

Some companies and their governments realized faster than others how the manufacturing world is changing. Daimler-Benz is the leader in the auto industry, and it has been supported by the European Community research organization ESPRIT in its efforts to bring enterprise integration to the European automobile industry. It will not be long before every one of the companies which do business with Daimler, ranging from the component makers, to the machine tool makers, to the tool and die makers, to the steel and aluminum suppliers will be able to exchange design and manufacturing information quickly and effortlessly. Airbus has also managed to jump to a major lead on its U.S. competitors in supply chain integration. The U.S. Department of Defense is trying to accelerate enterprise integration among the companies which manufacture defense-related products, and the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) has done standards work in this area for 20 years. Still, U.S. companies are struggling to catch up with their European counterparts and small businesses will need major help once the protocols are in place.

Enterprise integration has the potential to be the most important innovation in manufacturing since Henry Ford's assembly line. I hope we will have your support in enacting the Enterprise Integration Act because it will give U.S. industry the opportunity to be a leader in this much needed technology.

IN HONOR OF MR. WILLIAM
GAMBATESE

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 20, 2000

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of William J. Gambatese, a business representative for Sheet Metal Workers Local 33 for 12 years.

William Gambatese was the president of Sheet Metal Workers Local 65 before it merged with the Local 33. In his tenure as recording secretary for the Cleveland Building Trades Council, William Gambatese played an active role in project labor agreements and was also active in local government in Greater Cleveland.

Mr. Gambatese's commitment to his fellow citizens came out of a 35-year history as a sheet metal worker. Knowing first hand the metal workers' concerns and needs provided the necessary insight to oversee activism in union affairs, AFL-CIO committees, Labor Day parade activities, and political campaigns.

William Gambatese was totally immersed in his job and was a dedicated representative of all of the membership. Championing the rights of workers was only one among numerous other civic activities. Mr. Gambatese also chaired the Dollars Against Diabetes Society. Mr. Gambatese's life-work encompassed providing "quality" life to those most in need. Never losing sight of what was most important: his family and community. William Gambatese's humanitarianism will endure in his wife of 29 years, Linda; daughters Laurie and Jennifer; son, Michael, stepson Donald, three grandchildren; four brothers, and two sisters. Mr. Gambatese was 55 years old.

My fellow colleagues, please join with me in honoring William Gambatese for his lifelong

commitment and dedications to workers' rights.

A TRIBUTE TO AMERICA'S
LIBERTY SHIPS

HON. JAMES A. BARCIA

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 20, 2000

Mr. BARCIA. Mr. Speaker, between 1941 and 1944 over 2,700 Liberty ships were built under President Roosevelt's \$350,000,000 shipbuilding program. These vessels were cargo ships designed to augment the enormous supply needs of the war effort. As the only remaining operational Liberty Ship and the last operational troopship of World War II, the S.S. *John W. Brown* is currently touring the northeastern coast and the Great Lakes to honor the troops and merchant marines who served in WWII.

During the war, the *John W. Brown* served as a standard cargo ship and, after conversion, as a limited capacity troop transport ship in the Mediterranean Theatre and in the invasions of Salerno and Southern France. After the war, the S.S. *John W. Brown* served in unique and critical roles. The ship was first used to move cargo across the North Atlantic to rebuild European cities and nations. Then, in December 1946, she was loaned by the Maritime Commission to the City of New York to serve as a high school. For the next 36 years she was cared for by students and teachers who operated the world's only nautical high school. Because of the ship's light use and regular maintenance by the school, the S.S. *John W. Brown* has remained in remarkable condition for a vessel of its age.

In 1988, the ship was acquired by Project Liberty Ship, a nonprofit foundation dedicated to preserving the memory of the Liberty Ships that were so critical to the success of the war. Project Liberty Ship, was established as a volunteer membership organization with the goal of restoring the S.S. *John W. Brown* to its original operating condition as a WWII Museum and Memorial.

Mr. Speaker, the S.S. *John W. Brown* is on a voyage this summer from Baltimore through the St. Lawrence Seaway and through Lakes Ontario and Erie. This celebration voyage is a fitting tribute to both our troops who gave their lives in the war and those who acted in support of them. I ask my colleagues to join me in paying tribute to our soldiers, our merchant marines and to the members of Project Liberty Ship, who have given their time and energy to preserve the memory of those brave American soldiers who died for our liberty.

IN HONOR OF STANLEY EUGENE
TOLLIVER, SR.

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 20, 2000

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in tribute to Stanley Eugene Tolliver, Sr., the recipient of the N.A.A.C.P. Freedom Award, this organization's highest honor.

Mr. Tolliver, a Cleveland attorney, was born and raised in Cleveland, Ohio. As the only

child of Eugene and Edna Tolliver, he excelled both academically and athletically. For example, he graduated from the East Technical High School in 1944, where he was the State champion in the 440 yard dash, and having been blessed with a velvet voice, he was the first place winner in the Ohio State Vocal Contest.

Mr. Tolliver continued his education at Baldwin Wallace College, by majoring in pre-law and minoring in music and speech. It is clear that from the start that Mr. Tolliver has been dedicated to tackling interracial issues. At Baldwin Wallace College, he founded the first interracial Greek-letter fraternity, Epsilon, which is now a national organization known as Pi Lambda Pi. Having this passion and love for law and civil justice, Mr. Tolliver knew that in order to make a contribution to society he would need to prepare and armor himself with a deeper understanding of the law. Thus, he continued his law studies and earned his Juris Doctorate from Cleveland Marshall School of Law in October 1969. In the midst of his studies, Mr. Tolliver was drafted into the armed services, where he served in the United States Army's Counter Intelligence Corps for two years. While still serving in active duty Tolliver passed his bar examination in March 1953 and has been engaged in the general practice of Law ever since.

Mr. Tolliver's accolades and honors are never ending. His most notable honors include Life Member of N.A.A.C.P., member of the East Tech Athletic Hall of Fame, Outstanding Alumnus Award from Baldwin Wallace College, past president of the Cleveland Chapter National Conference of Black Lawyers, Regional Director of the Conference of Black lawyers, and former legal counsel for Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and the Southern Christian Leadership Conference. Mr. Tolliver has also been elected to Who's Who in Ohio in 1961, the Cleveland Board of Education in 1981, 1985, 1987, 1989, and 1990.

Mr. Tolliver's efforts to advocate the causes of those who may be underrepresented reflects not only his fearless dedication to his life works, but also his unhesitating willingness to take the unpopular stand for justice. His commitment and devotion to upholding freedom, justice and equity is truly commendable.

My fellow distinguished colleagues, please join me in honoring Stanley Eugene Tolliver, Sr. for his N.A.A.C.P. Freedom Award and in recognizing his many accomplishments and contributions to the community.

A TRIBUTE TO THE RED ARROW
CLUB

HON. GERALD D. KLECZKA

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 20, 2000

Mr. KLECZKA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and pay tribute to the Red Arrow Club of Milwaukee. October 15th, 2000 marks the 60th anniversary of the U.S. Army's 32d Infantry Division's call to active duty prior to World War II, and also the 39th anniversary of the October 15th, 1961 call to active duty for the Berlin Crisis. This is a very important day for the club, for those who have worn the "Red Arrow" in war, as well as peacetime.

Comprised of troops from Michigan and Wisconsin, these soldiers were inducted into

federal service at Lansing, Michigan on October 15th, 1940. The "Red Arrow" arrived in Australia on May 14, 1942 and participated in a number of heroic WWII campaigns, seeing action in Papua, New Guinea, Leyte, and Luzon, and later in Japan they often withstood bitter hand-to-hand combat, and fought bravely and honorably for their country. During their tour of duty in World War II, the members of the 32d Division laid their lives on the line for their country, asking nothing in return. And once again on October 15th, 1961 the "Red Arrow" answered the call of their country to protect our vital interests overseas, this time for the Berlin Crisis.

For their bravery, members of the 32d have received a total of ten Congressional Medals of Honor and fourteen Distinguished Unit Citations. In addition, the unit has received several decorations including the Presidential Unit Citation (Army) and the Philippine Presidential Unit Citation.

This special day serves to honor the many veterans who answered the call to duty to serve their country in this distinguished division, a number of whom made the ultimate sacrifice and never returned home to family and friends. To the veterans, as well as those on active duty, my sincere congratulations on this very special milestone in the 32d Division's history. It is an honor that is well deserved.

SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE
DAN GLICKMAN PAYS TRIBUTE
TO DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
INSPECTORS TOM QUADROS,
JEANNIE HILLERY AND BILL SHALINE

HON. TOM LANTOS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 20, 2000

Mr. LANTOS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to offer my deepest condolences to the families of Tom Quadros, Jeannie Hillery, and Bill Shaline—the three United States Department of Agriculture inspectors who were brutally and senselessly murdered during an inspection visit to a sausage factory in Oakland, California, in June.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to condemn publicly their brutal murder. What has our nation come to, when unarmed USDA compliance officers are brutally shot while inspecting the food we eat? Anyone familiar with the novel "The Jungle" by Upton Sinclair is aware of the potential for hazards that come with unsanitary meat packaging or processing plants. The USDA, with the help of loyal and diligent inspectors like Tom Quadros, Jeannie Hillery, and Bill Shaline, has worked hard to ensure that our nation's meat plants provide clean and sanitary food for the American public.

Mr. Speaker, these three individuals represent the finest example of public service. The men and women who serve their fellow Americans in government positions assure safe food, safe travel, public safety and security, and a better life for all of us. All Americans owe a huge debt of gratitude to the federal employees who serve us. Sometimes this service is performed at great personal risk, as was the case in this tragedy in Oakland. I urge my colleagues to join me in paying tribute to

these fallen federal employees and to all federal employees who serve our nation.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to place in the RECORD the heartfelt words of condolence that Secretary of Agriculture Glickman delivered at the memorial service for Jean Hillery, Tom Quadros, and Bill Shaline on June 30th of this year in Oakland, California.

STATEMENT OF SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE
DAN GLICKMAN

On behalf of the entire U.S. Department of Agriculture, I want to offer my condolences to the families, friends and colleagues of Jean Hillery, Tom Quadros and Bill Shaline. USDA and the California Department of Food and Agriculture are better off for the time that they gave to us. Many people have come up to me and expressed their sadness at this loss. Just the other day, I received a letter from the members of the Safe Food Coalition asking that pass along their condolences as well.

Food safety compliance officers perform one of the most important functions in public service, protecting the American people where they are largely powerless to protect themselves. Jean Hillery, Tom Quadros and Bill Shaline did the people's work. And over this holiday weekend, as we grill our steaks, chicken and burgers, I hope we'll all remember that it's the efforts of these three people and the thousands of others like them that ensures the safety of the food we serve to our families. And while their work is absolutely critical, rarely do we think of it as dangerous and life-threatening. Which makes last week's tragedy all the more shocking and unsettling. It's cruelly ironic that, in the process of protecting the lives of the American people, their own lives were taken from them violently and needlessly.

All of them led lives of purpose and dedication, not just at their jobs but within their families and their communities. Whether it was Jean Hillery going to college and beginning a new career after raising three daughters, or Tom Quadros' work with the Special Olympic, it's clear that these were more than distinguished public servants . . . they were extraordinary people as well. Yesterday, back at USDA headquarters, I gave a speech about civil rights at our Department. And although I talked some about programs and procedures, the message I really tried to convey was that civil rights and human rights begin with people simply treating each other with respect and common courtesy. This tragedy is not about race or civil rights in any way, but I think it can still teach a lesson about civility and decency, about open communication and the importance of resolving disputes peacefully and sensibly. Jean Hillery, Tom Quadros and Bill Shaline lived those values, but they died because some people still do not.

I want to close with a message to their children. Last December, I lost both of my parents, within just a few weeks of each other. They were old, and they were sick. But I'm immensely grateful that they lived into their 80's and that I was able to enjoy them for 55 years of my life. I can't imagine the pain you must feel at losing parents in the prime of their lives. But I hope that you measure their time in terms of quality rather than quantity . . . always remembering that their lives, though short, were ones of both accomplishment and integrity. Thank you.

IN HONOR OF KYM SELLERS

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 20, 2000

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Kym Sellers, a woman whose story is about everything that is good about America. Growing up as an athlete, Kym learned the value of hard work. Kym would participate in her high school's woman's basketball team, shower, and then cheerlead for the men's team. Outside of sporting events, she would run with her father, practicing for the quarter-mile she would run for the track team. It is this incredible effort and persistence that has made Mrs. Sellers an example for all.

Unfortunately, the athlete in Kym can no longer play basketball, cheer, or run. At age 25, she was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis, and the impairing nervous system disease sidelined her from the athletic arena. However, with her determination of steel, and spirit of confidence, Kym has most certainly not been sidelined from experiencing her life.

Now 32, Mrs. Sellers is the mother of two young daughters, wife of a professional European basketball player, and works six days a week. She continues to exercise daily, but now she must also take care of her children, and run a radio show from Cleveland's urban contemporary radio station. As if these efforts wouldn't be exhausting enough, Kym continues to make a difference in her community by establishing the Kym Sellers Foundation, a non-profit organization to help African-Americans with multiple sclerosis.

With an overwhelming amount of responsibility and activity in her life, Kym continues to strive for excellence in everything she does. She has not allowed her condition to distract her from living life to the fullest.

I greatly respect the hardworking and devoted spirit of Kym Sellers. Her attitude is one to be admired by all. My fellow colleagues, please join me in honoring this dynamic woman.

KLECZKA HONORS HOME PARISH
ON ITS 75TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. GERALD D. KLECZKA

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 20, 2000

Mr. KLECZKA. Mr. Speaker, today I honor St. Helen's Catholic Church in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on the occasion of its 75th Anniversary.

St. Helen's was founded on April 6, 1925 by the Rev. Constantine Wasniewski and has been a fixture on Milwaukee's south side ever since. The church, which began with just 50 parishioners, now serves as the place of worship for more than 900 families.

The parish school, which opened in 1926 with just four Felician Sisters, teaching in four small rooms, currently boasts an enrollment of 130 students. As a 1957 graduate of St. Helen's, I can personally attest to its dedication to education, high moral standards, and the preparation of its students for the challenges that lie ahead.

Polish heritage has always been a cornerstone of the St. Helen's community. In fact, for