

Georgia State Championship, and their fourth in the last 6 years, defeating a very talented Grady High School team from Atlanta. After winning the State championship, the team turned its focus to the national championship, where the students presented their case in front of legal professionals in a courtroom environment.

En route to the final round, Jonesboro defeated the State championship teams from Hawaii, Idaho, Colorado, and Illinois. In the finals, they played the defense side against Kalamazoo Central High School from Kalamazoo, MI, in a civil case based on the tragic events in Texas City, TX, in 1947. The team vigorously debated who was at fault for an accident that resulted in the sinking of several ships, along with injuries and fatalities. Jonesboro did not back down from the runners-up of the 2006 competition, and they defeated Kalamazoo to bring the national title back to the Peach State for the third time since 1995, and tying Georgia with Iowa for the most national titles in the Nation.

I would like to congratulate Kayla Delgado, Lindsay Hargis, Mathew Mitchell, Sandra Hagans, Kyle Skinner, Lindley Curtis, Laura Parkhouse, Braedon Orr, Brian Cunningham, Jayda Hazell, Tabias Kelly, Jurod James, Joe Strickland, and team captain Brittne Walden for their hard work and accomplishments. I would also like to extend my gratitude to the parents and supporters of the team for reaching out to these students and providing them with the leadership and guidance to reach their goal of a championship. The team's successes would not have been possible without the guidance of their teacher coaches, Anna and Andrew Cox, their attorney coaches, the Honorable John Carbo, the Honorable Deborah Benefield, and Tasha Mosely, and their student coach from Mercer Law School, Katie Powers.

They have all made the State of Georgia proud.

RECOGNIZING GALESBURG, NORTH DAKOTA

• Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I am pleased to recognize a community in North Dakota that will be celebrating its 125th anniversary. On June 23 to 24, the residents of Galesburg will gather to celebrate their community's history and founding.

Galesburg is a community in Traill County, near the Elm River. Founded in 1882, Galesburg, like many small towns in North Dakota, began when the railroad stretched across the State. The residents share a rich Scandinavian background and celebrate their

heritage with an annual lutefisk and meatball supper. Galesburg is noted as being home to the world's largest standing structure, the KXJB-TV mast. Many individuals travel to Galesburg in the fall to take advantage of the excellent deer hunting available in that region.

The residents of Galesburg are proud of their bean plant, local softball team, and community-owned café. A yearly church bazaar and live auction brings the community together as the residents make homemade gifts and treats to auction. The residents are enthusiastic about their upcoming celebration and have made a Veterans Memorial for all individuals from Galesburg that have served the United States. An exciting weekend is planned that begins with a parade that will led by a resident of Galesburg who is 106 years old.

Mr. President, I ask the Senate to join me in congratulating Galesburg, ND, and its residents on their first 125 years and in wishing them well in the future. By honoring Galesburg and all the other historic small towns of North Dakota, we keep the great pioneering frontier spirit alive for future generations. It is places such as Galesburg that have helped to shape this country into what it is today, which is why this fine community is deserving of our recognition.

Galesburg has a proud past and a bright future.●

RECOGNIZING WASHBURN, NORTH DAKOTA

• Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I am pleased today to honor a community in North Dakota that is celebrating its 125th anniversary. On June 14 to 17, the residents of Washburn, ND, will celebrate their community's history and founding.

Washburn is a small town in the central part of North Dakota with a population of 1,389. Despite its small size, Washburn holds an important place in North Dakota's history. The Lewis & Clark Expedition spent the winter at Fort Mandan, near where the town would eventually be located. Washburn was founded in 1882 along the Missouri River and named for Cadwallader Colden Washburn, a Civil War general, Congressman, and Governor of Wisconsin. "King" John Satterlund was one of the town's first leaders. Washburn was incorporated as a city in 1902 when the Soo Line Railroad came to town.

Over the last 125 years, Washburn has remained a strong community. The energy industry provides the driving

force in the local economy. Washburn's residents are very proud of their community and enjoy the beautiful Missouri River scenery and quiet rural lifestyle. They continue to support the school, churches, and many other small businesses in town.

Mr. President, I ask the Senate to join me in congratulating Washburn, ND, and its residents on their first 125 years and in wishing them well into the future. It is clear that Washburn has a proud past and a bright future. By honoring Washburn and all the other historic small towns of North Dakota, we keep the pioneering frontier spirit alive for future generations. It is places such as Washburn that have helped to shape this country into what it is today, which is why it is deserving of our recognition.●

RECOGNIZING DAVENPORT, NORTH DAKOTA

• Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I am pleased to recognize a community in North Dakota that will be celebrating its 125th anniversary. On June 8 to 10, the residents of Davenport will gather to celebrate their community's history and founding.

Davenport, a railroad town located in Cass County just 20 miles southwest of Fargo, is a community of about 261 people. The city was founded in 1882 and platted by G.F. Channing and Henry D. Cooke, Jr. The post office was established April 6, 1882, and Davenport was organized into a city in 1895. Channing named the town for Mary Buckland Davenport, a friend from Massachusetts and the second wife of William Claflin, who was the Governor of Massachusetts from 1869 to 1872.

Davenport has plenty to offer its residents and visitors. Young couples and families are drawn to Davenport as it offers an escape from the big city, more affordable housing, and an opportunity to raise children in a more rural setting. Businesses in Davenport include a bar and restaurant, a beauty shop, and additional home-based businesses. The town also has a park called Tuskind Park, named after the Davenport family that used to own the grocery store.

The 125th celebration in the town where Mayor Jason Lotzer notes, "everybody knows everybody," will include a "Wagon Train," karaoke, a parade, a silent auction, all school reunion, and a variety of activities in Tuskind Park.

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years and in wishing them well in the future. By honoring Davenport and all the other historic small towns of North Dakota, we keep the great pioneering frontier spirit alive for future generations. It is places such as Davenport that have helped to shape this country into what it is today, which is why this fine community is deserving of our recognition.

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RECOGNIZING PISEK, NORTH DAKOTA

• Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I am pleased to recognize a community in North Dakota that will be celebrating its 125th anniversary. On June 23, the residents of Pisek will gather to celebrate their community's history and founding.

Pisek, a railroad town located in Walsh County, was established in 1882 by Frank P. Rumreich and other Czech and Moravian settlers. Pisek was chosen as the name because some of the settlers had come from Pisek, Czechoslovakia, and also because the community was built near a sand ridge. Pisek means "sand" in Czech.

Pisek is home to 96 residents and several small businesses. The local J-Mart draws customers throughout the area because it is known for having the best Christmas candy selection in the region. Pisek's church, the St. John Nepomucene Catholic Church, was blessed on the feast of St. John Nepomucene on May 16, 1887, and today it continues to be vital part of the community. The community's celebration will include a church service, a parade, a traditional Bohemian pork and dumpling meal, and various afternoon activities. An evening street dance will close the celebration.

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RECOGNIZING LAMOURE, NORTH DAKOTA

• Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I am pleased today to recognize a community in North Dakota that will be celebrating its 125th anniversary. On June 22 to 24, the residents of LaMoure will gather to celebrate their community's history and founding.

LaMoure is a small town in southeast North Dakota with a population of roughly 1,000 residents. LaMoure was named in honor of Judson LaMoure, a legislator in the Dakota Territory government. It is the only known community named "LaMoure" in the United States.

LaMoure has a variety to offer, from its beautiful lake and parks to tours of the Toy Farmer Museum and Hutterian Brethren Colonies. Also in LaMoure, you can tour the County Courthouse, which is on the National Register of Historical Places. The LaMoure County Memorial Park, a short drive from LaMoure, is home to the LaMoure County Summer Musical Theater, which showcases local talent in a series of live performances throughout the summer.

For those who call LaMoure home, it is a comfortable place to live, work, and play. The people of LaMoure are enthusiastic about their community and the quality of life it offers. The community has a wonderful celebration weekend planned that includes parades, dances, picnics, games, and much more.

Mr. President, I ask the Senate to join me in congratulating LaMoure, ND, and its residents on their first 125 years and in wishing them well into the future. By honoring LaMoure and all the other historic small towns of North Dakota, we keep the great pioneering frontier spirit alive for future generations. It is places such as LaMoure that have helped to shape this country into what it is today, which is why this fine community is deserving of our recognition.

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WISCONSIN JAZZ AND HERITAGE FESTIVAL

• Mr. KOHL. Mr. President, today I honor the late Milwaukee jazz legend, Tony King.

Mr. Tony King was an inspiration and mentor to all of his students during his tenure as teacher and director of the jazz program at the Wisconsin Conservatory of Music in downtown Milwaukee. As an accomplished pianist, he not only applied his talent to share beautiful music with the world, but also dedicated himself to help foster the talent of young musicians. Mr. King recognized the potential and skill of his students and guided them with respect, care, and humility.

Mr. King's life and legacy will be celebrated this Memorial Day weekend in Milwaukee at the Second Annual Wisconsin Jazz and Heritage Festival at Jamie's Club Theatre. Mr. King's historic contributions to the jazz community in Wisconsin are reflected in the lives and accomplishments of his former students who will return to Milwaukee and perform in his honor. Many teachers hope they have an impact on their students' lives and the community in which they taught. Mr. King's impact will be remembered this weekend in Milwaukee with sounds of happiness, laughter, and the music that he loved so much.●

TRIBUTE TO WILLIAM E. COLSON

• Mr. SMITH. Mr. President, today I pay tribute to William E. Colson, a

great Oregonian, who devoted his entire life to building and operating quality senior housing. Beginning in 1971 in Salem, OR, Bill Colson and his father Hugh built and operated independent living communities for seniors. The company they founded, Holiday Retirement Corp., earned a reputation for providing middle-income seniors access to outstanding housing and services. By steadily constructing and selectively acquiring senior housing properties, Holiday Retirement Corp. grew to become the largest owner and manager of senior housing in the world.

Bill Colson and his partners, including his wife Bonnie, son Bart, and Dan Baty, Norm Brendan, Patrick Kennedy, Thilo Best, Mark Burnham, the Hasso family, Bruce Thorn, and their loyal employees and investors collectively built and managed over 80,000 senior living units in the United States, Canada, France and United Kingdom.

Bill Colson has been recognized as a founding father of seniors housing by the American Seniors Housing Association, an organization he helped create in 1991. With his passing at age 66, Bill Colson leaves his wife, two sons, Brad and Bart, and three grandchildren, all of whom he adored. He was beloved by his family and by the thousands of employees and residents he served so well over the years. I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Bill Colson and celebrating his lifetime of achievements building and operating outstanding housing for seniors across North America and Europe. He will be remembered by those whose lives he touched as a devoted family man, successful businessman, generous philanthropist, genuine friend and a great American.●

TRIBUTE TO JOAN MCKINNEY

• Ms. LANDRIEU. Mr. President, I would like to take a moment to pay tribute to Joan McKinney—journalist, advocate for the free press and accomplished shag dancer—who turned 60 this week, for her outstanding contributions to the State of Louisiana and to our country.

Joan McKinney, originally of Greenville, SC, came to Washington in 1971 to work on the press staff of former Senator Fritz Hollings. As her career advanced, she chose to return to journalism, and she worked for papers in both Louisiana and South Carolina before coming back to work here at the Capitol, covering Washington for the Baton Rouge Advocate, a position she held from 1979 to 2003. I came to know and respect Joan in my many hallway meetings with her since I came to the Senate in 1997.

In her tenure as the advocate's congressional correspondent, Joan beat the Capitol's marble floors and came to be well respected by the Louisiana delegation. The Members from my State knew there was nothing, nothing that could get by her. She was so skilled at asking the right questions that she was able to draw from our elected officials