

open space and industrial use and downstream water supplies are protected. Moreover, billions of taxpayer dollars that have been used in the operations, security and cleanup of Rocky Flats can be reallocated to similar sites throughout the country.

Imagine, after more than 50 years as a top-secret nuclear weapons facility that contributed to winning the Cold War, the Rocky Flats acreage will once again be available to the people of Colorado. Please join me in congratulating the DOE, the State of Colorado, and the companies involved for this extraordinary effort.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE
REEDSBURG AREA HIGH SCHOOL
EARTH DAY CELEBRATION

HON. TAMMY BALDWIN

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 13, 2000

Ms. BALDWIN. Mr. Speaker, this afternoon, I pay tribute to the Reedsburg Area High School students and staff for their fantastic contributions in order to improve their environment, enrich their community, and celebrate Earth Day.

This year's Earth Day will be the ninth that the Reedsburg Area High School students and staff celebrate by volunteering their time. In previous years they have worked to maintain trails, clean and restore wilderness areas, and plant thousands of trees. With this tireless volunteer work they are making Wisconsin a better place for every citizen.

The students and staff at Reedsburg Area High School are also very special because of the amazing manner in which they celebrate Earth Day each year. As the Reedsburg students recently said to me in a letter, they are not "just another high school planting a tree." The entire high school, including over 900 students and staff work together on this day. They also branch out to other communities. This year they will send an astounding 26 work crews to different locations surrounding the Reedsburg area!

Americans are increasingly learning the benefits of youth service and focusing that work in the preservation of our environment. The students and staff of Reedsburg Area High School are pioneers in an effort that engages and empowers young people while connecting them with adults that provide education and guidance. It is an effort that views young people as assets and resources to their community. They are setting an impressive example for all people, young and old, across Wisconsin and the nation.

ARMENIAN GENOCIDE

SPEECH OF

HON. NANCY PELOSI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 12, 2000

Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in memory of the victims of one of history's most terrible tragedies, the Armenian Genocide that took place in Turkey between 1915 and 1923. This antecedent for all subsequent 20th-cen-

tury genocides began on April 24, 1915, when the rulers of the Ottoman Empire began the systematic and ruthless extermination of the Armenian minority in Turkey. By the end of the Terror, more than a million Armenian men, women, and children had been massacred and more than half a million others had been expelled from the homeland that their forebearers had inhabited for three millennia.

April 24, 1915 is remembered and commemorated each year by the Armenian community and people of conscience throughout the world. The Armenian Genocide is a historical fact. The Republic of Turkey has adamantly refused to acknowledge that the Genocide happened on its soil but the evidence is irrefutable.

As we enter the Third Millennium of the Christian Era, it behooves us to remember. If we ignore the lessons of the Armenian Genocide, then we are destined to continue our stumbles through the long, dark tunnel of endless ethnic-cleansings, genocides, and holocausts. Let us, then, remember to remember.

SUPPORTING THE BREAST AND
CERVICAL CANCER TREATMENT
ACT

HON. PAUL RYAN

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 13, 2000

Mr. RYAN of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, I am here today to speak in support of H.R. 1070, the Breast and Cervical Cancer Treatment Act. I believe this bill, which provides coverage for low-income women who have been diagnosed with breast or cervical cancer, provides a logical expansion of early detection efforts throughout the nation.

The federal government, through the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, currently provides screening for early detection of breast and cervical cancer. This bill would provide the next step by giving states the option of receiving an enhanced match through Medicaid if they choose to offer treatment services for women who have been diagnosed with breast or cervical cancer during the screening process.

As a member of the House Budget Committee, I offered an amendment, which was accepted, to provide funding for these services in the Medicaid program. Now that this funding has been set aside, it is time to bring H.R. 1070 to the floor. The principles of this bill have been agreed to in the budget, and it is now time to bring the actual bill to the floor for a vote.

I urge the House to consider this bill before Mother's Day as a statement of our sincere commitment to the millions of women in this country who suffer from these diseases.

IN HONOR OF DR. NESTOR
CARBONELL-CORTINA FOR HIS
LIFE-LONG COMMITMENT TO
FREEDOM AND DEMOCRACY

HON. ROBERT MENENDEZ

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 13, 2000

Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. Speaker, I honor Dr. Nestor Carbonell-Cortina for his life-long commitment to freedom and democracy.

Born in Havana, Cuba, Dr. Carbonell-Cortina understood early in his life that the price for freedom is high; that the fight for freedom is long; and that the cost for freedom is often paid for with the lives of those who never knew it.

In 1960, shortly after Castro seized control of Cuba, Dr. Carbonell-Cortina was forced to leave his native land, fleeing the oppressive communist rule imposed by the Castro regime. However, he returned and courageously fought in the Bay of Pigs Invasion, hoping to restore freedom to his homeland. In 1962, Dr. Carbonell-Cortina was responsible for the diplomatic strategy that removed the Castro regime from the Organization of the American States.

With the publication of numerous articles, essays and speeches, Dr. Carbonell-Cortina has continued his fight for freedom and his opposition to the Castro regime. Among his many publications are: *El Espiritu de la Constitucion de 1940*; *Perfil Historico del IV Presidente de Cuba*; *Cortina: Tribuno de la Republica*; *And the Russians Stayed*; *y Por La Libertad de Cuba: Una Historia Inconclusa*.

Dr. Carbonell-Cortina graduated from the University of Villanueva in the city of Havana with a law degree, and received his MA from Harvard. Currently, he is Vice President of International Relations for PepsiCo., Inc.

I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Dr. Nestor Carbonell-Cortina for his courageous commitment to the pursuit of freedom in the face of extraordinary opposition.

A TRIBUTE TO ROSE KEMP

HON. KAREN MCCARTHY

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 13, 2000

Ms. MCCARTHY of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, today I pay tribute to an outstanding individual from the State of Missouri. On April 27th, the Missouri Women's Council will honor Rose Kemp, Regional Administrator of the Women's Bureau, U.S. Department of Labor, with an award named on her behalf, the "Rose Kemp Public Service Award."

Ms. Rose Kemp was appointed as Regional Administrator of the Women's Bureau in 1983. She is responsible for policy development and implementation of workplace issues affecting women. In this role, Ms. Kemp has produced outstanding results by her commitment to promote the welfare of wage earning women, improve their working conditions, and advance their opportunities for profitable employment.

Ms. Kemp serves on numerous boards such as the Greater Kansas City Urban League, Francis Child Development Institute, and the Women's Council at the University of Missouri—Kansas City. All have profited from Ms.

Kemp's expertise. She has been awarded the "Kansas City Spirit Award," the Department of Labor's "The Distinguished Career Service Award," the YWCA Heart of Gold Award, and the 100 Most Influential Black Citizens in the Greater Kansas City Area in 1993, 1994, 1996, 1997, and 1998. Ms. Kemp's service has benefited all women and been an asset for our community.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in saluting this courageous, innovative, and inspiring individual, Rose Kemp, as she accepts the first ever "Rose Kemp Public Service Award."

HONORING EIGHT NORTHWEST
INDIANA EDUCATORS

HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 13, 2000

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Mr. Speaker, today I commend eight dedicated teachers from Northwest Indiana who have been voted outstanding educators by their peers for the 1999–2000 school year. These individuals, Debra Ciocchina, Douglas DeLaughter, Brenda Greene, Dennis Keithley, Martin Kessler, Marilyn Qualls, Martiann Recktenwall and Sharron Thornton, will be presented the Crystal Apple Award at a reception sponsored by the Indiana State Teachers Association. This glorious event will take place at the Broadmoor Country Club in Merrillville, Indiana, on Wednesday, May 3, 2000.

Debra Ciocchina, from Crown Point Community School Corporation, has taught for 30 years. Currently, she teaches at Crown Point High School, where she has been the assistant director of the Crown Point High School Theater for five years. She also coaches the Crown Point High School Dance Team. As a freelance director, choreographer and performer for community theaters and schools, she has written and produced various original productions. Debra not only finds interesting ways to help her English and Speech classes learn important concepts, she also makes her students enjoy learning. Her charismatic personality transfers enthusiasm for her subject area to her students. She embraces the idea that each of us must find an individual passion and be true to one's convictions.

Douglas DeLaughter is described by his peers as an outstandingly professional and dedicated teacher. He has taught for 17 years, and is current working within the School Town of Munster. Doug has dedicated himself to understanding and displaying the aspects of being a professional in the field of education. His enthusiasm and love for education is truly contagious, for Doug inspires those around him to strive for excellence. Doug's commitment and love for children and their education has been seen in the number of hours he devotes to his job, the number of committees he has taken a leadership role in, and the programs he has instituted.

Brenda Greene has been a role model, inspiration and a coach during her 22 years of teaching. She currently teaches Speech and English in the North Newton School Corporation. Her commitment to students is obvious. As a professional educator, Brenda works closely with her students during and after school, ensuring that they do their best. Her

colleagues know her as a dedicated teacher because she puts so much time into coaching the speech team, serving as a Building Representative, and fighting for the improvement of education.

Dennis Keithley teaches Language Arts at Lowell Middle School and has been a teacher within the Tri-Creek School Corporation for 31 years. Dennis graduated from Lowell High School and returned to teach in Lowell where his family has lived for many years. Dennis is a true champion of his students. He attends sporting events, music programs, drama productions, and graduation exercises in support of the students. Not only does Dennis care about his students, he also cares about his co-workers. Dennis has worked tirelessly for the Tri-Creek Teachers Organization by serving as its co-president for the last eight years. Additionally, he has served on the negotiating team, the high school air quality committee, the retirement benefits committee, the finance committee, and the teacher's evaluation committee. Dennis' dedication to the profession of teaching is exemplary.

Martin Kessler teaches math in the School Town of Highland. He has been a dedicated teacher to all of his students for the past 31 years. His sense of humor and teaching style has withstood the test of time. He is an entertainer as much as an educator and the kids love it! Martin makes learning math fun even for students who have had difficulty in the past. Through his caring attitude, Martin exhibits a great deal of thoughtfulness towards both student and teachers. He is involved in the local Indiana Teacher's Association and always supports his fellow teachers with action, not just words.

Marilyn Qualls from the Lake Central School Corporation always puts kids first. Throughout her career as an elementary teacher she has made personal sacrifices of time and effort to make sure each child in her classroom succeeds. Additionally, as a Building Representative, member of the District Council, and part of the bargaining team, she has always represented the teachers to the best of her ability. Marilyn is a continuous source of enthusiasm for her students and others as well.

For the past 20 years, Martiann Recktenwall has been an asset to the Hanover Community School Corporation. She creates interesting and innovative lessons that inspire her students to reach their fullest potential. Martiann inspires creative thought and promotes higher level thinking skills in all of her lessons. Her colleagues know her as a dedicated teacher since she puts so much time into developing special projects for her students. For Martiann, working extra hours or creating new teaching strategies to help her students achieve is not unusual.

Sharron Thornton from Lake Central School Corporation is truly a devoted educator. Throughout her 25 years career at Peifer Elementary School, she has trained numerous student teachers. Her guidance is very important because of her methods of dealing with children and academics. She strives to be approachable and communicates well with administrators, fellow teachers, students and parents. Her special inner core of education-related beliefs and opinions are well received and respected.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you and my distinguished colleagues to join me in commending these outstanding educators on their receipt of

the 1999–2000 Crystal Apple Award. The years of hard work they have put forth in shaping the minds and futures of Northwest Indiana's young people is a true inspiration to us all.

IN CELEBRATION OF THE 150TH
ANNIVERSARY OF CARTERSVILLE,
GEORGIA

HON. BOB BARR

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 13, 2000

Mr. BARR of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, this year, Cartersville, Georgia celebrates its 150th anniversary. The beautiful city of Cartersville is nestled in the foothills of the North Georgia mountains in Bartow County, about 45 minutes north of Atlanta. The low rolling mountains, green forest and waters of the Etowah River and Lake Allatoona help to create one of the most picturesque communities in the state of Georgia.

More impressive even than its geography, is the tremendous spirit of community involvement that is obvious to visitors and long-time residents alike. To visitors accustomed to the hustle and bustle of big city life a few miles away, Cartersville and its surrounding area provide a welcome change of scenery, peace and attitude.

The Cartersville we know and love today exists because of its citizens, past and present, who have shaped its development for the past 15 decades. Before the War Between the States, Cartersville and the surrounding area was characterized by a predominantly agrarian community, along with substantial iron mining and railroad interests. Unfortunately, like many other communities in the South, Cartersville and the surrounding county of Bartow, were devastated by the war and its immediate aftermath.

However, unlike some other areas, the people of Cartersville were quick to adapt to changing conditions, and managed to fashion an economically powerful community; coupling mining and farming with a thriving industrial base. Opportunities abounded for the business climate, largely because of the work ethic of its people, and its excellent schools.

Over the decades, Cartersville and Bartow County have continued to be a magnet for top-notch businesses; such as Shaw Carpets, Goodyear Tires, Phoenix Air, Dellinger Management, Emory-Cartersville Medical Center, Glad Trash Bags, and Anheuser-Bush, to name a few. Businesses have found Cartersville to be an ideal community in which to locate. Tourism is also a major component of the local economy, and of special interest are Lake Allatoona and the Etowah Indian Mounds; evidence that Native Americans once lived and thrived in this area.

Numerous leaders in American life, outside of the business sphere, have ties to Cartersville. In addition to giving America congressmen and military leaders, Cartersville has given Georgia former Governor Joe Frank Harris and current Georgia Supreme Court Chief Justice Robert Benham. In sports, baseball and horse racing, greats trace their origin to Cartersville. Finally, in the literary field, world War I correspondent Corra Harris, and humor columnist Bill Arp counted Cartersville as their home.