

Packers. The highlight of Stram's illustrious coaching career came on January 11, 1970, when the Chiefs defeated the Minnesota Vikings, 23-7, in Super Bowl IV. He also led the Chiefs to playoff appearances in 1968 and 1971.

Stram coached 17 years in professional football and had a career won-lost-tied record of 136-100-10. His victory total is 11th on the all-time NFL coaches list. He finished his career with 2 seasons, 1976 and 1977, as head coach of the New Orleans Saints.

Hank Stram was known by his players and colleagues as being a truly innovative coach with ideas that inspired and motivated his players and all those who had the opportunity to work with him throughout his career. At the age of 80, Stram continues to provide motivation for area athletes. Every year, the Silver Bell Club, Lodge 2365 of the Polish National Alliance of the United States, hosts its Hank Stram—Tony Zale Sports Award Banquet to honor young athletes in Northwest Indiana.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you and my other distinguished colleagues join me in commending and applauding Hank Stram, a true sports hero who has achieved greatness. His lifetime of devotion to his players, fans, and family will truly be celebrated and remembered.

RECOGNIZING DANIEL T. GRIFFEN
FOR ACHIEVING THE RANK OF
EAGLE SCOUT

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 4, 2003

Mr. GRAVES. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Daniel Tyler Griffen, A Very Special Young Man Who Has Exemplified the Finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 374, and in earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Daniel has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the 10 years he has been involved in scouting, he has earned 31 merit badges. Additionally, Daniel has held numerous leadership positions in his troop, serving as Den Chief and Troop Guide. Daniel also has been honored for his numerous scouting achievements with such awards as the Arrow of Light Award and Fire Builder in the Tribe of Mic-o-say.

For his Eagle Scout project, Daniel led a group of teens and adults in the cataloguing of about 300 graves in the Little Shoal Cemetery. The catalogue was then donated to the Clay County Archives for the use by the general public.

Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Daniel Tyler Griffen for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

HONORING DANIEL ANTIS

HON. GINNY BROWN-WAITE

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 4, 2003

Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Corporal Daniel

Antis, a constituent of mine residing in Levy County in my Fifth Congressional District. Corporal Antis, a hard-working corrections officer, was recently named the 2003 Levy County Corrections Officer of the Year by his colleagues and superiors and I want to take this opportunity before this body to honor him and to say a few words about why he is deserving of this noble distinction.

Corporal Antis began his career as a corrections officer in 1999 and came to work for the Levy County Sheriff's Office Jail Division in September of last year.

Corporal Antis has been described by his colleagues as someone with a quiet but professional demeanor, and his arduous work and drive have not gone unnoticed by his peers. His ambition and "can-do" attitude won him the promotion to his current position as a corporal only 7 months after joining the Levy County Corrections team.

He is truly an asset in every way to his colleagues and to the Levy County Sheriff's office.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you and my colleagues to join me in saluting Corporal Antis and all officers of the law, for the work they do is invaluable and of immeasurable importance to our society and to our safety.

TRIBUTE TO SUE O'BRIEN

HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 4, 2003

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, it is with a solemn heart that I rise today before this body of Congress to honor the memory of a great citizen. Sue O'Brien passed away peacefully on August 6, 2003 after battling cancer. Sue was the respected and well-liked editor of The Denver Post's opinion page and a long time figure in public policy. As Colorado and the larger community mourn her passing, I would like to pay tribute to her memory.

Sue was born on March 6, 1939 in Iowa, settling in Denver with her first husband, Jim Hautzinger, and their children in 1961. Sue was a stay-at-home-mom who was busy with the League of Women Voters, Young Democrats, and the drive for school desegregation and fair housing.

Sue began her career in the media in 1968 when she reported on the riots at the Democratic National Convention in Chicago for KTLN/KTLK-AM radio. Through the years, Sue worked as an anchor and political reporter for local and national television and radio. Sue was a pioneer for women in news management when, in 1976, she became the news director for KOA-TV and radio in Denver. In 1995, Sue became the head of The Denver Post opinion page. She took her job very seriously and gave great thought to everything that crossed her desk. Sue was always fair and always forthright, and her colleagues respected her ability and integrity.

Politicians in both parties respected Sue as well. She worked for two governors and was routinely consulted by Republicans and Democrats alike. Sue painstakingly examined every issue and always gave her honest and candid opinion. On a personal level, I hold Sue in high regard. I always enjoyed speaking with her about the issues of the day, and several

years ago, Sue was my personal guest in the House gallery for the President's State of the Union Address. She had a strong set of values and cared deeply about helping people, qualities that will be sorely missed.

Mr. Speaker, Sue O'Brien was a person whose hallmark was fairness and integrity. She was a committed idealist who worked every day to make the world a better place. Sue had great love for her family and tremendous pride in the accomplishments of her children. She was a master journalist who never faltered in her attention to detail. Sue O'Brien was a great American, a great journalist, and, most importantly, a great person. I join with my colleagues today in honoring her memory and her life.

AMENDING TITLE XXI OF THE SO-
CIAL SECURITY ACT REGARDING
THE STATE CHILDREN'S HEALTH
INSURANCE PROGRAM

SPEECH OF

HON. W.J. (BILLY) TAUZIN

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 25, 2003

Mr. TAUZIN. Mr. Speaker, the House will unanimously pass a bi-partisan bill, H.R. 2854, which will dramatically improve uninsured children's access to health care. This bill reflects a compromise negotiated with the other Chamber, which is supported by Senators GRASSLEY and BAUCUS, along with Health Subcommittee Chairman MIKE BILIRAKIS, and Ranking Members JOHN DINGELL and SHERROD BROWN.

H.R. 2854 will provide states with \$2.7 billion to fund their SCHIP programs. The State Child Health Insurance Program is an extremely successful program that has enabled states to provide health coverage to over 5 million previously uninsured children. Under SCHIP each state gets a specified annual allotment of Federal dollars to be used to pay for children's health care, which the state can draw on for up to three years.

Due to initial delays that many states encountered in establishing their SCHIP programs, significant percentages of several states' allotments from fiscal years 1998 through 2001 have gone unused. H.R. 2854 will allow these states to retain a portion of these funds to enable them to provide additional coverage to uninsured children. Under H.R. 2954, states will be able to retain fiscal year 1998 and 1999 reallocated funds through the end of fiscal year 2004 and allows states to retain 50 percent of their unspent allotments for fiscal years 2000 and 2001.

In addition, the bill also allows ten states that had been unable to spend all of their SCHIP allotments because of high Medicaid income eligibility levels to use up to 20 percent of their SCHIP allotments to pay for providing coverage for eligible children.

RECOGNIZING CHULA MORI

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 4, 2003

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, it is, with a heavy heart that I rise today to pay

tribute to Chula Mori, who died at St. Helena Hospital in Angwin, California, March 28, 2003. Chula, a treasured member of Napa County, California, died at the age of 55 after a courageous battle with cancer. Chula was diagnosed with breast cancer 21 years ago, and then in June 2002, with brain, liver and lung cancer.

As Head Teacher in the Napa County Office of Education's Napa Child Development Center, Chula dedicated her life to educating young children. An extraordinary teacher and a kind-hearted, loving person, Chula was also someone her students could trust and depend on. One of her great joys was when former students, grown with children of their own, would rush up to give her hugs when they would run in to her out in the community.

Many of the students enrolled in the Napa Child Development Center come from broken homes and disadvantaged circumstances. Though just preschoolers, Chula's students often carried the weight of neglect and discouragement on their small shoulders. Often, Chula's class served as a port in the storm. She made her students feel safe, loved and appreciated.

For over 27 years Chula educated the kids in our community. Yet, ironically, I believe the greatest lessons she taught may have been outside the classroom. Lying in a hospital bed at St. Helena Hospital in Angwin, California, Chula was an incredible example to her friends and loved ones of how to live and how to die with dignity.

Mr. Speaker, Chula's influence is easily seen throughout our community. Whether on the faces of her own two children and three grandchildren or in the hearts of countless former students, Chula's impact can never be erased nor will it fade. Those of us who knew her well are better because we knew her well. For these reasons and countless others it is appropriate at this time that we recognize and honor Chula Mori, who lived her life as a blessing to others.

TRIBUTE TO JOHN AND CARMEN
ROSA ON THEIR 50TH WEDDING
ANNIVERSARY

HON. JOSÉ E. SERRANO

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 4, 2003

Mr. SERRANO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to John A. Rosa and Carmen T. Rosa who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on August 22nd 2003. I take great pride in honoring these two remarkable individuals for their enduring dedication to one another and to the community in which they reside.

Mr. Rosa was born on September 7, 1929, in New York City and his wife Mrs. Rosa was born May 17, 1936. They were married on August 22, 1953, at St. John Chrysostom in the Bronx. Mr. Rosa, a Korean War Veteran, worked with the Art Steele Company in the Bronx, first as purchasing manager and later as export manager before retiring in 1985. In addition to being a devoted housewife and mother, Mrs. Rosa worked in the healthcare industry primarily in the area of patient care. She also made time to be an active member of the Parent Teacher Association at P.S. 59 and 69.

Mr. Speaker, this union that began 50 years ago has brought about nine lives spanning two generations. The Rosas have four children including Manuel; Vivian, Teresa and Sally. In addition, they are now the proud grandparents of Jonathan, Michael, Justin, Andres and Adriana.

Marriage is no easy feat. It is a union that demands commitment and sacrifice from both parties if it is to succeed. The Rosas' ability to make this union last for 50 years is quite remarkable and demonstrates the strong love they possess for one another.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Mr. and Mrs. John A. Rosa on their 50th anniversary and in wishing them many more years together.

TRIBUTE TO STAFF SGT. MARK
LAWTON

HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 4, 2003

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, it is with a heavy heart that I stand before this body of Congress and this nation to pay tribute to the life of a brave citizen from my district. Army Staff Sergeant Mark Lawton of Hayden, Colorado was taken from us while serving his country in Iraq. His sacrifice for this grateful nation will not be forgotten. I am truly humbled to honor him here before you today.

As a young man, Mark was an excellent athlete and ran track for Moffat County High School. Prior to his service with the Army Reserves, Mark spent 14 years in the Marine Corps, serving in the first Gulf War. In his civilian life, Mark worked for a local coal company as a heavy equipment operator. Most importantly, he was a family man who leaves behind a wife and two sons. While his family's feelings of loss and sorrow are deep, they can take solace in the fact that Mark died in the service of the people and ideals of our nation.

Mr. Speaker, I cannot fully express my deep sense of gratitude for Mark's sacrifice and that of his family. Staff Sergeant Lawton displayed the strength of character and loyalty to his country that makes America and its citizens great. Throughout our history, men and women in uniform have fought for our freedom with distinction and courage. At the dawn of this new century, the United States military has once again been called upon to defend our freedom against a new and emerging threat. Mark has done all Americans proud, and I know he has the respect and admiration of all of my colleagues here today. He will be truly missed.

HONORING DR. JAMES POTTS,
PH.D.

HON. JOHN S. TANNER

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 4, 2003

Mr. TANNER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Dr. James Potts, who has dedicated his life to educating those around him. He is now celebrating an extraordinary milestone, his 50th year of teaching. Much of that time has

been spent teaching at Bethel College in McKenzie, Tennessee.

Jim served his country in the United States Navy during World War II, then took the opportunities available to him through the G.I. Bill to earn his degree. In 1953, Jim began his teaching career at Grayville High School in Illinois, where he taught until 1955.

In the fall of 1955, Jim enrolled in Peabody College, now part of Vanderbilt University, where he earned his Ph.D., while also teaching at Belmont University in Nashville. After finishing his course work in 1957, Jim joined the faculty at Eastern Kentucky State University. After leaving Kentucky in 1961, Jim joined the staff at the University of Virginia, where he taught until 1964.

That year, Jim married his wife Carolyn and, realizing the difference he could make at a smaller institution, began his tenure at Bethel College. Having taught there for almost 40 years now, Jim has the longest continuous service record among Bethel faculty members. He is greatly admired by his colleagues and current and former students for his skillful teaching and his commitment to education and his dedication to Bethel College. Jim has taught many courses at Bethel College, but he is perhaps most admired for his dedication to history, specifically his courses in History of the South, American Economic History and American Political Parties.

Fifty years is an incredible milestone for any teacher to reach, but Jim is not content to end his notable career there. He plans to teach as long as he is able, and I am confident he will continue to touch the lives of many students, as he has done for five decades.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you to join me in honoring an exceptional educator and an outstanding citizen, Dr. James Potts.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. MARK GREEN

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 4, 2003

Mr. GREEN of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, after a review of the votes from July 25, 2003, I noticed I inadvertently voted against the Toomey amendment to H.R. 2859 (Rollcall No. 458). That was a mistake on my part due to my distraction with other legislative business during that particular series of votes. I wish to state for the record that I support the Toomey amendment and wish to be recorded as voting "aye."

TRIBUTE TO VORN JAMES MACK

HON. JAMES E. CLYBURN

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 4, 2003

Mr. CLYBURN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the memory of a courageous young man, Private First Class Vorn James Mack of Orangeburg, South Carolina who recently passed away while valiantly serving his country in Iraq.

Vorn Mack was a 2002 graduate of Orangeburg-Wilkinson High School in Orangeburg, South Carolina. While at Orangeburg-