

president of Life University, Dr. Sid E. Williams, and his staff for the continuing success of their Annual Run for Life fund raiser, held each year in Marietta, Cobb County, GA. The 17th Annual Run for Life is set for August 5, 2000. The 2000 Run for Life 5k and 10k will begin at Life University, proceed to the "Big Chicken," then to Historic Marietta Square and back to Life. This is an exciting and fast course that promises to produce many positive results.

Dr. Sid E. Williams conceived the Run for Life as a way to raise funds for community needs while encouraging health and fitness. Their contributions will provide another chance for abused children and youths. In addition, this year's Life University Run for Life is contributing to the World Children's Fund and the "Stop Teenage Smoking" program. Other charities that Life supports are battered women, underprivileged children, American Red Cross, Boys and Girls Clubs of America, and Cobb County Children's Center.

Responding to Dr. Williams' constant quest for excellence, Life has also gained national acclaim for its phenomenal achievements in sports. Life University's athletic programs have claimed national championships in basketball, rugby, soccer, cross-country, ice hockey, indoor track and field, and outdoor track and field. In all, the University has won more than a dozen national titles and has more than justified the title of "School of Champions."

People of all ages in Georgia and surrounding states look forward to their annual trek to the Life University campus where the spectacular, free Christmas lights display never fails to thrill and delight the millions of visitors who have made the Lights of Life a part of their holiday tradition.

Mr. Speaker, Life University, under the leadership of Dr. Sid Williams, is a tremendous asset to Cobb County, the State of Georgia, and, indeed, the nation. This great institution brings honor to my district and to my State, and I offer my sincerest congratulations to Life University for its long list of achievements and wish Dr. Williams and his associates many more decades of success.

TRIBUTE TO THE 2000 CENTRAL CABARRUS HIGH SCHOOL WOMEN'S SOFTBALL TEAM ON WINNING THE NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION CHAMPIONSHIP

HON. ROBIN HAYES

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 25, 2000

Mr. HAYES. Mr. Speaker, it is my distinct honor and pleasure to rise today to pay special tribute to an outstanding group of student-athletes from North Carolina's Eighth District. Last weekend, the Central Cabarrus High School Softball Team completed a truly amazing season by winning the North Carolina AAA Softball State Championship.

"Central Cabarrus set a record for dominance in a softball championship game" wrote a local newspaper. The Viking won by a score of 14-0 over C.B. Aycock High School. This

was the largest margin of victory in the history of NCHSAA Softball Championships. This capped off a perfect 28-0 season for the Vikings. The Tournament's most valuable player was sophomore pitcher Crystal Cox who threw a one-hitter and struck out 12 batters. The game was essentially decided in the first inning, finishing the inning with a score of 7-0. The game concluded after only 5 innings, by the 10-run mercy rule.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to congratulate the 2000 North Carolina State 3-A Softball Champions, the Central Cabarrus High School Vikings. I would urge all of my colleagues to join me in paying special tribute to this outstanding team.

HONORING PALOS VERDES PENINSULA HIGH SCHOOL

HON. STEVEN T. KUYKENDALL

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 25, 2000

Mr. KUYKENDALL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Palos Verdes Peninsula High School, an outstanding educational institution within my district. The U.S. Department of Education recently recognized Peninsula High as one of the top high schools in the nation.

Peninsula High was one of ten high schools in the nation to receive both the Blue Ribbon Schools Award and New American High Schools Award. This is a tremendous accomplishment. It is a testament to the quality of education in the South Bay.

Peninsula High received the Blue Ribbon School Award for its commitment to strong leadership, high quality of teaching, rigorous curriculum, and parental involvement. 198 middle and secondary schools throughout the nation were recognized as Blue Ribbon Schools. Among the 198 Blue Ribbon winners, ten also received the New American High Schools Award. The New American High Schools initiative recognizes American high schools committed to achieving high academic standards for all students, preparing all students for college, and providing them with opportunities to learn about careers.

I commend Principal Kelly Johnson and the teachers of Palos Verdes Peninsula High School for offering a curriculum that encourages its students to develop exceptional learning habits. This preparation is invaluable for students who pursue a higher education. Congratulations on this much deserved recognition. You have earned it. I wish the students and teachers of Peninsula High continued success. You are an example for the nation.

TRIBUTE TO KATRINA MARIE DOMIJANCIC, ELIZABETH ANN JACKSON, AND CARRIE COLLEEN TAYLOR

HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 25, 2000

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Katrina Marie Domijancic, Eliz-

abeth Ann Jackson and Carrie Colleen Taylor for attaining the Girl Scout Gold Award. They are members of the Senior Girl Scout Troop #326 located in Hobart, Indiana, and will receive this honor at a Girl Scout Gold Award Ceremony on Sunday, May 28, 2000 at the Hobart Scout Cabin.

A special significance is attached to the title of Girl Scout Gold Award, a significance that accompanies a young woman throughout her life. As she pursues endeavors in higher education, business, industry and community service, she will carry with her the lofty goal of success through leadership. To qualify for the Gold Award, each Girl Scout must fulfill rigorous requirements in the areas of leadership, career interest and service. Upon completing the above requirements, a prospective Gold Award candidate must find and complete a project that meets a need in the community. Katrina, Carrie, and Elizabeth's Gold Award Project involved enhancing the underused areas of the Hobart Scout Cabin to provide more useable space.

Katrina Domijancic is the daughter of John and Rebecca Domijancic of Hobart, Indiana. She has been a Girl Scout for nine years, and has been president of Senior Girl Scout Troop #326 since 1998. As a Senior Girl Scout, she has earned the Senior Leadership Pin, the Senior Career Exploration Pin, and the Senior Challenge Pin. Katrina attained the Gold Award in conjunction with her academic achievements at Hobart High School. She has served as Vice President of the Hobart High School Spanish Club, Captain of the Cheerleading Squad, and a member of the National Honor Society. Katrina will graduate this June from Hobart High School with honors. After graduation, Katrina plans to attend college, and hopes to become a pharmacist.

Elizabeth Jackson is the daughter of Charles and Annette Jackson of Valparaiso, Indiana. Elizabeth is a junior at Boone Grove High School, and has been a Girl Scout for eleven years. As a Senior Girl Scout, she has earned the Senior Leadership Pin, the Senior Career Exploration Pin, and the Senior Challenge Pin. In addition to being a member of Senior Girl Scout Troop #326, she has participated in the Valparaiso University Community Band and the Boone Grove High School Band. She also was a member of the Boone Grove High School Math Team, which placed fifth in the state.

Finally, Carrie Taylor is the daughter of David Taylor and Georgia Cox of Hobart, Indiana. She has been a Girl Scout for all thirteen possible years. As a Cadette Girl Scout, she earned the Girl Scout Silver Award for attempting to bring the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday to the Hobart Public School System. As a Senior Girl Scout, she has earned the Senior Leadership Pin, the Senior Career Exploration Pin, and the Senior Challenge Pin. Carrie will graduate from Hobart High School in June of this year. She has enlisted in the United States Navy and will begin active duty in August. She will serve in the Atlantic Fleet and be based out of Jacksonville, Florida.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you and my other distinguished colleagues to join me in congratulating Katrina, Elizabeth and Carrie for their commendable achievement. Their parents and their communities can be proud of these