

America at last! Everything so new, Letting go of the past, It's a hard thing to do. Grandpa and Grandma, My Mom and her brothers, From Poland to America, Similar stories of others.

Son of an immigrant, America, my home, A story so important, Memorialized in poem. Our ancestors from somewhere, So brave and alone, Gave a gift so rare, America, Our Home!

AMERICAN STEW

(By Sam Sanson, Bay Middle School, Bay Village, OH, Runner-Up)

Every American's favorite . . .  
One pound of potatoes and a teaspoon of Irish humor

One ounce of coconut and 3 cups of Filipino faith

Five ounces of noodles and a liter of Italian artwork

One pound of kielbasi and ½ tablespoon of Polish courage

One teaspoon of sauerkraut and a cup of German determination

Five teaspoons of soy sauce and an ounce of Chinese history

Two pounds of escargot and a tablespoon of French cooking

Two tablespoons of tea and six ounces of British etiquette

One ounce of figs and one pound of African tribal dancing

Two pounds of Korean rice and ½ tablespoon of Korean silk

We hope that you enjoy "America's Stew."  
With all of the surprising ingredients, it makes the most interesting and exciting meal of all!

DR. JOHN H. HOPPS, JR.

• Mr. ROBERTS. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to a great educator and champion of science and technology, who recently passed away.

Dr. John Hopps was a true public servant who most recently furthered the cause of our national security as deputy director of defense research and engineering and deputy under secretary of defense for laboratories and basic science at the Department of Defense. As chairman of the Senate Armed Services Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, I had the privilege of knowing John and witnessing first-hand his support of programs, projects and personnel in the defense laboratories.

Prior to his position with the Department of Defense, Dr. Hopps worked to encourage our Nation's youth in their pursuit of academic excellence, especially in this fields of physics and chemistry. As provost and senior vice president for academic affairs and professor of physics at Morehouse College, John was in a position to guide young minds and manage academic departments and multi disciplinary programs.

Immediately before joining Morehouse College, John Hopps served as director of materials research at the National Science Foundation. During his tenure with Draper Laboratory, which began in 1977, John was manager of energy program development, manager of the laboratory's fault-tolerant systems technology research program, and education director for the laboratory.

During his tenure as deputy director of defense research and engineering, Dr. Hopps made great strides in reaching out to the scientific and academic communities and in working to ensure the technological superiority of the defense laboratories and workforce who develop the tools, protective equipment and weapons that are so important to the U.S. warfighter of today and tomorrow. Under his leadership, the Department increased the National Defense Science and Engineering Fellowship Program and pursued a program and structure—Materials World Modules—he developed to connect students of all ages to the excitement and value of science.

This year's defense authorization bill contains a provision that authorizes the Department to establish a pilot science, mathematics and engineering scholarship program that will continue much of the work championed by John in his efforts for the Department of Defense and in his other positions both inside and outside the Federal Government. John's academic background combined with service in the Federal Government gave him a unique perspective on the importance of basic research for future technological advances, linkages he helped us all to make.

John Hopps' patient, deliberative manner, keen sense of humor, and compassionate approach to life and work will be missed by the many students, educators and public servants, whose lives he has touched. My deepest sympathies go out to Dr. Hopps' wife, family and friends, and to all who knew and loved him. •

SERGEANT JIM MULLEN

• Mr. BUNNING. Mr. President, I pay tribute and congratulate SGT Jim Mullen on his reception of the Bowling Green firefighter of the year award given to him by his peers at the Bowling Green Fire Department.

Sergeant Mullen has dedicated himself to helping those in need in the Bowling Green, KY area. In addition to the firefighter of the year award, Sergeant Mullen also received the Community Service Award from the department. He earned this commendation through such activities as coaching and administering the city soccer league. He has done a wonderful public service of making Bowling Green a safer and better place to live.

The citizens of Kentucky are fortunate to have the leadership of SGT Jim Mullen. His example of dedication, hard work and compassion should be an inspiration to all throughout the Commonwealth.

He has my most sincere appreciation for this work and I look forward to his continued service to Kentucky. •

CITY YEAR'S 15TH ANNIVERSARY

• Mr. KENNEDY. Mr. President, on June 4th hundreds of talented, moti-

vated young men and women will meet in Boston to celebrate the 15th Anniversary of City Year. In 1989 the first group of young people completed a year of service to their community, inspiring what would become AmeriCorps. Now, 15 years later, City Year will hold its annual meeting in the city where it began. Since then, thirteen additional cities have welcomed the young idealists in red jackets and Timberland boots who, in their own words, "are young enough to want to change the world and old enough to do it."

City Year recruits start each day with "PT," a trademark exercise routine to wake up the mind and spirit to take on the challenges of the day. They move on to challenge the apathy in the communities they serve. They spend each day tackling illiteracy, tutoring, refurbishing buildings, improving access to health care, and changing lives in many other ways.

City Year participants also work tirelessly to encourage others to serve, attracting volunteers through Serve-a-thons and special service days that focus community efforts on a particular project. They spread their love of service and highlight local problems that can be solved by working together.

"Czyzyg," their annual meeting, is a time when they celebrate service and discuss strategies to improve recruitment, retention and the quality of service. Just as they work to improve communities, they work to improve the way communities address their problems, and engage others in the search for effective solutions.

When they launched City Year in the 1980's, Alan Khazei and Michael Brown had a noble vision that spending a year in service to community could become the norm. They foresaw a domestic Peace Corps that could transform lives and rebuild communities. At the time, many thought they were impractical dreamers. Today we know they were practical visionaries and we are all proud to witness the results of their vision. Happy Birthday, City Year! •

OHIO UNIVERSITY'S  
BICENTENNIAL

• Mr. VOINOVICH. Mr. President, the State of Ohio is home to Ohio University, the first public institution of higher learning in the old Northwest Territory. This institution, my alma mater, celebrates the 200th anniversary of its founding this year.

On March 1, 1803, Ohio became the Nation's 17th State. Less than a year later, on February 18, 1804, the Ohio General Assembly approved Ohio University's charter.

Ohio University is the realization of the Jeffersonian ideals of educating broadly and cultivating minds and ideas so that people can reason out their differences. Officially established in 1804, the university opened in 1808 with three students. In 1815, Ohio University award its first two bachelor's