

missed, she has certainly earned the right to move on to the next phase of her life. The legacy she leaves behind will be difficult to match. Having been honored for her outstanding performance numerous times, it is clear that Ms. Burke has earned the respect of her colleagues within CRS, congressional Members and staff, and the larger research and policy community as a whole. Though many of them will never know her name, her knowledge and commitment to public service has affected the lives of millions of Americans. It is with the deepest respect and admiration that I thank Ms. Burke here today and wish her the best in all of her future ventures.●

LEWIS AND CLARK NATIONAL HISTORIC PARK

● Mr. SMITH. Mr. President, today, on behalf of the residents of Clatsop County, OR, I pay tribute to public servants who are usually referred to here in the U.S. Senate as nameless and faceless bureaucrats. I express my gratitude to the dedicated staff of the National Park Service staff at the newly designated Lewis and Clark National Historic Park—in particular, the superintendent, Chip Jenkins.

Fort Clatsop and the Lewis and Clark National Historic Park, which sits in the northwest corner of Oregon, serves as the exclamation mark to the Lewis and Clark expedition across this vast continent. Established in 1958, this unit of the national park system has grown to be one of the most popular tourist attractions along the northern Oregon Coast. For 46 years, this park has endeavored to tell the story of the Lewis and Clark Expedition and its impact on the settlement of the Pacific Northwest.

In preparation for the upcoming Lewis and Clark Bicentennial festivities, Chip Jenkins and his staff at the Fort have served as a driving force in planning, facilitating and coordinating region-wide efforts to help tell the tale of Lewis and Clark in the great Pacific Northwest. Along with many key members of the community, Chip's vision and leadership abilities have culminated in the recent passage of the Lewis and Clark National Historical Park Designation Act, which brings several State parks from both Oregon and Washington in partnership with the National Park Service to tell a comprehensive story of the Lewis and Clark experience at the mouth of the magnificent Columbia River. This Act was recently signed into law by President Bush on October 30, 2004.

Chip has made such an impact on the State of Oregon that the Oregon Business magazine recently named him one of Oregon's top 50 Great Leaders. Well known in his community for his role at Fort Clatsop, Chip still finds time for involvement in other local organizations and efforts such as the Astoria Children's Museum.

Mr. President, I offer my words of appreciation for Chip Jenkins and his

staff at the Lewis and Clark National Historic Park for their dedication to the public good. With the peak of Lewis and Clark Bicentennial celebrations coming in the summer of 2005, there is still much work to do. But I am confident that they will succeed and leave a legacy lasting well beyond this season of celebration. While the public servants of our many Federal agencies are often faceless and nameless to us in Congress, they are considered friends and partners in the communities they serve.●

IN RECOGNITION OF RICHARD WOOD

● Mr. CARPER. Mr. President, I rise today in recognition of Richard Wood, CEO of Wawa Inc., and to commend him and his company's commitment and dedication to Delaware and surrounding States. As CEO of Wawa, Richard Wood has instilled in his associates the wisdom to do the right thing, and this core value enables the company to place a high priority on local community involvement. I thank him for all that he and his associates have done to make Delaware a better place.

The company began in 1803 and was incorporated in 1865 as the Millville Manufacturing Company. Millville's owner, George Wood, lived in Philadelphia and brought his family to Wawa, a rural town in Delaware County, PA. The original house where his family lived had a red tile roof, and is now the site of Wawa's present headquarters, hence the name "Red Roof" for Wawa's corporate offices. In 1902, George Wood took an interest in dairy farming and started a small milk processing plant in Wawa, specializing in the home delivery of milk. By the 1960s, the grandson of George Wood, Grahame Wood, recognized the changing economic trends and had the vision to expand by selling milk in convenience stores. In April 1964, the first Wawa Food Market was opened in Folsom, PA.

One of the founding principles of Wawa is a commitment to the local communities that they serve. Today Wawa's core value of "people helping people" guides Wawa and its employees to give back to those in need. Just some of Wawa's charitable causes include support for children's health, cancer research, AIDS research, domestic violence, heart disease and hunger. A few of the organizations benefiting from the Good Neighbor program include: Food Bank of Delaware, Contact Delaware, AIDS Delaware, The United Way and The Salvation Army.

Wawa has made a tremendous difference in its efforts to raise funds to help eliminate Sudden Infant Death Syndrome. SIDS, the unexplained death of an apparently healthy infant, is the leading cause of death in infants between one month and one year of age. This deadly syndrome has impacted the lives of countless Delaware families.

Since 1997, Wawa and the CJ Foundation for SIDS have held Walk-a-Thons on the second Sunday in September. Walks are held at 12 locations in their five trading areas: New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, and Virginia. With the strong support of Wawa area managers, supervisors and store personnel, Wawa has raised more than \$1.5 million over the last 8 years. Not only have Wawa customers, vendors and associates given generously of their time to make the SIDS walks an enormous success, but countless Wawa associates volunteer to work the phone banks in New York City each year for the benefit of the CJ Foundation for SIDS Radiothon. Howard Stoeckel, President, and Harry McHugh, Senior Vice President, have both spoken on the Radiothon on behalf of Wawa and their involvement in the fight against SIDS.

Money raised at the Wawa Walk-a-Thons is used to fund research to find the cause of SIDS and to educate parents on how to reduce the risk of SIDS. Proceeds from the walks have helped volunteer grassroots SIDS organizations expand to regional professional non-profits. Thousands of families have greatly benefited from the national "Cribs For Kids" program, which receives funding from the Wawa Walk-a-Thons. This program distributes cribs to low-income families to help them provide a safe sleep environment for their babies.

Throughout all this, one steady influence has been the leadership of Richard Wood, Wawa's CEO, who leads by his example in defining Wawa's culture and values. Born and raised in Pennsylvania, Richard graduated in 1956 from St. Paul's School, Concord, NH. He went on to receive his B.S. in Commerce from the University of Virginia in 1961, and an LLB from the University of Pennsylvania Law School in 1964. After graduating from law school, Mr. Wood served as a law clerk for one year in the Federal Court of the Eastern District of Pennsylvania for the Honorable Francis L. Van Dusen. He then joined the law firm of Montgomery, McCracken, Walker and Rhoads in Philadelphia, PA. In June of 1970, Mr. Wood joined Wawa, Inc. as General Counsel. He served in various capacities until becoming President in June 1977 and Chief Executive Officer in January 1981. Richard and his wife Jean reside in Wawa, PA.

Richard serves on several boards, including the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce CEO Council for Growth, Pardee Resources Company, and QuikTrip Corporation. He has served as director for many organizations, including: Greater Philadelphia First, CoreStates Bank, N.A., Sheetz, Inc., Convenience Store, Foundation for Education and Research, Globe Ticket Company, Millville Savings & Loan Association, Overbrook School for the Blind, The Home of the Merciful Savior, The Philadelphia City Institute, Philadelphia Charity Ball, Inc.,