

service in these organizations, Mayor Pastrick has worked to improve the lives of the residents of East Chicago, as well as the lives of all Northwest Indiana residents.

Mr. Speaker, at this time I ask that you and my other distinguished colleagues join me in congratulating Mr. Donald S. Powers and Mayor Robert Pastrick as they receive the Pillar of the Community Award for their work on behalf of St. Catherine Hospital. Through their dedication and hard work, the citizens of Northwest Indiana have access to the best medical facilities and services possible. I am proud to represent them in Congress.

#### RECOGNIZING KIMBERLY MARLIN

### HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, February 25, 2003*

Mr. GRAVES. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Kimberly Marlin, a very special young woman who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Girl Scouts of America, and in earning the most prestigious honor of the Gold Award.

The Girl Scout Gold Award is the highest achievement attainable in girl scouting. To earn the Gold Award, a scout must complete five requirements, all of which promote community service, personal and spiritual growth, positive values, and leadership skills. The requirements include: (1) earning four interest project patches, each of which requires seven activities that center on skill building, technology, service projects, and career exploration, (2) earning the career exploration pin, which involves researching careers, writing resumes, and planning a career fair or trip, (3) earning the Senior Girl Scout Leadership Award, which requires a minimum of 30 hours of work using leadership skills, (4) designing a self-development plan that requires assessment of ability to interact with others and prioritize values, participation for a minimum of 15 hours in a community service project, and development of a plan to promote girl scouting, and (5) spending a minimum of 50 hours planning and implementing a Girl Scout Gold Award Project that has a positive lasting impact on the community.

For her Gold Award Project, Kimberly organized a lending library at Colbern Road Baptist Church.

Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Kimberly Marlin for her accomplishments with the Girl Scouts of America and for her efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of the Gold Award.

#### FOR THE LOVE OF TEACHING—A TRIBUTE TO REMARKABLE DORIS DUNLAP DARDEN

### HON. WM. LACY CLAY

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, February 25, 2003*

Mr. CLAY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Doris Dunlap Darden, an educator who has devoted 50 years of service to the St. Louis Public School District. She has dedi-

cated her life to enabling children to attain quality education and providing opportunities that help students realize their abilities and achieve their highest goals.

She began her commendable teaching career in 1953 and has worked diligently to level the educational playing field for at-risk youth in low-income neighborhoods throughout the city of St. Louis. Darden has encouraged hundreds of children by setting high expectations and implementing programs for students to gain leadership and communications skills necessary to succeed in life. She has been committed to reaching both the students and their parents with her educational outreach. Darden impressively took the initiative to create "Home, School and Community," a program which introduced students to local and national newsmakers and celebrities. This innovative program allows famous guest speakers to encourage students to achieve academic excellence, while their parents attended informative workshops and seminars.

Darden solidly believes that all children deserve a high quality education regardless of their socioeconomic status. As a tutor, early in her career, she took note of the way wealthy parents trained their children and introduced those same learning techniques to inner city students. Darden found that her efforts helped raise both the productivity level and esteem of children who would otherwise might have been cast off by society.

In addition to her unwavering commitment to teaching, Darden has selflessly allotted time for community service. She had dedicated numerous hours to working with the Colored Women's Association, National Association of University Women, Tot's N' Teens, various city-wide committees and Leadership for Teachers.

Mr. Speaker, it is with great privilege that I recognize Doris Dunlap Darden to today before Congress. This extraordinary woman strongly believes that every child has the capacity to learn and deserves a chance to express that capacity through life goals. In 50 years, Darden has influentially touched the lives of thousands of young people in classrooms and throughout the St. Louis community. She has a stellar record of demonstrating compassion in the classroom. I ask that my colleagues join me in honoring a treasured member of the St. Louis community, Doris Dunlap Darden.

#### HONORING MR. LARRY WALSTON

### HON. ED WHITFIELD

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, February 25, 2003*

Mr. WHITFIELD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Mr. Larry Walston of Hopkinsville, KY, for his hard work and dedication on behalf of our Nation's veterans.

Mr. Walston has worked tirelessly to document the service of veterans who were interred without proper ceremony or marker. In conjunction with officials from the Commonwealth of Kentucky, he has obtained the military service records of nearly 300 civil war veterans buried in Riverside Cemetery in Hopkinsville. These soldiers were interred without stones. The documentation he helped collect was used to order individual markers from the

Department of Veterans Affairs. With the assistance of member of the Sons of the Confederate Veterans and others, these markers were then placed in the cemetery.

Mr. Walston served our country as a member of the United States Navy and a veterans of the Vietnam War. He is a professor at Hopkinsville Community College and a member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, Military Order of the Stars and Bars, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, the Veterans of Foreign Wars and many other community service organizations. He is assisting in making application for military monuments to be certified under the Kentucky Military Heritage Act.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to represent Larry Walston in my district. I extend my thanks to him for all efforts on behalf of so many deserving veterans, and I am proud to bring his accomplishments to the attention of this House.

#### TRIBUTE TO THE CP FEDERAL CREDIT UNION OF JACKSON, MICHIGAN

### HON. NICK SMITH

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, February 25, 2003*

Mr. SMITH of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Michigan's Federal Credit Unions for their efforts to improve financial services for their members. I would like to especially commend CP Federal Credit Union for their efforts to improve literacy among young people in Jackson, MI.

Today they will receive the 2002 National Desjardins Youth Financial Education Award for their good work. The award is named for the founder of the North American credit union movement, a man who promoted the idea of educating youth and providing them with in-school savings accounts.

For the last 10 years the CP Federal Credit Union, under the leadership of President and CEO John Crist, put Desjardins' words into action and worked with schools throughout Jackson County to help our youth understand how to spend, save, and budget money. Each week presenters travel to area schools to teach students from Kindergarten to High School about money. In addition to their informative and entertaining presentations they also connect schools with local business people who talk to the students about finances.

Their education did not stop there. The CP Federal Credit Union also operates 31 student-run credit unions. Students have an opportunity to volunteer and learn to post transactions and balance a cash drawer. Currently, 320 student volunteers participate in the program. In addition, the program employs five youth representatives who give presentations and meet with teachers and principals to discuss youth financial literacy. Thanks to their efforts 31 schools will include personal finance as part of their curriculums next year.

Finally, the CP Federal Credit Union offers the "Great Expectations" savings account for students. They encourage students to save for college, their first car, or their first house. Students are required to make a deposit of at least \$10 per month into their savings account to be eligible for savings incentives such as cash bonuses or loan discounts. Rather than