

of fan support, not just from residents of Delaware, but also from people around the nation and the world. They were flooded with letters and emails from states across the nation, including California, and countries as far away as Germany. Coach Mascelli also said his players received an education beyond baseball. They all handled their celebrity status with the public and the media with a maturity well beyond their years. The team's objective at the Little League World Series was to represent the state of Delaware with class and dignity. We are proud to say that the Naamans team accomplished just that.

Today, we congratulate the Naamans Little League and coaches Mascelli, Lopes, and Waters. They accomplished something that no other Delaware team has done, and they made each one of us proud.●

TRIBUTE TO HUGH GREGG

● Mr. SUNUNU. Mr. President, on Wednesday I introduced S. 1692, to designate the U.S. Post Office Building at 38 Spring Street in Nashua, NH as the "Hugh Gregg Post Office Building," and honor one of our State's most beloved and hardest working public servants.

On September 24, New Hampshire lost one of its great citizens, statesmen, and historians when Hugh Gregg passed away at the age of 85. Hugh Gregg was an alderman and then mayor of his hometown of Nashua, leading the city through a time of economic transition by bringing prosperity back to the mill yards lining the Merrimack River in Nashua after they had gone in silent in the 1940s. He was elected the youngest Governor in New Hampshire history at the age of 34, then returned to the private sector to pursue successful ventures as a lawyer and businessman. It was at this point that Hugh Gregg began to evolve into one of the most important figures in New Hampshire history.

Hugh Gregg's love of New Hampshire and politics inspired his passion for preserving, and often-times defending New Hampshire's first-in-the-nation Presidential primary. He was involved formally and informally with many campaigns over the years, and was a virtual encyclopedia of knowledge regarding the history of New Hampshire's unique role in electing Presidents of the United States. In 1998 Hugh Gregg, who is often referred to as the Godfather of the New Hampshire primary, help found the New Hampshire Political Library, which was and is the only nonpartisan, nonprofit institution in the State dedicated to politics and the primary.

Hugh Gregg held high the New Hampshire values of honesty, frankness and caring throughout a life of political, business, and community leadership. I was just one among his countless friends who turned to him for his advice and perspective over the years, re-

ceiving sound counsel often accompanied by a touch of dry wit. My thoughts and prayers go out to Hugh Gregg's wife, Cay, his son and our colleague in the Senate, JUDD GREGG, and the entire Gregg family. My family and I, and all of New Hampshire will miss Hugh Gregg very much.

Mr. President, naming the Post Office in Nashua for Hugh Gregg is an appropriate way to remember the life of one of New Hampshire's most enduring and endearing personalities. I ask that my colleagues in the House and Senate move quickly to pass this legislation in his honor.●

MAJOR GENERAL ARNOLD L. PUNARO

● Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, on October 14, 2003, at Marine Barracks 8th & I, Washington, D.C.—the oldest post in the U.S. Marine Corps—GEN James L. Jones, Supreme Allied Commander Europe and Commander, U.S. European Command and the former Commandant of the Marine Corps will officiate at a retirement ceremony for MG Arnold L. Punaro. GEN Punaro is completing 35 years of superlative commissioned service in the United States Marine Corps and is someone I have worked with both in and out of uniform for over 25 of these years. Contingent on the Senate schedule, I intend to be present and join his many friends in wishing him and his family fair winds and following seas.

Many here will recall Arnold's outstanding 24 year career in the U.S. Senate working for our former Senate Armed Services Committee Chairman, Senator Sam Nunn. He started as an intern in Senator Nunn's office in 1973, and rose to become Staff Director of the Senate Armed Services Committee. During that 24-year period he was involved in every major national security decision and set a standard of excellence and leadership that few others achieve. While he came from Georgia, I am proud to say he has been a Virginia resident for 30 years and someone with whom I worked closely during his years in the Senate.

Simultaneously, he was engaged in a highly successful career in the United States Marine Corps which he entered out of college in 1968. At the peak of the draft, he was a volunteer into a tough outfit that I know well. He was an infantry platoon commander in combat in Vietnam where he was wounded in battle and decorated for heroism.

Following active duty service, he went into the reserves in 1973. Over the next 30 years he would serve with distinction in both command and staff billets to include mobilization for Desert Shield/Desert Storm in 1990. He also was mobilized in 1993 to serve as the Commander of Joint Task Force Provide Promise, Forward, in command of all U.S. troops serving in the former Yugoslavia and in Macedonia. His command was part of a multi-national

force and provided much needed stability in that region.

He was promoted to general officer in 1994, and served as Commanding General of several major commands for 5 of his 9 years as a general. Just as he was the longest serving Staff Director of the Senate Armed Services Committee, he had the longest tenure as Commanding General of the 4th Marine Division—one of the legendary divisions of World War II Iwo Jima fame. Today this division has over 20,500 Marines and Sailors located in 105 cities and 38 states. The vast majority fought in Operation Iraqi Freedom. Under his leadership, the 4th Division's warfighting readiness was significantly improved as was demonstrated in Iraq and, upon his departure, he turned over an organization that had achieved the highest readiness ratings that DoD provides.

That does not surprise any of us who worked closely with him over the years because he was known as someone who always had a vision and knew how to get things done—both strategically and tactically. He was direct, forceful, and always focused on reaching the goal.

He was most recently mobilized—for the third time in his reserve career—for Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom as both the U.S. Marine Corps Director of Reserve Affairs and a Special Assistant to the Supreme Allied Commander, Europe. During this period the U.S. Marine Corps had the largest call-up of its reserves in their history with a 99 percent show-rate, a rapid deployment to their operational assignments faster than required and great success in combat operations. His experience and leadership were crucial in both the mobilization and demobilization phase.

During this same period his oldest son, Joe Punaro, a 2LT in the Marine Corps was serving as a platoon commander in Iraq in the same Regiment his father served in Vietnam—the 7th Marines of the 1st Marine Division. Joe worked for me as an intern in 2000 and I had the pleasure of visiting with him in Kuwait prior to the invasion. Arnold's daughter Julie is student teaching at Thomas Jefferson High School; daughter Meg is at Mary Washington College and plays on their field hockey team which is in the top ten, and son Daniel is a senior in high school and an aspiring college lacrosse player. His wife Jan has kept them all on this highly successful course.

MG Punaro has now completed two outstanding careers—one in the Senate and one in the Marine Corps. He is a superb leader, thinker and doer. He is now on his third career as a senior executive for a key Virginia company.

On behalf of the members of the Senate Armed Services Committee and Staff as well as the Senate, I want to extend our deepest congratulations and the gratitude of a grateful Nation.●

HONORING OUR ARMED FORCES

• Mrs. LINCOLN. Mr. President, in recent months I have risen on several occasions to pay tribute to the men and women who are fighting in Iraq and elsewhere in the global war on international terror. Today I rise once again to pay tribute and to honor a young man who was recently killed in action in Iraq—Dustin K. McGaugh. Dusty was killed Tuesday near Balad, Iraq. He was 20 years old.

Dusty grew up in Springdale, AR, and graduated from high school in Tulsa, OK. After graduation, he joined the Army ROTC. His father, James McGaugh, told one newspaper in Arkansas that Dusty joined the Army because he was looking for direction in life and because he “wanted to serve and be part of something important.” Dusty enlisted shortly before September 11, 2001—in fact, when the terrorist attacks occurred on that horrible day, he was undergoing basic training in boot camp. One newspaper account quotes a close friend who told of Dusty being so dedicated to his Army service that he finished his last three weeks of basic training after breaking his shin bone in a fall. Dusty decided not to report his injury, so that he might graduate from basic training on time with his colleagues. He graduated with special honors. In April of this year, Dusty’s unit—the U.S. Army 17th Field Artillery Brigade—was deployed to the Middle East. He accepted his mission with pride and served with honor.

Dusty is survived by his father James of Springdale; his brother, James McGaugh, of Claremore, OK; his mother, Marina Hayes, of Tulsa; his stepmother, Katrina McGaugh, of Springdale; and a twin sister, Windy McGaugh, of Derby, KS. I ask my colleagues to join me in extending our deepest condolences to Dusty’s family and friends.

When he learned that he would be going to Iraq, Dusty reportedly told one friend, “I believe in this. I want to serve our country.” His resolve and his commitment to his country will not be forgotten. The mission continues in Iraq, and we remain confident that Dusty McGaugh’s courage and sacrifice will have been given in a worthy cause.●

• Mr. JOHNSON. Mr. President, I rise today to honor SSG Daryl Devries of Armour, SD. Staff Sergeant Devries was recently awarded the Purple Heart for injuries suffered while serving in Iraq.

Daryl was injured when a rocket-propelled grenade struck the Humvee he was riding in while on security patrol in northern Iraq. Daryl, who is a member of the 200th Engineer Company, was sent to Iraq in April to help assemble and secure a bridge across the Tigris River.

The Purple Heart was established by General George Washington at Newburgh, NY, on August 7, 1782, during the Revolutionary War. The Purple

Heart, which is awarded to a member of the Armed Forces who is wounded or killed in an armed conflict, is unique in that an individual is not recommended for the decoration; rather they are entitled to it. Daryl joins a heroic and honorable group of soldiers who have sacrificed their own wellbeing in service to our country.

Let me also express my admiration for the South Dakota National Guard. With 750 members of the National Guard serving in Iraq, South Dakota has one of the highest rates of mobilization in the Nation. This high rate of service is a reflection of the hard work and pride South Dakota National Guard members maintain. These brave and accomplished servicemen and women regularly win national awards and rank at or near the top in National Guard performance tests and competitions. They represent South Dakota principles with remarkable distinction.

I know Staff Sergeant Devries is a valued member of the South Dakota National Guard. As the father of a soldier who has recently returned from active duty service in Iraq, I am especially appreciative of his skilled and courageous actions. This prestigious award is a reflection of his military professionalism and extraordinary bravery.

Mr. President, I join with all South Dakotans in expressing my gratitude to Staff Sergeant Devries. We are all proud and thankful for all that he has done and continues to do in the service of the United States of America.●

• Mr. JOHNSON. Mr. President, I rise today to honor SP Tyler Campbell of Lemmon, SD. Specialist Campbell was recently awarded the Purple Heart for injuries suffered while on patrol in northern Iraq in July.

Tyler, who is a member of the 854th Quartermaster Company, was sent to Iraq in April to help assemble and secure a 300-meter bridge across the Tigris River.

The Purple Heart, which was established by General George Washington at Newburgh, NY on August 7, 1782, during the Revolutionary War, is awarded to a member of the Armed Forces who is wounded or killed in an armed conflict. Tyler richly deserves this prestigious award, and joins a honorable group of soldiers who have admirably sacrificed their own safety while serving our country.

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Mr. President, I join with all South Dakotans in expressing my gratitude to Specialist Campbell. We are all proud and thankful for all that he has done and continues to do in the service of the United States of America.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Evans, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 1:16 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered one of its clerks, announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution:

S. Con. Res. 71. Concurrent resolution providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The following enrolled bill, previously signed by the Speaker of the House, was signed on October 2, 2003, by the president pro tempore (Mr. STEVENS):

H. R. 2826. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1000 Avenida Sanchez Osorio in Carolina, Puerto Rico, as the “Roberto Clemente Walker Post Office Building”.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-4643. A communication from the Chairman, International Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission’s report on The Impact of the Caribbean Basin Economic Recovery Act (CBERA); to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4644. A communication from the Chairman, International Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission’s report on the Andean Trade Preference Act (ATPA)—Impact on U.S. Industries and Consumers and on Drug Crop Eradication