the United States, providing nearly 40 percent of the Nation's coal. Coal mining has had an important role in the development of the county's infrastructure. For instance, Wright was built in close proximity to the Black Thunder coal mine, the second most productive coal mine in the United States. Improved technology in extraction methods has increased the production of coal bed methane gas and oil. These advancements will continue to serve the nation's growing energy needs well into the future.

This year, the Campbell County Centennial Committee has planned several countywide celebrations, including the installation of a Survey Plaque in the Campbell County Courthouse. In addition, the Centennial Ranch Committee plans to honor the members of 33 ranches that have been in operation for 100 years or longer. It is my pleasure to recognize the following ranches and their commitment to preserving Wyoming's ranching way of life: the Brennan Ranch, T-Chair Ranch, Pumpkin Butte Ranch, Christensen Ranch, Clabaugh Ranch, Collins Ranch, Daly Ranch, Fitch Ranch, 2 Heart Ranch, Hall Ranch, Innes Ranch, Kretschman Ranch, Little Buffalo Ranch, T7 Ranch, Maycock Ranch, Mooney Ranch, Morse and Harris Family Ranch, Have Not Ranch, Oedekoven Ranch, Pahasha Ranch, Parks Ranch, Parks Evans Ranch, Paul Rourke Ranch, Sorenson Ranch, Swartz Ranch, Thar Ranch, Underwood Ranch, Wright Ranch, Barlow Ranch, Bridle Bit Ranch, John Hines Ranch, Kuhbacher Ranch and West Cross V Ranch.

In honor of the centennial of Campbell County, I invite my colleagues to see this wonderful place in person. I applaud the residents of the county for their efforts to celebrate such rich history and to present it to visitors from all over the world.

BOYS AND GIRLS CLUBS OF CENTRAL WYOMING

Mr. BARRASSO. Mr. President, on Tuesday, August 9, 2011, I will have the honor of announcing the Boys and Girls Clubs of Central Wyoming's Youth of the Year at their annual award and recognition breakfast. This event is a wonderful celebration. In addition to the Youth of the Year, the Boys and Girls Clubs will honor two of Wyoming's own: Vice President Dick Cheney and Lynne Vincent Cheney. They are being recognized for their devotion and commitment to the youth in our communities and across the State of Wyoming. While both of these distinguished individuals have received many honors and accolades, to be recognized by the Boys and Girls Clubs is very special to them.

The Boys and Girls Clubs of Central Wyoming is a great organization that continues to have a positive impact in the lives of youth. They serve all children, regardless of economic circumstances. Dedicated staff and volun-

teers enthusiastically work with the students, creating an environment that fosters their positive growth and development. Young people are provided the tools and opportunities needed to succeed. Hundreds of kids benefit each year from the Boys and Girls Clubs.

The mission of the Boys and Girls Clubs is to create a better future for its members through focusing on positive outcomes: academic success, good character and citizenship as well as healthy lifestyles. At this year's awards and recognition breakfast, three outstanding young people will be honored and one will be chosen as the 2011–2012 Youth of the Year. These young citizens have excelled in all of the positive outcomes, and serve as excellent examples for other youth to follow.

Jessica Treto is a sophomore at Kelly Walsh High School. She loves to play card games with younger club members and admits she hardly ever wins. Jessica wants to be a counselor because she enjoys helping people.

Chrissy Stufft is also a sophomore at Kelly Walsh High School. She is a cheerleader and plays third base on her softball team. Her favorite television show CSI has inspired Chrissy to be a forensic scientist.

Anthony MacMillan is a junior at Natrona County High School. Anthony is an avid swimmer. Due to his love for cooking, he wants to be a pastry chef.

Mr. President, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Jessica, Chrissy, and Anthony. Knowing of these fine young people gives me the confidence that the future of America is in good hands.

TRIBUTE TO JORDAN BROWN

Mr. BARRASSO. Mr. President, I would like to take the opportunity to express my appreciation to Jordan Brown for his hard work as an Indian Affairs Committee intern in my Washington, DC, office. I recognize his efforts and contributions to my office as well as to the State of Wyoming.

Jordan is a native of Wyoming and graduated from Sheridan High School. He attends Stonehill College in Massachusetts where he is majoring in political science and minoring in business administration. Throughout his internship, he has demonstrated a strong work ethic which has made him an invaluable asset to our office. The quality of his work is reflected in his great efforts over the time he has been with us.

I thank Jordan for the dedication he has shown while working for me and my staff. It was a pleasure to have him as part of our team. I know he will have continued success with all of his future endeavors. I wish him all my best on his next journey.

TRIBUTE TO DANIEL DECECCO

Mr. BARRASSO. Mr. President, I would like to take the opportunity to

express my appreciation to Daniel DeCecco for his hard work as an intern in my Rock Springs office. I recognize his efforts and contributions to my office as well as to the State of Wyoming.

Daniel is a native of Wyoming and graduated from Green River High School. He attends the University of Wyoming, where he is majoring in business economics and international studies. Throughout his internship, he has demonstrated a strong work ethic which has made him an invaluable asset to our office. The quality of his work is reflected in his great efforts over the last several months.

I thank Daniel for the dedication he has shown while working for me and my staff. It was a pleasure to have him as part of our team. I know he will have continued success with all of his future endeavors. I wish him all my best on his next journey.

TRIBUTE TO BRIAN LYNCH

Mr. BARRASSO. Mr. President, I would like to take the opportunity to express my appreciation to Brian Lynch for his hard work as an intern in my Washington, DC, office. I recognize his efforts and contributions to my office as well as to the State of Wyoming.

Brian is a native of Wyoming and graduated from Encampment High School. He attends the University of Wyoming, where he is majoring in criminal justice with a concentration in pre-law. Throughout his internship, he has demonstrated a strong work ethic which has made him an invaluable asset to our office. The quality of his work is reflected in his great efforts over the last several months.

I thank Brian for the dedication he has shown while working for me and my staff. It was a pleasure to have him as part of our team. I know he will have continued success with all of his future endeavors. I wish him all my best on his next journey.

TRIBUTE TO ABIGAIL MULCAHY

Mr. BARRASSO. Mr. President, I would like to take the opportunity to express my appreciation to Abigail Mulcahy for her hard work as an intern in my Cheyenne office. I recognize her efforts and contributions to my office as well as to the State of Wyoming.

Abigail is a native of Wyoming and graduated from Central High School. She attends the University of Wyoming, where she is majoring in political science and minoring in music. Throughout her internship, she has demonstrated a strong work ethic which has made her an invaluable asset to our office. The quality of her work is reflected in her great efforts over the last several months.

I thank Abigail for the dedication she has shown while working for me and my staff. It was a pleasure to have her as part of our team. I know she will have continued success with all of her future endeavors. I wish her all my best on her next journey.

TRIBUTE TO KYLIE NEGICH

Mr. BARRASSO. Mr. President, I would like to take the opportunity to express my appreciation to Kylie Negich for her hard work as an intern in my Sheridan office. I recognize her efforts and contributions to my office as well as to the State of Wyoming.

Kylie is a native of Wyoming and graduated from Laramie High School. She attends the University of Wyoming, where she is majoring in business administration. Throughout her internship, she has demonstrated a strong work ethic which has made her an invaluable asset to our office. The quality of her work is reflected in her great efforts over the last several months

I thank Kylie for the dedication she has shown while working for me and my staff. It was a pleasure to have her as part of our team. I know she will have continued success with all of her future endeavors. I wish her all my best on her next journey.

TRIBUTE TO RACHEL SCHMIDT

Mr. BARRASSO. Mr. President, I would like to take the opportunity to express my appreciation to Rachel Schmidt for her hard work as an intern in my Washington, DC, office. I recognize her efforts and contributions to my office as well as to the State of Wyoming.

Rachel is a native of Wyoming and graduated from North Atlantic Regional High School. She graduated from the University of Wyoming, where she majored in international studies and Spanish. Throughout her internship, she has demonstrated a strong work ethic which has made her an invaluable asset to our office. The quality of her work is reflected in her great efforts over the last several months.

I thank Rachel for the dedication she has shown while working for me and my staff. It was a pleasure to have her as part of our team. I know she will have continued success with all of her future endeavors. I wish her all my best on her next journey.

TRIBUTE TO KATHERINE SCHUM

Mr. BARRASSO. Mr. President, I would like to take the opportunity to express my appreciation to Katherine Schum for her hard work as an intern in my Cheyenne office. I recognize her efforts and contributions to my office as well as to the State of Wyoming.

Katherine is a native of Wyoming and graduated from Cheyenne Central High School. She graduated from the University of Wyoming, where she majored in elementary education with a concentration in diversity. Throughout her internship, she has demonstrated a

strong work ethic which has made her an invaluable asset to our office. The quality of her work is reflected in her great efforts over the last several months.

I thank Katherine for the dedication she has shown while working for me and my staff. It was a pleasure to have her as part of our team. I know she will have continued success with all of her future endeavors. I wish her all my best on her next journey.

TRIBUTE TO ALLISON STRUBE

Mr. BARRASSO. Mr. President, I would like to take the opportunity to express my appreciation to Allison Strube for her hard work as an intern in my Washington, DC, office. I recognize her efforts and contributions to my office as well as to the State of Wyoming.

Allison is a native of Wyoming and graduated from Laramie High School. She attends the University of Wyoming, where she is majoring in political science and minoring in German. Throughout her internship, she has demonstrated a strong work ethic which has made her an invaluable asset to our office. The quality of her work is reflected in her great efforts over the last several months.

I thank Allison for the dedication she has shown while working for me and my staff. It was a pleasure to have her as part of our team. I know she will have continued success with all of her future endeavors. I wish her all my best on her next journey.

TRIBUTE TO CLAYTON TANNER

Mr. BARRASSO. Mr. President, I would like to take the opportunity to express my appreciation to Clayton Tanner for his hard work as an intern in my Casper office. I recognize his efforts and contributions to my office as well as to the State of Wyoming.

Clayton is a native of Wyoming and graduated from Lander Valley High School. He attends the University of Wyoming/Casper College where he is majoring in English and journalism. He has demonstrated a strong work ethic which has made him an invaluable asset to our office. The quality of his work is reflected in his great efforts over the time he has been with us.

I thank Clayton for the dedication he has shown while working for me and my staff. It was a pleasure to have him as part of our team. I know he will have continued success with all of his future endeavors. I wish him all my best on his next journey.

TRIBUTE TO DANIEL ZABRISKIE

Mr. BARRASSO. Mr. President, I would like to take the opportunity to express my appreciation to Daniel Zabriskie for his hard work as an intern in my Casper office. I recognize his efforts and contributions to my of-

fice as well as to the State of Wyo-ming.

Daniel is a native of Wyoming and graduated from Natrona County High School. He attends the University of Wyoming where he is majoring in criminal justice and minoring in communication. He has demonstrated a strong work ethic which has made him an invaluable asset to our office. The quality of his work is reflected in his great efforts over the last several months.

I thank Daniel for the dedication he has shown while working for me and my staff. It was a pleasure to have him as part of our team. I know he will have continued success with all of his future endeavors. I wish him all my best on his next journey.

GOSHEN COUNTY, WYOMING

Mr. BARRASSO. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize the Centennial of Goshen County, WY.

Goshen County is remarkable. Its 13,250 residents are fortunate to live in the unique and diverse communities of Torrington, Lingle, Fort Laramie, La-Grange and Yoder. Nestled in a temperate basin along the North Platte River, the people have always connected with the land and its legacy. Officially recognized on February 24, 1911, the basin area has a rich history, one that gave the county its unique name. Legend has it an unknown traveler roamed the area known as Goshen's Hole. Though his identity was never discovered, he was most likely a trader or a fur trapper. The legend of the name's origins has long been celebrated and contended by the folks in this area.

Goshen County was a gateway to the Wild West, and its organization benefited from those headed westward. The Goshen Hole area, a popular stop for many, saw traffic from Native Americans, mountain men and fur traders. Thousands of emigrants following the California, Mormon and Oregon trails passed through the county by way of Fort Laramie. Established in 1834 along the banks of the Laramie River, the fort served as a trading post, post office, resting point and an important military base during the Plains Indian Wars. Today, the community of Fort Laramie works to preserve the fort's key role in our State's history.

Between 1876 and 1887, the area hosted part of the Cheyenne-Black Hills Stage Route between Cheyenne and Deadwood, SD. The route provided safe transport of freight, gold and passengers through land inhabited by Sioux Indians. The town of LaGrange began as one of many stage stops created to accommodate these passengers-it is now the oldest incorporated town in Goshen County. The development of the Union Pacific Railroad extension project offered new opportunities and connected the county to an ever-expanding West. Yoder began as a station along the extension line into the valley, and later prospered as an agricultural center. These