

It was certainly an exciting game that showcased some of the best talent the state of Michigan has to offer.

The Huskies are a true testament of what hard work, determination, and a passionate desire to win can accomplish. Under the guidance of Head Coach Robert Rogers and Assistant Coaches Craig Covington, Phillip Dada, Kevin James, and Tim Webb, the championship served as a wonderful finish to a remarkable year, marked with a tremendous record of 23–4.

The Huskies' roster includes: seniors Sean Moore, Dominique Hardiman, Derrick Ponder, David Stephens, Lester Abram, Debon Johnson; juniors Anthony Rogers, Bates Gay, Antonio Bones, Quan Dillahunt, James Smith, Mike Morris, Brian Abram; and sophomore John Cantrell. These young men, led by team captains Abram and Ponder, proved to be leaders in the classroom, the basketball court, and the community. They are all shining examples of the Pontiac School District's strong commitment to success in all aspects of life.

Mr. Speaker, I salute the accomplishments of the Northern Huskies, and share the joy of their victory with Northern students and alumni and especially the people of Pontiac. I ask my colleagues in the 107th Congress to join me in congratulating these fine gentlemen.

TRIBUTE TO COUNCILLOR BILL
PIKE

HON. MARTIN T. MEEHAN

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 4, 2002

Mr. MEEHAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Councillor Bill Pike for his lifetime contributions to the newspaper industry, the City of Haverhill and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Councillor Bill Pike was a lifelong resident of Haverhill, Massachusetts, a highly respected political activist and a longtime newspaper reporter. Bill also served on countless boards, including a recent appointment by Governor Jane Swift to the Massachusetts Workforce Investment Board—a business-led, policy-setting board that oversees workforce development initiatives throughout Massachusetts.

Bill demonstrated his passion for the City of Haverhill through his participation in countless social, civic, religious, professional and political associations. He was an active member of St. James Parish, the Lodge of Elks and the American Legion. He also served as former Chairman of the Haverhill Republican City Committee and was an active Board Member of the Haverhill Boys Club.

He established a highly successful professional career as a newspaper reporter, working as a correspondent for the Boston Globe and a reporter for the Beverly Times, Manchester Union Leader and Haverhill Independent. He also dedicated 29 years of service to the Daily Evening Item in Lynn where he retired. He further demonstrated his love for the city by working as a former Editor of the Haverhill Gazette.

Bill is survived by his loving wife Patricia, his four sons William, Robert, Michael and Jeffrey, and his three daughters, Kathleen Jagers, Elizabeth Shanahan and Sandra Faraci, as well as sixteen grandchildren and

several nieces and nephews. Bill was truly a magnificent man who cared about his community. His memory will live in the minds and hearts of his loving family, and his legacy will leave the City of Haverhill a far better place.

A TRIBUTE TO JACK AND WENDY
STEVENS

HON. SAM FARR

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 4, 2002

Mr. FARR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor two of my constituents on the occasion of their retirement. Jack and Wendy Stevens have given a combined total of more than fifty years of distinguished service to public education in Santa Cruz County. Jack has taught Sociology at Cabrillo College for thirty-four years, and served as Chair of the Social Sciences Division for a decade. Wendy has been a Special Education teacher for thirteen years, helping students with learning disabilities succeed in school. Jack and Wendy have loved their jobs and taught with dedication and devotion. They retire together this June, when they will also celebrate their thirty-sixth wedding anniversary.

After graduating Phi Beta Kappa from the University of Georgia, Jack moved to California, where he met Wendy, a native of Stockton and a San Jose University student. They fell in love and were married in June 1966. Jack then earned a Master's degree in Sociology at the University of California, and later served in the U.S. Army as a First Lieutenant. Upon completion of his service, Jack and Wendy relocated to Santa Cruz County, where he had received a job offer to teach at Cabrillo College.

Jack and Wendy have three sons, John, David, and Michael. After staying home with her children through their early childhood, Wendy began teaching as an aide, and subsequently earned her teacher's credentials. She presently teaches at Harbor High School, from which John, David, and Michael graduated.

Travel lovers, Jack and Wendy twice took sabbaticals to Europe with their children. They plan to continue traveling during their retirement, while maintaining their home in Santa Cruz and their cabin in the Idaho mountains. They also plan to visit extensively with their children and grandchildren in Idaho, Colorado and Washington, D.C. Jack and Wendy will also continue to be active participants in St. John's Episcopal Church in Capitola, where they are known for their compassion, sense of humor, and welcoming attitudes. Supportive of their friends in times of joy and of need, Jack and Wendy have opened their home for many community gatherings and holiday celebrations.

Jack and Wendy Stevens have dedicated their professional lives to education and public service. I offer them my deep appreciation for their years of service, and best wishes for their retirement.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO RICHARD
BRUCE CROWELL

HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 4, 2002

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to pay tribute to the life and memory of Richard Bruce Crowell who recently passed away in Grand Junction, Colorado on April 26, 2002. Bruce, as he was commonly referred to, left a legacy of devotion and dedication that will be cherished by his community and loved ones. Grand Junction mourns the loss and celebrates the life of a wonderful citizen, father, grandfather, and husband.

Bruce's accomplishments and achievements exemplify his upstanding character. First, Bruce was an accomplished academic at the College of William and Mary and he accepted, with honor, the James Frederick Carr Memorial Cup for leadership and upstanding character. After completing his PH.D in English literature, he accepted the position as the assistant dean at the University of Arizona. Bruce later became the dean of Liberal Arts at the University of Wisconsin/Platteville, and concluded his accomplished academic career as a Professor of English Literature at Mesa State College. Next, Bruce became the assistant Minister of the First Congregational Church, and strengthened the community's spiritual foundation, deeply touching the lives of numerous children, family, and friends.

Mr. Speaker, Richard Bruce Crowell will be missed tremendously, and although we will grieve the loss of this incredible individual, we'll rejoice over a man of great character and conduct. I would like to express my condolences toward his family including, his son Richard, grandsons Daniel, and Ryan, daughter Nancy, and his beloved wife Frances. Bruce was a kind-hearted man, and he will be greatly missed.

FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE
REFORM ACT OF 2002

SPEECH OF

HON. RICHARD H. BAKER

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 21, 2002

Mr. BAKER. Mr. Speaker, after considerable work and consideration by the Financial Services Committee, the House considered and passed FDIC reform legislation, H.R. 3717. I supported and voted for the bill; however, I am concerned about the potential effects of possible FDIC actions to develop and implement risk-based assessment standards under sections 4 and 7 of the legislation. My concern is that the FDIC may give excessive weight to Federal Home Loan Bank advances in the assessment process so that insured institutions with certain amounts or percentages of such advances would be classified as more risky and, therefore, pay higher deposit insurance premiums.

My concern arises from the FDIC's report on deposit insurance reform, issued in April 2001, which indicated that, under a risk-based assessment system, the FDIC could use a