

them develop their history education programs. Tad also remained passionate about baseball and the Philadelphia Phillies.

He will be missed by his wife, Akiko, his family and a host of friends, colleagues, and students. He was a remarkable teacher and a true gentleman.

Madam Speaker, I commend Tad Kuroda for his commitment to teaching, scholarship and service, and I ask the U.S. House of Representatives to join me in remembering this outstanding American, Tad Kuroda.

HONORING EUNICE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

HON. CHARLES W. BOUSTANY, JR.

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 22, 2010

Mr. BOUSTANY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Eunice Elementary School in St. Landry Parish, Louisiana, for being recognized by the United States Department of Education as a 2010 National Blue Ribbon School.

Eunice Elementary is one of the 304 schools honored this year for great academic achievement and far-reaching improvement. Nominations and applications were sent by numerous public and private elementary, middle, and high schools. More than 6,000 schools have been honored since 1982, when the Blue Ribbon Program began.

Eunice Elementary educates students from pre-kindergarten through fourth grade. The school's accelerated reading program also excelled at the national level this year. LEAP scores from spring 2010 were proficient with mathematics being the most improved.

The hard work of the students and dedication of the faculty and staff prove the school deserving of this honor. The entire St. Landry Parish community, which has contributed to Eunice Elementary's success, should be very proud. Commending this Louisiana school for its wonderful achievement is both an honor and a pleasure.

Again, congratulations to Eunice Elementary School, a 2010 National Blue Ribbon School.

A TRIBUTE TO DR. KHALEEQ ARSHED

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 22, 2010

Mr. TOWNS. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Dr. Khaleeq Arshed for his contributions to the medical field.

Dr. Arshed was born in Pakistan, and attended Nishtar Medical College before coming to the United States. He has been practicing Internal Medicine in Queens County for the past thirty years. Today, his practice is among the leading solo practices in the Jackson Heights area.

Dr. Arshed has served as an Attending Physician at the Parkway Hospital, the New York Hospital of Queens, and South Nassau Community Hospital. He has also served as the Medical Director of Osteoporosis Centers of New York and Healing Touch Medispa.

Dr. Arshed's medical training included Residency in Internal Medicine and a Fellowship in Pulmonary Diseases, both at Metropolitan Hospital, part of New York Medical College. He was also a 2009 Fellow with the American Academy of Anti-Aging.

He holds memberships and certifications with the Medical Society of the County of Queens, the National Lipid Association, the American Society of Hypertension, the American Association of Sensory Medicine, the American Academy of Anti-Aging Medicine, and the American Academy of Aesthetic Medicine. Additionally, he has board certifications from the American Board of Anti-Aging Medicine and the American Board of Quality Assurance and Utilization.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in recognizing the achievements of Dr. Khaleeq Arshed.

BROTHER RICHARD GILMAN CSC

HON. JOE DONNELLY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 22, 2010

Mr. DONNELLY of Indiana. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Brother Richard Gilman, CSC of Notre Dame, Indiana for his 17 years of service and dedication to Holy Cross College. Brother Gilman graduated summa cum laude as well as valedictorian from St. Edward's University in Austin, Texas. He continued his education at the Harvard Graduate School of Education through a Science Foundation fellowship and later became a member of the Woodrow Wilson Institute at Princeton University. He has also studied at St. Louis University, the University of Akron, Georgetown University, and the University of Dayton, where he received his doctorate in higher educational administration. After many years of teaching mathematics and physics at St. John's School in Sekondi, Ghana, Brother Gilman became the principal of Archbishop Hoban High School in Akron, Ohio, where he later served as president.

For the past 17 years Brother Gilman has acted as President of Holy Cross College, Notre Dame, where he has been an architect for progress. He was influential in Holy Cross College's transformation from a two-year community college into a thriving Catholic Liberal Arts college. During his tenure at Holy Cross College, Brother Gilman oversaw the construction of the Millennium Arch, Hardesty Plaza, two new residence halls, and the Pfeil Recreation and Student Centers.

Apart from implementing new structures on the Holy Cross Campus, Brother Gilman helped create internal programs such as the Campus Ministry office as well as the International Exchange program. The International Exchange program broadens students' cultural perspectives by encouraging them to travel to countries served by the Congregation of Holy Cross, such as Ghana, Peru, Mexico and India.

Brother Gilman leaves behind a powerful legacy. He influenced the students at Holy Cross College by helping them find the courage and determination to achieve success. The programs he created allow students not only to explore the world, but to explore what they themselves can do. Brother Gilman

taught students that it is okay to fail as long as you keep trying to get it right. His teaching methods gave students the opportunity to expand their minds and grow to become active and innovative members of society.

Brother Gilman's 17 distinguished years at Holy Cross College have transformed the school into the vibrant institution that it is today. His service to Holy Cross College will undoubtedly be felt by students, faculty and staff for many years to come.

It is my honor to thank Brother Gilman for a lifetime of selfless hard work and countless contributions to the communities he has served.

HONORING JEREMY JACOBSEN

HON. TOM LATHAM

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 22, 2010

Mr. LATHAM. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize Jeremy Jacobsen, a U.S. Marine veteran from Boone, Iowa, and to express my appreciation for his dedication and commitment to his country.

The Boone News Republican is currently running a series of articles that honors one Boone County veteran every Tuesday from Memorial Day to Veterans Day. Jeremy Jacobsen was recognized on Tuesday, September 21. Below is the article in its entirety.

I commend Jeremy Jacobsen for his many years of loyalty and service to our great nation. It is an immense honor to represent him in the United States Congress, and I wish him all the best in his future endeavors.

[From the Boone News Republican, Sept. 21, 2010]

SERVICE

(By Greg Eckstrom)

The term is used frequently, most often when referring to what our soldiers are doing overseas—they're serving. While used frequently, however, many often don't devote a great deal of thought to why the word is used. It's used to describe our soldiers, without thought of the significance of the word.

Boone resident and Marine Corps veteran Jeremy Jacobsen, however, embodies this term. He didn't join the military for an enrollment bonus, for college money or because of family tradition—in fact, his grandfather was his only direct relative at the time that had joined the service. For Jacobsen, it was something he wanted to do . . . he wanted to make a difference. He wanted to serve.

"It was one of those things I always knew I wanted to do," he said. "It had nothing to do with family. I just . . . I just knew. I always knew I was going to be in the military, probably since I was about 12 years old. I knew that was what I was going to do."

This decision did not come easily, however, for the Atkins, Iowa kid as he fought tooth and nail to enlist early at age 17. His parents and relatives all urged him not to do it, but they could see his determination, and finally his mother signed off on it, allowing him to enlist.

"Me and my best friend in high school, we were pretty politically active in high school, and with that came a deep desire to do something for our country," he said. "We both loved our country. He would have enlisted with me, but he had a heart murmur. So he couldn't. So I just kind of did it for the both of us."

Jacobsen graduated high school in 2001, and the next day he went to boot camp. He graduated from boot camp on Aug. 24, 2001—less than a month before the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attack.

"Pretty much my Marine Corps career was the start of Sept. 11," he said. "It was kind of a shock."

Many of the recruiters had told soldiers that were signing up that they would likely never see war. Jacobsen was in the field, training with other soldiers, when the attacks happened, and with no outside communication available to them, they heard only through their superiors. The news was hardly believable.

"Our sergeants told us what had happened, and we thought they were lying," he said. "We thought it was just a way to make us take our training more seriously. And then they caught on to that, so they let us listen to President Bush's address to the nation, and that's when we were pretty much all in shock. It was just silence. From there, I think we became more serious at that point, because we realized . . . since we were newly enlisted, at some point in time, every single one of us was going to see war."

Jacobsen became a field radio operator, joined the Waterloo Unit—Charlie Battery 114. He spent four years with the unit until being activated on June 12, 2005—a date that was memorable, because it was his daughter's first birthday.

After training in California, Jacobsen went to Iraq in September of 2005. He was an Operations Non-commissioned officer, with his job being to process Iraqi prisoners that were brought in. They worked with officials in the country to begin collecting information on prisoners—fingerprints, names and evidence involved.

Being in a position where he would have initial contact with the prisoners, many thought Jacobsen had the power to decide what happened. In their experience, they thought that Jacobsen would be the one pondering their fate—a jarring experience for the Marine.

"They thought that was it or I had the power to decide their fate, and they'd fall to the ground crying," he said. "Pleading for their life or trying to kiss me. I had a lot of empathy for them."

Working through an interpreter, Jacobsen helped process the prisoners—many of whom were "good guys," just in the wrong place at the wrong time, and were immediately released after processing. The prisoners, he said, were grateful to have the soldiers there.

"In the Iraqi government, they didn't feel like they had any future," Jacobsen said. "They could be killed at any time. If they were arrested, they were either imprisoned for the rest of their life or killed. There was no system of justice. And so, they were happy we were there."

Being in a position where the prisoners even had a thought that he might take their lives shook Jacobsen to his core.

"I found myself early on brought to tears for them several times," he said. "Take everything out of the equation. Take out way back when they said they had weapons of mass destruction, take out the reason of maybe there's a national interest in the future because they have oil, take out all the political stuff. Just for humanitarian reasons. Just so they can be treated like people . . . that was enough for me. And for every Marine in my unit there with me, that was enough. We felt like, everything aside, all the other political stuff aside, what we were doing and what we were seeing was good. We felt like we were doing good, and they felt like we were doing good, so that justified us."

Jacobsen worked a shift that helped his time in Iraq fly by. He would work 24 hours

straight, sleep for 20 hours, eat a meal and start the routine all over again. For this reason, a normal "day" for Jacobsen was in reality 48 hours. While this made time fly by, it also set him up for a jarring adjustment when he returned to the United States. He spent the remainder of his enlistment in the U.S. with a Des Moines infantry unit, ending his military service career as an E-5 . . . a sergeant.

Now living in Boone with his wife and three kids, looking back at his military career, Jacobsen misses many aspects of it.

"The camaraderie that you have with that group of Marines is probably the number one thing that I still miss to this day," he said. "You have that group of guys . . . we've been together already that four years I've been at the unit, we go through all this training together, we spend every single day together and we know we've got each other's backs. You know you can count on that other guy if something happens. And there's something about that that connects you."

Being back in the United States has been difficult for Jacobsen, as it is for many veterans. The feeling of having served overseas is nearly impossible to describe, he said. It wasn't until he joined the local VFW that he found he wasn't alone.

"It's weird . . . you never quite feel like you belong here anymore," he said. "You gain a different perspective, and nobody around you shares that perspective. It's different. Unless you've been there, you never quite understand it. I just joined the VFW. Went to my first meeting . . . and that was the first time I talked with people who understood that."

When asked what advice he might give a young man or woman looking to enlist, Jacobsen said the advice he would give them would make him a bad recruiter, but it's one that he considers necessary. It's based around a simple question: why are you enlisting?

"I want to know if they're enlisting for college purposes, or for national pride purposes. I'm a firm believer it's got to be this one . . . it can't be the college purpose," he said. "If it's 'I'm getting this benefit along with something I want to do just because I have pride in my country and I want to serve my country,' that's the perfect reason to enlist and I would tell them you'd do good at it."

As for the Marines Corps, Jacobsen said anybody can do it, despite your size or stature, as long as they have that pride and passion.

"It doesn't matter if you're a small guy or an overweight guy. They're going to fix you," he said. "They're going to fix that in boot camp and they're going to teach you how to exercise or teach you how to eat properly. They're going to give you those tools that you didn't have. The thing about the military is they're the best run organization on the planet. They're the oldest. The military has been around since the dawn of time, and so they've got a lot of history to go off of. Our country was founded by a war. Our first organization, our first business, was the military. Everything they do is for a reason. Everything's training in the Marines Corps . . . I know it's the same way with every branch."

Looking back on his career, the camaraderie he built with his friends, the insight he gained in speaking with Iraqis, and the work he did overseas, Jacobsen said if he could go back and do it all over again, very little would change. In fact, the only thing he would do differently, he said, is push himself more, give just a little bit more, work just a little bit harder, and make just a little bit more of a difference.

"I worked as hard as I could over there, but you always look back and think, 'I could

have done this much more in my time in the service,'" Jacobsen said. "Because it does end. I look back, and it's fond memories and you miss it, and you just wish you would have tried your hardest in everything you did."

That, better than Webster's could define it, is the definition of "service" as it applies to the military. And that is how it should be seen.

IN HONOR OF JANICE MARVEL

HON. MICHAEL N. CASTLE

OF DELAWARE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 22, 2010

Mr. CASTLE. Madam Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I pay tribute today to Janice Marvel, the incoming President of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Delaware Volunteer Firemen's Association (LADVFA).

President Marvel has been a life-long member of the Roxana Fire Company Auxiliary. Like many other members of the Auxiliary and Fire Departments, President Marvel's involvement in the volunteer fire service has been a family affair—with history both in Maryland and Delaware. It has been said that being part of the fire service is like being part of a family, and in Janice Marvel's case, this rings particularly true.

Prior to being elected to this new post, President Marvel served as President of the Auxiliary at Roxana having joined the Department in 1978. She and her husband Todd, who is the President of Roxana have dedicated their lives to their community and the volunteer fire service. I believe her worthy of the honor of holding the presidential office.

The LADVFA serves such an important function in our community, and to be as effective as possible, they must have dedicated and organized leaders. I have every confidence that President Marvel will provide the LADVFA the leadership it requires and is known for. I wish her the very best in her new role.

NINETY YEARS YOUNG

HON. TED POE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 22, 2010

Mr. POE of Texas. Madam Speaker, I rise to commemorate and celebrate the tremendous accomplishments of a fellow Texan, Ed Lindsay. Ed Lindsay is a native Houstonian that will celebrate his 91st birthday next November. He served in World War II and Korea, and has practiced law for more than 50 years. He is the epitome of what I like to call a warrior lawyer.

In looking at Mr. Lindsay's past one can understand the work ethic and ambition that he embodies. As a boy growing up in Houston, at the age of five, he pushed his lawn mower down Pecore Street to North Hollywood Cemetery, where he mowed cemetery lots for neighbors.

Mr. Lindsay attended Texas A&M after high school. He worked his way through college by sweeping out a veterinarian amphitheater during his time there.