

our steadfast fight against drug and alcohol addiction. I look forward to the day when addiction to drugs and alcohol are eradicated, and these wonderful professionals can take their final bow.

RECOGNIZING JESSE CASH FOR
ACHIEVING THE RANK OF EAGLE
SCOUT

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 20, 2006

Mr. GRAVES. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Jesse Cash, 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 633, and in earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Jesse has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Jesse has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community. Jesse held the principal leadership position of Venturing Crew President and has actively supported the ministry of Heartland Presbyterian Center.

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

IN REMEMBRANCE OF EVY
DUBROW

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 20, 2006

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in memory and recognition of Evelyn Kahan Dubrow who passed away on June 20, 2006. Known to her friends and colleagues as "Evvy", she dedicated her life to the public service of worker's rights in the United States for over 5 decades. Known on Capitol Hill as the lobbyist everyone loves, Evvy had the ability to be a uniter and inexorable activist for the power of the people. As a union activist and general advocate for working families from across the country, Evvy's accomplishments ranged from being named one of Washington Magazine's Top 100 Women to winning the Presidential Medal of Freedom.

From a humble upbringing as the daughter of immigrant Belorussian factory workers, Evvy rose to become one of America's most notable labor organizers. Her ability to not stray from her roots while still embracing a wide variety of viewpoints led to her success as a civil rights activist and a champion of the average American.

Her distinguished career in labor organizing eventually led her to Washington, DC, where she became a pillar of the movement as an unflinching and vigilant lobbyist for the International Ladies Garment Workers Union.

Her accomplishments were honored in 1999 nationally when President Clinton named her a recipient of the Presidential Medal of Freedom. Upon meeting Evvy Dubrow, President Clinton said that she was a tiny woman, larger than life. The President went on to note her candor, strength, and dedication to being the champion of the impoverished.

Indefatigable until the end, Evvy lived until age 95 and never lost her passion for human rights and the spirit of each individual person.

Mr. Speaker and Colleagues, please join me in honoring the memory and recognizing the great accomplishments of Evvy Dubrow in the field of labor organizing. For over 50 years, Evvy Dubrow stood for the strength, resolve, and gritty integrity of millions of working class Americans.

STUDENT AND TEACHER SAFETY
ACT OF 2006

SPEECH OF

HON. ROBERT C. SCOTT

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 19, 2006

Mr. SCOTT of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, Maintaining school safety is an important objective of school administrators and communities around the country, but this bill will only serve to complicate the lives of school officials and probably violate students' Constitutional rights in the process.

In 1969, the Supreme Court stated in *Tinker v. Des Moines* 393 U.S. 503 (1969) that students do not "shed their constitutional rights when they enter the schoolhouse door." While *Tinker* was a free speech case, the principle applies here as well. The vague legislative language of H.R. 5295 would lead school officials to believe that they have the authority to conduct searches that could be at odds with the standards set out by the Supreme Court in the 1985 decision of *New Jersey v. T.L.O.* 469 U.S. 325 (1985), the 1 guiding case on this issue, in which the Court attempted to strike a balance between student privacy and school discipline and safety.

While this bill correctly requires that school officials have "reasonable suspicion" before conducting a search of a student, it describes too broadly the purpose and the scope of the search that school administrators can conduct. The bill incorrectly suggests that school officials can conduct random, wide scale searches of students without having any individualized suspicion that a particular student to be searched is participating in criminal activity or breaking the school rules.

When schools officials do not focus student searches on individuals who are suspected of violating the law or school rules, the results of the searches are often fruitless. School administrators will do more to improve children's safety by concentrating on suspicious behavior and credible information from teachers and students that school rules or criminal laws are being broken, than by conducting widespread unsubstantiated searches.

While this legislation is well intentioned, it nonetheless constitutes bad policy and is constitutionally unsound. Even if the language in

the bill accurately reflects today's constitutional standards, Court decisions are often modified by subsequent decisions. School officials may therefore find themselves in the future caught between complying with an obsolete statute or obeying the modified Court decision and risking the loss of funding under this bill.

School districts have a long history of abiding by search and seizure policies that are consistent with court rulings. This legislative directive is unnecessary and will only serve to further complicate the lives of students and teachers. This is the reason why the American Federation of Teachers, National School Board Association, the Council of the Great City Schools, the National PTA, the American Association of School Administrators and the ACLU all oppose the bill. I urge my colleagues to vote no.

PENIEL RESIDENTIAL DRUG AND
ALCOHOL TREATMENT CENTER
CELEBRATES 25TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. JOHN P. MURTHA

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 20, 2006

Mr. MURTHA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 25th anniversary of a community service organization in my congressional district. Housed in Tanneryville, a suburban area near the city of Johnstown, PA, Peniel Residential Drug and Alcohol Treatment Center is a successful comprehensive treatment program that offers help to both men and women 18 years of age and older who are suffering from the effects of substance abuse.

Through the use of an individualized treatment plan, each client has his or her needs addressed on a personal level for the length of the treatment period, which is between 12 and 18 months.

The aim and driving force behind the Peniel program is to help people overcome their addictions and learn how to live effective and productive lives as contributing members of their communities.

Treating roughly 45 patients at a time on a revolving basis, Peniel has helped hundreds of people break the chains of drug and alcohol addiction through a religious, community-centered program.

One of the best and most gratifying by-products of the program is the considerable number of graduates who now call the Johnstown area their home, having successfully integrated back into society as business owners and community leaders leading a healthy life.

In addition to equipping each resident with the ability to maintain his or her sobriety, Peniel empowers clients to manage their immediate environment and to have a positive influence in their homes, churches and communities following completion of the program.

Again, I offer my congratulations to Peniel for reaching the milestone of its 25th anniversary. I am confident that, with such excellent programs, the organization will continue to be a vital asset to the region for another 25 years and beyond.