

For 15 years, Professor Friedman served as an expert on coal formations at the Geological Survey at Indiana University after which he became the coal project leader for the U.S. Bureau of Mines in Tennessee and Pennsylvania. In 1971, he joined the Oklahoma Geological Survey where he established a coal research program and taught coal geology seminars as a member of the graduate faculty of the School of Geology and Geophysics. Professor Friedman also chaired master's students' thesis committees and organized continuing education classes in the fundamentals of coal geology.

He has held numerous leadership positions in professional geological societies such as serving as chairman of the Coal Geology Division of the Geological Society of America and receiving the division's Distinguished Service Award in 1992. Professor Friedman was also awarded the Past Presidents Award, the Distinguished Founders Award, and the Distinguished Service Award from the American Association of Petroleum Geologists Energy Minerals Division. In recognition of his extensive contributions to the science of geology and of his generous commitment to the advancement of his profession, Brooklyn College awarded him the Distinguished Alumnus Award in 1995.

Professor Friedman's work as a research and resources coal geologist with the U.S. Bureau of Mines and the Oklahoma Geological Survey, his excellent relationship with Federal and State agencies, and his role as a principal investor in geology projects have all contributed to his being recognized as a leading expert in the field of coal geology and resources.

His biography has been listed in American Men and Women of Science, Marquis Who's Who in America, Who's Who in Science and Engineering, and Who's Who in the World.

Madam Speaker, I would like to ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Professor Samuel Arthur Friedman on his many accomplishments in the field of coal geology.

TRIBUTE TO KATY HIGH SCHOOL
FOOTBALL TEAM

HON. MICHAEL T. MCCAUL

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 16, 2008

Mr. MCCAUL of Texas. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Katy High School football team of Katy, Texas, on their Class 5A, Division II Texas State football championship on Saturday, December 22, 2007.

Katy High School became the Class 5A, Division II State champions after defeating Pflugerville High School, 28 to 7, at the Alamodome in San Antonio, Texas.

Starting the season as the second-ranked team in Class 5A and ending the regular season as the top-ranked team, the Katy Tigers were a team expected to do great things, and they did. When the senior players were freshmen, they made it their goal to win a State championship game and with much hard work and determination this objective was accomplished. Always tough to live up to expectations, the Tigers did so and then some in claiming the Class 5A, Division II title in 2007 with a perfect 16-0 season record.

Throughout the season, both the offense and defense were dominant. Offensively, the

Tigers scored over 43 points per game. Defensively, Katy allowed an average of only 8 points per game.

The Katy Tigers advanced to the championship game by easily defeating Strake Jesuit College Preparatory 51-18 in the bi-district playoff game, by defeating Houston Madison High School 42 to 8 in the Region 3 semifinals, by defeating Pasadena Memorial High School 30 to 14 in the Region 3 championship, by defeating Fort Bend Clements High School 42 to 0 in the quarterfinal playoff game, and by defeating San Antonio Madison High School 66 to 21 in the State semi-final game.

The Katy Tigers rose to the challenge during the championship game against the Pflugerville Panthers, in San Antonio at the Alamodome. Katy scored 28 unanswered points after being down 7 in the first half. A hail mary at the end of the first half changed the momentum for the Katy Tigers to finish out the State championship game with a final score of 28-7, a truly outstanding accomplishment.

The win is Katy's fifth title all-time and fourth since 1997. More significantly, it is the first for head coach Gary Joseph, who ran his all-time win-loss record to 55-4 with the victory. It was not just a State title however, as the Tigers would find out about 30 minutes after the game's final whistle. Coach Joseph announced to a packed home locker room that the Tigers had been voted the No. 1 team in the Nation by ESPN. A roar of shouts, whistles and cheers filled the underground corridors of the Alamodome following that announcement as Katy returned to the top of the charts in Texas for the first time since 2003. In addition, Katy is ranked No. 4 in the USA Today Super 25 football rankings.

The success of these fine young athletes of Katy High School serves as an inspiration for their school and community. I know from my own experience how high school football teaches you not only how to win on the field but also how to succeed in life. It teaches you that through hard work, discipline, dedication, and teamwork you can dream any dream and achieve any goal. I know that these fine athletes will apply their success on the football field to their lives after high school to accomplish great things.

I officially recognize and honor the outstanding achievements and contributions by the 2007 Katy High School Varsity Football Team, coaches, school and loyal fans, for their exemplary representation of our community. Congratulations Katy Tigers. I commend you on a spectacular football year and wish you the best next season and beyond.

HONORING MRS. MARGUERITE
CANTINI

HON. RON KLEIN

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 16, 2008

Mr. KLEIN of Florida. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor Mrs. Marguerite Cantini of Fort Lauderdale, FL, who will turn 100 years old on January 25, 2008.

Mrs. Cantini is the paradigm of her generation. Her parents immigrated to the United States, making her the first generation of her

family to be born on U.S. soil. She was the second daughter to her parents, Edgar and Thea Barbe, who had recently arrived in New York. The family moved to California and then returned to the East Coast.

In 1936, she married Raphael S. Cantini, a surgeon from New Jersey, and together, they raised a family. She dedicated her life to the welfare and happiness of those around her. The American people can look to Mrs. Cantini as a model for family values.

Mrs. Cantini has always lived a graceful and creative life, and throughout her 100 years, she has excelled in flower arranging and drawing. She would create doll houses out of cardboard with her grandchildren and especially enjoyed making paper dolls and all their clothing for her granddaughters.

I join her family and friends in wishing Mrs. Marguerite Cantini a very happy birthday.

IN HONOR OF THE PRESIDENT OF
JESUS THE HOPE OF ROMANIA,
PETER DUGULESCU

HON. FRANK R. WOLF

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 16, 2008

Mr. WOLF. Madam Speaker, on behalf of my colleagues Representative CHRISTOPHER H. SMITH of New Jersey and Representative JOSEPH R. PITTS, we rise today to honor the memory of Pastor Peter Dugulescu, who was the founder and president of the charitable organization "Jesus the Hope of Romania" and who passed away from a heart attack on January 3, 2008.

Pastor Dugulescu was born in 1945 in Romania, eventually marrying and having four children. He served as a Baptist pastor during the Communist regime, and was seen as a fighter of the revolution and a true spiritual leader in Romania. He was given the honor of many awards, including the "Ambassador of Peace" award from the Interreligious and International Peace Council.

Pastor Dugulescu was a dear friend of many of us who have followed events in Romania over the years. He was a strong Christian, and a selfless servant of the poor. His charity opened an orphanage, created feeding programs for the impoverished, and established a home for the elderly and handicapped children. The loss of this bright soul will be felt acutely by all whose lives he touched. We extend our condolences to his family and friends.

THE RETIREMENT OF DOUG
MACDONALD

HON. PETER A. DeFAZIO

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 16, 2008

Mr. DEFAZIO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a dedicated member of the United States Forest Service as he concludes his 32-plus years of service to his country. Mr. Doug Macdonald deserves this honor. Oregonians are grateful for his contributions to the wise and sustainable use of our Nation's forests.

Doug Macdonald's personal and professional career accomplishments are as diverse