

high school joined the Air Force, serving four years and being honorably discharged.

He returned home to his family and met Hazel Pazant, who became his wife. Fortunately for the Bronx they moved here and started to raise their family of four children. Bobby became a police officer in the New York City Police Department in 1969. While a police officer, he attended and graduated Fordham University with a degree in Sociology.

Also during his years on the force, he settled in the northeast Bronx and he joined his local block association, the Seton Falls Neighborhood Association, one of the many organizations helping his community that he joined. He also joined the Guardians Association, a police organization, eventually becoming its president. He retired from the Police Department in 1997 as a Detective but remains active with the National Black Police Association.

He has engaged in many civic activities in his community, including the fight to save Seton Falls Park from becoming a landfill, and joined the 47th Precinct Review Committee, monitoring the activities of the police in the community. He is also a member of the NAACP, serving on several committees in that organization, and is chair of the Legal Redress Committee.

He also serves as Chair of the Thurgood Marshall Independent Democratic Club.

Bobby Rivers is a tireless activist for his community, willing and able to participate in any and every activity that will help his community and improve life there. I congratulate him for his great work and wish him every continued success.

#### RECOGNIZING JAMES PARKER SOUTHWORTH FOR ACHIEVING THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT

#### HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 1, 2004*

Mr. GRAVES. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize James Parker Southworth, a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 135, and by earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

James has been very active with his troop for the past seven years, participating in numerous Scout activities. Over the years James has been involved with scouting, he has held numerous leadership positions such as Patrol and Senior Patrol Leader, five-year camper at H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation, and Firebuilder in the Tribe of Mic-O-Say. He has also earned thirty Merit Badges. For his Eagle Scout project, James organized a project to teach tree pruning techniques to other Scouts and Leaders and then pruned the trees around the four mile walking trail in Kearney, Missouri.

James will be serving the United States of America by enlisting in the Marine Corps and will be leaving by the end of this month for his induction.

Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending James Parker Southworth for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

#### HONORING GLENN E. ESTESS AS ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT FOR 2004-2005

#### HON. SPENCER BACHUS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 1, 2004*

Mr. BACHUS. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize and honor a good friend of mine, and an outstanding citizen, the newly named president of the Rotary International Club, Mr. Glenn E. Estess Sr. Following is a resolution provided by the Rotary Club of Shades Valley, Alabama, of which Mr. Estess is a member.

Whereas, Glenn E. Estess Sr., a native of the state of Mississippi, United States of America, has devoted a significant portion of his adult life to service with Rotary clubs; and

Whereas, Glenn E. Estess Sr. became a Rotarian first in 1960 as a member of the Rotary Club of Jacksonville, Florida; and

Whereas, upon moving to Wayne, New Jersey, he affiliated with the Rotary Club of that city, becoming as he had been in Florida, a member of the club's board of directors; and

Whereas, when his business brought him to Birmingham, Alabama in 1970, he promptly affiliated with the Rotary Club of Shades Valley, Alabama; and

Whereas, Glenn E. Estess Sr. held many offices of trust and responsibility as a valuable member of the Rotary Club of Shades Valley, Alabama, including that of president of the club in 1975-1976; and

Whereas, in the year 1979-1980 Glenn E. Estess Sr. was called upon to serve in the demanding position of district governor of Rotary District 686 (later 6860); and

Whereas, Glenn E. Estess Sr. was PolioPlus National Coordinator in 1987-1988, giving leadership to a program, conducted in cooperation with various national and international health organizations, designed to eradicate polio and other scourges throughout the world by the year 2005 by initially raising more than \$240 million; and

Whereas, Glenn E. Estess Sr. was a member of the Rotary International Assembly Committee for six years, served as chairman of the Rotary International Assembly, and became International Assembly moderator in 1999; and

Whereas, Glenn E. Estess Sr. has three times been a member of the influential Rotary International Council on Legislation and has also attended two additional sessions of the Council on Legislation as an official observer; and

Whereas, Glenn E. Estess Sr. served as vice president of Rotary International during 1991-1992; and

Whereas, Glenn E. Estess Sr. was a trustee of The Rotary Foundation during the years 1993-1996; and

Whereas, in 1996-1997 Glenn E. Estess Sr. and his charming wife, Mary, served as official aides to the Rotary International president and his wife; and

Whereas, Glenn E. Estess Sr. is a Rotary Foundation Major Donor, a Paul Harris Fellow, and a Benefactor of the Foundation; and

Whereas, Glenn E. Estess Sr. is the deserving recipient of The Rotary Foundation's Citation for Meritorious Service and the Foundation's Distinguished Service Award; and

Whereas, Glenn E. Estess Sr. has recently served as a member of Rotary International's vital Audit and Operations Review Committee, Rotary International's only committee with a six-year term as mandated by the 1998 Council on Legislation; and

Whereas, Glenn E. Estess Sr. is the recipient of Rotary International's coveted Service Above Self Award; and

Whereas, Glenn E. Estess Sr. is married to Mary Grantham, and they are the parents of three adult children, all of whom; along with ten additional family members, are Paul Harris Fellows; and

Whereas, Glenn E. Estess Sr. has further demonstrated his unflinching spirit of service to the community by accepting roles of importance with such prominent civic organizations as the Birmingham Baptist Health System, then an eleven-hospital system with approximately 10,000 employees, of which he was chairman of the Board of Trustees; and

Whereas, Glenn E. Estess Sr. displayed his civic consciousness while living in Florida by serving as chairman of the YMCA, the American Chemical Society, and the Arthritis Foundation; and

Whereas, Glenn E. Estess Sr. has given service as a member of the Board of Regents of the National Association of Personnel Consultants in the United States; and

Whereas, Glenn E. Estess Sr. has been a director of the Better Business Bureau of Central Alabama and a trustee for the Workman's Compensation Trust of the Business Council of Alabama; and

Whereas, Glenn E. Estess Sr. has been a faithful and involved member of Brookwood Baptist Church of Mountain Brook, a suburb of Birmingham, Alabama; and

Whereas, Glenn E. Estess Sr. will be formally installed as president of Rotary International on May 26, 2004, at the annual convention held in Osaka, Japan, to serve during the year 2004-2005; and

Whereas, the citizens of the great state of Alabama are extremely honored and proud that Glenn E. Estess Sr. has been chosen to lead Rotary International during its centennial celebration year of 2005: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the one hundred fifty six members of the Rotary Club of Shades Valley, Alabama, individually and collectively, unanimously and enthusiastically congratulate its esteemed fellow member, Glenn E. Estess Sr., upon his election to the prestigious position as president of Rotary International for the year 2004-2005; and be it

*Resolved*, That a copy of this resolution be suitably engrossed and framed and presented to Glenn and Mary Estess. Done this 3rd day of May 2004 by members of the Rotary Club of Shades Valley, Alabama, in meeting assembled.

#### FALLEN HEROES

SPEECH OF

#### HON. BILL SHUSTER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, May 20, 2004*

Mr. SHUSTER. Mr. Speaker, in the rural landscape of family farms and small towns of central Pennsylvania, the fabric of America is woven. It is a fabric of patriotic Americans who work hard, respect their neighbors, and stand proud for this nation. It is a fabric of families that heaps admiration on the fathers and mothers and the sons and daughters who serve in our Armed Forces with selfless dedication. And it is this same fabric of families who sacrifice so much for this country.

Our soldiers stand resolved to protect our families and our children from danger and attack. To these American military heroes, it is understood that we must do everything possible to win the war on terror and keep Americans safe. Failure is not an option. If freedom

has a price, we hold in the highest regard these men and women who have the courage to pay it.

We mourn the loss of the following heroes in central Pennsylvania: Gunnery Sgt. Ronald E. Baum, 38, of Hollidaysburg, PA; Pfc. Bradley G. Kritzer, 19, of Irvona, PA; Spc. Clint Richard Matthews, 31, of Bedford, PA; Sgt. Timothy L. Hayslett, 26, of Newville, PA; Staff Sgt. Christopher E. Cutchall, 30, of McConnellsburg, PA; Pfc. Richard W. Hafer, 21, Seward, PA.

America's pursuit of freedom is a beacon of light in an otherwise starless sky. I continue to be immensely proud of our soldiers who are fighting this war on terror and I lament those who have made the ultimate sacrifice. They have left homes, families, and jobs to extinguish a threat, and they stand as testament to the strength of our resolve and the durability of our fabric.

America will never forget these heroes.

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RECOGNIZING THE SELECTION OF  
BRENT BAIR AS CHAIRMAN OF  
THE INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION  
SOCIETY OF AMERICA  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**HON. MIKE ROGERS**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 1, 2004*

Mr. ROGERS of Michigan. I rise today to recognize the accomplishment of Brent Bair for being named Chairman of the Board of Directors for the Intelligent Transportation Society of America (ITSA). ITSA is a not-for-profit organization established in 1991 to coordinate the development and deployment of transportation-related technologies in the United States.

Mr. Bair was named ITSA Board Chairman at the ITSA annual meeting in San Antonio, Texas. Previously, Bair served as vice-chairman of the board and has served as a board member since 2001. Mr. Bair has also served as chairman of the Congressional ITS Caucus Advisory Committee and is a board member and former president of the Intelligent Transportation Society of Michigan.

As an ardent supporter of Intelligent Transportation Systems, Mr. Bair brought the FAST-TRAC system to more than 600 intersections in Oakland County, Michigan. The FAST-TRAC system uses video cameras to detect vehicles approaching an intersection and computers determine, in real time, the most efficient timing for the traffic signals at that intersection. Because of Mr. Bair's vision for the future, the Road Commission for Oakland County now operates the largest system of adaptive traffic signals in the nation and the largest deployment of video imaging for traffic management in the world.

Mr. Speaker, Brent Bair has served the people of Oakland County with distinction and I am confident his abilities will serve all Americans as chairman of the Intelligent Transportation Society of America. I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the appointment of Mr. Bair and to thank him for his service to the people of Michigan.

HONORING ALPHA NU OMEGA  
CHAPTER OF ALPHA KAPPA  
ALPHA SORORITY, INC.

**HON. BARBARA LEE**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 1, 2004*

Ms. LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and recognize the Alpha Nu Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., as it celebrates its 75th Anniversary. Since it was chartered on June 8, 1929, the Alpha Nu Omega Chapter has enriched the social and intellectual life of African American college women in Berkeley and Oakland, California and contributed to the social and economic well-being of the greater East Bay community.

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., is an international society that was founded at Howard University in January 1908. First conceived as an organization to enrich the social and intellectual aspects of college life, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority cuts across racial, international, and social barriers to help individuals and communities develop constructive relationships with others.

Inspired by the mission and dedication of the National Sorority, young women in Oakland and Berkeley, California founded the Alpha Nu Omega Chapter 21 years later. The moving spirit in the establishment of Alpha Nu Omega Chapter was Soror Ida L. Jackson who, at that time, was an Oakland public school teacher.

Over the years, Alpha Nu Omega Chapter has undertaken a wide range of community service activities that have greatly benefited communities in the East Bay and throughout the country.

The main thrust of its work has been to aid the community through social, civic, and health programs, vocational guidance, and political awareness.

As early as 1934, the chapter began supporting health programs and projects when Soror Ida L. Jackson proposed opening a health clinic in Lexington, Mississippi. In 1964, before Head Start, the chapter organized and operated an interracial "Pre-Kindergarten Program" for children from two elementary schools in Berkeley. Since the early 1970's, the chapter has sponsored a reading experience program—"Reading is Fundamental"—in several schools in Oakland.

Political activities such as the Rumford Fair Housing Bill, passage of school financial bills affecting thousands of California students and teachers, and voter registration and education have all been part of Alpha Nu Omega's ongoing commitment to community service.

During critical periods in our history—such as the transition from segregation to integration, wartime, the post war era, sit-ins, struggles for human dignity, acts of civil disobedience—Alpha Nu Omega has held high the torch for equality and social justice. I have no doubt that they will continue to blaze new trails and provide visionary leadership in the area of community service and political action throughout the Oakland-Berkeley area.

TRIBUTE TO ROBERT AND SHERRI  
VINES

**HON. JOE BACA**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 1, 2004*

Mr. BACA. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Robert and Sherri Vines, who are to receive this year's the Rabbi Norman F. Feldheim Award for service to our community on June 12, 2004, also marking the 113th anniversary of the founding of the Congregation Emanu El. As members of the Congregation for the past 30 years, they have embodied the characteristics of integrity, humility, and love. I join today with family and friends in honoring their remarkable achievements and expressing pride in this recognition that has been afforded to them.

Robert and Sherri have served the Congregation in numerous capacities over the years. As a teacher at the School of Jewish Living, chair of the Community Seder, and member of the Executive Committee, Sherri has continued to provide invaluable insight and unyielding effort in improving her community.

Robert has equally shared in the leadership responsibilities while serving on the United Jewish Welfare Fund of San Bernardino County as President, the Dues Adjustment Committee, and the Board of Managers for the Home of Eternity Cemetery.

In addition to these contributions, Robert is a celebrated attorney, receiving many accolades in his profession for integrity and performance. He was previously recognized in the Inland Empire Magazine as one of the top ten attorneys in the Inland Empire.

Through their pro-active approach to leadership, Robert and Sherri have generously contributed their time, knowledge, and resources not only to their Congregation but also the entire Inland Empire community. The Rabbi Norman F. Feldheim Award is a way we can recognize these good works and pay tribute to their immense dedication over the last three decades.

I join today with their children, Jennifer, Jill, and Michael, to express our pride and admiration that they have received this well-deserved award. They are symbols of the qualities that Rabbi Feldheim exhibited and a continuing inspiration to their community.

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RECOGNIZING THE ANNANDALE  
HIGH SCHOOL UPON ITS 50 YEAR  
ANNIVERSARY

**HON. TOM DAVIS**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 1, 2004*

Mr. TOM DAVIS of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to pay tribute to Annandale High School as it prepares to celebrate its 50th anniversary.

Since its establishment in 1954 when President Eisenhower's "Atoms for Education" program lent its name to the school's mascot, the Annandale Atoms, Annandale High School has committed itself to lofty standards of academic and extracurricular excellence. Over the years, as the Annandale area has expanded