

graders had only 5 weeks to create the hydrogen-fueled vehicle and prepare for competition with 41 middle school teams from across the country. In addition to building the car, the students also prepared for a quick recall competition and wrote a research paper about their project. Energy Secretary Steven Chu noted at the event that our Nation is in need of outstanding young researchers and scientists, and I am extremely proud of these young students for their ingenuity and dedication to scientific knowledge.

The National Science Bowl is the largest academic competition of its kind, and tests students' knowledge in all areas of science, including biology, chemistry, earth science, physics, astronomy, energy, and math. After the day of question and answer rounds, students had the opportunity to race their hydrogen-fueled cars against one another. Through their innovative design, Paducah Middle School's team finished the ten-meter race in a mere 3.84 seconds as the runner-up in the competition.

Congratulations to the Paducah Middle School team members for their accomplishment at the Regional and National Science Bowl competitions, and best wishes for you in your next academic endeavors.

HONORING KEVIN AND SARAH
DIAMOND

HON. PETER J. ROSKAM

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 25, 2011

Mr. ROSKAM. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to rise today to recognize Kevin and Sarah Diamond of Elmhurst, Illinois, for their outstanding display of service.

On May 5, 2011, Kevin and Sarah were presented with the Elmhurst Jaycees Distinguished Service Award. Each year, this award is given to a resident in recognition of one's dedication to bettering the City of Elmhurst. Typically, the Distinguished Service Award is reserved for a single person, but in this case, both were seen as deserving of this honor.

Kevin and Sarah have been involved with numerous improvement projects in Elmhurst. In particular, Kevin led the passage of a referendum that brought new classrooms to every school in District 205. Kevin is especially active with the Elmhurst Children's Assistance Fund, which provides assistance to families with children impacted by a serious medical or disabling condition. Sarah serves on the board of the local YMCA and has assisted with the organization's fundraising efforts. She previously served on the District 205 Foundation Board, and has recently joined the Hospital Board. In addition to participating in all these volunteer activities, Kevin and Sarah are also busy raising three daughters.

The Diamonds have demonstrated exceptional civic service, and I am proud to represent them. Mr. Speaker and Distinguished Colleagues, please join me in commending Kevin and Sarah Diamond for their extraordinary commitment to their community.

RECOGNIZING PINE FOREST HIGH
SCHOOL GIRLS' TRACK AND
FIELD TEAM AS FLORIDA STATE
CLASS 3A CHAMPIONS

HON. JEFF MILLER

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 25, 2011

Mr. MILLER of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Pine Forest High School girls' track and field team on their recent victory as Florida State Class 3A champions for the second consecutive year.

Bringing home the trophy for the 2011 state championship is an accomplishment these young women earned through their unwavering determination and hard work. Returning to the competition this year, they knew that steadfast commitment to their team, coach and community would be what it would take to win yet another state championship and maintain their title.

Under the leadership of their head coach, Paul Bryan, the true grit and determination it took for these young women to bring home a state championship is inspiring. The victory did not come easily for the Lady Eagles. Once they took flight, they were faced with injuries and trials; however, just like any great athletes, they overcame these setbacks and soared to 59 points, crossing the finish line as champions. Their dreams of keeping their title became a reality, and the Lady Eagles made history. As the first team from the Pensacola area to win two consecutive state team titles, they made Northwest Florida proud.

On behalf of the United States Congress, I congratulate the Pine Forest High Lady Eagles for their outstanding accomplishments. My wife Vicki joins me in offering our best wishes to the team, coaches, faculty, and students at Pine Forest High School for their continued success.

COMMENDING THE RESNICK FAMILY OF HUNTERDON COUNTY,
NEW JERSEY

HON. LEONARD LANCE

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 25, 2011

Mr. LANCE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to join the Chabad of Hunterdon County, New Jersey in honoring the Resnick family.

This year, Carl, Ted and Martin Resnick of Flemington, New Jersey will receive the Chabad of Hunterdon County's prestigious Community Leadership Award during a community celebration that will be held on Thursday, June 2 at the Grand Colonial in Hampton, New Jersey.

Each year the Chabad of Hunterdon County presents its Community Leadership Award to recognize individuals, families and businesses who take leadership roles in the community, by giving back to the community and being involved to improve the overall community.

As a lifelong resident of Hunterdon County, I have known Carl, Ted and Martin Resnick and their family for most of my life. In addition to owning the Flemington Department Store—which is a successful family-owned business—the Resnick family have been active members of our community for more than 50 years.

Over the years, the Resnicks have been involved with local sports teams, clubs, service organizations, wildlife refuge efforts, the arts and area first responders. In 2009 the Resnicks deservedly received the Distinguished Citizen Award from the Central New Jersey Council of the Boy Scouts of America for their community involvement.

I am proud to join the Chabad of Hunterdon County in praising Carl, Martin and Ted Resnick for their hard work and devotion to the Hunterdon County community. I am also pleased to praise their accomplishments and share their story with my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives and with the American people.

PROCLAMATION FOR CHARLIE
SHERMAN FOR HIS TRADITION
OF COMMUNITY SERVICE AND
DEDICATION TO THE GRANITE
STATE

HON. FRANK C. GUINTA

OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 25, 2011

Mr. GUINTA. Mr. Speaker, here in New Hampshire, we have a strong tradition of community service and dedication to our fellow Granite Staters, and no one exemplifies this better than my friend Charlie Sherman.

For over 21 years, from radio to television, Charlie has become one of New Hampshire's most recognizable personalities. Whether it has been covering a high school football game on the 11 o'clock news or interviewing a presidential hopeful bright and early on his radio talk show, he has always exhibited an immense passion for the Granite State.

Along with countless hours of bettering our community via the airwaves, Charlie Sherman has devoted his life to helping others through the dozens of charitable causes he has been involved with throughout the years. One such organization, the Special Olympics of New Hampshire, has been the biggest recipient of Charlie's big heart where he has helped raise over a million dollars for the cause through the annual Penguin Plunge.

Charlie Sherman will now continue his commitment to our state through a new phase of his life as Executive Director of New Horizons. The Manchester-based adult homeless shelter and soup kitchen will certainly benefit from Charlie's life-long experience in devoting his life to helping others. Today, we wish him well in his new path and take this moment to thank him for all he has done and will continue to do for New Hampshire.

RECOGNIZING ANTHONY J. PACK
FOR TWENTY-ONE YEARS OF
SERVICE TO THE EASTERN MUNICIPAL
WATER DISTRICT

HON. DARRELL E. ISSA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 25, 2011

Mr. ISSA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the civil service of Anthony Pack and commend his tenure of twenty-one years with the Eastern Municipal Water District (EMWD).

Joining the water district team in 1990 as the project coordinator, followed by the role of Deputy General Manager, Mr. Pack was appointed to the post of General Manager on September 4, 2001. Over the last decade, Mr. Pack's management and leadership has been instrumental to EMWD's success on critical projects that have made a tremendous impact throughout the District.

As the General Manager, Mr. Pack introduced the District to the superior principles of the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Program and the State counterpart, the California Award for Performance Excellence. Under his guidance and expertise, Mr. Pack implemented and administered these principles to ensure they were met at every level. As a result of this rigorous program for performance measurement and continuous improvement, EMWD has attained the highest level of any public agency in the State.

During his tenure with EMWD he has provided assistance to the State, Federal and local legislators in addressing complicated water related issues and worked cooperatively with government agencies in implementing policies and projects.

Among his many roles, Mr. Pack has served as president and vice president of the California Municipal Utilities Association, a statewide association of publicly owned utilities, a board member of the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority, and currently serves as a board member for the California Council for Excellence.

Prior to joining the District, Mr. Pack served 20 years with the U.S. Marine Corps in posts throughout the United States, Japan and the Middle East, retiring as a Lieutenant Colonel in 1990. I would also like to extend my appreciation for his years of military service.

Through his work at EMWD he has assisted the community and the California water industry. I offer Mr. Pack my congratulations and may he enjoy a rewarding retirement with his wife Kelly, their two sons and four grandchildren.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you to please join me in paying tribute to Mr. Pack's dedicated and loyal service to the Eastern Municipal Water District.

2011 NATIONAL STROKE
AWARENESS MONTH

HON. LOIS CAPPS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 25, 2011

Mrs. CAPPS. Mr. Speaker, I rise in recognition of May as National Stroke Awareness Month, the time each year that we as a nation reaffirm our support in the fight against stroke, a leading cause of death and disability.

National Stroke Awareness Month plays an important role in educating Americans on the warning signs and risk factors for strokes, as well as how the latest neuroscience discoveries enhance our understanding of strokes and lead to new and exciting treatments.

According to the American Stroke Association, a stroke occurs every 40 seconds, affecting roughly 795,000 Americans each year—killing approximately 136,000 people a year, and costing the nation through healthcare services, medications, and missed days of work.

As a co-chair of the Congressional Heart and Stroke Coalition, and through my experience as a nurse and health care advocate, I know firsthand the importance of educating the American people to recognize the warning signs of a stroke and be ready to act fast.

Moreover, the most effective method to combat stroke is to prevent it, and that to do that, we need to place a greater focus on educating the American people on the risk factors associated with an increased risk of stroke: high blood pressure, atrial fibrillation, diabetes, heightened cholesterol, lack of exercise, and smoking.

Family history of stroke, gender, and place of residence are also factors.

While strokes are one of the major reasons that quality of life can diminish as people get older, they are not inevitable.

The same steps that contribute to keeping physical vigor—regular exercise, a healthy weight, and a balanced diet—can maximize the chances of staying sharp and alert for decades to come.

Mr. Speaker, based on basic science findings, neuroscientists have developed several options for treating stroke, including clot-busting drugs and minimally invasive surgery techniques.

Yet despite numerous advances, the global and national prognosis for stroke is dire.

According to a study by the American Heart Association and the American Stroke Association published earlier this year, stroke prevalence is projected to increase by 25 percent in the U.S. by 2030, and direct medical costs for treating stroke are expected to increase by 238 percent, to \$95.6 billion within the same time period.

This makes continued strong and sustainable funding for the National Institutes of Health even more critical.

By supporting the National Institutes of Health, researchers will be able to discover better ways to protect the brain from potential strokes, minimize the damage that occurs, and develop better ways to repair and reorganize the brain after a stroke.

For all of these reasons, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing National Stroke Awareness Month, celebrating the outstanding contributions the field of neuroscience is making to learn more about stroke; the contributions of the American Stroke Association in educating the public about stroke warning signs and treatment; and the investments made in scientific research through the National Institutes of Health to develop treatments for those suffering from this devastating disease.

HONORING MR. RONALD SHELLEY

HON. W. TODD AKIN

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 25, 2011

Mr. AKIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Mr. Ronald Shelley of Boeing Defense, Space & Security. Ron will be retiring this coming June after more than thirty years with the company.

In his more than three decades with Boeing, Ron has held a number of leadership positions; with ever increasing responsibilities. During the development and first flight of the

C-17 Globemaster III, today the backbone of our air mobility, Ron served as General Manager, Supplier Management, in Long Beach, California.

Ron also served as program manager for the F/A-18 Super Hornet, responsible for directing, planning, organizing, leading and controlling development, production and cost support for all Super Hornet programs in St. Louis. Ron clearly knows his business, because the Super Hornet program has consistently delivered aircraft to the United States Navy on time and on budget.

Additionally, Shelley held a number of director-level Supplier Management and Procurement positions in Naval Systems, Production Operations and Phantom Works—the advanced prototyping arm of Boeing Defense, Space & Security.

Today, Ron Shelley serves as vice president of Global Sourcing for The Boeing Company and as vice president of Supplier Management for Boeing Defense, Space & Security, based in St. Louis. He leads an organization of more than 2,800 employees in 30 States and 10 countries; and he's responsible for annual purchases of nearly \$17 billion in products and services. Clearly you don't just put anyone in charge of spending \$17 billion!

My staff and I have had the honor of working with Ron on a number of occasions over the past decade. Through his work on C-17 and Super Hornet, he has contributed much to our national security. His fellow citizens are more secure today because of the contributions Ron Shelley made to these vital defense programs.

Thank you, Ron. I wish you all the best in your retirement and God's blessing.

RECOGNIZING THE 125TH ANNIVERSARY OF ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC CHAPEL OF CLIFFORD, MI

HON. CANDICE S. MILLER

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 25, 2011

Mrs. MILLER of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, it is my distinct privilege to properly acknowledge a special event occurring in the 10th Congressional District. On Sunday, June 5, 2011, St. Patrick Catholic Church of Lapeer County in Clifford, Michigan will celebrate a significant and historic milestone—its 125th Anniversary Celebration. This achievement will begin with a 1 p.m. Celebration Mass presided by special guest, Archbishop Allen H. Vigneron of the Archdiocese of Detroit. Following mass, the celebration will continue with an open house and reception for all to enjoy. Although I will be unable to personally attend this festive occasion, I certainly wanted to recognize this extraordinary accomplishment and offer my heartfelt congratulations.

Mr. Speaker, I believe it would be fitting to share some history about St. Patrick Chapel. However, first let me start with the Archdiocese of Detroit which was formally established in 1833, but can trace its Catholic lineage back to 1701 when the first French traders arrived in the region. The history of St. Patrick Chapel shares a similar story in that the Church was first built in 1886, but Father Clement Krebs started offering masses inside the homes of local residents in 1879—seven prior to the church being constructed.