

The Battle for Midway would result in a resounding victory for the United States Navy. However, the battle did not end without exacting a substantial toll on the American forces. In the concluding hours of the historic sea battle, the aircraft carrier *Yorktown* was mortally damaged. Its crew abandoned ship in the shark-infested waters of the South Pacific. The sailors of the *Yorktown* were scattered about the ocean, wounded, exhausted, and oil-soaked. They were in danger of being lost if immediate assistance was not forthcoming. Seaman Lewis, with disregard for his own safety, took immediate action to save the lives of his fellow sailors by carrying buoyed lines 300 to 400 yards out to exhausted swimmers.

Uncertain whether the Japanese would strike again, all ships in the vicinity were under orders to make full speed in the event of another air attack. Despite this possibility, Seaman Lewis continued to save the lives of his comrades.

Fortunately, the Japanese did not launch a second attack, and 9 hours after the sinking of the *Yorktown*, the rescue operations were complete. Art, along with others had saved the lives of 2,270 Americans on that historic day in June, 1942.

Art's story of gallantry is not a fading memory of an aging veteran. Along with many military historians, Adm. Chester Nimitz made note of Art's bravery in his written accounts of the Battle of Midway.

Despite these facts, Art was never officially recognized for his acts of bravery. Because of the length of time since the Battle of Midway, military regulations make it impossible to award Seaman Lewis with the Bronze Star, the medal he would have received during World War Two for his actions.

While the Pentagon cannot bestow Mr. Lewis with a Bronze Star, I feel it is incumbent upon me and all Americans to make note of Mr. Lewis' brave acts. At the very least, it is important to make record of Mr. Lewis' dedication and courage. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the American people, I convey our gratitude and thanks to a true American hero, Seaman Art Lewis.

IN RECOGNITION OF ARLENE GIBEAU

HON. JIM BUNNING

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 28, 1996

Mr. BUNNING of Kentucky. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to recognize the fine efforts of one of my constituents, Arlene Gibeau of Covington, KY.

In northern Kentucky, Arlene's name is synonymous with the arts. For the last 13 years, she has served with distinction as a volunteer and then executive director of the Northern Arts Council. Through her dynamism and determination, she has helped build the council and its home, the Carnegie Center for the Arts, into the most respected showcase for the arts and culture in the Cincinnati area.

Along with all of her other activities, Arlene has also managed to find time to help run our Artistic Discovery Competition in the Fourth District. Every year she has always done a first-rate job, and I have no idea how we could have done it without her.

A dancer and musician, Arlene came from an artistic family. She established her own dance company at the age of 14 and ran it until World War II broke out. Widowed by the war, she raised her two daughters on her own until she remarried 3 years later. She eventually had two more daughters and a son.

Her children carry her love of culture. Two of her daughters are writers and one son works in movies. A granddaughter performs as a Shakespearian actress.

As an artist, Arlene's greatest strength has always been her determination that no student should be deprived of the joy of learning about the arts. When she worked at the Carnegie Center, she organized arts programs for children that really made a difference in many young lives. Over the years, word spread and kids literally walked in off the street. Arlene always found for each youngster an art project to help teach and enhance their lives.

Being married to an artist myself, I think that I understand some of Arlene's passion for culture and how the arts can enrich our lives. She has helped make our corner of the world more beautiful and enjoyable.

She has made a difference.

Mr. Speaker, Arlene Gibeau deserves our recognition and respect for all of her efforts on behalf of the arts. I know that the city of Covington and northern Kentucky are certainly all the more rich because of her good works.

WOMEN'S HEALTH ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS RESEARCH ACT

HON. ELIZABETH FURSE

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 28, 1996

Ms. FURSE. Mr. Speaker, today's introduction of the Women's Health Equity Act is extremely important. This landmark legislation holds much promise for the women of our great Nation.

I authored one piece of it, the Women's Health Environmental Factors Research Act, and will introduce it soon as its own free-standing bill. This act calls for the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences to do two things. First, NIEHS is to compile a status report on what we already know about the effects on women's health of environmental exposure and then, NIEHS is to outline a research agenda to fill in the gaps.

We need more information about the impact of certain environmental factors on women's health. Breast cancer, immune dysfunction, and other women's health issues may be partially the result of environmental factors.

Many chemicals in our environment today are compounds that mimic human estrogen. For many years, risk assessment research inadvertently excluded gender-specific problems from the studies. It is quite possible that some chemicals affect women differently than men.

We must put women's health research back into the equation.

I look forward to working with my colleagues on the Women's Health Environmental Factors Research Act, as well as the entire Women's Health Equity Act.

HONORING THE PAINTSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL TIGERS

HON. HAROLD ROGERS

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 28, 1996

Mr. ROGERS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the 1996 Kentucky Boys High School basketball champions—the Paintsville High School Tigers.

High school basketball holds a special place in the heart of every person in eastern Kentucky. This is especially true in the city of Paintsville.

The 1995–96 Paintsville Tigers beat the odds and captured the State championship with hard work and determination. The Tigers began the year with a rigorous schedule against some of the toughest competition available.

Head Coach Bill Mike Runyon and Assistant Coach David VanHoose guided the Tigers through a tough regular season which included Lexington Catholic, Harlan, and Boyd County. These regular season tests would prove critical in preparing the Tigers for their eventual showdown in Rupp Arena.

Paintsville's road to the sweet sixteen was paved with hard-won victories. The Tigers defeated longtime rival Magoffin County to win the district crown. The two teams faced each other again in the 15th region final, with Paintsville winning again.

After a trip down the Mountain Parkway to Lexington, the Tigers were ready to face Kentucky's best teams. Paintsville defeated Owensboro, Allen County-Scottsville, and Lexington Catholic to advance to the Saturday night final. The Tigers cruised to victory in the title game with a resounding defeat of Ashland.

Paintsville's team was rich in talent and size. They were led by sophomore sensation J.R. VanHoose. The 6'10" center set a new, single-game, tournament record for rebounds—breaking the old record held by NBA great Wes Unseld. VanHoose was also named the tournament's most valuable player.

Joining VanHoose were seniors Craig and Matt Ratliff, Todd Tackett and Josh McKenzie completed the Tigers' primary lineup. Other members of the varsity squad included: Danny Scott, Kyle Adams, Josh Greiner, Jason Conley, Kyle Kretzer, Devon Pack, Jeremy Watkins, Mike Short, Mikie Burchett, Mark Grim, and Eric Addington.

Mr. Speaker, the Paintsville Tigers have made the people of Johnson County and eastern Kentucky very proud. They now have their own chapter in Kentucky's renowned history of high school basketball.

TRIBUTE TO GEORGE GAZMARARIAN

HON. DAVE CAMP

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 28, 1996

Mr. CAMP. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I rise today to recognize Mr. George Gazmararian of Alma College, as he celebrates his retirement as emeriti professor of business administration. During his 30-year

career at Alma College, Mr. Gazmararian has touched many lives. He has served as an extraordinary leadership figure to numerous students who are striving to learn and grow at Alma College. He has instilled in them courage and self-confidence as they entered into the professional world. He has prepared his students for extraordinary community leadership and involvement by promoting the essential attributes of integrity, ambition, and initiative. Mr. Gazmararian has set the standards for conscientious attention to student needs, teaching the practical application of business principles and encouraging lifelong learning for his mentorees.

Through his strong commitment to educating and promoting excellence in others, he has served as an example to fellow professors and community leaders. He established long-standing relationships with his students, enabling him to serve as a motivator, counselor, and educator.

Professor Gazmararian is a great instructor and strong advocate of education. I know you will join me in recognizing him for all that he has done as he celebrates his retirement from the staff of Alma College.

THE VILLAGE TIMES NEWSPAPER CELEBRATES 20TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. MICHAEL P. FORBES

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 28, 1996

Mr. FORBES. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute and to congratulate "The Village Times" and its founder, Leah S. Dunaief, for 20 years of dedicated service to the people of Suffolk County.

On April 8, 1976, as Americans were getting ready to celebrate the 200th Birthday of their Nation, Leah S. Dunaief founded The Village Times as a weekly newspaper to cover the historic Three Village area of Long Island's North Shore. Starting off with little more than the notion that a newspaper should devote itself fully towards serving the community it covers, while always maintaining the highest journalistic ideals, Dunaief's business grew into a six-newspaper chain with a circulation of over 30,000, covering the entire North Shore area from Wading River to Smithtown.

During her 20 years in the weekly community newspaper business, Dunaief has never wavered from that original mission. While other newspapers and television news outlets may have chased sensationalistic stories in the pursuit of a profit, Dunaief's Times/Beacon/Record chain has maintained what she terms "that starry-eyed commitment to serving this community." That commitment has often meant stepping outside the traditional role of journalists as observers and becoming active participants in the events of their hometown. A recent example of Dunaief's commitment to her hometown was having her newspapers co-sponsor, with John T. Mather Hospital of Port Jefferson, the Cardio-Wise Cafe, a workshop at the hospital that taught local residents how to adopt heart-healthy lifestyles and nutritional habits.

The Cardio-Wise Cafe is just one example of the projects and involvements that have helped Times/Beacon/Record Newspapers become an integral part of the foundation of the

communities they serve. Each of the six newspapers were built by Dunaief from the ground up, growing into respected members of the Long Island, New York and National journalism community. Along the way, they have garnered journalism awards too numerous to list in full. "Excellence" is the motto of the Times/Beacon/Record newspaper company, and judging by the opinion of other journalists who have assessed the work of Dunaief's reporters and editors, "Excellence" is the word to which they are committed.

Among the many honors bestowed upon Times/Beacon/Record journalists by their peers are the National Newspaper Association's awards for Best Investigative Reporting and for Feature Photography. The New York Press Association consistently honors Dunaief's newspapers with top prizes, including the prestigious Stuart Dorman Award for General Excellence for the best overall community newspaper in the state. Other New York Press Association awards include top honors for Community Service, Editorial Excellence, Best Front Page, Best Editorial Page, Best Advertising Campaign and Best Looking Advertisement and Dunaief herself has been honored for Best Column. Additionally, the University of Missouri Journalism School has awarded Times/Beacon/Record Newspapers with its Penny-Missouri Award for Best Lifestyle Section. Locally, the Long Island Press Association has honored Dunaief's reporters and editors with numerous awards for journalistic Excellence.

After 20 years in the weekly newspaper business, Dunaief's newspapers have become vital members of the North Shore communities they serve, along the way earning the respect of readers and peers alike. In this age of rapidly emerging technologies, where news and other information are readily available via computer and the Internet, a weekly newspaper is still the only medium that can ably chronicle the happenings and define the character of an entire community. Every Thursday for the past 20 years, The Village Times has done an extraordinary job of offering its readers the kind of news, insight, and guidance that simply isn't available anywhere else. The Times/Beacon/Record Newspapers are the paradigm of what community journalism should be, garnering success and glory by always putting its readers' interest first and always striving for "Excellence."

Congratulations to Leah Dunaief and her able team at "The Village Times." May you continue to serve the community for many years to come.

CLINTON'S DAMAGE TO U.S. FOREIGN POLICY

HON. GERALD B.H. SOLOMON

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 28, 1996

Mr. SOLOMON. Mr. Speaker, I insert for the record two articles which point out the depths to which the Clinton administration has brought U.S. foreign policy. The first is an oped by Charles Krauthammer, detailing the administration's obsequious appeasement of Communist China, which seems more like a parody with each passing day.

The second is a Washington Times article revealing President Clinton's offer to help

Boris Yeltsin get reelected in Russia, in exchange for Russia dropping a recent ban on United States chicken imports. Of course, this ban severely impacted some of President Clinton's friends back in Arkansas.

What is so pathetic is that after Russia imposed this absurd chicken import ban, the Clinton administration's response was not to use our enormous leverage with Russia due to the fact that we provide them with billions of dollars of taxpayer aid. Instead, the President offered to help Yeltsin get reelected, which means making more concessions on matters of national security such as NATO expansion and missile defenses.

Mr. Speaker, China and Russia are two nuclear armed giants that grow more adversarial by the day, and this administration is doing nothing about it. In fact, they are openly encouraging this dangerous trend, and voters should do something about it this November.

[From the Washington Post, Mar. 22, 1996]

CHINA'S FOUR SLAPS—AND THE UNITED STATES' CRAVEN RESPONSE

(By Charles Krauthammer)

The semi-communist rulers of China like to assign numbers to things. They particularly like the number 4. There was the Gang of Four. There were the Four Modernizations (agriculture, industry, technology and national defense). And now, I dare say, we have the Four Slaps: four dramatic demonstrations of Chinese contempt for expressed American interests and for the Clinton administration's ability to do anything to defend them.

(1) Proliferation. The Clinton administration makes clear to China that it strongly objects to the export of nuclear and other mass destruction military technology. What does China do? Last month, reports the CIA, China secretly sent 5,000 ring magnets to Pakistan for nuclear bomb-making and sent ready-made poison gas factories to Iran.

(2) Human rights. Clinton comes into office chiding Bush for "coddling dictators." In March 1994, Secretary of State Warren Christopher goes to China wagging his finger about human rights. The Chinese respond by placing more than a dozen dissidents under house arrest while Christopher is there, then declare that human rights in China are none of his business. Christopher slinks away.

(3) Trade. The administration signs agreements with China under which it pledges to halt its massive pirating of American software and other intellectual property. China doesn't just break the agreements, it flouts them. Two years later the piracy thrives.

(4) And now Taiwan. For a quarter-century, the United States has insisted that the unification of Taiwan with China must occur only peacefully. Yet for the last two weeks, China has been conducting the most threatening military demonstration against Taiwan in 40 years: firing M-9 surface-to-surface missiles within miles of the island, holding huge live-fire war games with practice invasions, closing shipping in the Taiwan Strait.

Slap four is the logical outcome of the first three, each of which was met with a supine American response, some sputtering expression of concern backed by nothing. On nuclear proliferation, for example, Clinton suspended granting new loan guarantees for U.S. businesses in China—itself a risible sanction—for all of one month!

"Our policy is one of engagement, not containment," says Winston Lord, assistant secretary of state for East Asian and Pacific affairs. This is neither. This is encouragement.

Two issues are a stake here. The first is the fate of Taiwan and its democracy. Taiwan is important not just because it is our