

Angelo Quatrociocchi, of Cooper City, is an active volunteer at Memorial Manor, a residential home for seniors. His activities include transporting residents to activities, assisting with meals, and playing his accordion and harmonica for the residents. Angelo continued to volunteer even after his wife, Josephine, died. His commitment to the community is unwavering.

Herman Small, of Hallandale, is an advocate for the community's elderly. For the past 10 years, Herman has been developing fundraising concepts for the Area Agency on Aging. Herman also educates the community's elderly on legislation that directly affects them.

Bertha Walker, a resident of Broward County for over 50 years, devotes her time to improving the community. She chaperoned local students on field trips and has been recognized by the YMCA for her dedication to the community's youth. Her contributions to the area's youth are appreciated by all.

Benjamin Wermiel, of Coconut Creek, has been contributing his time and energy to the community for 15 years. As secretary of the elderly interest fund, Benjamin raised \$400,000 for the organization's Medivan Program. Benjamin is also the Broward coalition's representative to the Florida Health Care Campaign which seeks to provide universal health care to all Floridians. Benjamin has improved the lives of many residents in Broward County.

Florida and Broward County are fortunate to have these inspiring senior citizens who give so much to their communities. I congratulate them today and wish for them many more productive and healthy years.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL PLAYERS SAY "NO" TO SPIT TOBACCO

• Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, for far too long, tobacco and baseball have been almost synonymous. Dipping or chewing tobacco has been one of the rituals of baseball. Batters stepping out of the batters box to spit, fielders checking the pouch or tin tucked in their hip pocket, bullpen personnel having spitting contests—the fabric of baseball has been colored by the mix of tobacco juice and spit that accompany the use of smokeless tobacco.

Unfortunately, even major league baseball superheroes can't avoid the consequences of tobacco use. Players have found themselves addicted. What seemed to be a colorful and harmless ritual turned out to have a deadly undertow. Many ballplayers have had to deal with serious oral health problems caused by tobacco use. Some have lost a jaw when oral cancer invaded. Some have lost their life.

Fortunately, the tide is turning. I was involved in an effort several years ago to discourage the use of tobacco by ballplayers. It led to the banning of smokeless tobacco use in the field and in the clubhouse at the collegiate level and throughout the minor leagues.

Only the major leagues remain open to smokeless tobacco use, and even

there the glorification of tobacco is subsiding. What the players and owners have been unwilling to mandate is gradually happening through education and the example of ballplayers who have been willing to take a stand. Smokeless tobacco use is on the decline.

Equally important, ballplayers are beginning to use their positions as role models for our Nation's youth to deliver the important message that you don't have to chew or dip to be successful on the field.

I attended this year's opening day game at Comiskey Park, home of the Chicago White Sox, and was pleased to see a full-page color ad with an important message. Beneath the pictures of one star from each major league team was this message: "We Agree! Chew, Dip, or Snuff Aren't Part of Our Game. Don't Make Spit Tobacco Part of Yours! Just Play the Game."

This message was brought to the fans at Comiskey Park as a public service by the Chicago White Sox and the National Spit Tobacco Education Program, a program sponsored by "Oral Health America."

The National Spit Tobacco Education Program, or NSTEP, is a multimedia, multiyear campaign to communicate to the American public that spit tobacco is not a safe alternative to cigarettes. This year, the initiative includes television and radio public service announcements during baseball broadcasts, an educational outreach to broadcasters and writers, in-stadium outreaches to the fans including scoreboard video messages, and intervention efforts to help current players who need assistance in quitting their use of spit tobacco.

This program is desperately needed. Spit tobacco leads to nicotine addiction, gum disease, and tooth loss, as well as mouth and throat cancer. Oral cancer is diagnosed in 30,000 people annually and kills approximately 8,000 people annually.

While spit tobacco used to be used primarily by older men, boys and young men are now the primary consumers of this deadly product. In Illinois, 10 percent of junior high and high school boys have used smokeless tobacco in the past month. Across the country, nearly 20 percent of high school boys are current users of spit tobacco, and the average age at which children first try the product is under age 10.

Moreover, the link between baseball and tobacco exists not only in the major leagues, but in the little leagues as well. According to a study by the Illinois Department of Public Health, 70 percent of children who report regular use of smokeless tobacco are members of organized sports teams.

The NSTEP program is an important part of the effort to reverse this trend and help our youngsters and budding all-stars to get off to a healthy tobacco-free start in life.

I would also like to commend the Chicago White Sox for their refusal to

permit tobacco advertising at Comiskey Park.

The tobacco companies have used stadium billboards for two purposes: to promote their products to the fans in the seats and to get around the television advertising ban to pitch their products to the millions of fans sitting at home watching the game on television. Obviously, many of those fans are children—the very people the tobacco industry needs to hook on its products to maintain a steady base of customers.

Every year, the tobacco companies lose 2 million American customers. Four hundred thousand die of tobacco-related diseases and the rest quit smoking or die of other causes. To replace those smokers, dippers, and chewers, they must turn to our children, because very few adults start the dangerous practice of tobacco use.

The decision by the White Sox to forego the profits associated with tobacco advertising is an important step that helps reduce the barrage of marketing that reaches our Nation's children. Both that decision and the ballplayers' campaign against spit tobacco send an important message: that baseball and tobacco don't mix.

I applaud these actions by the players and the team, and I encourage every player and every team to follow these good examples. •

TRIBUTE TO ARTHUR AND ROENA MOSES ON THEIR 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

• Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire. Mr. President, I rise today to congratulate Arthur and Roena Moses from Sanbornton, NH, on the celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary.

Arthur and Roena were united in marriage on March 2, 1947, in a double ring ceremony at the Congregational Church in South Danbury, NH. After a motor trip honeymoon around New England, the couple made their home in Sanbornton and have lived there for the past 50 years.

Arthur and Roena raised four children, Eugene, Gail, Jeffrey, and Barry Moses. Roena Moses grew up in South Danbury. She attended local schools and graduated from Franklin High School in 1945. She worked in the Franklin Public Library, and then for Cormier Hosiery until she retired in 1985. Today she spends her time knitting garments for newborn babies, and enjoys doing puzzles, camping, playing games, and visiting with all her friends. Roena has also contributed to the arts and crafts program at the Shaker Village in Canterbury, NH.

Arthur has lived his whole life in Sanbornton. He grew up at a farm and was a farmer for 40 years. He also worked for the New Hampshire Department of Transportation [DOT] in the maintenance division 3. Arthur retired in 1985 after working for 25 years at the same Tilton DOT location.

Arthur and Roena both enjoy camping. For the last several years Roena

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