

One of the church's newer programs, "Stephen Ministry," was brought to the church in 1984. The program trains congregation members in pastoral counseling. Individuals undergoing emotional stress due to bereavement or divorce can seek a Stephen Ministry counselor and receive confidential one-on-one advice. In short, the program has enlisted members of the First Presbyterian Church of Marquette to counsel friends and neighbors during difficult times in their lives.

By organizing and hosting panel discussions, the church has also served as a forum where social problems in the community can be debated and discussed. In some cases, these discussions have yielded important innovative solutions. For example, one panel discussion resulted in the founding of the Medical Care Access Coalition, a collaboration of physicians and pharmacists throughout the area willing to offer free services to uninsured residents in Marquette County.

Madam Speaker, on Saturday, the First Presbyterian Church of Marquette will celebrate 150 years of dedicated service to the Marquette community. The church and its congregation have been blessed with dedicated pastors who have demonstrated great vision in building upon the teachings of Jesus Christ and the principles found in the Bible to offer a place of worship as well as critical social services to their brothers and sisters of Marquette County. I would ask that you, Madam Speaker, and the entire U.S. House of Representatives join me in saluting the First Presbyterian Church and its faithful congregation upon its sesquicentennial celebration.

RECOGNITION OF SPC JEREMIAH  
"JEREMY" DAVID COSTELLO

**HON. JOHN SHIMKUS**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 7, 2007*

Mr. SHIMKUS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the life of Army Specialist Jeremy Costello. Spc. Costello was a motor transport operator who was recently killed by an improvised explosive device while fighting for freedom in Iraq.

Costello was a 22 year-old from Carlinville, Illinois who was assigned to 5th Battalion, 82nd Field Artillery Regiment, 4th Brigade, 1st Cavalry Division out of Fort Bliss, TX.

Costello is survived by his 4-year old daughter of Alton. I am proud of the service this young man gave to our country and the service his fellow troops perform everyday. Not enough can be said about Spc. Costello. Some of his awards and decorations speak to what a great soldier and man he was; the Combat Action Badge and Driver and Mechanic Badge. It is troops like Costello that are risking their lives day in and day out to ensure our freedom here at home and to others throughout the rest of the world. My best wishes go out to his family and all the troops fighting to ensure freedom and democracy. May God bless him and may God continue to bless America.

HONORING THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF ANDREA WATKINS AND DENISS QUINTANILLA-CERON

**HON. SCOTT GARRETT**

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 7, 2007*

Mr. GARRETT of New Jersey. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commend two outstanding seniors at Eastside High School in Paterson, Andrea Watkins and Deniss Quintanilla-Ceron. These young people are this year's recipients of the Nathan LeBron Scholarship Fund for their commitment to their education and to their futures.

Eastside High School may sound familiar—it is the school featured in the 1989 movie, *Lean On Me*. Many of the young men and women who attend that school face a wide variety of challenges and must overcome much to achieve their goals for a brighter future. The LeBron scholarship is one way that the community can demonstrate its support for their endeavors. Both Andrea and Deniss possess the brilliance of spirit that will turn this small show of support into an extraordinary future.

The scholarship is given in partnership with the Michelle Mitzvah Group of Beth Haverim. Both are named for people who exemplify perseverance and love of life. Nathan LeBron was a cancer survivor. Michelle was a young girl he met before she succumbed to leukemia. Nathan came from a troubled home, but with the love and support of Michelle's father, Marc Appelbaum, he went on to graduate college, earn a masters at Harvard, and head the IT operations at the Baseball Hall of Fame. The Mitzvah group seeks out opportunities to make the community a better place, with particular emphasis on brightening the lives who really need it—much as Marc Appelbaum did for Nathan LeBron in his youth.

I commend the men and women who work with this scholarship fund and who make the social action mission of the Michelle Mitzvah Group come to life. And, I commend Andrea and Deniss for their accomplishments. There is little doubt that they, in turn, will do tremendous things to brighten the lives of others as well.

RECOGNIZING MINNA ZHOU OF  
WOODBURY, MINNESOTA

**HON. MICHELE BACHMANN**

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 7, 2007*

Mrs. BACHMANN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Minna Zhou of Woodbury, Minnesota, who was recently chosen as a 2007 Young Woman of Distinction by the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.

Minna has proven herself to be an outstanding young woman through her involvement in Girl Scouts, for which she has received their highest honor, the Gold Award.

She has also become involved, in her community by developing and teaching biweekly classes to adopted Chinese children focusing on Chinese language, culture, holidays, music and dance.

At the same time, Minna has published a newsletter sharing this information with her students' parents, to create a mutual understanding and appreciation of their children's background, and helped her students organize a recital showcasing their knowledge.

Madam Speaker, I applaud the important goals of Minna's classes, and I am extremely proud of Minna's dedication to volunteerism in her community. She is a remarkable young leader, and I hope my colleagues will join me in recognizing her accomplishments.

HUMAN CLONING PROHIBITION  
ACT

SPEECH OF

**HON. SHEILA JACKSON-LEE**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 6, 2007*

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of H.R. 2560 the "Human Cloning Prohibition Act." This legislation prohibits human cloning, and it makes it unlawful for any person to ship, mail, transport, or receive the product of human somatic cell nuclear transfer technology knowing that it will be used for human cloning. H.R. 2650 also makes it illegal for any person to initiate a pregnancy to facilitate human cloning.

Mr. Speaker, by a wide margin Americans believe that human cloning is wrong and immoral. It is also highly inefficient. More than 90% of cloning attempts fail to produce viable offspring. In addition to low success rates, cloned animals tend to have compromised immune system and higher rates of infections, tumors, and other disorders.

Studies conducted in Japan show that cloned mice live in poor health and die early. About a third of the cloned calves born alive have died young, and many of them were abnormally large. The American Medical Association (AMA) and the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) have issued formal public statements advising against human reproductive cloning.

Mr. Speaker, I support H.R. 2560 because it reinforces the views and values of the American people. Human beings should be born, not cloned. Bringing a child into this world should be a consecrated act of grace; not a clinical or commercial enterprise. It is one thing to conduct research to find life-saving cures. It is quite another to try and create life in the laboratory. I support the former and oppose the latter.

For these reasons, I support H.R. 2560 and urge all of my colleagues to join me in voting for its passage.

RECOGNIZING BORDEN

**HON. SAM GRAVES**

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 8, 2007*

Mr. GRAVES. Madam Speaker, I rise today to join Borden as they celebrate their 150th anniversary.

For those who are not familiar with Borden, it was founded in 1857 by Gail Borden and was originally known as the New York Condensed Milk Company. Borden invented the

innovative process of condensing milk, allowing for the first time, milk to be kept pure and storable without refrigeration. This allowed for milk to be safely distributed over long distances. Borden's condensed milk played an intricate role in sustaining the Union Army during the Civil War.

Borden revolutionized the dairy industry again in 1900 with the "Dairyman's Ten Commandments," which taught dairymen how to better care for the cows and the milk they produce. These methods formed the foundation for modern health regulations.

Borden's lovable spokesman, Elsie the Cow, was created in 1938 by David William Reid. Through appearances in magazines, newspapers and tours around the country Elsie gained popularity, rivaling Mickey Mouse, and she made her film debut in the classic Little Men. Today, she ranks in the top 10 advertising icons of the 20th century.

In 1995 Borden Inc. was sold to the investment firm of Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co. Then, in 1997 the Borden brand and Elsie's image were bought by Mid-America Dairymen Inc., which would eventually merge with other cooperatives to form Dairy Farmers of America.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in recognizing Borden on their 150th anniversary and their many accomplishments and contributions to the dairy industry over the years.

#### RECOGNIZING TYLER FREDERICK FOR ACHIEVING THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT

#### HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 8, 2007

Mr. GRAVES. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Tyler Frederick, 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 69, and in earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Tyler has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Tyler has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community.

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

#### THE CHILD LABOR PROTECTION ACT OF 2007

#### HON. LYNN C. WOOLSEY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 8, 2007

Ms. WOOLSEY. Madam Speaker, the Child Labor Protection Act of 2007 is a narrowly drafted bipartisan bill that amends the Fair Labor Standards Act, FLSA, to increase civil penalties for those who violated child labor provisions. Specifically, it would: Increase pen-

alties from \$11,000 to \$50,000 for violations that cause death or serious injury; provide that the penalty can be doubled when the violation causing death or serious injury is repeated or willful; and provide that the \$50,000 penalty can be assessed for each violation.

This legislation does not make the impositions of penalties mandatory—whether or not to assess a penalty is still discretionary with the Secretary of Labor—but it would provide the Department of Labor with a much needed enforcement tool to address the most serious child labor violations, deter repeat occurrences and further strengthen its enforcement of laws that protect children.

There is much that must be done to strengthen our child labor laws, and this bill is the foundation for future action that I hope my Subcommittee on Workforce Protections of the Committee on Education and Labor will take on these issues.

#### CHARLES T. ORTMAN FOR THE AWARD OF EAGLE SCOUT

#### HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 8, 2007

Mr. GRAVES. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Charles T. Ortman, 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 1395, and by earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Charles has been very active with his troop, participating in many Scout activities. Over the years Charles has been involved in Scouting, he has earned 28 merit badges and held numerous leadership positions, senior patrol leader, patrol leader, den chief, Order of the Arrow representative, and instructor. Charles is also a member of the Tribe of Mic-O-Say. Charles is also a Brotherhood member of the Order of the Arrow.

For his Eagle Scout project, Charles poured a concrete sidewalk around the side of Pine Ridge Presbyterian Church.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Charles T. Ortman for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

#### CHARLES CROWE FOR THE AWARD OF EAGLE SCOUT

#### HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 8, 2007

Mr. GRAVES. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Charles Crowe, 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 1395, and by earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Charles has been very active with his troop, participating in many Scout activities. Over the years Charles has been involved in Scouting, he has earned 33 merit badges and held numerous leadership positions, serving as assist-

ant senior patrol leader, assistant patrol leader, patrol leader, quartermaster, and librarian. Charles is also a member of the Tribe of Mic-O-Say. Charles is also a Brotherhood member of the Order of the Arrow.

For his Eagle Scout project, Charles removed weeds and debris and planted bushes at a cemetery in Weatherby Lake, MO.

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

#### DALLAS/FORT WORTH INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT'S "WELCOME HOME A HERO" PROGRAM

SPEECH OF

#### HON. MICHAEL C. BURGESS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 6, 2007

Mr. BURGESS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport for their role in sponsoring the internationally recognized "Welcome Home a Hero" program. DFW has been selected by the U.S. Military to host the celebration of the success of this critical program for soldiers and their families.

DFW's "Welcome a Hero" program has been praised as the premiere volunteer homecoming program for soldiers returning from Iraq, Afghanistan and Kuwait for much needed R&R with their families.

On June 12, 2007, the 500,000th soldier to return home during Operation Iraqi Freedom for 2 weeks of Rest and Recuperation (R&R) will travel through DFW International Airport.

As a representative of part of the DFW Airport and a frequent traveler between DFW and Washington Reagan, I am grateful that they have taken to heart the mission of our brave soldiers. I have participated in the "Welcome Home a Hero" program, and I will always remember the pride I felt and the thankfulness I had for the dedication of those men and women to our country and freedom.

I extend my sincere congratulations the Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport and their success with the "Welcome Home a Hero" program.

#### ZACHERY R. BODE FOR THE AWARD OF EAGLE SCOUT

#### HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 8, 2007

Mr. GRAVES. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Zachery R. Bode, 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 1395, and by earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Zachery has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the years Zachery has been involved in scouting, he has earned 32 merit badges and held numerous leadership positions, serving as assistant senior patrol leader, assistant patrol leader, patrol leader, and chaplains aide. Zachery