

Based on the quality and accuracy of their projects, this year, around 2,000 finalists were chosen. Of that group, 22 students were given the privilege of presenting their projects at the Smithsonian American Art Museum and National Portrait Gallery here in Washington, DC.

Kelsey has been selected to present her performance on "Alfred Nobel: Poverty to Prizes." Kelsey attends Deerlake Middle School in Tallahassee, and her teacher is Mr. Andrew Keltner.

History—and the teaching of its lessons—is an integral part of the education of future generations of Americans. I would like to commend the National History Day program for empowering teachers to bring history alive through innovative teaching methods and outside-of-the-classroom learning opportunities. I would also like to congratulate again, Kelsey Tate, for her fine work.

Kelsey, you have earned the admiration of the Sunshine State. Additionally, your teachers and school deserve a great deal of appreciation for contributing to your education.

Congratulations on a job well done.●

HONORING IMMUCELL

● Ms. SNOWE. Madam President, I wish to recognize a tremendously innovative small business from my home State of Maine that recently opened an upgraded production facility to benefit both its employees and its business operations. Immucell, an emerging biotechnology company based in Portland, opened its newly expanded building on June 7 to great fanfare. The new facility benefits Immucell's 30 employees, who now have enhanced space and equipment with which to conduct research and manufacture products. Equally as critical, the facility was designed to help Immucell more easily comply with current good manufacturing practice standards. Enforced by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, current good manufacturing practice requirements assure quality in our food and medicines.

Immucell's specialized work is quite impressive. In a rapidly expanding biotech industry, Immucell has carved out a niche as a leading producer of medicines for animals in the dairy industry. The company's products, such as First Defense and Mast-Out, have ensured the safety and health of cows and calves that supply our milk and other dairy products. Working together with Pfizer, Immucell has managed to turn Mast-Out into a profitable product. Besides its products, Immucell's research provides the company a respected and prestigious role in the animal-health industry.

I was delighted to hear that Immucell is seeking to use its expanded facilities to extend its reach into overseas markets. What a great honor that would be for the State of Maine. Immucell contributes immensely to Maine's small business

community, and the ever-increasing relevance of its work also places it at the forefront of modern science worldwide.

Immucell's efforts to become a leader in its market are noteworthy, and the vision that its leadership has for future growth reflects a steadfast determination for continued success. It is particularly exciting that a Maine small business is making such a name for itself in an industry replete with large companies. Immucell and its high-paying jobs provide us with a shining example of smart growth. I commend chief executive officer Michael Brigham and all the employees at Immucell for their wise choices and tremendous achievements, and I wish them much success in the future.●

RECOGNIZING KEITH AND PATTI JENNINGS

● Mr. THUNE. Madam President, today I wish to recognize Keith and Patti Jennings as they celebrate their ranch's 100-year anniversary. The Jennings family has the unique distinction of being one of the few functioning farm and ranch operations able to trace their roots back to family members who were the original homesteaders on the land. This is a truly impressive accomplishment for the Jennings family and the State of South Dakota.

This milestone celebration is a tribute not only to Keith and Patti Jennings but to their grandparents Robert and Lucille and their parents Darrell and Mary. The family can certainly take pride in the perseverance and fortitude that enabled three generations of Jennings to stay on and operate the same ranch for the past 100 years.

Keith and Patti Jennings should also be very proud of the contributions their children are making to the great State of South Dakota, Brian as executive director of the American Coalition for Ethanol, Barry as executive director of the South Dakota Beef Industry Council, Marla with the construction industry in Sioux Falls, and Byron as a student at South Dakota State University.

I would like to commend Keith and Patti for their 32 years operating the Jennings Ranch and for its 100 years of operation. South Dakota is fortunate to have the Jennings as lifelong residents. Families like theirs are the backbone of South Dakota's economy and future. I wish them continued success in the years to come.●

RECOGNIZING LAKE NORDEN, SOUTH DAKOTA

● Mr. THUNE. Madam President, today I recognize Lake Norden, SD. The town of Lake Norden will celebrate the 100th anniversary of its founding this year.

Located in Hamlin County, Lake Norden is home to the South Dakota Amateur Baseball Hall of Fame, the Lake Norden Historical Society Mu-

seum, and the Donald Christman Toy Museum. Lake Norden has been a successful and thriving community for the past 100 years and I am confident that it will continue to serve as an example of South Dakota values and traditions for the next 100 years.

I would like to offer my congratulations to the citizens of Lake Norden on this milestone anniversary and wish them continued prosperity in the years to come.●

RECOGNIZING HENRY, SOUTH DAKOTA

● Mr. THUNE. Madam President, today I recognize Henry, SD. The town of Henry will celebrate the 125th anniversary of its founding this year.

Located in Codington County in northeastern South Dakota, Henry was founded in 1882 and has approximately 300 residents today. Henry has been a successful and thriving community for the past 125 years and I am confident that it will continue to serve as an example of South Dakota values and traditions for the next 125 years.

I would like to offer my congratulations to the citizens of Henry on this milestone anniversary and wish them continued prosperity in the years to come.●

RECOGNIZING HAYTI, SOUTH DAKOTA

● Mr. THUNE. Madam President, today I recognize Hayti, SD. The town of Hayti will celebrate the 100th anniversary of its founding this year.

The county seat of Hamlin County, Hayti was founded in 1907 by the South Dakota Central Railway as a stop on its line from Sioux Falls to Watertown. The town was named after the area's common practice of tying hay for fuel. Hayti has been a successful and thriving community for the past 100 years and I am confident that it will continue to serve as an example of South Dakota values and traditions for the next 100 years.

I would like to offer my congratulations to the citizens of Hayti on this milestone anniversary and wish them continued prosperity in the years to come.●

RECOGNIZING FAULKTON, SOUTH DAKOTA

● Mr. THUNE. Madam President, today I recognize Faulkton, SD. The town of Faulkton will celebrate its 125th anniversary this year.

Faulkton was founded in 1882 and named after Territorial Governor Andrew J. Faulk. Located in Faulk County, it has served as the county seat since 1886. Faulkton has been a successful and thriving community for the past 125 years and I am confident that it will continue to serve as an example of South Dakota values and traditions for the next 125 years.

I would like to offer my congratulations to the citizens of Faulkton on their anniversary and wish them continued prosperity in the years to come.●

RECOGNIZING WESSINGTON SPRINGS, SOUTH DAKOTA

● Mr. THUNE. Madam President, today I recognize Wessington Springs, SD. The town of Wessington Springs will celebrate the 125th anniversary of its founding this year.

Located in Jerauld County, Wessington Springs was founded in 1882. It was named after a man named Wessington and also after the natural springs that flow through the town's hills. While Wessington's identity is not certain, there are a number of local legends about a trapper by that name who spent time in the area. Wessington Springs has been a successful and thriving community for the past 125 years and I am confident that it will continue to serve as an example of South Dakota values and traditions for the next 125 years.

I would like to offer my congratulations to the citizens of Wessington Springs on this milestone anniversary and wish them continued prosperity in the years to come.●

RECOGNIZING LEMMON, SOUTH DAKOTA

● Mr. THUNE. Madam President, today I recognize Lemmon, SD. The town of Lemmon will celebrate its 100th anniversary this year.

Founded in 1907, Lemmon is located in Perkins County near the North Dakota border. It was named after George Edward Lemmon, who managed the largest fenced pasture in the world and is a member of the National Cowboy Hall of Fame. The town of Lemmon is home to the world's largest petrified wood park, which was constructed by unemployed workers during the Great Depression. Lemmon has been a successful and thriving community for the past 100 years and I am confident that it will continue to serve as an example of South Dakota values and traditions for the next 100 years.

I would like to offer my congratulations to the citizens of Lemmon on their anniversary and wish them continued prosperity in the years to come.●

RECOGNIZING WESSINGTON, SOUTH DAKOTA

● Mr. THUNE. Madam President, today I recognize Wessington, SD. The town of Wessington will celebrate its 125th anniversary this year.

Wessington is located west of Huron in Beadle County. Since its beginning, the town has been a strong reflection of South Dakota's values and traditions. As they celebrate this milestone anniversary, I am confident that

Wessington will continue to thrive and succeed for the next 125 years.

I would like to offer my congratulations to the citizens of Wessington on this milestone anniversary and wish them continued prosperity in the years to come.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Evans, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 3:11 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 251. An act to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to prohibit manipulation of caller identification information, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2358. An act to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint and issue coins in commemoration of Native Americans and the important contributions made by Indian tribes and individual Native Americans to the development of the United States and the history of the United States, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2367. An act to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act, with respect to civil penalties for child labor violations.

The message also announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 164. Concurrent resolution authorizing the use of the Rotunda of the Capitol for a ceremony to award the Congressional Gold Medal to Dr. Norman E. Borlaug.

The message further announced that pursuant to 44 U.S.C. 2702, the Clerk of the House appoints Mr. Bernard Forrester of Houston, Texas, to the Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills were read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 251. An act to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to prohibit manipulation of caller identification information, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

H.R. 2358. An act to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint and issue coins in commemoration of Native Americans and the important contributions made by Indian

tribes and individual Native Americans to the development of the United States and the history of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

H.R. 2637. An act to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act, with respect to civil penalties for child labor violations; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-2236. A communication from the Director of Defense Research and Engineering, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to cooperative activities in areas of research, development, and test and evaluation; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2237. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Carl A. Strock, United States Army, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2238. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the projects from solicitation that were not funded solely due to lack of resources; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2239. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the amount of acquisitions made by the Department from entities that manufacture the articles, materials, or supplies outside of the United States in fiscal year 2006; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2240. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Installations and Environment), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Department's initiation of preliminary planning to determine if the facilities maintenance and logistics function performed at Marine Corps Base, Quantico, Virginia is a suitable candidate for a public-private competition; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2241. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Installations and Environment), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Department's efforts to determine if it should initiate a public-private competition of facilities sustainment and other services at installations in Norfolk, Portsmouth, Virginia Beach and Yorktown, VA; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2242. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Installations and Environment), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Department's decision not to conduct a public-private competition of nationwide personnel; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2243. A communication from the Regulatory Specialist, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Lending Limits for Residential Real Estate Loans, Small Business Loans, and Small Farm Loans" (OCC-2007-0011) received on June 11, 2007; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2244. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management