

accident. They spent a few days visiting John in the hospital. John eventually made a complete recovery and the Megathlins spent some time exploring Savannah. They were intrigued.

While in the city, Megathlin visited Armstrong State College. He discovered that a new criminal justice program was in the process of being established under the leadership of Jim Witt. A few letters, phone calls, and an interview later, Megathlin was hired as one of two new professors in the fledgling program. Several years later, when Witt took a sabbatical, Megathlin was tapped to serve as interim chairman of the department.

"In those days," Megathlin recalls, "there were large numbers of students pursuing criminal justice degrees, and local and state agencies were hungering for involvement with the university and for the opportunity to work with students and faculty. They were anxious to reach out to academics to help them address some of their challenges. That was very attractive.

"It was a great time for me professionally. Career-wise, I got more involved with administrative responsibilities."

When former president Robert A. Burnett arrived, he combined the departments of criminal justice and political science into the Department of Government under Megathlin.

"Bob Burnett was good for the university and for me," Megathlin said. "He was one of those people involved in the business of administration who makes it a team effort. Over the years, I've been fortunate to work with people who make me look good."

When former vice-president Frank A. Butler created a division of academic and enrollment services, he named Megathlin as dean to spearhead the reorganization.

Contacted at his Atlanta office, Butler, now vice chancellor of the University System of Georgia's Office of Academics, Faculty, and Student Affairs said, "We were able to create a good climate for student enrollment thanks to Bill. He was a major part of the idea creating cadre."

Butler gives Megathlin much of the credit for increasing the college's enrollment past the 3,000 mark in the late '80's. "He doesn't make things take forever," Butler said. "He cuts to the chase and gets results."

Over time, new functions were added to the academic and enrollment division that didn't always form a neat fit, but Megathlin found ways to make them work. In the process, he was in position to influence many aspects of the growing university.

With the arrival of President Thomas Z. Jones, Megathlin again found himself in the middle of reorganization. To help move his vision for the university forward, Jones asked Megathlin to become his assistant for strategic initiatives.

In his new role, Megathlin can often be found in Atlanta, making AASU's case to legislators and regents for buildings such as University Hall, the Science Center, the future academic building, and the planned renovation of the Lane Library.

Forrest Lott, principle in Lott + Barber Architects, has worked with Megathlin on the construction of University Hall and the Science Center, as well as on the refurbishing of Solms and Hawes halls. "One of the things about Bill," Lott said, "is that he recognizes the skills and abilities of each of the team members and relies on them to do their part. He doesn't try to be the architect . . . That gets everyone pulling in the right direction." Lott was impressed by Megathlin's professionalism. "Whenever there was an issue related to any of the projects we worked with him on, he made it go away instantly," the architect said.

Megathlin also serves as the link to Georgia's leadership structure. "It is important that the state's leaders know what Armstrong Atlantic is all about," he explained. "To his credit, the president has made that a high priority for the university."

State Senator Eric Johnson has known Megathlin for fifteen years and has worked with him in the legislature on educational issues affecting AASU and the First District. Mention the educator and words like "gentleman" and "integrity" immediately slip into the legislator's conversation. Johnson summed up his observations by saying, "When Bills asks for something, you know it's important and you know it's been prioritized. He always knows what is reasonable and possible."

Megathlin doesn't talk much about his personal leadership style, but he did volunteer this: "You have to make things happen and not just wait for them to happen. That's probably the key to leadership."

#### TRIBUTE TO ROGER MADSEN

### HON. C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER

OF IDAHO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 25, 2003

Mr. OTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to bring to the attention of the House an individual who is truly a servant of the people, a man who I am honored to call my friend and a person I had the benefit of working with while he served in the Idaho State Senate and as a gubernatorial appointee. Almost nine years ago, Roger Madsen was named director of the Idaho Department of Labor. In that capacity, we worked closely on Idaho's Workforce Development Cabinet and later created Idaho's Workforce Development Council. With Roger's dedication and vision, Idaho has been recognized as a leader in workforce development at the national level. This year, the National Association of State Workforce Agencies presented Director Madsen with its 2003 President's Award. The award may be given to an organization or individual to recognize extraordinary service to America's workforce development system. Roger's commitment to the workforce system in Idaho is commendable, and we are truly fortunate to have someone of his caliber dedicate his life to public service. His integrity, innovation and devotion to his work and the people of Idaho set a high standard for excellence. He has become an invaluable asset for our state, and an example of selflessness that all of us would do well to emulate. I want to take this opportunity to personally thank Roger for all he has done for Idaho and its citizens.

#### CELEBRATING THE 65TH ANNIVERSARY OF CALVO'S INSURANCE, AND ITS IMPORTANT CONTRIBUTION TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF GUAM

### HON. MADELEINE Z. BORDALLO

OF GUAM

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 25, 2003

Ms. BORDALLO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Calvo family of Guam as they celebrate the 65th anniversary of Calvo's Insurance. The name Calvo has long been

synonymous with integrity, austerity, leadership, service to community, and entrepreneurial spirit. As a locally-owned small business, Calvo Enterprises has grown by never losing touch with its consumer base in Guam and constantly updating its business model to accommodate the ever-changing nature of commerce and society in Guam.

In 1938, Calvo's Insurance founder Eduardo "Jake" Calvo began selling fire and typhoon policies out of his home in Hagatna. A banker by trade, Jake Calvo built upon his rapport with the local community in securing the trust of insurance policy holders throughout Guam. By forging personal relationships with clients and exemplifying the importance of delivering meaningful products to the people of Guam, Calvo's Insurance has grown to become one of the most important and recognized companies in Guam.

The legacy of Jake Calvo has endured nearly four decades since his passing. In succeeding him, Jake Calvo's three sons, Paul M. Calvo, Edward M. Calvo and Thomas J. M. Calvo, carefully maintained the business standards of their father. Today, Calvo's Insurance is Guam's oldest and largest insurance agency.

I would be remiss not to mention that Paul M. Calvo also served as Governor of Guam from 1979–1983 and helped develop a successful formula for economic growth in Guam. He subsequently incorporated this experience in helping to develop an astute and forward-thinking business model for the family business. Now known as Calvo Enterprises, the Calvo family has diversified its positions in Guam's business sector, operating successful small businesses in local media, distributorships, restaurants, real estate, and retail.

I also want to take this time to congratulate the current General Manager of Calvo's Insurance, Paul Calvo, on this momentous anniversary. Exemplifying the spirit of his late grandfather, Paul began as an underwriter for the family business and worked his way up through administrative and management positions before being placed in charge of the day-to-day activities of Calvo's Insurance. His leadership in the wake of Supertyphoons Chata'an and Pongsona in 2002 was crucial to the prompt dispatch of insurance adjusters and subsequent processing of insurance claims throughout Guam.

To Calvo Enterprises and the entire Calvo family, congratulations! Thank you for your many years of leadership in the local business community, and I wish you continued success.

#### EVEN MORE GROUPS RALLY TO SUPPORT H. CON. RES. 330

### HON. TOM LANTOS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 25, 2003

Mr. LANTOS. Mr. Speaker, H. Con. Res. 330, the International Human Rights Equality Act, addresses one of the most underreported areas of human rights violations, the persecution of an individual solely on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity.

At our recent press conference, Martin Ornelas-Quintero, Executive Director, of the National Latina/o Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and