

Boys Hope/Girls Hope is to overcome the obstacles of poverty, abuse and neglect and provide a structured, caring educational experience for students through high school and college.

Through Mike's leadership, Boys Hope is concluding a successful effort to bring Girls Hope to Cincinnati. Girls Hope will permit the expansion of services to include young women in Greater Cincinnati.

Mike's vision has provided so many young people in our area with an exceptional opportunity to succeed. All of us in Greater Cincinnati owe Mike a debt of gratitude and congratulate him on receiving the Heart of Gold Award.

RECOGNIZING THE GOVERNOR'S
SCHOOL FOR GOVERNMENT AND
INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

HON. TOM BLILEY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 20, 1998

Mr. BLILEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commend the outstanding performance of the Governor's School for Government and International Studies in Richmond, Virginia in the "We the People * * * the Citizen and the Constitution" national finals held in Washington, DC, over May 2-4.

After beating other school teams on the State level, these talented, hard-working students went on to compete against 49 other classes from across the nation. The performance demonstrated their remarkable understanding of the fundamental ideals and values embodied in the Constitution and the United States government.

I commend students Anne Carpenter, Tiffanie Chan, Amy Depcrynski, Beky Dohogne, Chris Farrell, Melanie Forbes, Shannon Goodwyn, Jennifer Gunter, Lauren Hamilton, Mason Hedgecoth, Zoe Heiberger, Serena Homes, Chris Kessler, Mat Reynolds, Takeisa Rowlett, Derick Russell, Sada Smith, Anne Sommers, Amol Tripathi, Mei Hwa Yeh and their teacher Philip Sorrentino on this achievement.

TRIBUTE TO SERGEANT HARVEY
TOMLINSON

HON. GEORGE P. RADANOVICH

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 20, 1998

Mr. RADANOVICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Sergeant Harvey Tomlinson for providing 30 years of meritorious law enforcement service to the community. Sergeant Harvey Tomlinson is retiring May 27, 1998. Sergeant Tomlinson has saved 15 lives in his career and is respectfully deserving of this honor.

Sergeant Tomlinson started his career by volunteering for the Mariposa County Sheriff's Posse in 1968. He was hired as a deputy by Mariposa County in 1969 and later attained the position of undersheriff before leaving the department in 1975. He then joined the Madera County Sheriff's Department where he became promoted to sergeant in 1981. Ser-

geant Tomlinson served as the coordinator for both the Search & Rescue and the Posse, and has served in these departments up until his retirement.

During his career, Mr. Tomlinson worked in the Madera County Jail, served as a patrolman, served as a detective, served as a detective sergeant, and for all but two summers, was in charge of boating operations on Bass Lake.

The highlights of his career are his Search & Rescue accomplishments. He directed and executed over 500 missions, directly saving 15 lives by his actions. Additionally, he has located and helped more than 900 people who have been lost or injured.

Mr. Speaker, it is with great honor that I pay tribute to Sergeant Harvey Tomlinson. Sergeant Tomlinson's accomplishments in law enforcement and devotion to saving lives should serve as a model for anyone interested in a career in law enforcement. I ask my colleagues to join me in wishing Sergeant Harvey Tomlinson continued success with any future endeavors.

GREENFIELD ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL HONORED BY DEPARTMENT
OF EDUCATION

HON. WILLIAM J. COYNE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 20, 1998

Mr. COYNE. Mr. Speaker, I rise to commend the students, faculty, and administration of Greenfield Elementary School, whose outstanding performance was recently honored by the Department of Education and the National Association of State Coordinators of Compensatory Education. Greenfield Elementary is one of only 109 schools nationwide to be recognized by the Title I Recognition Program. The Title Recognition Program honors schools that have set and reached high student achievement goals, fostered professional development, and built partnerships with parents and the community.

Greenfield Elementary School is a great example of what our public schools can accomplish with a lot of effort and some additional resources. Eighty percent of Greenfield's students are eligible for free or reduced price lunches. Their ethnically diverse student body is 65% African-American and 20% foreign-born. 95% of the students are bused to school. Title I has allowed the school to reduce its first-grade class size to 18 students and provide instructional assistants to all grade levels. The people there believe this lower adult-to-child ration, which increases the interactions children have with caring and sensitive adults, is critical to creating a productive learning environment.

The results at Greenfield are impressive. The children are in school 91% of the time. They are ranked among the top five schools in the district in communications and mathematics. They have used the diversity of their student body as a teaching resource, which allows students to learn about other countries, places, and customs.

I applaud Greenfield Elementary School for its accomplishments. I know their success is a result of a great deal of hard work by teachers, students, administrators, parents, and the Pittsburgh community.

TRIBUTE TO GENE CAPLINGER,
RALPH CARTER, BOBBY G.
MILLS AND RAYBURN SMITH

HON. MARION BERRY

OF ARKANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 20, 1998

Mr. BERRY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor four great Americans.

Gene Caplinger, Ralph Carter, Bobby G. Mills and Rayburn Smith are veterans of World War II and have been members of the American Legion post in Harrisburg, Arkansas, for 50 years.

As members of the American Legion, these men have been tremendous supporters of the community. The contributions they have made to future generations are immeasurable. Arkansas Boys State, the American Legion baseball program, and countless scholarship funds have flourished in Harrisburg due to the leadership of these four individuals.

Our nation is fortunate to have been represented in times of trial by men of character like Gene Caplinger, Ralph Carter, Bobby G. Mills, and Rayburn Smith. When their tours of duty ended, these men chose to return home and serve their hometown as they had served their country. Mr. Speaker, the people of Harrisburg could have asked for nothing more.

A TRIBUTE TO LT. COL. MARK
SCHOENROCK

HON. BILL BARRETT

OF NEBRASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 20, 1998

Mr. BARRETT of Nebraska. Mr. Speaker, Lt. Colonel Mark A. Schoenrock of Fairbury, Nebraska, completes 20 years of service in the United States Army this month. After being posted in Washington, DC, for the past 7 years, Lt. Col. Schoenrock and his family will be moving on next month to new challenges in Denver, Colorado, where Lt. Col. Schoenrock has received a new posting as the Inspector General of the Colorado National Guard. Having gotten to know Lt. Col. Schoenrock in his capacity as a legislative liaison with the Army, let me share with you some of Lt. Col. Schoenrock's career milestones.

He was commissioned an officer in the United States Army on May 13, 1978, in Lincoln, Nebraska, upon graduation from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UN-L) and the Army Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC). He was a 4-year Army ROTC scholarship winner, graduated from UN-L with distinction, and was a Distinguished Military Graduate. He completed the Quartermaster Officer Basic Course at Fort Lee, Virginia, with honors and was assigned as an Assistant Brigade Logistics Officer, Platoon Leader, and Battalion Logistics Officer with the 25th Infantry Division (Tropic Lightning) at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii. While assigned to the Tropic Lightning Division, Lt. Col. Schoenrock deployed three times to the Republic of Korea. Following his three years in Hawaii, Lt. Col. Schoenrock completed the Quartermaster Officer Advanced Course at Fort Lee, Virginia, again graduating with honors. He was selected as the Outstanding Logistician for the

course. He was subsequently assigned to Fort Riley, Kansas, and the First Infantry Division (Big Red One) where he served as a Company Commander and Maneuver Brigade Logistics Officer. In this agreement, he deployed twice to the Federal Republic of Germany. He was responsible for the entire logistical support of 2,500 soldiers for eight weeks and their safe and efficient transport from Kansas to Germany and back.

Upon the completion of his 4-year tour at Fort Riley, Lt. Col. Schoenrock was selected to represent the Army in the highly competitive Training With Industry (TWI) program. He served as the Army's first representative with the General Motors Corporation, Allison Gas Turbines Division. He played an instrumental role in the development of the T-800 engine, which is now the engine in the Army's Comanche helicopter.

Following TWI, Lt. Col. Schoenrock served as a Contracting Officer and Contracting Section Chief in St. Louis, Missouri, responsible for the development and acquisition of petroleum and water logistics. He was responsible for the acquisition of many end items that served our soldiers so well during Operation Desert Storm and that were vital to our ultimate victory in the deserts of southwest Asia. He then was selected to attend the Army Command and General Staff College (CGSC) at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

Following CGSC graduation, Lt. Col. Schoenrock was selected to be the principal acquisition advisor to the Inspector General of the Army in Washington. In this role, he advised and assisted the Inspector General with some of the Army's most sensitive acquisition programs and other matters. He then was selected to serve as an executive officer in the Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Research, Development and Acquisition). He served as a key facilitator in preparing the Army leadership for senior level Secretary of Defense and Congressional reviews for programs that were valued in excess of \$30 billion.

He then was selected to serve as an Army liaison officer with Congress. Lt. Col. Schoenrock has worked directly with the Army leadership and with Members of Congress and their staffs in resolving matter of the utmost sensitivity and urgency.

Through the programs he has worked these past seven years in our nation's capital, Lt. Col. Schoenrock has made a difference in the lives of thousands of people. He has worked to ensure programs totaling billions of dollars are wisely and prudently executed to provide maximum benefit to the Army and to the communities that are so clearly related to the Army.

Lt. Col. Schoenrock was recently selected as the next Inspector General for the State of Colorado's National Guard. In this position, he will advise and assist the State Adjutant General and Governor regarding military matters within their area of responsibility, I'm confident Lt. Col. Schoenrock will do his utmost to continue his outstanding record of achievement and service to our nation in this new duties.

Mr. Speaker, as a career Army officer, as a husband and father, and dedicated churchman, I wish Mark Schoenrock well as he and his family depart Washington for Colorado.

TRIBUTE TO DR. WILLIAM LLOYD BIRCH

HON. JAMES E. CLYBURN

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 20, 1998

Mr. CLYBURN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Dr. William Lloyd Birch of the Sixth Congressional District of South Carolina. Dr. Birch has taught at Francis Marion University in Florence, South Carolina, since he moved to the Palmetto State in 1971. It is on the occasion of his retirement that I pay tribute to his 27 years of tireless involvement in the community surrounding the Pee Dee area of South Carolina.

A native of Louisville, Kentucky, Dr. Birch received his B.A. at Georgetown College in Georgetown, Kentucky. He received a Th.B. from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1955. From 1949–1960 Dr. Birch conducted summer youth revivals throughout the state for the Kentucky Baptist Convention. He was a Mission Pastor and served as Interim Pastor for First Baptist Church in Prestonsburg, Kentucky. From there, he was pastor at Shakertown Baptist in Harrodsburg, Visalia Baptist in Covington, Wildwood Baptist in Ashland, and Chevy Chase Baptist in Lexington. He served on the Board of Directors for The Western Recorder, the Kentucky Baptist state paper, and was an Executive Board Member of the Kentucky Baptist Convention from 1964–1967. He was also on the Board of Directors of the Christian Life Committee.

In 1969, Dr. Birch received an M.A. in Sociology from the University of Kentucky. He received his Ph.D. in 1971. Dr. Birch began his distinguished teaching career at Georgetown College in Georgetown, Kentucky as a part-time instructor and then Assistant Professor.

Dr. Birch moved to the Sixth Congressional District of South Carolina in 1971 and began as an Associate Professor of Sociology at FMU. In 1972, he established the Sociology major and Department of Sociology. He served as Chairman of the department for 23 years. From his leadership during the founding of the Sociology department, the Sociology major was the third most popular major on campus for many years. Through 1994, it remained in the top 5 largest majors of bachelor level graduates. Since the University opened, 35% of all graduates have taken Dr. Birch's Courtship and Marriage course, a course not required by any major. During his stint at FMU, Dr. Birch has also made professional presentations and published articles or book reviews a total of 45 times. In addition, he has made an average of one presentation per month during his tenure to workshops, civic clubs, hospitals, hospices and Family Life Conferences for a total of 297 presentations.

Dr. Birch has received numerous awards during his tenure at FMU. He was awarded the Distinguished Professor Award in 1977–1978 and held the Joan and Garry Gladstone Chair in Sociology since 1989. He is also a member of the Alpha Kappa Delta Honorary Society and the Pi Gamma Mu Honorary Society. Among his professional affiliations are the American Sociological Association, Southern Sociological Society, Association for the Sociology of Religion, and the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion. He was a charter member and served as Vice President of the

South Carolina Sociological Society and is a Legacy Council member of the National Council on Family Relations. He also served on the Board of Directors and was Chairman of the Legislative Action Committee of the Southeastern Council on Family Relations. He was President and served on the Executive Committee of the South Carolina Council on Family Relations, is a Clinical Member of the American Association of Marriage and Family Therapy, and served as Vice President of the South Carolina Association Marriage and Family Therapy.

Aside from his professional organizations related to Sociology, Dr. Birch is a licensed Marriage and Family Therapist. He remains in private practice at Family Therapy Associates in Florence where he has practiced since 1974. Dr. Birch has been a therapist at the Pastoral Counseling Service in Florence, a Consultant to the S.C. Department of Youth Services, and a Consultant on Human Sexuality for the National Council of Churches Task Force on Developmental Disabilities. He has also served as a member of the Ethics Committee of McLeod Regional Medical Center.

Dr. Birch's first professional appointment came from Governor West in 1973. He was appointed to the S.C. Council for the Developmentally Disabled and served as the Chairman of the Committee on Deinstitutionalization and Institutionalization Reform. He also co-authored South Carolina's first plan for deinstitutionalization. Governor Campbell next appointed Dr. Birch to the S.C. Board of Examiners for Licensure of Professional Counselors, Associate Counselors, and Marital and Family Therapists. He was re-appointed to the S.C. Board by Governor Beasley and will serve as Vice President through 2001. He is also Chairman of the Marriage and Family Therapy Standards Committee that reviews the credentials of all applicants seeking licensing as marriage and family therapist in South Carolina. Dr. Birch has also been a recent S.C. delegate to the Annual Meeting of the Association of Marital and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards.

Although he is retiring from FMU, Dr. Birch will continue to impact the lives of many of my constituents through his service as interim pastor at South Carolina's Southern Baptist Churches. During the past 27 years, he has served as interim pastor 31 times, delivered 2,275 sermons. For seven of 27 years, he has filled a pulpit every Sunday. Dr. Birch has also conducted over 100 Family Life Conferences for Baptist, Methodist, Presbyterian, Episcopal and Catholic churches.

Throughout his 27 years in South Carolina, Dr. Birch has served, and continues to serve, his State and community tirelessly. Mr. Speaker, I ask that you join me in extending best wishes to him for a fulfilling retirement.

COMMEMORATING THE 125TH ANNIVERSARY OF LEVI'S JEANS

HON. NANCY PELOSI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 20, 1998

Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask members of the House of Representatives to join me in celebrating the 125th Anniversary of an American legend: blue jeans. Or more specifically, Levi's jeans.