

Mr. Hochevar's college baseball career was successful, playing three years for the Tennessee Volunteers. He pitched 273 strikeouts and ranks second on Tennessee's career list. As a student he studied Sport Management and made the Academic Honor Roll his sophomore year. I commend his athletic and academic achievements.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud of the hard work and great accomplishments of Luke Hochevar. I applaud Luke for his dedication to the game and to his studies. I also commend his family for their support. I wish Luke the best of luck as he starts his professional career with the Los Angeles Dodgers.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JIM GIBBONS

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 27, 2005

Mr. GIBBONS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to explain why I was not present during votes on July 25 and July 26, 2005 during the first session of the 109th Congress. Due to the Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Commissioner Anthony Principi's visit to the Reno Air Guard and Hawthorne Army Depot, I was unable to return to Washington, DC for votes.

I first would like to explain how I would have voted on July 25, 2005 during rollcall votes Nos. 417, 418, and 419. The first vote was on H.J. Res. 59, the second was H. Con. Res. 181 and the third was H. Res. 376. I respectfully request that it be entered into the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD that if present, I would have voted "yea" on these rollcall votes.

If present on July 26, 2005, I would have also voted during rollcall votes Nos. 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, and 431.

The first series of rollcall votes Nos. 420, 421, 422, and 423 were on H.R. 3200, H.R. 3283, a Motion to Instruct Conferees on H.R. 2361, and H.R. 2977. I respectfully request that it be entered into the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD that if present, I would have voted "yea" on these rollcall votes.

The second series of rollcall votes Nos. 424, 425, 426, and 427 were on the Kind of Wisconsin Substitute Amendment on H.R. 525, a Motion to Recommit with Instructions on H.R. 525, Final Passage of H.R. 525, and finally on H.R. 2894. I respectfully request that it be entered into the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD that if present, I would have voted "no" on rollcall votes Nos. 424 and 425, but would have voted "yea" on rollcall votes Nos. 426 and 427.

The third series of rollcall votes, Nos. 428, 429, 430, and 431 were on the Pence of Indiana Amendment to H.R. 22, the Flake of Arizona Amendment to H.R. 22, a vote on the Final Passage of H.R. 22 and finally a vote on H.R. 3339. I respectfully request that it be entered into the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD that if present, I would have voted "no" on rollcall votes Nos. 428 and 429, but would have voted "yea" on rollcall votes Nos. 430 and 431.

Thank you for your time and careful consideration of this important matter.

HONORING SRA JOHN A. LOCKHEED, AIR NATIONAL GUARD "OUTSTANDING AIRMAN"

HON. GREG WALDEN

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 27, 2005

Mr. WALDEN of Oregon. Mr. Speaker, colleagues, I rise to honor an esteemed member of the United States Air Force, Senior Airman John A. Lockheed, an Air Traffic Control Journeyman with the 270th Air Traffic Control Squadron stationed at Kingsley Field in Oregon's Second Congressional District.

The United States Air Force has presented Airman Lockheed with their most prestigious award and the Force's highest honor for an enlisted member of the Air National Guard by selecting him as 2005's most "Outstanding Airman," an honor given to only one enlisted Air National Guard member each year.

The Air Force boasts a long tradition of talent, service and dedication, so to be recognized as one of the elite speaks volumes of Airman Lockheed's abilities and outstanding performance.

After volunteering for deployment to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom, Airman Lockheed was quickly certified to control air traffic. The Air Force so trusted his skill, they selected him to be the facility trainer for incoming personnel. His duties ranged from rapidly securing airspace clearances for aircraft evacuating wounded troops to controlling aircraft returning from completed missions, and he was the watch supervisor's choice for handling even the most complex traffic issues.

Ever ready and capable of tackling challenging situations as they arose, Airman Lockheed immediately assumed control of half of Iraq's airspace on one occasion when another center lost radio and radar coverage.

In addition to volunteering for a 120-day extension of his tour in Iraq, Airman Lockheed extended his spirit of service beyond traditional roles. He was active in a program that delivered school supplies to children called "Operation Crayon," served on the Kingsley Field Honor Guard, was the unit Combined Federal Campaign Representative, and volunteered with the local Boy Scouts.

Most impressive is that this record of accomplishment has been built in a short amount of time. Airman Lockheed, 21, enlisted in the Oregon Air National Guard in 2002 and just completed basic training and air traffic control school in 2003.

America's men and women in uniform are truly the finest in the world, and this tradition of excellence continues through the service of patriots like Senior Airman John Lockheed. A simple thank you cannot fully express my gratitude for his commitment and dedication.

I would like to extend my heartfelt congratulations to Airman Lockheed on this prestigious award. The United States Air Force and the entire United States of America are extremely fortunate to benefit from his service. It is an honor to represent him in the United States Congress.

WE BECOME SILENT

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 27, 2005

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, the following is an abridged transcript of a film entitled "We Become Silent," written and produced by Cleveland resident, Kevin Miller. The topic is the potential effects of the Codex Alimentarius Commission's guidelines on vitamin and mineral supplement safety.

NARRATOR: FEAR.

Its' darkness causes humanity to make awful choices. With dreadful power, fear can rule our lives—and paralyze lofty hopes and dreams . . . in an instant.

It is the antithesis of god, fear is—a destructive dark side—the ghost that haunts the brain. It is a universal trait—a global affliction—and a tool deployed all-too-often by those intent on inflicting control over the masses.

Robert Verkerk, Ph.D.—Fear preys on the most vulnerable among us. Fear sells. And Nowhere is fear peddled more shamelessly than in the fields of medicine and human nutrition.

Narrator: Fear anesthetizes us . . . it coerces us . . . making us believe that we can do little on our own to prevent or treat disease . . . and forces entire NATIONS to kneel at the altars of orthodox medicine.

Robert Verkerk, Ph.D.—And of course, the fear-mongers are also preying on the fear of disease. And the solution the fear-mongers give us are drugs, yet drugs are the single most dangerous thing we can put in our mouths.

Narrator: It's a sad fact that Pharmaceuticals have become the dope of modern man—and make no mistake, we are addicted. Last year, between 3-5 billion prescriptions were written in the U.S. alone. And for all of its' miracles and heroism, western medicine has also left disaster in its' wake. The burdens of drug side effects are being exposed daily: Prozac, Vioxx, Celebrex, Baycol, Lariam, and Zoloft—just to name a few—are deeply uncomfortable reminders that secrecy and sales have often circumvented safety.

There's also the crippling burden of health insurance, and the MILLIONS who are debilitated by a wave of red ink, bankrupted as a result of an unexpected illness that they could not afford. As if by design, health choices are limited, information is frightfully scarce, lives are ruined . . . and the truth be damned.

Scott Bukow: Business is business, and people don't like competition. Smart business people may not always do something that's best for the people or for someone's health.

Narrator: In addition to these painful realities of life, however, an abundance of evidence now suggests . . . that this holy reverence towards modern medicine—may be killing us.

Carolyn Dean, MD—I wrote Death by Modern Medicine, inspired actually after writing a paper called Death by Medicine . . . And what I found after analyzing government databases and peer-reviewed journal articles . . . I found that 784,000 people are dying annually, prematurely, due to modern medicine intervention. When I added up the figures I could get my hands on, I came up with that astounding number, and also found studies that said we're only capturing 5-20 percent of the actual deaths . . .

Simmon Wilcox, MD—We're clear that the status quo is equal to a premature death in