

News from Senator

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NEWS BACKGROUNDER

Senator Dole is joined by Speaker O'Neill to meet Scott Cunningham, seven, of Eight Mile, Alabama, who is the 1986 March of Dimes national "ambassador" (formerly referred to as the "poster child").

Scott was born with spina bifida and hydrocephalus, and has had 11 operations. He is partially paralyzed, but can walk with the aid of full leg braces and crutches.

Dole and O'Neill will be named honorary WalkAmerica "ambassadors" by Dr. Frank Rose, a member of the March of Dimes board. WalkAmerica will be held April 26-27 this year when more than one million persons, in 1,200 U.S. communities, walk 30-kilometers to help raise funds for the March of Dimes.