

sports and was especially fond of the Pittsburgh Steelers. Mr. Bennett graduated from Greater Johnstown High School and later attended St. Francis University.

After serving his country honorably in the U.S. Army during the Korean War, Mr. Bennett came home to Johnstown, Pennsylvania. He was employed for more than 40 years by the Bethlehem Steel Corporation, where he worked in many positions. He was a delegate to the Johnstown Regional Central Labor Council, became one of the area's most prominent Masons, and was a dedicated Elk.

A devout Christian, Mr. Bennett filled many leadership roles as a member of Mount Sinai Institutional Baptist Church. He served on the church's board of trustees and also participated as a member of the Male Chorus, Adult Gospel Choir, Lily of the Valley, and the John Bennett Singers.

Madam Speaker, Mr. Bennett was the former president and a lifetime member of the Johnstown Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), and also served as Chairman of the Civil Rights Committee of United Steelworkers of America 2634 Rod and Wire Mill.

At 78 years old, John Bennett lived a full and prosperous life. My thoughts and prayers are with his wife Rosemarie and his loving family.

HONORING LORI YING, INTEL
SCIENCE TALENT SEARCH FI-
NALIST

HON. CAROLYN MCCARTHY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 2, 2010

Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize my constituent Lori Ying and congratulate her as she is named a finalist in the Intel Science Talent Search 2010. The Intel Science Talent Search is America's most prestigious science competition for high school seniors. Lori is one of only 40 finalists nationwide.

Lori's project, "Female Mating Patterns and Mate Quality in the Dengue Vector Mosquito, *Aedes aegypti*," studied whether or not mosquitoes that are genetically altered not to carry diseases like malaria and dengue fever can be viable mates for normal female mosquitoes.

As a student at South Side High School, Lori has participated in numerous science research programs including Columbia University's Summer High School Program, Cornell University Science Research Program and the Intel Science Talent Search. In addition, Lori is a member of the engineering club, the forensics club, the environmental and social awareness club and the Science Olympiads. She has been recognized by the National Honor Society, National Art Honor Society, National Foreign Language Society, and the National Science Honor Society.

As a senior member of the Education and Labor Committee, I am truly impressed by Lori's accomplishments. I am pleased to see that Lori values not only her education, but also service and volunteerism within her community. In her spare time, Lori is a volunteer for the Rockville Centre Public Library, where she writes book reviews for the library's Web site and reads books to children; the Big Chief

School and Camp, where she works with 2nd graders over the summer and South Side High School Summer School, where she helps to teach third graders mathematics.

Madam Speaker, it is with pride and admiration I offer my congratulations to Lori Ying and commend her dedication to education and science.

HONORING THE GLOUCESTER
COUNTY CHAPTER OF THE NA-
TIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE
ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED
PEOPLE

HON. ROBERT E. ANDREWS

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 2, 2010

Mr. ANDREWS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the extraordinary contributions that the Gloucester County NAACP has made in our community. Today, I stand to celebrate the NAACP's centennial along with the Gloucester County chapter's 18th year in creating change and being an influential voice in America's conscience.

The honorees at December's Annual Freedom Fund Awards Banquet, Chazz Witherspoon, Benjamin T. Griffith, Dr. Sandra M. Butts, Angela Nolan-Cooper, Seth Williams, Dr. Angela M. Jones, Frank Brown, Councilwoman Crystal Evans, Gwendolyn DeVera, Dr. Willie and Mrs. Emily Carter, Loretta Winters, Tiffany Grandison, and LaTonya Nelson, are a testament to the strength of the South Jersey community and the Gloucester County NAACP. These men and women come from all walks of life. They are boxers and bankers, police officers and politicians, anesthesiologists and attorneys. Despite their varied backgrounds, they have much in common. All should be commended for dedicating their time and energy to service of their community.

The Gloucester County chapter of the NAACP was established in 1991. In its first 18 years, the Gloucester County NAACP has been influential in providing scholarships for minority students, coordinating voter registration drives, and encouraging students to reach their full potential.

In celebrating the centennial of the NAACP, we must recognize the important role that the NAACP has played both on a national and local level to ensure the political, educational, social and economic equality of all Americans.

Madam Speaker, the Gloucester County NAACP has made invaluable contributions to the South Jersey region. I congratulate the Gloucester County NAACP on achieving its 18th anniversary, and look forward to its continued successes in the future.

RECOGNIZING DEBORAH LYNN AS
THE WALTON COUNTY EDU-
CATIONAL SUPPORT PERSON OF
THE YEAR

HON. JEFF MILLER

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 2, 2010

Mr. MILLER of Florida. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mrs. Deborah Lynn as

the Walton County, Florida Educational Support Person of the Year for the 2009-2010 school year. I am honored to recognize her achievements and her dedication to the students and teachers of Northwest Florida.

Mrs. Lynn, affectionately known as Ms. Debby by her students, is the school nurse for Freeport Elementary School. She supervises the school's clinic, provides first aid for injuries, maintains health records, and administers medicine. But what sets Mrs. Lynn apart from her peers is her initiative. She created Freeport's annual Summer Safety program for students which brings community organizations into the school to teach students about summer safety. Mrs. Lynn also coordinates with the Walton County Health Department all student health screenings, records, and H1N1 vaccines. Finally, she goes above and beyond to also serve the school staff by organizing a mobile mammogram bus to visit the school annually and arranging flu shots for teachers and school employees.

Madam Speaker, on behalf of the United States Congress, I am privileged to recognize Deborah Lynn as the Walton County Educational Support Person of the Year. Her passion for her students is commendable and her dedication to her profession makes her deserving of this award. My wife Vicki and I wish Deborah and her family all the best for the future.

A TRIBUTE TO FIRST NORTHERN
BANK ON ITS 100TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. DANIEL E. LUNGREN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 2, 2010

Mr. DANIEL E. LUNGREN of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor First Northern Bank as it marked its 100th year in business yesterday, February 1, 2010.

First Northern Bank was established in 1910, and has remained faithful to its roots as an institution formed to address specific personalized needs. First Northern continues to serve such needs with a strong commitment to superior personal service, and commitment to support and reinvest in each of the communities the Bank serves. The Bank continues to maintain its commitment as a full service community bank serving the business, professional, personal, and real estate requirements of the people in Solano, Sacramento, Yolo, and Placer Counties—with a reach into neighboring El Dorado County.

Back in 1910, a group of local Dixon businesspeople believed they weren't getting the kind of banking services they needed, so in the do-it-yourself tradition of an independent farming community, they voted on January 20th to open their own bank—an "enterprise with all local capital and no outside investment or affiliations."

Following a trip to San Francisco to purchase a safe and other supplies, their new bank opened for business a few days later on February 1, 1910, in a former ice cream parlor. After one month in business, the Bank had 93 accounts with deposits totaling more than \$75,000. Today, deposits have grown to more than \$650 million. Even though 100 years have passed, descendants of the Bank's founders are still shareholders and customers.