

But maybe not. Iron laws govern politics, but not the iron laws of physics. The Republicans think they've got the character issue cold, and maybe they do, but in a street fight and a presidential campaign raw courage can count for more than character.

The wizard, trembling behind the curtain, understood that. So did a little girl from Kansas.

#### IN SEARCH OF A CHINA POLICY

HON. DOUG BEREUTER

OF NEBRASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, May 10, 1996*

Mr. BEREUTER. Mr. Speaker, this Member heartily commends the distinguished senior Senator from Kansas, Senator ROBERT DOLE, for his first-rate analysis of the failures of the Clinton administration in Asia and the Pacific. The Senator's speech yesterday at the Center for Strategic and International Studies in Washington, DC, however, went beyond criticism and outlined key policy principles that would drive the policy and actions of a Dole administration in this strategic and dynamic region of the world. This Member, for one, would welcome the opportunity to serve as chairman of the Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific working with a Dole White House guided by the principles enunciated yesterday in the Senate majority leader's speech. This Member shares the concerns expressed by Senator DOLE that the "weak leadership, vacillation and inconsistency" of the Clinton White House have brought American credibility in Asia to new lows and resulted in challenges to American interests with impunity.

On the Korean Peninsula, we must put the interests of our allies first. We must hold North Korea to its long-standing commitment for North-South talks. We must work with our allies in Seoul, Tokyo, and elsewhere to formulate a coordinated response to security challenges from Pyongyang—yes, challenges—without allowing ourselves to be so focused on the nuclear issue that the conventional threat and proliferation threats presented by the North are ignored.

This Member's greatest frustration, however, is with American policy toward China. Senator DOLE said it right when he commented that "extending MFN is not, in itself, a China policy." The President needs to articulate a coherent strategy for dealing with the many challenges—as well as opportunities—presented by China and then engage with the American people and the Congress to explain how MFN fits into that strategy. We in the majority need to warn the White House that they cannot continue to hide behind us on controversial trade issues, as they did on NAFTA and WTO, to ensure that Congress does the right thing. It is time for President Clinton to make the case, to invest the time and energy necessary to convince the American people that China must be engaged, not isolated, and to take the political heat from implementing this policy.

SPECIALIST PETER NARTIA, SOLDIER OF THE YEAR, U.S. ARMY, PACIFIC COMMAND

HON. ROBERT A. UNDERWOOD

OF GUAM

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, May 10, 1996*

Mr. UNDERWOOD. Mr. Speaker, the sons and daughters of Guam in military service have distinguished themselves for more than a hundred years. A Spanish military Governor of Guam in the 19th century wrote fervently of the gallantry and dedication of the natives of Guam in service to the Spanish Navy. In this century, many American naval governors and military officers have sung the praises of Guamanian men and women in the armed services. We, in Guam, are proud of the fine record of accomplishments established by a long line of military men and women from our island.

Today I'd like to add another name to the list. Specialist Peter Nartia, of the Guam Army National Guard, was recently named the U.S. Army Pacific Command Soldier of the Year. Specialist Nartia is the first Guam Guardsman to win the reserve component competition, which was held at Fort Shafter, HI, earlier this month. Specialist Nartia joined the Guam Army National Guard in July, 1991 and is currently a vehicle dispatcher. In his civilian role, Specialist Nartia works as a storekeeper in the Guam Department of Education Supply Office. He is a 1986 graduate of John F. Kennedy High School.

Specialist Nartia will come here, to the Nation's capital, to represent the Army Pacific Command in the All-Army Command competition next month. I look forward to welcoming him and to wishing him good luck. Whatever the outcome of the competition, Specialist Nartia already has brought honor to the Guam Army National Guard and to the people of Guam.

That all may know of his contribution to the good name of Guam, I herewith enter the name of Specialist Peter P. Nartia, Soldier of the Year of the U.S. Army Pacific Command, into the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD.

NICHOLAS EBINGER, LEGRAND SMITH SCHOLARSHIP WINNER

HON. NICK SMITH

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, May 10, 1996*

Mr. SMITH of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, let it be known, that is with great respect for the outstanding record of excellence she has compiled in academics, leadership and community service, that I am proud to salute Nicholas Ebinger, winner of the 1996 LeGrand Smith Scholarship. This award is made to young adults who have demonstrated that they are truly committed to playing important roles in our Nation's future.

As a winner of the LeGrand Smith Scholarship, Nicholas is being honored for demonstrating that same generosity of spirit, intelligence, responsible citizenship, and capacity for human service that distinguished the late LeGrand Smith of Somerset, MI.

Nicholas Ebinger is an exceptional student at Jackson High School and possesses an im-

pressive high school record. Nicholas was the captain of the quizbusters team, and participated in Model United Nations. He was co-editor-in-chief of the yearbook and the youngest student ever accepted by Jackson Community College. Nicholas also excelled academically as the most valuable player on the undefeated conference championship academic team.

In special tribute, therefore, I am proud to join with his many admirers in extending my highest praise and congratulations to Nicholas Ebinger for his selection as a winner of a LeGrand Smith Scholarship. This honor is also a testament to the parents, teachers, and others whose personal interest, strong and active participation contributed to his success. To this remarkable young man, I extend my most heartfelt good wishes for all his future endeavors.

#### RECOGNIZING TRENT EDWARDS

HON. BILL BAKER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, May 10, 1996*

Mr. BAKER of California. Mr. Speaker, on June 23, 1995, Victoria A. Olivarez was in a terrible accident that left her extended through the windshield of her van. As the van became engulfed in flames, a man named Trent Edwards stopped to help. Trent is from Pleasanton, CA, a lovely community in my district. He is a retired technical school employee.

With utter disregard for his personal safety, Trent attempted to drag Ms. Olivarez through her windshield. Joined by another man, Trent was ultimately successful in bringing Ms. Olivarez to safety. Although taken to the hospital, she tragically died several hours later while being treated for her injuries.

Trent Edwards was hospitalized, as well. He suffered first- and second-degree burns to his face, head, and arms from the scorching heat of the burning van. One thing I failed to mention earlier: Trent Edwards is 80 years old.

For his remarkable act, Trent has been awarded a Carnegie Medal for Extraordinary Heroism by the Carnegie Hero Fund Commission of Pittsburgh, PA. Accompanying this award was a \$2,500 grant and the recognition due an act of undaunted courage.

In my term as a public servant, I have seldom come across any American more richly deserving of the thanks of our country than Trent Edwards. His bravery and decency are an example for all of us. I am honored to bring him to the attention of my colleagues in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD, and am proud to count him as a constituent and fellow citizen of our great country.

#### NATIONAL NURSES WEEK

HON. ROBERT E. ANDREWS

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, May 10, 1996*

Mr. ANDREWS. Mr. Speaker, this week has been designated National Nurses Week. As Congress faces several important items affecting health delivery in the United States, it is a good time to reflect on the importance of nurses to our health care system.

The issues affecting the nursing profession continue to have a profound impact on the quality of health care our constituents receive. Many in other professions seek to exclude nurses from performing duties for which they are qualified. As licensed practitioners, nurses are just as capable as other professionals of performing high quality services—often at much lower cost. We must find ways to use their talents.

The nursing profession as a whole is being besieged by reductions in public and private budgets, as well as by changes in hospital staffing policies. We must support continued funding for nursing education. We must support measures to allow nurses to practice in their own specialties rather than floating between hospital wards. Finally, we must oppose any move by health insurers to allow unlicensed practitioners to assume the nurses' role.

If we want to maintain the high quality of health care in the United States, we must examine every part of the caregiving network for savings and efficiency. I believe our investment in the education and utilization of nurses will continue to prove sound.

#### TRIBUTE TO THOMAS NAPOLITANO

HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, May 10, 1996*

Mrs. MALONEY. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to pay tribute to a dedicated professional who is deserving of our honor and respect. Mr. Thomas Napolitano has served the public for many years and, I am pleased to report, will continue to do so for many years into the future.

Thomas Napolitano currently serves as vice president of the School Settlement, a position he has held since 1992. During these years, he has also been a member of the board of directors. He is being honored today by the school settlement for his years of dedicated commitment to his community and to the public.

A pharmacist by profession, Mr. Napolitano has owned his own retail pharmacy since 1981. In 1988, however, he returned to the Williamsburg section of Brooklyn, NY, to contribute to the local economy of his hometown. He refurbished an existing pharmacy which is known as Napolitano Pharmacy and currently serves residents of Williamsburg.

The story of Thomas Napolitano is not complete without mention of his miraculous recovery from a brain tumor. In 1993, Mr. Napolitano was diagnosed with this very serious form of cancer. Through the love, support and prayers of the community and his patrons, he received the courage and strength to overcome this hurdle and return to the road of good health.

Thomas Napolitano was born in Williamsburg, Brooklyn on June 6, 1952. Raised in Howard Beach in Queens, New York, he attended St. Francis Preparatory School, and graduated in 1975 from St. John's University School of Pharmacy. In the same year, he married his wife Cathy and recently celebrated his 20th anniversary. Thomas and Cathy Napolitano have two teenage children, Thomas and Michelle.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join with me today to honor Thomas Napolitano who has served his community of Williamsburg for many years. I am happy to say that we can expect many, many more years of dedicated service to his patrons and his community.

#### TOM BEVILL'S 30 YEARS OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE

HON. GLEN BROWDER

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, May 10, 1996*

Mr. BROWDER. Mr. Speaker, Members of the House will have many occasions this year to express themselves on the distinguished career of our friend and colleague, TOM BEVILL of Alabama. TOM will be retiring at the end of this year after 30 years in the House. We all know his dedication and his sincere interest in the betterment of this Nation has meant much to many of our districts throughout the country.

Tonight, in Alabama, we are going to get a head start in paying tribute to TOM and his lovely wife, Lou, for all they have meant to the people of Alabama and the rest of the country. Many of Alabama's leading citizens will be at a dinner in honor of TOM at Bevill State Community College in Sumiton, AL.

On this special day, we pause to enter into the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD our appreciation for TOM BEVILL's high standard of public service.

#### ANDREW BURKE, LeGRAND SMITH SCHOLARSHIP WINNER

HON. NICK SMITH

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, May 10, 1996*

Mr. SMITH of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, let it be known, that it is with great respect for the outstanding record of excellence she has compiled in academics, leadership and community service, that I am proud to salute Andrew Burke, winner of the 1996 LeGrand Smith Scholarship. This award is made to young adults who have demonstrated that they are truly committed to playing important roles in our Nation's future.

As a winner of the LeGrand Smith Scholarship, Andrew is being honored for demonstrating that same generosity of spirit, intelligence, responsible citizenship, and capacity for human service that distinguished the late LeGrand Smith of Somerset, MI.

Andrew Burke is an exceptional student at Lansing Catholic Central High School and possesses an impressive high school record. He has been involved with the National Honor Society and the Eagle Scouts. Andrew was also a National Merit semi-finalist and has received numerous academic awards. He was a member of the band and the quiz bowl team. Outside of school Andrew, has been a member of the Lansing Concert High School Honors Band and has earned the order of the Arrow Brotherhood member.

In special tribute, therefore, I am proud to join with his many admirers in extending my highest praise and congratulations to Andrew

Burke for his selection as a winner of a LeGrand Smith Scholarship. This honor is also a testament to the parents, teachers, and others whose personal interest, strong and active participation contributed to his success. To this remarkable young man, I extend my most heartfelt good wishes for all his future endeavors.

#### TRIBUTE TO JOHN P. WAGGONER

HON. PAUL E. GILLMOR

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, May 10, 1996*

Mr. GILLMOR. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to recognize an exceptional young man from my district who has recently accepted his appointment as a member of the Class of 2000 at the U.S. Naval Academy.

John P. Waggoner will graduate Margaretta High School later this month after 4 years of outstanding academic achievement as well as extracurricular involvement. While in high school John has distinguished himself as a leader among his peers. He is first in his class with a 4.00 grade point average and a varsity letter winner in football, baseball, and track. In addition, he was president of the National Honor Society, participated in Buckeye Boys State and is an active volunteer for the YMCA. He is an outstanding student and patriot.

Mr. Speaker, one of the most important responsibilities of Members of Congress is to identify outstanding young men and women and to nominate them for admission to the U.S. service academies. While at the Academy, they will be the beneficiaries of one of the finest educations available, so that in the future, they might be entrusted with the very security of our Nation.

I am confident that John Waggoner has both the ability and the desire to meet this challenge. I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating him for his accomplishments to date and to wish him the best of luck as he begins his career in service to our country.

#### IN HONOR OF MAGILL PROPERTY MANAGEMENT FOR THEIR WON- DERFUL CONTRIBUTION TO THE COMMUNITY

HON. ROBERT MENENDEZ

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, May 10, 1996*

Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Magill Property Management for their wonderful contribution to the community. They will be holding a ribbon cutting ceremony on Monday May 13, 1996, to unveil 11-unit affordable housing complex at 800 East Jersey Street in Elizabeth, NY.

In 1987, Magill Property Management began work on its first property. Through the years, the business grew and flourished into a well respected enterprise. Magill Property Management is a certified minority business that strives to help the community. Angel Magill combines a strong sense of community with a shrewd business sense. When Mr. Magill undertakes an enterprise the whole community profits, not just himself.