By all the means you can, In all the ways you can, In all the places you can, At all the times you can, To all the people you can, As long as ever you can

I am sure my colleagues will join me in congratulating the faculty, staff, students, alumni and friends of lowa Wesleyan College on reaching the milestone of providing one million hours of service through RSI. They will also want to join me in wishing them Godspeed as they embark on their second million.

ON THE RECOGNITION OF THE SERVICE OF MR. JOHN PORTER

### HON, STENY H. HOYER

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 25, 2003

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize John Porter who bravely served as a private in the Maryland Militia during the War of 1812 and was killed in the line of duty.

The War of 1812 should be remembered and revered for its final and permanent confirmation of American Independence.

Mr. Porter served in the Maryland Militia as a member of the 33rd Regiment and served under Captain Benjamin Massey in the Battle of Bladensburg, also known as "the battle to protect the heart of America." The Maryland Militia served at a moment's notice with great enthusiasm, demonstrating the honor and dignity with which they believed came from defending their country and serving this patriotic duty.

The British had three reasons for attacking the Chesapeake Region during the Battle of Bladensburg: to burn Washington, D.C. in order to avenge America's burning of York in Canada; to destroy Baltimore to prevent future naval attacks; and to draw American troops away from the Canadian front. Despite these interests, the Maryland Militia was able to aid their country by defending both Washington and Baltimore and allowed troops to remain on the Canadian front.

John Porter fought valiantly during this battle, and was one of many members of the Maryland Militia who gave their lives in defense of their country.

Mr. Speaker, and colleagues, please join me in recognizing the sacrifice and service of Mr. Porter to both the state of Maryland and to our great nation.

REORGANIZING JESSICA LITTLE

### HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, February 25, 2003

Mr. GRAVES. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Jessica Little, a very special young woman who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Girl Scouts of America, Troop 1230, and in earning the most prestigious honor of the Gold Award.

The Girl Scout Gold Award is the highest achievement attainable in Girl Scouting. To earn the Gold Award, a Scout must complete

five requirements, all of which promote community service, personal and spiritual growth, positive values, and leadership skills. The requirements include: (1) Earning four interest project patches, each of which requires seven activities that center on skill building, technology, service projects, and career exploration; (2) earning the Career Exploration Pin, which involves researching careers, writing resumes, and planning a career fair or trip; (3) earning the Senior Girl Scout Leadership Award, which requires a minimum of 30 hours of work using leadership skills; (4) designing a self-development plan that requires assessment of ability to interact with others and prioritize values, participation for a minimum of 15 hours in a community service project, and development of a plan to promote Girl Scouting; and (5) spending a minimum of 50 hours planning and implementing a Girl Scout Gold Award project that has a positive lasting impact on the community.

For her Gold Award Project, Jessica cleaned up and organized a Casa House.

Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Jessica Little for her accomplishments with the Girl Scouts of America and for her efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of the Gold Award.

HONORING MR. RICHARD P'POOL

### HON. ED WHITFIELD

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, February 25, 2003

Mr. WHITFIELD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Mr. Richard P'Pool of Princeton, Kentucky for his hard work and dedication on behalf of our nation's veterans.

Mr. P'Pool has spent countless hours and resources documenting and recognizing veterans who have been interred without proper ceremony or marker. When discovering a grave without a proper marker, Mr. P'Pool begins to research the veteran. It is necessary to fully document the service member's military career so that the Department of Veterans Affairs can provide a military marker for the grave. Mr. P'Pool helped apply for and received over 300 markers from the Department of Veterans Affairs at his own expense. This process requires hours of tedious and detailed research because the documentation required, including the muster rolls and the extracts from State files or land warrants, is not often not readily available.

Whenever possible, Mr. P'Pool organizes a memorial ceremony to honor the veteran with the assistance of re-enactment soldiers from the 5th Tennessee Infantry Regiment, members of the Sons of Confederate Veterans and members of the United Daughters of the Confederacy. They have memorialized soldiers of the Civil War, Korean War and World War II.

Mr. P'Pool served our country in the United States Army. He worked at the White House Communications Agency under Presidents Nixon, Ford and Carter from 1973 until 1977, and he is currently employed as a millwright in Calvert City, Kentucky in my Congressional District. He is a member of the Caldwell County Historical Society, the Sons of Confederate Veterans, the Kentucky Historical Society, the Kentucky Genealogical Society and the Friends of the National Park at Gettysburg. He

is assisting in making application for military monuments to be certified under the Kentucky Military Heritage Act.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to call attention to the selfless acts of Richard P'Pool. I extend my thanks to him for all his efforts on behalf of so many deserving veterans, and I am honored to bring his accomplishments to the attention of this House.

TRIBUTE TO MR. DONALD S. POW-ERS AND MAYOR ROBERT PASTRICK

# HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, February 25, 2003

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Mr. Speaker, it is with great honor and enthusiasm that I wish to commend two distinguished members of the Northwest Indiana community for their dedicated service and compassion for their fellow citizens. St. Catherine Hospital honored Mr. Donald S. Powers and Mayor Robert Pastrick with the Pillar of the Community Award on Saturday, February 22, 2003 for their outstanding service on behalf of the hospital and the surrounding community.

Donald Powers has demonstrated tremendous vision and leadership in his on-going relationship with Community Health Care System and its affiliates, Community Hospital, St. Catherine Hospital, and St. Mary Medical Center. As President of the Board, Mr. Powers oversaw the creation and construction of Community Hospital, and assisted the staff and administration in developing the first freestanding hospital in Lake County that is ranked in the top two percent of hospitals surveyed nationally for standard of care.

Mr. Power's planning and foresight with respect to the hospital's investment program led to the construction of the Center for Visual and Performing Arts in Munster, Indiana. This center has served as a cultural epicenter, as it is the home for the Northwest Indiana Symphony Society and the Northern Indiana Arts Association.

Mr. Powers has donated much of his time and expertise to his community. He has served on many boards, including the American Red Cross, Calumet Council of Boy Scouts, and the YMCA. Additionally, Mr. Powers was appointed to the Board of Trustees of Purdue University by former Governor Otis Bowen, and was elected President of the Board in 1981.

Mayor Robert Pastrick has been a fixture of the East Chicago community since his election to the City Council in 1955. He has served the citizens of East Chicago as their mayor since 1973. During that time, he has shown a commitment to ensuring effective health care for his constituents by initiating a joint venture between the City of East Chicago and St. Catherine Hospital. Through this program, East Chicago residents have an opportunity to obtain affordable, quality health care for themselves and their children.

Mayor Pastrick has also shown a commitment to his community through his volunteer work, serving on the Indiana Association of Cities and Towns, the United States Conference of Mayors, the Northwest Indiana Regional Planning Commission, and the Northwest Indiana Forum Foundation. Through his

service in these organizations, Mayor Pastrick has worked to improve the lives of the residents of East Chicago, as well as the lives of all Northwest Indiana residents.

Mr. Speaker, at this time I ask that you and my other distinguished colleagues join me in congratulating Mr. Donald S. Powers and Mayor Robert Pastrick as they receive the Pillar of the Community Award for their work on behalf of St. Catherine Hospital. Through their dedication and hard work, the citizens of Northwest Indiana have access to the best medical facilities and services possible. I am proud to represent them in Congress.

# RECOGNIZING KIMBERLY MARLIN

### HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 25, 2003

Mr. GRAVES. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Kimberly Marlin, a very special young woman who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Girl Scouts of America, and in earning the most prestigious honor of the Gold Award.

The Girl Scout Gold Award is the highest achievement attainable in girl scouting. To earn the Gold Award, a scout must complete five requirements, all of which promote community service, personal and spiritual growth, positive values, and leadership skills. The requirements include: (1) earning four interest project patches, each of which requires seven activities that center on skill building, technology, service projects, and career exploration, (2) earning the career exploration pin, which involves researching careers, writing resumes, and planning a career fair or trip, (3) earning the Senior Girl Scout Leadership Award, which requires a minimum of 30 hours of work using leadership skills, (4) designing a self-development plan that requires assessment of ability to interact with others and prioritize values, participation for a minimum of 15 hours in a community service project, and development of a plan to promote girl scouting, and (5) spending a minimum of 50 hours planning and implementing a Girl Scout Gold Award Project that has a positive lasting impact on the community.

Fro her Gold Award Project, Kimberly organized a lending library at Colbern Road Baptist Church

Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Kimberly Marlin for her accomplishments with the Girl Scouts of American and for her efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of the Gold Award.

FOR THE LOVE OF TEACHING—A TRIBUTE TO REMARKABLE DORIS DUNLAP DARDEN

# HON. WM. LACY CLAY

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 25, 2003

Mr. CLAY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Doris Dunlap Darden, an educator who has devoted 50 years of service to the St. Louis Public School District. She has dedi-

cated her life to enabling children to attain quality education and providing opportunities that help students realize their abilities and achieve their highest goals.

She began her commendable teaching career in 1953 and has worked diligently to level the educational playing field for at-risk youth in low-income neighborhoods throughout the city of St. Louis. Darden has encouraged hundreds of children by setting high expectations and implementing programs for students to gain leadership and communications skills necessary to succeed in life. She has been committed to reaching both the students and their parents with her educational outreach. Darden impressively took the initiative to create "Home, School and Community," a program which introduced students to local and national newsmakers and celebrities. This innovative program allows famous guest speakers to encourage students to achieve academic excellence, while their parents attended informative workshops and seminars.

Darden solidly believes that all children deserve a high quality education regardless of their socioeconomic status. As a tutor, early in her career, she took note of the way wealthy parents trained their children and introduced those same learning techniques to inner city students. Darden found that her efforts helped raise both the productivity level and esteem of children who would otherwise might have been cast off by society.

In addition to her unwavering commitment to teaching, Darden has selflessly allotted time for community service. She had dedicated numerous hours to working with the Colored Women's Association, National Association of University Women, Tot's N' Teens, various city-wide committees and Leadership for Teachers.

Mr. Speaker, it is with great privilege that I recognize Doris Dunlap Darden to today before Congress. This extraordinary women strongly believes that every child has the capacity to learn and deserves a chance to express that capacity through life goals. In 50 years, Darden has influentially touched the lives of thousands of young people in classrooms and throughout the St. Louis community. She has a stellar record of demonstrating compassion in the classroom. I ask that my colleagues join me in honoring a treasured member of the St. Louis community, Doris Dunlap Darden.

#### HONORING MR. LARRY WALSTON

#### HON. ED WHITFIELD

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday. February 25. 2003

Mr. WHITFIELD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Mr. Larry Walston of Hopkinsville, KY, for his hard work and dedication on behalf of our Nation's veterans.

Mr. Walston has worked tirelessly to document the service of veterans who were interred without proper ceremony or marker. In conjunction with officials from the Commonwealth of Kentucky, he has obtained the military service records of nearly 300 civil war veterans buried in Riverside Cemetery in Hopkinsville. These soldiers were interred without stones. The documentation he helped collect was used to order individual markers from the

Department of Veterans Affairs. With the assistance of member of the Sons of the Confederate Veterans and others, these markers were then placed in the cemetery.

Mr. Walston served our country as a member of the United States Navy and a veterans of the Vietnam War. He is a professor as Hopkinsville Community College and a member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, Military Order of the Stars and Bars, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, the Veterans of Foreign Wars and many other community service organizations. He is assisting in making application for military monuments to be certified under the Kentucky Military Heritage Act.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to represent Larry Walston in my district. I extend my thanks to him for all efforts on behalf of so many deserving veterans, and I am proud to bring his accomplishments to the attention of this House.

TRIBUTE TO THE CP FEDERAL CREDIT UNION OF JACKSON, MICHIGAN

#### HON. NICK SMITH

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, February 25, 2003

Mr. SMITH of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Michigan's Federal Credit Unions for their efforts to improve financial services for their members. I would like to especially commend CP Federal Credit Union for their efforts to improve literacy among young people in Jackson, MI.

Today they will receive the 2002 National Desjardins Youth Financial Education Award for their good work. The award is named for the founder of the North American credit union movement, a man who promoted the idea of educating youth and providing them with inschool savings accounts.

For the last 10 years the CP Federal Credit Union, under the leadership of President and CEO John Crist, put Desjardins' words into action and worked with schools throughout Jackson County to help our youth understand how to spend, save, and budget money. Each week presenters travel to area schools to teach students from Kindergarten to High School about money. In addition to their informative and entertaining presentations they also connect schools with local business people who talk to the students about finances.

Their education did not stop there. The CP Federal Credit Union also operates 31 student-run credit unions. Students have an opportunity to volunteer and learn to post transactions and balance a cash drawer. Currently, 320 student volunteers participate in the program. In addition, the program employs five youth representatives who give presentations and meet with teachers and principals to discuss youth financial literacy. Thanks to their efforts 31 schools will include personal finance as part of their curriculums next year.

Finally, the CP Federal Credit Union offers the "Great Expectations" savings account for students. They encourage students to save for college, their first car, or their first house. Students are required to make a deposit of at least \$10 per month into their savings account to be eligible for savings incentives such as cash bonuses or loan discounts. Rather than