

Brian, who previously worked at Milne Travel and Rock of Ages, never expected to go into the restaurant business. Although Karen had also worked elsewhere—E.F. Hutton and Co. and Smith Barney in Burlington—she knew The Wayside was probably in her future.

"It was something I tried and I liked. We've enjoyed it," Brian Zecchinelli said. "We're been so active in this business that we can tag team each other."

The Galfettis and Zecchinellis have put seven additions on the restaurant over the years, and although customers have urged him to expand, Brian said the current size of 120 tables feels like the number to stay with, "a comfortable size."

He said the best thing about owning The Wayside has been the customers, who truly respond to good food. "You're only as good as your last meal," he quipped.

The toughest thing, he noted, has been meeting the bottom line.

"The challenge is keeping costs in line so we can continue to be an affordable place for people to gather," he said. Almost everything is made on site. The kitchen is large and the smells of freshly baking bread (almost all bread, except English muffins and rye, are made at the restaurant). Daily specials include full turkey meals, roast beef, maple-cured McKenzie ham and more.

On virtually any day of the week, any time of the day, the parking lot is packed, most of the cars, trucks and motorcycles carrying Vermont license plates.

Zecchinelli said his favorite moment during his years as Wayside owner was the Red Sox rally he hosted after the Sox won the 2004 World Series, noting the last time his team had won was the year The Wayside opened—1918.

"We argued whether The Wayside has been the curse or the Bambino," he joked.

The restaurant rolled back prices that day, and more than 3,000 people came in to celebrate, "mostly Red Sox fans, but some employees were in Yankee jerseys. That's OK because we're baseball fans."

What will happen to The Wayside in the future, one wonders? It's impossible to know for sure.

But, Zecchinelli pointed out, his son Jay has been working the register since he was 4.

cause our future success as a State and a nation depends on making sure that quality education is accessible and affordable.

I am also so happy to see Congress pass comprehensive product safety legislation. Inspired by the story of Jarnell Brown—a 4-year-old boy in Minnesota who died after ingesting a charm that was 99 percent lead—I have worked for the past year on authoring and promoting the lead provision of the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 2008. In the past year and a half, over 13 million toys have been recalled because they contained harmful lead, and I am proud to say that this bill finally gets that substance out of children's toys.

As one of the conferees of this legislation, I signed the final conference report that was sent to the floor today, and I have been a strong supporter of this legislation since the beginning. This legislation is the most sweeping consumer product safety reform in decades, and I am glad that we have finally voted this evening to protect our children and protect our public.

On August 1, 2007, the Minneapolis I-35W bridge spanning the Mississippi River collapsed. The 1-year anniversary of this tragedy will be recognized across my State tomorrow. I am traveling home to honor the victims and their families, and to recognize our heroic first responders. By returning to Minnesota, I will not be in Washington, DC, to vote on the adoption of either the College Opportunities and Affordability Act of 2008 or the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 2008 conference reports. Had I not returned to Minnesota, I would have voted in favor of both of these important pieces of legislation.●

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

HONORING HOOSIER OLYMPIC ATHLETES

● Mr. BAYH. Mr. President, today I pay tribute to the eight outstanding Hoosier athletes representing the State of Indiana and all of the United States in the Games of the XXIX Olympiad in Beijing, China.

Lloy Ball, a volleyball player from Fort Wayne; David Boudia, a diver from Noblesville; Tamika Catchings, a basketball player from Indianapolis; Lauren Cheney, a soccer player from Indianapolis; Richard Clayton, a baseball player from Lafayette; Mary Dunnichay, a diver from Elwood; Thomas Finchum, a diver from Indianapolis; and Bridget Sloan, a gymnast from Pittsboro, will all represent the Hoosier State as members of Team USA.

These Hoosiers have shown superior abilities, extraordinary work ethics, and unflappable determination in their quests to become Olympic athletes. The road to the pinnacle of athletic success has required thousands of

hours of demanding training over years of preparation, yet these athletes show us that commitment to excellence truly has its rewards. For some, the spoils of their sacrifice may even come in the form of an Olympic medal.

This Olympiad is the first for many of the Hoosier athletes; others have donned the colors of Team USA before. This year, Lloy Ball, a member of the U.S. men's volleyball team, will become the first male athlete from the United States to compete in four Olympic Games. Lloy's incredible feat will forever be part of Indiana and Olympic sports history, and I know our entire state is immensely proud to count him among our own.

As these eight athletes travel halfway around the globe to compete against the world's finest, they will bring with them the unwavering support of their fellow Hoosiers. The people of Indiana are fortunate to have such an exceptional group representing us at the Olympic Games.

Team USA represents the best America has to offer, and these Hoosiers will make our State and our country proud.●

HONORING JACK W. AEBY

● Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, this month marks the 63rd year since scientists at Los Alamos National Laboratory tested the world's first nuclear weapon at the Trinity Test Site in southern New Mexico. While much has been written about this test, which has changed the course of the world as we know it today, little has been written about the famous color photograph of this test the only color photograph that survived the test.

Jack W. Aeby, then 23, was assigned to Emilio Segre in the Gamma Radiation group as a technician and was permitted to bring his own 35 mm camera to take color pictures of the radiation measuring equipment. When the detonation occurred, Mr. Aeby took 3 pictures of the detonation before running out of film. Of those three pictures, one turned out to be good. Today that picture is used around the world and is found on the cover of such famous publications as Time magazine and Richard Rhodes' "The Making of the Atomic Bomb." In some cases he is given credit for this photo but never consistently due to the complications associated with our copyright law.

Mr. Aeby still lives in Espanola, NM. As he turns 85 next month, I would like to honor him and the contribution he has made to society in taking this photo to remind us of the way this test has changed the course of modern history.●

TRIBUTE TO DR. MICHAEL C. MORGAN

● Mr. CARDIN. Mr. President, Dr. Michael Morgan is a professor of atmospheric sciences at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, and a Congressional Science Fellow sponsored by the

VOTE EXPLANATION

● Ms. KLOBUCHAR. Mr. President, I rise today because I am proud to see the Senate pass two strong, bipartisan bills that will provide much needed relief to families across the country; the College Opportunities and Affordability Act of 2008 and the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 2008.

Congress first passed the Higher Education Act more than 40 years ago, guided by the principle that no qualified student should be denied the opportunity to attend college because of the cost. Today, the cost of college has more than tripled. Tuition at 4-year public colleges in Minnesota has increased 100 percent in just the past 10 years.

I believe that investing in higher education pays extraordinary dividends, I am proud to provide real help for students and their families to make college more affordable. By passing this legislation we continue our fight to gain stronger Federal support for higher education opportunities—be-