

Henri Lin, an eighth grader at Caddo Middle Magnet, was named student of the year. Henri is on the staff of his school newspaper, serves on the student council, is a member of the Builders Club, takes advanced piano and competed with the 2009 U.S. Junior Olympics fencing team.

Nicholas Allen Taylor, a senior at Byrd Math and Science Magnet High School, was named student of the year also. Nicholas is captain of Byrd's Quiz Bowl team, a member of the Mu Alpha Theta math honor society, and a member of the lacrosse team.

All three demonstrated outstanding academic leadership and communication skills and have bright futures ahead of them. Congratulations to all of them on this outstanding accomplishment.

#### SUPPORT MORTGAGE REFORM

(Mr. BACA asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. BACA. Mr. Speaker, I stand in support of H.R. 1728, the Mortgage Reform and Anti-Predatory Lending Act.

This bill will ensure that mortgage lenders make loans that benefit consumers and prohibit them from steering the borrowers into high cost loans, and we know what an impact it has had on our Nation and many individuals who have lost their homes. In addition, this bill encourages the market to move back towards making fixed-rate, fully documented loans.

This legislation also prevents predatory and abusive lending practices, holds creditors responsible for loans they originated and protects tenants who rent homes that go into foreclosure.

I ask you to support this legislation on behalf of those that are right now on the verge of losing their homes and protect those tenants.

#### CONGRATULATING ARKANSAS TECH UNIVERSITY ON ITS CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY

(Mr. BOOZMAN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. BOOZMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Arkansas Tech University on 100 years of academic excellence.

Arkansas Tech University was originally established as a Second District Agricultural College by the State legislature and one of four State agricultural schools in 1909. Arkansas Tech University is now one of the fastest-growing universities in the State of Arkansas and has established a reputation as a school that truly serves the Nation.

It is said that an education from Arkansas Tech University is the best of both worlds, big time technology and an education in a friendly, small-town setting.

The school excels in exposing its students to the technology of tomorrow and better preparing students for future endeavors. An excellent faculty and staff provide an outstanding education and educational opportunities.

I am proud to support this fine institution and look forward to the next 100 years of academic excellence.

#### RELEASING TERRORISTS FROM GUANTANAMO BAY

(Mr. WOLF asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WOLF. Mr. Speaker, the Members of this institution ought to know that this administration and the Justice Department may be very close to releasing terrorists from Guantanamo Bay, the Uyghurs, out into the public, out around the country. And we are calling on the Justice Department to release any of the memos with regard to who these people are on individual cases. If they were members of a terrorist group, I believe the American people need to know.

This administration and Justice selectively released memos but will not tell the full story. So I urge all Members, unless you want them, these Uyghurs, terrorists from Guantanamo Bay, to move to your neighborhood, ask Attorney General Eric Holder, release all this classified information so the American people can know what we are about ready to face.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Persons in the gallery are not to express approval or disapproval of speeches on the floor.

#### ENFORCE IMMIGRATION LAWS

(Mr. SMITH of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. SMITH of Texas. Mr. Speaker, when Arizona Governor Janet Napolitano was nominated to be Homeland Security Secretary, her record showed that she often opposed enforcing immigration laws. So it's not entirely a surprise that she recently told CNN's John King that illegally "crossing the border is not a crime per se. It is civil."

That's just plain wrong.

It is a violation of the criminal code to enter our country illegally. The law has been in effect for decades, and it has been codified in its current form since 1991.

The Obama administration apparently doesn't intend to enforce some of our immigration laws. There are numerous examples, such as delays in implementing a requirement that Federal contractors use E-Verify to ensure that

illegal immigrants don't get Federal jobs.

It's hard to believe that this administration is not only weak when it comes to enforcing immigration laws, but also ignorant of immigration laws themselves.

#### INSIDIOUS TAX

(Mr. GOHMERT asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. GOHMERT. Mr. Speaker, you know, there is an insidious tax out there, insidious because we tell the American people that they are not going to have to pay it, that we are going to put it on the greedy corporations.

Well, how do you think a corporation stays in business if it doesn't pass that on to the people, and they don't realize, they think somebody else is paying, and yet it comes right back to their feet?

Some of us talked to CEOs of industries that moved from here to China. Why did you move? I thought maybe the number one answer would be because of labor being cheaper. They said the best labor in the world is right here in the United States, but corporate taxes are less than half of what they are here in the United States, 17 percent there, 35 percent here.

Now we are told today by the administration they are going to hire hundreds of new IRS agents. Well, as JOHN FLEMING said this morning, now we know what it means by green jobs. They are going after your green.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair will postpone further proceedings today on motions to suspend the rules on which a recorded vote or the yeas and nays are ordered, or on which the vote incurs objection under clause 6 of rule XX.

Record votes on postponed questions will be taken after 6:30 p.m. today.

#### RECOGNIZING THE SIGNIFICANCE OF CINCO DE MAYO

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution (H. Res. 230) recognizing the historical significance of the Mexican holiday of Cinco de Mayo, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The text of the resolution is as follows:

#### H. RES. 230

Whereas May 5, or Cinco de Mayo in Spanish, is celebrated each year as a date of great importance by the Mexican and Mexican-American communities;

Whereas the Cinco de Mayo holiday commemorates May 5, 1862, the date on which the Battle of Puebla was fought by Mexicans who were struggling for their independence and freedom;