

Italy, and was serving his country in Afghanistan when his convoy was hit by an IED.

Corporal Blaney paid the ultimate sacrifice for his country and his life should be remembered. He entered combat in northern Iraq on March 26, 2003, which opened the northern front and led to the ouster of Saddam Hussein from power. He was wounded in Iraq and received the Purple Heart. Corporal Blaney served two tours in Afghanistan and received the Bronze Star and Purple Heart. He was a true patriot and is an inspiration to all of us. He fought for our freedom and we owe it to him and his family to keep his memory alive.

HONORING TOM QUINN

**HON. GEORGE RADANOVICH**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, January 28, 2008*

Mr. RADANOVICH. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Mr. Tom Quinn upon being named the 2008 Conservationist of the Year. Mr. Quinn will be recognized at TuCare's Annual Dinner and Auction in Sonoma, CA on January 19, 2008.

Tom Quinn received his bachelor's degree from Rutgers University in 1977. He then went on to receive a master's degree in forest management from the University of Idaho, and a Ph.D. in natural resources policy, management and administration from Michigan State University. Mr. Quinn taught forestry at the University of Idaho until 1981, when he joined the United States Forest Service.

Mr. Quinn has served 27 years with the Forest Service. He began his Forest Service career in Oregon at the Malheur National Forest. He has also worked at Boise National Forest in Idaho, Olympic National Forest in Washington, Coronado National Forest in Arizona, Santa Fe National Forest in New Mexico and Stanislaus National Forest in California. Mr. Quinn has served in many different capacities with the Forest Service, including planning, recreation, wilderness, fire and lands staff, acting district ranger, district ranger and primary staff officer.

Currently, Mr. Quinn is the Forest Supervisor for the Stanislaus National Forest headquartered in Sonoma, CA. In this position, he has been able to work effectively with the public, various organizations, forest employees, and Government agencies in order to discuss alternatives to off-highway recreation vehicle use adjacent to urban areas. He has also worked to develop a 5-year vegetation management plan to help reduce the risk of fire. This plan will help to increase the volume of timber to local mills. He has been working with stake holders on the issue of grazing, recreation and other national forest programs. Mr. Quinn has a long history of helping the Forest Service improve customer service and program performance by working with all of those that play a role in, and around, the Forest Service. Recently, Mr. Quinn was named Forest Supervisor for the Tahoe National Forest headquartered in Nevada City, CA.

Madam Speaker, I rise today to commend and congratulate Mr. Tom Quinn upon being awarded with "The Conservationist of the Year." I invite my colleagues to join me in wishing Mr. Quinn many years of continued success.

IN MEMORY OF MABEL CLAIRE  
MADDREY

**HON. BOB ETHERIDGE**

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, January 28, 2008*

Mr. ETHERIDGE. Madam Speaker, today I rise to honor the life of Mabel Claire Maddrey, who passed away on Monday, January 14, 2008, at the tender age of 100. In her passing, North Carolina lost a heroine and a woman who was instrumental in her community, county, and State.

A native of Ahoskie, NC, Mabel was born on April 27, 1907, the daughter of Charlie C. Hoggard and Tulie E. Hoggard. She graduated from Meredith College in 1928 and from Columbia University with a masters degree in History in 1929. In 1931, she married Charles Gordon Maddrey. She remained active at Meredith College her entire life and was named a trustee emerita and was a recipient of Outstanding Alumna Award. She was the first chairperson of Meredith College Heritage Society—Planned Giving—and established the Mabel Claire Maddrey Scholarship Fund. She was very proud of being instrumental in the planning, design and fund-raising of Jones Chapel, dedicated in 1982. Meredith College honored her by dedicating the Mabel Claire Maddrey Parlor in the Alumnae House.

She was past president of the North Carolina Baptist Women's Missionary Union and in the 1950s was the first woman to be elected nationwide to the Southern Baptist Convention Board. She was a gifted speaker and spoke in numerous Baptist churches throughout North Carolina. She served as a deaconess in both First Baptist Church of Ahoskie and First Baptist Church of Raleigh. In July 1998, she was featured on the front page of the New York Times in front of First Baptist Church, Raleigh, in an article about Baptist churches withdrawing from the Southern Baptist Convention because of its positions on women and their role in the Baptist Church.

She was active in the N.C. Federation of Women's Clubs for over 60 years and served as State president and as a past president of the Raleigh Woman's Club. A parlor in the Raleigh Woman's Club building is named in her honor. Politically, she has been chairperson for North Carolina women for a major gubernatorial candidate, chairperson for North Carolina women for a major Presidential candidate and past president of the Democratic Women of Wake County. In the late 1960s, she initiated the highly popular annual Jefferson-Jackson Day breakfast, hosted by Democrats of Wake County, which is held annually. She was a past president and member of the Sir Walter Cabinet for over 50 years. She was a past member of the North Carolina Economic Development Board and a director of the North Carolina Museum of Natural History. Mrs. Maddrey was the recipient of the Governor's Award for Distinguished Service, inductee in Raleigh's YWCA Academy of Women and North Carolina Council for Women Distinguished Women Award. She has been featured as a News & Observer Tar Heel of the Week.

On the occasion of her 90th birthday, Governor James B. Hunt, Jr., proclaimed that day Mabel Claire Maddrey Appreciation Day and the proclamation stated in part, "Mabel Claire

Maddrey embodies the spirit of public service and neighbor helping neighbor, inspiring the best in others, and Whereas Mabel Claire Maddrey personifies dignity, grace and perfection in all her endeavors and Whereas Mabel Claire Maddrey continues to serve the people of North Carolina and cares deeply about the community and the State." Mabel was preceded in death by her husband, Charles Gordon Maddrey. She is survived by her children, Charles H. Maddrey and wife, Rose Maddrey, Joseph G. Maddrey and wife, Elizabeth Maddrey; and 4 grandchildren, Charles Gordon Maddrey II, Gregory Hoggard Maddrey, Claire Webb Maddrey and Joseph Huntley Maddrey.

Madam Speaker, Mabel Claire Maddrey had a commitment to excellence in everything she did, and she had a way of bringing out excellence in everyone around her. Mabel was a respected and a successful dedicated public servant, and a great North Carolinian. It is fitting that we honor her and her family today.

CONGRATULATING JANE  
ERICKSON

**HON. THOMAS G. TANCREDO**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, January 28, 2008*

Mr. TANCREDO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to one of my constituents, Ms. Jane Erickson of Castle Rock, Colorado. Ms. Erickson teaches English as a foreign language while attending Hobart and William Smith Colleges and is a recipient of the prestigious Fulbright Award. This grant is given to promising individuals to aid them in their academic and cultural pursuits abroad.

The Fulbright Program was established by Congress in 1946 and is sponsored by the U.S. State Department. This program was designed to help build mutual understanding between Americans and the global community. Individuals who are awarded this distinction have demonstrated outstanding academic or professional achievement and have proven themselves as leaders in their field.

Madam Speaker, please join me in paying tribute to Ms. Erickson and wishing her the best in her future endeavors.

COMMEMORATING THE 35TH  
ANNIVERSARY OF ROE V. WADE

SPEECH OF

**HON. AL GREEN**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, January 22, 2008*

Mr. AL GREEN of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I wish to commemorate the 35th Anniversary of Roe v. Wade, a United States Supreme Court decision that broadened women's rights nationwide.

On January 22, 1973, three years after "Jane Roe" was denied an abortion in a Texas district court, the Supreme Court decided that the Fourteenth Amendment right of personal privacy was broad enough to cover a woman's decision whether to terminate her pregnancy. The Texas statute proscribed all abortions not necessary "for the purpose of