

\$200 to \$250 per month for fuel. We have family that live 600 miles + away and we can hardly afford to go see them. A trip to Reno costs over \$300 so we have to limit our trips to visit because it is too expensive. Our recreation has been limited, too. We have a cabin that is in the mountains east of where we live about 40 miles away but, because of fuel costs, we do not go there as often. Fuel costs are also driving the cost of everything we buy. Where is it all going to stop?

I think that we need to become less dependent on oil from overseas and do more work on developing our own resources. We need to work on alternative methods for powering the automobile. Charge higher fuel prices in the areas they have mass transportation available. Do not hammer the work force with all the high costs.

ORIN.

High energy prices are affecting my ability to provide resources for living for my family. I am a disabled veteran and on a fixed income, which prevents me from offsetting the costs of oil. We have had to make significant changes in the way we buy food, travel to the store and how much gas we use for cooking and heating, often times being stuck with a \$500 gas bill for a few gallons. The American people are smart. They know that Congress is scrambling to hide the real issue. That issue being, that they are no longer looking out for the best interests of the American people.

Though I am grateful that you and others in Idaho are finally trying to change things, this should have never been a problem in the first place. We have one of the world's largest resources of coal. We have very significant amount of oil on the coasts and within the continental United States. Still, you all bend to the wishes of eco-terrorists like Al Gore and that fraud agency EPA.

Drill now! Here! Kick China and other countries off of our coast lines. What were you thinking!! Letting other countries drill on our soil and coasts while forbidding and banning our own companies from doing it. That is obviously an attack on our sovereignty.

Please sir, get Congress back on track, and let them know we are on to them. For Idaho, For the United States of America! Please allow refineries. Allow drilling. Allow coal. Allow more nuke plants! Now please, stop wasting your time with email and written answers. Action is worth a thousand words!

ADAM.

[We] converted [our] pick-up truck to all electric. Why does not Congress give tax breaks to people who drive alternative vehicles?

In our home, we are conserving energy by making our house more energy-efficient. Why is not Congress enacting legislation to reward homeowners for replacing windows, furnaces, appliances with more energy efficient ones?

Rather than expand domestic oil supplies (off shore and in Alaska), why does not Congress raise the CAFE and heavily tax people who drive gas guzzlers for pleasure (not business)? Congress should be enacting meaningful legislation to curb consumption before jumping to open up off shore resources and ANWR.

I think Congress should be embarrassed for talking about opening up domestic oil resources when they just defeated a windfall profit tax on oil companies. Higher prices at the pumps, record profits, a Congress who cannot do the right things to curb consumption and encourage conservation/alternative resources, a Congress who caters to the oil companies at the expense of the environment and the non-rich.

Come on, Senator Crapo—please vote, sponsor, support a government “of, by, and for the people”.

MICHAEL.

We still pay less than European countries. What I think is a total same is the fact that the Treasure Valley still does not have a decent bus system. When I was in Olympia, Washington (pop of 20,000) during the 1960s that had a better bus system that included other cities than we have now. Think of the energy savings possible if the bus system was easy and accessible for all of the residents.

MICHAEL.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

TRIBUTE TO EMMA JEAN GUYN MILLER

• Mr. BUNNING. Mr. President, it is with great admiration and respect that I take this time to memorialize one of Kentucky's most cherished citizens, Mrs. Emma Jean Guyn Miller. Unfortunately, Mrs. Miller passed away at the age of 107. However, her life story should serve as an inspiration for people in central Kentucky and around the entire United States.

Mrs. Miller was born in Woodford County on September 29, 1901, and moved with her family to Nicholasville in 1902. Since she was young Mrs. Miller knew that she wanted to gain an education and better her community. However, since Kentucky schools were still segregated during this time period, Mrs. Miller could only attend the Nicholasville Colored School, that only served students through the eighth grade. This situation did not stop Mrs. Miller. Her mother, making only \$4.50 a week, and her local church saved enough money to send Mrs. Miller to Russell High School in Lexington where she graduated in 1920.

After graduating from high school she attended Turner Normal School in Shelbyville, TN, and earned her teaching certificate. She then returned to Nicholasville and began a teaching career that lasted over 40 years. Mrs. Miller began her career teaching in a one room schoolhouse and did not retire until segregated schools were ended in Nicholasville. Her students remembered Mrs. Miller as a kind but strict teacher who always had their best interest at heart.

In 1940 she married William Miller, and although they did not have any children, the Millers opened their home to numerous young people in the community who needed a place to stay. She also continued to be active in Bethel AME Church, now Bethel Methodist Church, and was a member for over 80 years. This church was the same congregation that helped pay for her education at Russell High School.

Mrs. Miller's life story should serve as an inspiration to every American. Her uniquely American story should give us hope that we can make a difference in our local communities and change the world one person at a time. •

HONORING DANCEBLUE

• Mr. BUNNING. Mr. President, today I invite my colleagues to join me in congratulating the University of Kentucky's DanceBlue student organization and 24-hour dance marathon. This organization operates through the support and leadership of UK students, faculty, and staff as well as the Lexington community. The organization improves the lives of children and families suffering from childhood cancer through the Golden Matrix Fund, and helps serve the Bluegrass by assisting those treated at the University of Kentucky Pediatric Oncology Clinic. In just 4 years of operation, the DanceBlue organization has raised over \$1 million towards research in childhood cancer. I would like to take this time to recognize the student leadership behind DanceBlue: Erin Priddy, Caitlin Mullen, Betsy Cooper, Joshua Rupp, Carson Massler, Townsend Miller, Colin Wheeler, and Tyler Bolin.

Erin Priddy is a senior from Louisville, KY, and is the DanceBlue overall chair for this year. She is the fourth individual to preside over DanceBlue operations. Erin has spent many of her days and nights planning this year-long fundraising process which builds up the actual dance marathon, as well as being a full time student. The success of this organization would not be possible without the dedication and hard work of Erin.

Caitlin Mullen is the vice chair for the DanceBlue organization and is also in her senior year at the University of Kentucky. Caitlin's hard work this entire year on the budget for the organization, as well as maintaining the organization's committees and keeping them together are a value to the entire university.

Betsy Cooper is a senior from Paducah, KY, and is the dance marathon programming chair. Betsy's role with DanceBlue involves planning, organizing, and orchestrating the entire 24-hour period of which the Dance Marathon consists including overseeing 650 student dancers that will dance for 24-hours.

Joshua Rupp is a senior from Louisville, KY, and is involved with many organizations on campus. His role with DanceBlue is the rules, regulations and operations chair. He is in charge of the logistics for the dance marathon which took place this past weekend. Josh's influence and presence on the University of Kentucky is a benefit to the school and the community.

Carson Massler is a senior from Louisville, KY, and graduate of Sacred Heart Academy. Her role with DanceBlue is the family relations chair. Her position is vital to the organization since she serves as a liaison between the UK Pediatric Oncology Clinic and Golden Matrix Fund families and DanceBlue. The partnerships she has created serve as a sign of hope that this organization will continue to flourish for many more years.