

has been elected president and trail boss of the North American Family Campers Association [NAFCA] where she and her husband are charter members. Their journeys have taken them all over the United States, making friends wherever they go.

On March 2, 1997, Arthur and Roena celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in the vestry of Sanbornton's First Baptist Church.

Mr. President, Arthur and Roena Moses provide an inspiring example of the joys of marriage. I am pleased to congratulate them on the celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary and I wish them luck and happiness in the years to come.●

TRIBUTE TO PATRICK H. WINDHAM

● Mr. ROCKEFELLER. Mr. President, I wish to pay a tribute to an individual who, in his service as a staff member in the U.S. Senate, has exemplified the qualities we all look for in a public servant, colleague, and human being. Patrick H. Windham just completed well over a decade of service in the Senate, always in some association with the Senator of South Carolina, Senator HOLLINGS, whom he holds in such obvious and deep esteem. Pat and his family are relocating to California to begin new professional opportunities. He will be sorely missed here by a wide range of admirers and colleagues in the Senate, the Clinton administration, and the extensive circle of people and organizations concerned with the issues that Pat has been so intensely involved with.

Educated at Stanford and Berkeley, and dubbed the "Godfather of Science and Tech" by colleagues, Pat began his public service career in 1982 as a legislative assistant to Senator HOLLINGS. Two years later, Pat was assigned to the Subcommittee on Science, Technology and Space and since has served as an invaluable senior advisor on this extensive range of issues to various members of the committee. Over the years, Pat has served with strong loyalty to the Senate and dedication to the public policy interests of the country as a whole.

My relationship with Pat stems from my own service as a member of the Senate Commerce Committee, and when I became chairman of the Science Subcommittee. With Pat assigned to the subcommittee, we have worked closely for years on legislative endeavors and the issues that fall in this jurisdiction. No one matches Pat's breadth of expertise, professional dedication, and personal commitment. I feel highly fortunate to be the beneficiary of his extensive talent and contributions.

Pat Windham's involvement in science and technology policy and legislation could fill volumes. Pat was instrumental in the 1988 conversion of the National Bureau of Standards [NBS] into the National Institute of Standards and Technology [NIST]. He

strongly advocated expanding the mission of the old NBS. Thanks in large part to Pat Windham, NIST's mission now explicitly includes enhancing the competitiveness of American companies by providing appropriate governmental support for industry's development of precompetitive generic technologies and diffusing Government-developed technological advances to use in all segments of the American economy. Pat has tirelessly continued his involvement in framing NIST's role in U.S. policy in today's era of cutbacks.

Pat also contributed heavily to the development of The Advanced Technology Program [ATP] and the Manufacturing Extension Partnership [MEP]. Each of these programs grew out of real concerns over the competitiveness of American companies in the global marketplace. Created by the Omnibus Trade and Competitiveness Act of 1988, ATP encourages public and private cooperation in the development of precompetitive technologies with broad application across industries. Pat argued fiercely for retaining this successful program in the face of last Congress' attempt at eliminating this public-private industrial partnership. His dedication to these issues certainly contributed to the President's support of the ATP program, and its continued success. The Clinton administration's strong support of a program led to an increase in ATP funding in fiscal year 1997. And, today, the ATP awards almost 300 public-private partnership projects.

Pat Windham's contributions do not end here. He has been involved in technology-related projects including efforts promoting national metric conversion. He has steadfastly encouraged and promoted the translation of Japanese scientific and technological documents for use by scientists and engineers across the globe. His public policy concerns also have included legislative efforts to ensure that foreign-component parts meet U.S. standards for quality.

The Senate, and that includes me in particular, will miss Pat and his superb abilities as we address the vital issues in which he has been part. His dedication and loyalty have served as a role model for all those around him. On behalf of my own staff and myself, I offer good wishes to him and feel confident Pat will continue making a vital contribution to his fellow citizens and the country in his next chapter.

CONGRATULATING STUDENTS FROM OUR LADY OF LOURDES ACADEMY IN MIAMI, FL

● Mr. MACK. Mr. President, I rise today to congratulate some very bright and promising students from the State of Florida who visited our Nation's Capitol last week to participate in the "We the People * * *" nationwide championship on the U.S. Constitution and Bill of Rights. I am pleased to announce that students attending the Our

Lady of Lourdes Academy in Miami finished in first place.

At the 3-day competition, students demonstrated their knowledge of the Constitution, U.S. history, and current issues facing our Nation. Their diligent preparation and impressive demonstration of their knowledge propelled them to first place.

Led by their teacher, Rosie Hefferman, the following students competed on behalf of the Our Lady of Lourdes Academy: Melissa Alvarez, Sonia Borell, Jackie Chisholm, Annette Comas, Caroline DePosada, Dania Fyffe, Vanessa Harries, Jaqui Lage, Carolina Latour, Alicia Llosa, Giselle Perez, Jennifer Rodriguez, and Caroline Ulvert. I would also like to recognize the district coordinator, John Doyle, and the State coordinator, Annette Boyd Pitts.

I extend my sincere congratulations to these fine students, their families, and their teachers. They worked hard to achieve this impressive goal. Their parents and teachers long realized that education is an investment in our future and critical to our Nation's growth, and these students have acted on that sentiment. Students around the country should view their accomplishment as an inspiration as they seek to achieve their own goals.

I hope the students from Our Lady of Lourdes Academy enjoyed their experience while visiting Washington, DC, and that they will continue striving to excel in their studies. I wish them all the best in their future endeavors.●

JAMES R. THOMAS, JR.

● Mr. SARBANES. Mr. President, it gives me great pleasure to recognize James R. Thomas Jr., a civil engineer from Salisbury, MD, which I am proud to say is my hometown. Jim, who commands universal respect as a leader in both his profession and his community, will be installed on May 14 as president of the American Consulting Engineers Council.

As managing partner of the Salisbury engineering and architectural firm, George, Miles & Buhr, Jim's reputation as a dynamic and capable, yet modest, leader precedes him as he assumes the helm of the Nation's largest professional association focusing on the business interests of consulting engineers.

ACEC is comprised of 52 State and regional member organizations and represents 5,500 independent firms, which employ almost 200,000 professionals nationwide.

No stranger to ACEC, Jim served as a national director, then vice president, prior to his selection last year as president-elect. He has advanced steadily through the ranks of the organization, first with the Consulting Engineers Council of Maryland [CEC/MD], where he served in all the leadership posts, from secretary to president. His strong commitment to these professional organizations is clearly evident.

Jim has spent the last 28 years at George, Miles & Buhr, the largest civil