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CONGRATULATING CAMPBELLSVILLE UNIVERSITY
- Mr. BUNNING. Mr. President, today I congratulate Campbellsville University for competing in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics, NAIA, World Series in Lewiston, ID. This is the first time the Campbellsville University Tigers in the school’s history made it to the first round of the NAIA World Series.

Head coach Beauford Sanders has led the Campbellsville University Tigers to the NAIA Region XI Qualifier six times in the past 11 years. In addition to their achievements on the field, the CU Tigers also have achieved in the classroom a graduation rate of 90 percent of players achieving senior status and a cumulative grade point average of 3.0.

Again, I congratulate Campbellsville University for making it into the NAIA World Series. The CU Tigers have given Kentuckians a team that we can hang our hat on and be proud to call our own. I commend the CU Tigers baseball team for their achievements not only on the field but also for their academic accomplishments.

CONGRATULATING EASTERN HIGH SCHOOL
- Mr. BUNNING. Mr. President, I would like to take this time to congratulate Eastern High School in Louisville, KY.

Newsweek magazine recently published a list of the top 1,500 public schools in the country. The 15 schools that made the list from Kentucky rank among the top 6 percent of public schools in the Nation. What is even more impressive is that Kentucky had three more schools ranked this year than in 2008, showing improvement in our State’s schools. Placing as 1 of 15 schools from Kentucky on this list, Eastern High School has earned national recognition for the fine performance of its students and faculty.

I am proud of the students of Eastern High School. Their commitment to education is an example for the entire Commonwealth and I take pride in recognizing them on the floor of the U.S. Senate.

COMMENDING DELEGATE CAROLYN J. KRYSIAK
- Mr. CARDIN. Mr. President, I congratulate Delegate Carolyn J. Krysiak on the occasion of her 70th birthday. Carolyn is a mother of five children whose husband Charles served with me in the Maryland House of Delegates and then as chairman of the Maryland Workers’ Compensation Commission. Carolyn became interested in public service to serve her community. She served on boards that worked to create jobs and to support and attract neighborood businesses. She was a founding member of the Southeast Senior Housing Initiative and a member of the Polish Women’s Alliance and the Polish Home Club.

Carolyn was elected to the Maryland House of Delegates in 1990. She has served her constituents in Baltimore City and the State of Maryland with distinction. As a member of the House Economic Matters Committee, she has provided leadership on subcommittees dealing with such diverse issues as health insurance, real property, unemployment insurance, property and casualty insurance, and business regulation. She has chaired the House Facilities Committee and the Worker’s Compensation Benefit and Insurance Over-

sight Committee, as well as the Democratic Party Caucus.

I ask my colleagues to join me, Delegate Krysiak’s colleagues, family, and friends in thanking Carolyn for her dedication and commitment to public service and wishing her a happy birthday.

125TH ANNIVERSARY OF BOTTINEAU, NORTH DAKOTA
- Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I am pleased today to recognize a community in North Dakota that is celebrating its 125th anniversary. On June 18 to 21, the residents of Bottineau will gather to celebrate their community’s history and founding.

Originally founded in 1883 as Oak Creek, the town was designated the county seat in 1884. It changed its name to Bottineau, taking its new name from Pierre Bottineau, a pioneer, hunter, and frontiersman. 3 years later, the town relocated 1 1/2 miles so that it would be along the newly installed railroad tracks. The town lies in north-central North Dakota and is now home to over 2,000 residents.

Today, Bottineau has many things to be proud of. The Bottineau County Fair is North Dakota’s oldest county fair. The county also houses Bottineau Win ter Park, often called the Jewel Above the Prairie, which remains a perennial attraction. And the town of Bottineau is known for “Tommy Turtle,” the world’s largest turtle, which stands 30 feet tall and is said to have been built as a symbol of the Turtle Mountains.

The citizens of Bottineau clearly value education, as their town is home to Minot State University’s Bottineau Campus. Apart from its academic success, the campus has also seen athletic success in recent years, with the Lumberjacks hockey team claiming three consecutive national championships in the last 3 years. Both the Lumberjacks and the Ladyjacks have had accomplished seasons in the past several years. Additionally, the campus has added new sports teams in recent years—something that bodes well for the future of the school.

In honor of the city and county’s 125th anniversary, officials have organized a vibrant celebration that includes basketball and golf tournaments, art and quilt shows, class and city gatherings, games for the young and old, a dance, and a centennial parade.

Mr. President, I ask the Senate to join me in congratulating Bottineau, ND, and its residents on their first 125 years and in wishing them well in the future. By honoring Bottineau and all other historic small towns in North Dakota, we keep the great pioneering frontier spirit alive for future generations. It is places such as Bottineau that have helped shape this country into what it is today, which is why this small community is deserving of our recognition.

Bottineau has a proud past and a bright future.
125TH ANNIVERSARY OF
BRADDOCK, NORTH DAKOTA

Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I am pleased today to recognize a community in North Dakota that is celebrating its 125th anniversary. On June 25 to 28, the residents of Braddock will gather to celebrate their community’s history and founding.

Settlers first came to the area in 1883 and founded Braddock shortly thereafter, making it the oldest existing town in Emmons County. Located in south-central North Dakota, Braddock was established as the first railroad town in the county. Frederick Underwood, president of the Soo Railroad, named the town in honor of his good friend, County Auditor Edward Braddock.

Today, Braddock remains a close-knit community. Though small, Braddock is known across the State for the popular Johnny Holm concerts it hosts every year, as well as for the excellent hunting grounds in the area. The citizens of Braddock are very involved in their community and have many active organizations, including Saint Katherine’s Altar Society, the Lions Club, the Senior Citizens Organization, and the South Central Thresers Association.

The people of Braddock have planned a lively celebration in honor of the town’s 125th anniversary. Activities include a beard-judging contest, duck race, tractor trek, fashion show, outdoor concerts, and a parade.

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125TH ANNIVERSARY OF
NAPOLEON, NORTH DAKOTA

Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I wish to recognize a community in North Dakota that is celebrating its 125th anniversary. On June 11 to 14, the residents of Napoleon gathered to celebrate their community’s history and founding.

Founded in 1884, Geo H. Cook from the Federal Government. Her dedication as any officeholder with a well deserved retirement. I know that her friends and coworkers at ICE will miss her greatly, but I am confident that she will continue to serve as a model of hard work and commitment for public servants work behind the scenes every day to secure the future of America and its citizens. Today, I want to pay tribute to one of those public servants, who is as deserving of the public’s gratitude and recognition as any officeholder with a household name: Erma Mary Paliani.

Born in Ambridge, PA, in 1917, Ms. Paliani entered public service as a youth worker for the National Youth Administration of the War Department in 1936. In 1940, she officially began her Federal career working for the War Department’s Museum Project. In March 1947, Ms. Paliani joined the Immigration and Naturalization Service, INS, Philadelphia office. And 2 years later, she was transferred to the INS headquarters in Washington DC, where she has spent the last 60 years working to make our Nation’s immigration system work more efficiently.

At the INS, Ms. Paliani quickly gained a reputation for her friendly demeanor, gentle smile, and steadfast commitment to government service. She is now retiring from her job as secretary to the deputy assistant director for the Critical Infrastructure and Fraud Division. Her long and productive tenure has been honored by many top government officials, including Attorney General Janet Reno, INS Commissioner Doris Meissner, Secretary of Homeland Security Michael Chertoff, and President Bill Clinton, who, in a note written to Ms. Paliani on the occasion of her 80th birthday, wrote that her devotion to her work “... serves as an example of caring and leadership to which we can all aspire.” I couldn’t agree more.

I extend to Ms. Paliani my sincerest thanks for her years of service and her dedication to this country that we love, and I wish her all the best on a well deserved retirement. I know that her friends and coworkers at ICE will miss her greatly, but I am confident that she will continue to serve as a model of hard work and commitment for all public servants to emulate.

Thank you, Ms. Mary Paliani. The country is a better place because of you. We are all grateful for your selfless dedication to your government and your Nation.

COMMENDING ALLAGASH BREWING COMPANY

Ms. SNOWE. Mr. President, in today’s uncertain and difficult economic climate, countless small businesses are seeking new tools and resources to stay afloat. That is why we passed the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act—to get our economy on the right track, and to help those business owners in need of a lifeline to outlast this recession. I rise today to recognize a small brewer from my home State of Maine that is making use of a critical provision that was included in the bill.

Allagash Brewing Company is a small brewery based in Maine’s largest city, Portland. Founded in 1995 by owner Rob Tod, Allagash’s mission was to fill a missing niche in American craft brewing movement—Belgian style