

in 17 bowl games, including the 1959 Cotton Bowl and the 1971 Sugar Bowl. He coached over 1,000 Academy football players and helped over 11,000 athletes receive appointments to the Academy. Jim estimates that he has seen over 38,000 Cadets graduate. Indeed, his lifelong dedication is as commendable as it is astonishing.

While he will undoubtedly be missed on the Air Force Academy campus and among the scores that have worked with him to place cadets at the Academy, his legacy will live on.

RECOGNIZING IAN MORRISON

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 10, 2007

Mr. GRAVES. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Ian Morrison of Oregon, Missouri. Ian recently won the Tar Wars Poster Competition for the state of Missouri. He will formally receive the award in Washington, DC on July 16th.

Tar Wars is the tobacco-free education program for children sponsored by the American Academy of Family Physicians. The Tar Wars Program was established to provide youth with the knowledge to make positive decisions regarding their health and well being by remaining tobacco free. Every year middle school students create posters with creative and encouraging messages representing the many benefits of staying tobacco free. From these entries a winner from each state is chosen.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in recognizing Ian Morrison of Oregon, Missouri. Ian's commitment to excellence is remarkable, and I am honored to represent him in the United States Congress.

HONORING FRANCISCO RAMON ANTONES

HON. ILEANA ROS-LEHTINEN

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 10, 2007

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN. Madam Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to offer my warmest congratulations to Francisco Ramon Angones on the occasion of his swearing in as the first Hispanic president of the Florida Bar and the first Cuban-American to hold this prestigious position in our State.

Francisco R. Angones was born in Havana, Cuba on July 21, 1950. He was the great grandson of Perucho Figueredo, lawyer and composer of the Cuban National Anthem, El Hymno De Bayamo, and came to the United States on June 13, 1961 as an unaccompanied minor in Operation Peter Pan to seek a better life under democracy and freedom. He attended my alma mater the University of Miami where he received a J.D. degree in June of 1976 and a B.A. degree, magna cum laude, in June of 1972.

Francisco Angones is a founding partner of the law firm of Angones, McClure & Garcia, P.A. that resides in my congressional district in Miami, FL. Frank opened the door for future Hispanic-Americans to succeed in our community by being the first Hispanic to serve as

president of the Dade County Bar in 1994 and the youngest president of the Cuban American Bar Association in 1982. Frank Angones has had a long and successful career that has spanned many years of outstanding service, dedication, hard work, devotion, and love for the United States. His leadership throughout the past years has helped our community grow to become one of America's largest growing populations and the ideals that it stands for have become an intrinsic part of this country.

Recognizing the need to continue to provide service to those less fortunate, Francisco Angones gathered a group of lawyers together to represent Cuban refugees who suffered from less adequate legal representation at Guantanamo Bay. For this act, the group received the Florida Bar Pro Bono Service Award.

I have known the Angones family for over 20 years and I stand by his wife Georgie and son Frank, Jr. to celebrate their father's many accomplishments. He has left a legacy that others will continue to follow for years to come and I am proud to recognize Frank Angones for his tireless dedication to the judicial process and I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Frank on his wonderful service to the community.

HONORING DR. JAMES KING

HON. MARSHA BLACKBURN

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 10, 2007

Mrs. BLACKBURN. Madam Speaker, it is a privilege to rise today to honor James King, M.D., a family physician in Selmer, Tennessee and president-elect of the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP). King was elected to the position by the Congress of Delegates; the AAFP's governing body, in October 2006, where he previously served 3 years as a member of the AAFP board of directors.

Dr. King received his bachelor's degree from the University of Tennessee, Martin, and earned his medical degree at the University of Tennessee Center of Health Sciences, Memphis, in 1982. He completed his residency at the University of Tennessee Family Medicine Residency, Jackson-Madison County General Hospital, in 1985. King is board certified by the American Board of Family Medicine and is an AAFP fellow.

King is in private practice in the rural community of Selmer and serves as assistant clinical professor at the University of Tennessee Center for Health Sciences, Memphis. He is also on the medical staff of the McNairy Regional Hospital in Selmer and serves as medical director of Chester County Healthcare Services.

Prior to his service with the AAFP, he was an active member of the Tennessee Academy of Family Physicians (TAFP). King has served on the committees on public relations, finance, and legislation and governmental affairs. He also has served on the Long-Range Planning Committee, Nominating Committee and Membership Committee. As a member of the TAFP board of directors, King has served as vice president, president-elect, president and board chair.

King received the Outstanding Model Office Teaching Award from the University of Ten-

nessee Family Medicine Residency, Jackson, in 1990 and the TAFP's Family Physician of the Year Award in 1997.

Active in his local community, King has presented the AAFP's Tar Wars tobacco-free education program to area fourth- and fifth-graders on behalf of the TAFP since 2000. He has also had many State and regional appointments, including serving as the chair of the McNairy County Board of Health, a member of the TennCare Steering Committee of the Tennessee Department of Health, a member and then chair of the Primary Health Care Liaison Committee, State of Tennessee.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in thanking Dr. James King for his extraordinary contributions to medicine and for the profoundly positive impact he has on our community.

HONORING MARINE LANCE CPL. JEREMY L. TINNEL

HON. C.A. DUTCH RUPPERSBERGER

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 10, 2007

Mr. RUPPERSBERGER. Madam Speaker, I rise before you today to honor Marine Lance Corporal Jeremy L. Tinnel, who died the first of July 2007 in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Lance Cpl. Jeremy L. Tinnel, 20, of Mechanicsville, Virginia, died of injuries sustained from a non-hostile accident during combat operations on the Euphrates River just off the shore of Al Anbar Province, Iraq. Tinnel was assigned to 1st Battalion, 2nd Marine Regiment, II Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina.

Jeremy was promoted to Lance Corporal January 1, 2007. His military decorations include the Combat Action Ribbon, Iraq Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, National Defense Service Medal and the Sea Service Deployment Ribbon. Tinnel left for his second deployment to Iraq on March 7, 2007.

In May 2007, Marine Lance Cpl. Jeremy L. Tinnel was injured by an improvised explosive device. Lance Corporal Tinnel was a turret gunner on a Humvee during a routine patrol on May 14, 2007 when an IED detonated near the right side of the vehicle. The blast blew away the wheels, hood and engine block, and sent the wreckage screeching across the road. However, he remained in Iraq and returned to duty after about a week's recovery.

Born in Richmond, Virginia, Jeremy grew up in Highland Springs and Sandston, Virginia and was home-schooled. He lived in Mechanicsville, Virginia before joining the Marines in August 2004. While in North Carolina, Tinnel met "the love of his life." He and his wife, Angel Nichole Tinnel of Havre de Grace, Maryland, were married in December, 2006 during a small ceremony in Mechanicsville.

Before joining the Marine Corps, Tinnel volunteered for many summers in eastern Henrico County, Virginia at the New Bridge Baptist Church's summer camp ministry and created a puppet character for the church's children's ministry that had a pointy green head, red hair and an English accent.

In addition to his wife, survivors include his father, Herold Tinnel, and stepmother, Joyce

Tinnel, of Sandston, Virginia; two sisters, Christy Flowers of Charles City County, Virginia and Laura Tinnel of Sandston, Virginia; and a brother, James Tinnel of Sandston, Virginia.

Madam Speaker, today I ask that you join with me in honoring the life of a man truly dedicated to serving his country.

HONORING ART FINKELSTEIN

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 10, 2007

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor my friend Art Finkelstein from the Napa Valley, who is being honored with the first annual Al Brounstein Meritorious Award during the L'Chaim: To Life! Weekend. Mr. Finkelstein is receiving this high honor for his substantial contributions both to winemaking and to the Jewish community of the Napa Valley.

Mr. Finkelstein was born in Chicago and grew up in Rock Island, Illinois before he moved out west for college. In Los Angeles, where he was a student at the University of Southern California, Mr. Finkelstein became involved with amateur winemaking while pursuing a career as an architect. Having won numerous awards for his wines, he moved to the Napa Valley and opened Whitehall Lane Winery with his brother in 1979.

Mr. Finkelstein has a well-deserved reputation around the Napa Valley as a superb winemaker who enjoys crafting small lots and unique, individual wines. After selling Whitehall Lane in 1988, Mr. Finkelstein and his wife Bunny opened the smaller Judd's Hill Winery to focus on winemaking, not management. This hands-on setting allows him to concentrate on the art of winemaking, seeing the process through from planting to bottling. He has also founded Judd's Hill Microcrush, which allows customers to participate in the winemaking process from grape selection to press and storage, creating a small lot of wine crafted by that individual. In keeping with his love of winemaking, Mr. Finkelstein taught Small Winery Development for several years through Napa Valley College's Small Business Development program.

Beyond the winery, Mr. Finkelstein has for many years been a prominent presence in the Napa Valley community. He has taken the lead in numerous causes throughout our valley. He has been active on the Little League baseball board in St. Helena, and is a trustee with the Jewish Community of Napa Valley where he helps facilitate many of the organization's good works in the arts and education throughout the valley.

Mr. Finkelstein is a trustee of the Congregation Beth Shalom, and has served as Vice-President of the Congregation. He was on the search committee that brought Rabbi David White to the congregation, and assisted with religious services during the transition.

Together, the Finkelstein family has been a social presence in the Napa Valley and I have long valued their friendship. His son Judd and daughter-in-law Holly have joined Art and Bunny at the winery, adding a new level of energy and enthusiasm to the family's new endeavor.

Madam Speaker, it is appropriate at this time that we congratulate my friend Art Finkelstein for the award he is receiving, and thank him for his substantial contributions to winemaking and to our community.

TRIBUTE TO MR. ED STIZZA

HON. HARRY E. MITCHELL

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 10, 2007

Mr. MITCHELL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the awarding of the first DaVita Patient Citizens Hero Award to Mr. Ed Stizza from Fountain Hills, AZ for his efforts and activities to educate his community about Chronic Kidney Disease and End Stage Renal Disease.

Mr. Stizza is unquestionably a worthy recipient of the DPC Hero Award, which spotlights individuals who have gone above and beyond to positively impact and progress kidney education and care within their communities. A 30-year patient of diabetes and survivor of colon cancer, Mr. Stizza is a model of perseverance. Four years ago, facing a diagnosis of End Stage Renal Disease, Mr. Stizza turned his battle into an opportunity to empower others. As a dialysis patient for these past 4 years, Mr. Stizza has worked tirelessly to help improve the lives of other dialysis patients, and to educate those in his community who are at risk of kidney failure.

More than 20 million Americans have chronic kidney disease, which if left untreated can lead to End Stage Renal Disease. However, with the help of individuals like Mr. Stizza and particularly his work in support of the Kidney Care Quality and Education Act, the need for dialysis can be reduced and the lives of the more than 400,000 patients currently suffering from ESRD will improve.

Mr. Stizza is the quintessential every day hero who, in the face of numerous obstacles, not only triumphed, but simultaneously worked to improve the lives of others. He has undoubtedly improved the lives of many in his community and beyond.

TRIBUTE TO MR. DAVID J. RIGBY

HON. IKE SKELTON

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 10, 2007

Mr. SKELTON. Madam Speaker, let me take this means to recognize the exceptional service of Mr. David J. Rigby on the occasion of his retirement from the Defense Threat Reduction Agency.

Mr. Rigby is a graduate of the University of Tennessee, where he majored in Journalism, and the University of Oklahoma, where he completed a graduate program in mass communication. He also attended the Defense Information School in Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana and the Federal Executive Institute at Charlottesville, Virginia.

Mr. Rigby has a distinguished history of outstanding work and service to his country. A U.S. Air Force Public Affairs Officer, he saw combat duty in Vietnam as an advisor to the Vietnamese Air Force. He was also respon-

sible for directing the news media relations for the Strategic Defense Initiative, also known as "Star Wars." Mr. Rigby has had multiple assignments in The Pentagon and also served on the Reagan White House Transition team.

On October 1, 1998, Mr. Rigby began his most recent position as Chief of the Public Affairs Office in the Defense Threat Reduction Agency. From the office's inception, he played a central role in forging the agency's image, shaping its mission, and spreading its message around the world. His talent and leadership helped change what the U.S. Combatant Commands expect of the agency and better prepared U.S. military bases to respond to disaster.

Please join me in sincerely thanking Mr. Rigby for his unwavering service to this country, and in wishing him the best in the future.

HONORING PATRICK KANE ON BECOMING THE NUMBER ONE DRAFT IN THE NHL

HON. BRIAN HIGGINS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 10, 2007

Mr. HIGGINS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and congratulate Patrick Kane, a native from South Buffalo, New York on becoming the No. 1 NHL draft player of the year. Patrick Kane is an explosive player, a forceful scorer, and we are privileged to have such a reputable future NHL star player representing the City of Buffalo.

Kane not only made Western New York proud by becoming the first draft choice for the Chicago Blackhawks, he made history as, for the first time ever, Americans were chosen to fill the number one and number two draft slots.

Offensively, Kane's skills are unmatched. In 2006 Kane led Team USA to a gold medal at the 2006 World Under-18 Championship. This past season he continued his amateur hockey career with the London Knights of the Ontario Hockey League. During his time there he showed great potential, winning the league scoring title with 62 goals and 83 assists in just 58 games. For his performance he received the Emms Family Award as OHL "Rookie of the Year" and was named to the Western Conference All Star Team.

One of Patrick's greatest attributes is his speed and versatility. His swift moving hands around the net make him an unstoppable and dynamic scorer. With his offensive prowess and quick feet, Kane has been compared to hockey greats Martin St. Louis and Daniel Briere. His accomplishments are truly an inspiration for youth throughout Western New York.

Madam Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to recognize and celebrate the achievements of Patrick Kane, the son of Patrick and Donna, the grandson of Donald, a fine young man respected on and off the ice. Traditionally Western New Yorkers are loyal and passionate fans of our local NHL franchise the Buffalo Sabres, but something tells me this season residents across the region will also tune in to root on the "kid from the neighborhood" our own Chicago Blackhawk Patrick Kane.