Index rated each school by analyzing the number of advanced placement or International Baccalaureate tests taken by students in the high school and the number of graduating seniors from that school in a given year. Those schools who received a rating of 1.0, which meant that the number of students graduating was less than the number of tests given, were considered above average and included in the index. Based on this ratings scale, Thomas Stone High School achieved the ranking of 364th in schools across the nation who met this 1.0 rating.

The Advanced Placement (AP) and International Baccalaureate (IB), a European based program, are courses students can take which have a more challenging curriculum and prepare the students for their endeavors at the collegiate level. In addition to this, these exams also allow the individual students to earn college credit depending on the score they receive on the exam.

Thomas Stone High School includes 1916 students with 392 of those graduating this year. Out of those 392 students graduating, the school expects 72 percent to attend a college or university. To aid students in continuing their education the school estimates that nearly 4.2 million dollars has been spent on scholarships. Students are allowed to participate in nineteen Advanced Placement courses, as well as scholar's courses and the JROTC. Thomas Stone High School has a student who sits on the State Board of Education as well as the County Board of Education. The school has Board Certified teachers and the Principal, Mr. Heath Morrison, was named the Maryland Association of Student Council's Principal of the Year. It is easy to