

Located in Columbus, OH, St. Stephen's Community House has worked tirelessly to increase awareness of the importance of summer learning programs. Summer breaks in schooling can lead to significant academic loss, particularly among students in low-income areas. The efforts of St. Stephen's Community House to partner with the Ohio Department of Education and other community organizations help ensure that children all across Ohio have access to high quality summer enrichment programs. Its work provides students with meaningful summer activity and helps reduce the growing achievement gap in education.

In addition, St. Stephen's Community House has demonstrated its commitment to the community through its work with the Children's Hunger Alliance and Major League Soccer. Almost half of Ohioans living in poverty are under 24 years old, yet only 57,000 out of 500,000 eligible children participate in Ohio's Summer Food Service program. Working together, these organizations are expanding summer feeding programs and ensuring that all Ohio children have access to nutrition throughout the summer months.

The dedication of the staff and volunteers of St. Stephen's Community House to the needs of some of the most vulnerable members of our communities serves as an inspiration to us all. I hope my colleagues will join me in wishing them the best of luck in their future endeavors.●

IDAHO STUDENTS WIN FUEL CELL CAR COMPETITION

● Mr. CRAPO. Mr. President, on June 20, five Treasure Valley Math and Science Center, TVMSC, students won first place overall in the Hydrogen Fuel Cell Model Car Challenge, an alternative energy model competition held in conjunction with National Science Bowl. The team, consisting of Alex Baca, Andrew Hoth, Kevin Brown and Eddie Smith, and alternate Paul Schroeder, also took fifth place honors in the National Science Bowl. The competition challenged students to design, build and race fuel cell model cars. The three components on which students were judged were the design document, a presentation of the use of hydrogen in transportation, and the race itself. The team was coached by Mark Anderson, physics teacher at TVMSC, Tony Baca of Hewlett Packard, and Barbara Jorden, legislative director for the Idaho Trial Lawyers Association. The team qualified for Nationals after sweeping the regional competition with eight trophies, four of which were for first place.

Alex, Kevin, Andrew, Paul and Eddie are all highly accomplished students, even as seventh and eighth-graders. Their interests range from the science disciplines of geography, earth science, chemistry, math, biology and computer science to liberal arts disciplines such

as history and English. Their hobbies range from reading, painting, playing music and video and board games to drama, making scale models and playing air soft. The boys also participate in sports including football, soccer and tennis. The breadth of their interests and involvement will prepare them well for success in high school, college and the future careers of their choosing.

The Department of Energy, DOE, created the National Science Bowl competition in 1991 to help promote math and science education in high school and highlight the successes of students who excel in these fields. In 2002, DOE expanded the competition to middle school students.

Idaho can be proud of these exemplary students and their coaches for outstanding performance in the National Science Bowl and Hydrogen Fuel Cell Model Car Challenge. Idaho's strong heritage of math, science and engineering continues in our young people, keeping our State's student academic standards high and helping prepare Idaho youth for rewarding careers in these fields.●

HONORING THE MANSFIELD, OHIO, GARDEN CLUB

● Mr. BROWN. Mr. President, today I commemorate the 80th anniversary of the Mansfield Garden Club.

Since its founding in 1928, the Garden Club has worked diligently to serve the Mansfield community. During World War II, members demonstrated their civic commitment by raising Victory Gardens and replacing their flowers with fruits and vegetables, thereby reducing pressure on the public food supply and boosting community morale. The club's continued work on community improvements over the years has been recognized with numerous awards recognizing their commitment to the community. Today, the club's efforts have provided floral plantings at the Mansfield Lahm Airport, landscaping at the Mansfield General Hospital, and a large circular garden in the city's central park.

For more than eight decades, the Mansfield Garden Club's members have demonstrated profound dedication to culture and community and have served as an inspiration to us all. I hope my colleagues will join me in wishing them the best of luck in their future endeavors.●

HONORING CEECEE LYLES

● Mr. MARTINEZ. Mr. President, on September 11, 2001, thousands of Americans tragically lost their lives, but the legacies of their lives endure. One of those individuals was CeeCee Lyles, a flight attendant who perished in Pennsylvania on United Airlines Flight 93.

CeeCee was a loving mother, a dedicated wife, and determined individual who spent her life fulfilling dreams. CeeCee was born and raised in Fort

Pierce, FL, where she attended Fort Pierce Westwood High School. She raised two sons on her own while working for 6 years as a Fort Pierce police officer. As a police officer, CeeCee earned the reputation of being a tough crime fighter. In 2000, she married Lorne Lyles and the family relocated to Fort Myers. In the face of financial hardships, CeeCee held two jobs, one at a local hospital and the other at a powerplant to help care for her sons. In her spare time, CeeCee volunteered at Restoration House, a Christian women's shelter in Fort Pierce.

Eventually, CeeCee walked away from police work to pursue her lifelong dream of becoming a flight attendant. She was part of the flight crew that helped to overpower the terrorists responsible for hijacking Flight 93 and successfully kept them from reaching their intended target. On the day she died, she left little doubt that she loved her husband and children. From the plane, she told her husband in a voicemail: "I want to tell you that I love you. I love you. Please tell my children that I love them very much."

In honor of CeeCee's heroism, courage, and dedication to serving others, the city of Fort Pierce has already commissioned a sculpture of her for permanent remembrance. As Senator of the State she called home, it would give me great pleasure to recognize Ms. CeeCee Lyles by placing her name on a community facility so others will remember the great American she became during her brief but full life. I call upon my colleagues to join me in honoring a truly great Floridian and exemplary American by renaming the post office at 1717 Orange Avenue in Fort Pierce the CeeCee Ross Lyles Post Office.●

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

S. 3236. A bill to amend titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act to extend provisions under Medicare and Medicaid programs, and for other purposes.

MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bill was read the first time:

S. 3257. A bill to extend immigration programs to promote legal immigration and for other purposes.

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-7090. A communication from the Director, Office of Energy Policy and New Uses, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Designation of Biobased Items for Federal Procurement" (RIN0503-AA32) received on

July 10, 2008; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7091. A communication from the Secretary, Department of Agriculture, transmitting proposed legislation intended to amend the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 to require the Department to collect and retain user fees for enforcement activities related to mandatory country of origin labeling; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7092. A communication from the Secretary of the Army, transmitting, pursuant to law, notification that the Average Procurement Unit Cost and Program Acquisition Cost metrics for the Armed Reconnaissance Helicopter program have exceeded the 25 percent critical cost growth threshold; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7093. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Major General James R. Helmly, United States Army Reserve, and his placement on the retired list in the grade of lieutenant general; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7094. A communication from the Director, Defense Procurement, Acquisition Policy, and Strategic Sourcing, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Export-Controlled Items" (DFARS Case 2004-D010) received on July 10, 2008; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7095. A communication from the President and Chief Executive Officer, Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the Bank's system of internal controls for fiscal year 2007; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7096. A communication from the Director, Office of Legislative Affairs, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Financial Education Programs That Include the Provision of Bank Products and Services" (RIN3064-AD28) received on July 10, 2008; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7097. A communication from the Senior Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer, Federal Home Loan Bank of Dallas, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Bank's management report for fiscal year 2007; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7098. A communication from the President and Chief Executive Officer, Federal Home Loan Bank of Indianapolis, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the Bank's system of internal controls for fiscal year 2007; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7099. A communication from the President and Chief Executive Officer, Federal Home Loan Bank of Topeka, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the Bank's system of internal controls for fiscal year 2007; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7100. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency that was declared in Executive Order 13348 relative to the former Liberian regime of Charles Taylor; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7101. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Trawl Catcher Processors in the Amendment 80 Limited Access Fishery in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XI69)

received on July 10, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7102. A communication from the Chief of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone Regulations (including 4 regulations beginning with USCG-2008-0341)" (RIN1625-AA00) received on July 10, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7103. A communication from the Chief of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Security Zone; Liquefied Natural Gas Carriers, Massachusetts Bay, Massachusetts" ((RIN1625-AA87)(USCG-2008-0301)) received on July 10, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7104. A communication from the Chief of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operation Regulations; Mill Neck Creek, Oyster Bay, NY" ((RIN1625-AA09)(USCG-2008-0010)) received on July 10, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7105. A communication from the Chief of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Implementation of Vessel Security Officer Training and Certification Requirements—International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers, 1978, as amended" ((RIN1625-AB26)(USCG-2008-0028)) received on July 10, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7106. A communication from the Chief of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulated Navigation Areas, Safety Zones, Security Zones, and Deepwater Port Facilities; Navigable Waters of the Boston Captain of the Port Zone" ((RIN1625-AA00)(RIN1625-AA11)(RIN1625-AA87)) received on July 10, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7107. A communication from the Chief of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Shipping; Technical, Organizational, and Conforming Amendments" ((RIN1625-ZA18)(USCG-2008-0394)) received on July 10, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7108. A communication from the Chief of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Navigation and Navigable Waters; Technical, Organizational, and Conforming Amendments" ((RIN1625-ZA16)(USCG-2008-0179)) received on July 10, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7109. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Turbomeca Makila 1A and 1A1 Turboshaft Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2001-NE-23)) received on July 10, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7110. A communication from the Secretary, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report for fiscal year 2007 relative to implementation of the National Do Not Call Registry; to the

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7111. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report relative to projects that have been authorized, but for which no funds have been appropriated for planning, design or construction during the preceding five full fiscal years; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7112. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Illinois" (FRL No. 8578-5) received on July 10, 2008; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7113. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maryland; Amendments to the Control of Volatile Organic Compound Emissions from Portable Fuel Containers" (FRL No. 8691-6) received on July 10, 2008; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7114. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Wyoming; Revisions to New Source Review Rules" (FRL No. 8692-1) received on July 10, 2008; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7115. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Reasonably Available Control Technology for Oxides of Nitrogen for a Specific Source in the State of New Jersey" (FRL No. 8576-6) received on July 10, 2008; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7116. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Bacillus Thuringiensis Cry 1A.105 Protein; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 8369-3) received on July 10, 2008; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7117. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Perchloroethylene Air Emission Standards for Dry Cleaning Facilities" (FRL No. 8691-2) received on July 10, 2008; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7118. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, Mojave Desert Air Quality Management District and Ventura County Air Pollution Control District" (FRL No. 8580-3) received on July 10, 2008; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7119. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report relative to the activities of the Economic Development Administration for fiscal year 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7120. A communication from the Chairman, Medicare Payment Advisory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "Report to the Congress: Reforming

the Delivery System"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7121. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Update of Weighted Average Interest Rates, Yield Curves, and Segment Rates" (Notice 2008-65) received on July 9, 2008; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7122. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Change to Office to Which Notices of Nonjudicial Sale and Request for Return of Wrongfully Levied Property Must Be Sent" (RIN1545-BF54)(TD 9410) received on July 9, 2008; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7123. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Coordinated Issue: Supplemental Environmental Projects" (LMSB-04-0608-036) received on July 10, 2008; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7124. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Escrow Accounts, Trusts, and Other Funds Used During Deferred Exchanges of Like-Kind Property" (TD 9413) received on July 9, 2008; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7125. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a certification of the proposed transfer of the Baseline Phase 1R Aegis combat system equipment to several companies; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7126. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the certification of a proposed manufacturing license agreement for the export of defense articles to Taiwan for the development of the 721S VHF and UHF receiver-transmitter radio and an equipment cabinet; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7127. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the certification of an application for a license for the transfer of defense articles to South Africa in support of the manufacture of the RG-33 Family of Military Vehicles; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7128. A communication from the Secretary of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office of Inspector General's Semi-annual Report for the period of October 1, 2007, through March 31, 2008; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7129. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Services, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research Projects and Centers Program—Disability and Rehabilitation Research Projects and Rehabilitation Research and Training Centers—Final Priorities" received on July 10, 2008; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7130. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Services, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research Projects and Centers

Program—Rehabilitation Research and Training Centers—Final Priorities" received on July 10, 2008; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7131. A communication from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the Community Services Block Grant Statistical Report and Report on Performance Outcomes for Fiscal Year 2005; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7132. A communication from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Prevailing Rate Systems: Definition of the New Orleans, Louisiana, Appropriated Fund Federal Wage System Wage Area" (RIN3206-AL68) received on July 10, 2008; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7133. A communication from the Officer for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the implementation of the recommendations of the 9/11 Commission for the period from October 1, 2007, to December 31, 2007; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7134. A communication from the Program Manager, Information Sharing Environment, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "Annual Report to the Congress on the Information Sharing Environment"; to the Select Committee on Intelligence.

EC-7135. A communication from the Deputy White House Liaison, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a vacancy in the position of U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of Florida, received on July 10, 2008; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-7136. A communication from the Board of Trustees, National Tropical Botanical Garden, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Annual Audit Report for calendar year 2007; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. HATCH (for himself and Mrs. LINCOLN):

S. 3254. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow banks to be taxed as limited liability companies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN (for himself and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. 3255. A bill to amend the Commodity Exchange Act to provide for the oversight of large trades of over-the-counter energy and agricultural contracts to prevent price manipulation and excessive speculation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. REID (for Mrs. BOXER):

S. 3256. A bill to provide a supplemental funding source for catastrophic emergency wildland fire suppression activities on Department of the Interior and National Forest System lands, to require the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to develop a cohesive wildland fire management strategy, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. SPECTER (for himself and Mr. HAGEL):

S. 3257. A bill to extend immigration programs to promote legal immigration and for other purposes; read the first time.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 439

At the request of Mr. REID, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 439, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to permit certain retired members of the uniformed services who have a service-connected disability to receive both disability compensation from the Department of Veterans Affairs for their disability and either retired pay by reason of their years of military service or Combat-Related Special Compensation.

S. 450

At the request of Mr. ENSIGN, the name of the Senator from Montana (Mr. TESTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 450, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to repeal the medicare outpatient rehabilitation therapy caps.

S. 604

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 604, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to limit increases in the certain costs of health care services under the health care programs of the Department of Defense, and for other purposes.

S. 803

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. CARPER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 803, a bill to repeal a provision enacted to end Federal matching of State spending of child support incentive payments.

S. 1183

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1183, a bill to enhance and further research into paralysis and to improve rehabilitation and the quality of life for persons living with paralysis and other physical disabilities, and for other purposes.

S. 1287

At the request of Mr. SMITH, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1287, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow an offset against income tax refunds to pay for State judicial debts that are past-due.

S. 1932

At the request of Mr. BAYH, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. FEINGOLD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1932, a bill to amend the Small Business Act to increase SBIR and STTR program expenditures.

S. 2182

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. LINCOLN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2182, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to mental health services.

S. 2369

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2369, a bill to amend title