

behavior on a graph. Damien's work has broad applications in disaster preparedness.

Jonathan Li, a 17-year-old young man from Laguna Niguel, CA, developed a mathematical model and computer simulation to analyze tumor growth and is the first to study motility and contact inhibition, a mechanism that limits cell growth when pressured by neighboring cells. His research also revealed an inherent flaw of the Cellular Potts Model, used to simulate cellular structure behavior. Jonathan's work provides a method to predict the effects of motility on tumor development and can be used to identify cancer phenotypes that chemotherapy drugs can target, potentially improving treatment.

Finally, in the area of technology, we honor three innovative young minds. Anna Kornfeld Simpson, a 17-year-old young woman from San Diego, CA, developed a chemical-detecting robot. She used porous silicon, a material that changes color in the presence of chemicals like alcohols or nerve gas, and simple, low-cost circuit elements to detect color change. The robotic microcomputer then "sees" the chemical instead of "smelling" it. Prototypes had a 100 percent response rate. Anna's work has applications in security and counterterrorism, monitoring industrial settings for toxins, and exploring locations too hazardous for humans.

Alexander Gilbert, a 16-year-old young man from McLean, VA, developed a computer algorithm which improves contrast in magnetic resonance imaging, MRI. His program has been successfully applied to brain MRI images, enabling more accurate image definition of tissues, such as areas of demyelination, or plaques, which are often present in patients with multiple sclerosis. Alexander's work is pertinent to MRIs of the spine and other areas, and offers the potential for better diagnosis and monitoring of multiple sclerosis and other neurological diseases including Alzheimer's disease.

Gavin Ovsak, a 16-year-old young man from Hopkins, MN, designed a device to allow disabled individuals more effective access to computers. His project, known as CHAD, circuit head accessibility device, is a circuit board integrated onto a baseball hat to replace the functions of a computer mouse through head movements and a bite sensor. Gavin's work is less expensive, more efficient, and uses fewer complex software interfaces than are currently available in the assistive technology market, equalizing access to the social, occupational, and global significance of the Internet.

I often say that America's gifted and talented students possess remarkable potential. These 20 young individuals have demonstrated more than potential. They have already made significant contributions to our society in their short lives and one can scarcely begin to imagine how much they will

contribute to society throughout their lives, thanks in no small part to the encouragement of the Davidson Institute as well as their parents and mentors. They are an inspiration and a reminder that if we fully support our most talented young people, we can look forward to a bright future.

#### ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

##### TRIBUTE TO IRVING BURGIE

• Mr. BURRIS. Mr. President, I stand today to honor a great man of American music—a man whose name is largely unknown, but his music is known and loved around the world. This man is Mr. Irving Burgie.

Mr. Irving Burgie more popularly known as "Lord Burgess" was born in Brooklyn, NY, in 1924. He was raised in the close-knit West Indian-American community of New York City during the Great Depression.

The Second World War took him from Brooklyn to the other side of the world in the jungles of what is now Thailand. Under the guns of the Japanese army, a young Irving Burgie and other troops in the segregated Army of the time built and maintained the famous "Burma Road."

Following the war, Mr. Burgie studied music at Julliard, the University of Arizona, and the University of California.

While performing in New York in the mid-1950s, he met Harry Belafonte. This was the beginning of a collaboration that would lead to the 1956 release of "Calypso," the first album to sell 1 million copies. The album included Irving Burgie's adaptation of "The Banana Boat Song" better known as "Day-O" and spent 99 weeks on the charts.

Irving Burgie is credited with composing and arranging over 50 songs on ASCAP. He wrote the "National Anthem of Barbados" his beloved mother's native land. His world-famous songs, including "Island in the Sun" and "Jamaica Farewell," have been recorded by Harry Belafonte, Miriam Makeba, The Kingston Trio and Jimmy Buffet and featured in the hit movies "Island in the Sun" and "Beetlejuice."

In his later years, Mr. Irving Burgie helped to form the Black Men of Queens County Federation, an organization devoted to helping African-American young men find their own success, through mentoring and scholarship programs. He later established the Irving Burgie Award for Excellence in Literary and Creative Arts.

Irving Burgie is a songwriter, author, and committed citizen who has brought joy to the world through music and has contributed to the best of American culture and society.●

##### TRIBUTE TO DAVID KRANZ

• Mr. JOHNSON. Mr. President, with great honor and pride, today I pay trib-

ute to a retiring member of the Fourth Estate in my home State of South Dakota. David Kranz is retiring after a journalism career that has spanned 42 years, an impressive mark in any profession but most certainly in the newspaper field.

David, the son of Wilfred and Sally Kranz, was born November 3, 1945. After attending Holy Rosary Grade School in Kranzburg, he graduated from Watertown High School and obtained his degree in journalism in 1968 from South Dakota State University.

David began his career by spending 8 years as a city reporter and city editor at the Austin Daily Herald in Minnesota, where he began penning a political column. It would be that political column that would define and shape David's journalism career. He left Austin in 1976 and moved back to his beloved home State of South Dakota to become managing editor of the Mitchell Daily Republic, a position he held until 1983 when he left to work for South Dakota's largest newspaper, the Sioux Falls Argus Leader. From executive city editor and managing editor to reporter and columnist, there wasn't much David didn't witness, or comment on, during his 24 years with the Argus Leader.

Dave Kranz ranks with other widely known and popular journalists from South Dakota, including Tom Brokaw, Al Neuharth and Ken Bode. People in political circles valued Dave's wit and wisdom, his speculation and satire, his candor, and commentary.

David received the National Scripps-Howard Public Service Reporting Award at the National Press Club. He also has earned numerous state and national awards, was recognized for countless individual stories, and was presented with the SDSU Distinguished Alumni Award.

There is perhaps no better tribute to a person than to listen to the heartfelt words of one's peers. Here are just a few of David's contemporaries in the journalism world and what they have to say about this dedicated writer.

"Dave is the heart and conscience of South Dakota journalism. He was a walking databank of history, trends and current events long before the term was invented. Dave has a special knack for telling the stories of real South Dakotans and giving them the dignity and devotion they deserve. He has a gift of friendship that transcends his craft and puts him on a first-name basis with people all over the state," says Chuck Raasch of the Gannett News Service.

Distinguished professor Robert Burns of the South Dakota State University and the University of South Dakota, said of Dave, "He enjoys a high readership because of the quality and timing of his reporting. David's column is consistently timely and accurate because he has cultivated an excellent professional relationship with the leading political actors and political observers in our state. Political actors are candid in

their discussions with him because they know he will be fair in his reporting of political developments and news."

Sioux Falls Argus Leader publisher Randell Beck says, "Dave is the hardest working journalist I know. He's often at work when I arrive—hunkered down, on the phone, in his cubicle that is eternally overstuffed with reports, stacks of old papers, scrawled notes on napkins—and he's often there when I leave."

I am among those who have long valued Dave's political instincts, wit and wisdom. During my years in the State legislature and in Congress, I missed very few of his political columns. I always knew Dave would be well prepared when he interviewed me. Over his career, David has interviewed every national political candidate and office holder who came to South Dakota. David was always fair and honest in his reporting.

David and I would frequently meet for coffee where it was often more interesting to hear the political news from him directly rather than waiting for his column to appear in the paper. I sometimes got more out of those coffees than he did from me. But most importantly, I valued his friendship and insight. I know he will have more time now to add to his impressive collections of baseball cards and political buttons. He may also find more time to follow his beloved Atlanta Braves.

Thank you, David, for sharing your career with the newspaper readers and the citizens of South Dakota—a career filled with professionalism and dedication. You are a true credit to your craft.●

#### TRIBUTE TO DELBERT F. REYNOLDS

● Mr. KOHL. Mr. President, today I recognize and congratulate Delbert F. Reynolds on his retirement as the field office director of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development office in Wisconsin.

For the past 41 years, Mr. Reynolds has dedicated himself to helping others through his work with HUD. During his tenure, he served under eight Presidents and 13 of the 15 HUD Secretaries. In 1987, he became director of the Milwaukee Field Office, where he coordinated and oversaw all programs assigned to the office. His 23 years in this position make him the longest serving field office director in Milwaukee's history and an asset to our State that will be greatly missed.

While director, Mr. Reynolds has contributed significantly to HUD and its programs. His insight and experience lead to his selection as special adviser to HUD policymakers. In Wisconsin, he created many successful programs, which were then incorporated on a national level.

Mr. Reynolds's leadership and dedication have not gone unnoticed by his peers. He has received numerous

awards for his service, including the Manager of the Year Award and the Vice President's National Performance Review—Hammer—Award in 1998. Given to those who work towards a better government, this award recognized Mr. Reynolds for his team's efforts on Section 8 financial management. His awards reflect not only his contributions to HUD and our Nation but also his commendable work ethic.

A native of Milwaukee and an alumnus from the University of Wisconsin, Mr. Reynolds exemplifies dedication to providing quality, affordable housing to the people of Wisconsin and public service at its finest. On behalf of our State, I extend my heartfelt appreciation for the 41 years of service Mr. Reynolds has provided.●

#### TRIBUTE TO REVEREND SAM MANN

● Mrs. McCASKILL. Mr. President, I ask the Senate to join me today in honoring the work of Reverend Sam Mann, a leader in the Kansas City community. Reverend Mann's retirement is yet one more wonderful milestone in a life of service.

Sam was raised in Eufala, AL, and made Kansas City his home as a young man. Over the years, he has been a tireless civil rights advocate in Kansas City and the Nation. He marched with Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and participated in numerous activities to raise awareness of race and justice issues.

Since 1971, Sam has been the pastor of St. Mark's United Methodist Church in downtown Kansas City. He has been the executive director of United Inner City Services, a multiservice community-based agency, since 1967.

I have always known Reverend Mann as "rubber band." This derives from the time I was walking with him through a roomful of young children who were attending a program he had designed that predated his establishment of the St. Mark center. From the beginning, Sam was always looking out for children. As we were walking through the room, the children were pulling on his coat tail saying, "Reverend Mann, Reverend Mann" but it sounded like "rubber band, rubber band." From that day forward, he has always been "rubber band" to me.

Sam believes in the importance of education and has been a strong advocate for early childhood education. Under his leadership, St. Mark Child and Family Development Center was established. This center started in a church basement and now is located in a beautiful state-of-the-art facility. In addition, the center serves as a neighborhood anchor, providing a safe, warm and attractive site for a variety of community services. St. Mark annually serves approximately 225 very low and low-income families through its early childhood education program, before- and after-school program and summer camp. These children and their

families have been forever impacted by Sam's work and dedication.

Sam was the founder of the Presbyterian Urban Ministers Network, was a cosponsor of Kansas City's Urban Peace & Justice Summit, and served on the Board of the Black Archives of Mid-America. For 25 years, he has served as chair of Kansas City's local chapter of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

While we hope that retirement affords Sam some much deserved relaxation and time on the golf course, we also look forward to his continued involvement in education projects and social justice issues important to the lives of Kansas Citians.

Mr. President, I ask that the Senate join me in congratulating and honoring Reverend Sam Mann on his retirement.●

#### MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mrs. Neiman, 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.)

#### MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 2:06 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 4785. An act to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to make loans to certain entities that agree that the funds will be used to make loans to consumers to implement energy efficiency measures involving structural improvements and investments in cost-effective, commercial off-the-shelf technologies to reduce energy use, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House agrees to the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 3562) to designate the federally occupied building located at 1220 Echelon Parkway in Jackson, Mississippi, as the "James Chaney, Andrew Goodman, and Michael Schwerner, and Roy K. Moore Federal Building".

#### ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

At 2:47 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bills:

S. 3656. An act to amend the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 to improve the reporting on sales of livestock and dairy products, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3978. An act to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to authorize the Secretary of Homeland Security to accept and