

Besides starting his own business, Mr. Webb has also worked with elected officials in the Kentucky State Legislature on behalf of individuals with disabilities. In 2003, the Kentucky State Legislature passed the Kevin Webb and Kim Brown Self-Determination Act to require the Commission on Services and Supports for Individuals with Mental Retardation and Other Developmental Disabilities to make recommendations to the Department of Medicaid Services for the implementation of a self-determination model for individuals who are receiving services through the Supports for Community Living waiver program.

I would like to congratulate Mr. Webb for his hard work and dedication as he celebrates the two year anniversary of opening Webb/Taylor Horseback Riding and Boarding. Mr. Webb is truly an inspiration to all Kentuckians and I wish him the best of luck in his future endeavors.●

2009 SPECIAL OLYMPICS

● Mr. BUNNING. Mr. President, today I wish to congratulate Ms. Kelly McCormick and Ms. Jeannie Luersen on their selection to participate in the 2009 Special Olympics World Winter Games, to be held February 6 to 13, in Boise, ID. Over 3,000 athletes from 85 countries will compete in 7 sports: Alpine skiing, cross-country skiing, figure skating, floor hockey, snowboarding, snowshoeing and speed skating.

Ms. Kelly McCormick has been a Special Olympics athlete for 17 years. She serves as a global messenger, speaking on behalf of the program at many public events. Ms. McCormick will compete in the Alpine Skiing event. This will be her first time participating in the world games.

Ms. Jeannie Luersen has participated in the Special Olympics program for 25 years. This will be her second straight year at the World Games. Having won a Gold Medal in figure skating at the 2005 Winter Games in Nagano, Japan, Ms. Luersen will compete again in the figure skating event.

Special Olympics is celebrating its 40th anniversary this year as an international, nonprofit organization dedicated to empowering individuals with intellectual disabilities to become physically fit, productive, and respected members of society through sports training and competition. Ms. McCormick and Ms. Luersen represent Special Olympics Kentucky, which is celebrating its 36th year.

I congratulate Ms. McCormick and Ms. Luersen on their achievements. They are an inspiration to the citizens of Kentucky and to athletes everywhere. I look forward to seeing all that they will accomplish in the future.●

COMMEMORATING LINTHICUM HEIGHTS

● Mr. CARDIN. Mr. President, I wish to congratulate Linthicum Heights, MD, on its 100th anniversary.

Linthicum Heights is a suburb of Baltimore that is also located near Annapolis and Washington, DC. Close to rail lines and good roads, Linthicum offers location without sacrificing its suburban character and historic property.

Linthicum is on the National Register of Historic Places. The community was farmland until 1908, when the descendants of Abner Linthicum decided to sell the farm land for houses. They created the Linthicum Heights Realty Company and named their development Linthicum Heights. Many of the original homes on the farm property remain. Two of the most famous are Turkey Hill, built in 1822 by William Linthicum, and Twin Oaks, which was home to U.S. Congressman John Charles Linthicum, who represented the Fourth Congressional District of Maryland from 1911 to 1932. U.S. Representative Linthicum was a sponsor of the legislation that named "The Star Spangled Banner" as our national anthem.

Today, Linthicum's location and its historic nature remain its charm and attraction. Easy access to Baltimore, Washington, DC, and Annapolis and its close proximity to Baltimore Washington Thurgood Marshall International Airport, Fort George G. Meade, Goddard Space Flight Center, and numerous other Federal facilities make Linthicum a desirable place to live.

The residents of Linthicum Heights as well as the Woman's Club of Linthicum Heights, the Linthicum-Shipley Improvement Association, the North Linthicum Improvement Association, business leaders, and government officials are to be congratulated for their appreciation and steadfast support of Linthicum Heights and its history.

I ask my colleagues to join me today in congratulating Linthicum Heights on its 100th anniversary.●

HONORING DR. EMMETT BUELL

● Mr. LUGAR. Mr. President, I wish to pay tribute to a remarkable professor, scholar, and author, Dr. Emmett Buell of Denison University in Granville, OH. Today, April 28, 2008, Dr. Buell will teach his final class before stepping down as a full-time professor.

Professor Buell received his Ph.D. in political science from Vanderbilt University after earning his undergraduate and M.A. at Louisiana State University. He has taught at Denison since the 1969 to 1970 academic year and has directed the Richard G. Lugar Program in Politics and Public Service since its inception in 1995. This program provides students with opportunities to study various aspects of public policy, combining classroom instruction with the practical application of these studies through an internship experience. As of July 2007, about 110 students in the program will have served as interns in congressional offices. Given his exemplary leadership and record of suc-

cess, Dr. Buell was subsequently installed as the inaugural holder of the Richard G. Lugar Chair in Public Policy on April 21, 2006.

Dr. Emmett Buell is a nationally recognized expert in the political science field and specifically on Presidential selection and negative campaigning in Presidential elections. He has authored, coauthored, or coedited four books, including "Attack Politics: Negativity in Presidential Campaigns Since 1960". Emmett also has authored or coauthored articles and research notes in the American Journal of Political Science, Journal of Politics, American Politics Quarterly, Urban Affairs Quarterly, Social Science Quarterly, and the Journal of Law & Politics. In addition, he has written chapters for books edited by others on such topics as the invisible primary, the New Hampshire primary, the changing role of national party conventions, and news coverage of Presidential aspirations.

Outside of his impressive list of experiences and skills, I know Emmett to be an individual of high integrity and character. He is idealistic, while remaining grounded in the practical. He is serious and thoughtful, while maintaining a sense of humor. He is generous with his time and attention, without losing his focus and personal discipline.

Perhaps most importantly, Dr. Buell has been an inspirational mentor to hundreds of students. His office door has always been open, and he makes every effort to assist, promote, and encourage those who seek guidance. I have heard from many individuals, including those who have worked in my own office, that they would not be in their employment positions today if it were not for his assistance. Likewise, I know that he is immensely proud of these students and their accomplishments.

Dr. Buell is also legendary on the Denison campus for his devotion to personal fitness and mastery of racquetball. He has encouraged numerous student challenges on the racquetball court throughout his career and has almost always been on the victorious side.

Mr. President, I was pleased to join with many of these former students, along with numerous faculty and friends, in celebration of Emmett's career at a retirement ceremony on Saturday, April 19, 2008. I am delighted that this event provided a forum to share our admiration for his years of service and contribution to Denison University.●

TRIBUTE TO INDIANA STATE SENATOR DAVID C. FORD

● Mr. LUGAR. Mr. President, I wish to honor the memory of an outstanding Hoosier, IN, State senator, David C. Ford.