

Michigan (Mr. LEVIN), the Senator from Delaware (Mr. BIDEN), the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BAYH) and the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED) were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 34, a resolution designating the week beginning April 30, 1999, as "National Youth Fitness Week."

SENATE RESOLUTION 76—TO COMMEND THE PURDUE UNIVERSITY WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM ON WINNING THE 1999 NATIONAL COLLEGIATE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION WOMEN'S BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Mr. BAYH (for himself and Mr. LUGAR) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 76

Whereas the Purdue University Lady Boilermakers (Lady Boilers) won their first National Championship in the National Collegiate Athletic Association women's basketball tournament on March 28, 1999;

Whereas the Lady Boilers finished the 1998-99 season with an outstanding record, winning 34 games, including 32 consecutive victories;

Whereas the Lady Boilers proudly brought Purdue University its first ever NCAA championship in any women's sport, and did so with skill matched by grace and dignity;

Whereas the Lady Boilers claimed the first ever NCAA women's basketball championship by any member of the Big Ten Athletic Conference; and

Whereas the Lady Boilers have brought great pride and distinction to the State of Indiana: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate commends the Purdue University Lady Boilers basketball team for winning the National Collegiate Athletic Association women's basketball national championship.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

Mr. COVERDELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be allowed to meet on Wednesday, April 14, 1999, at 9:30 a.m. on the investigation of Olympic scandals in room SD-106 of the Dirksen Building.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. COVERDELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be granted permission to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, April 14, for purposes of conducting a closed full committee hearing which is scheduled to begin at 9:30 a.m. The purpose of this oversight hearing is to receive testimony on damage to the national security from Chinese espionage at DOE nuclear weapons laboratories.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Mr. COVERDELL. Mr. President, the Finance Committee requests unanimous consent to conduct a hearing on Wednesday, April 14, 1999, beginning at 10 a.m. in room 215 Dirksen.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Mr. COVERDELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent on behalf of the Governmental Affairs Committee to meet on April 14, 1999, at 9:30 a.m. for a hearing on the Independent Counsel Act.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

Mr. COVERDELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, April 14, 1999, at 1:45 p.m. to conduct an oversight hearing on Welfare Reform in Indian Country. The hearing will be held in room 485 of the Russell Senate Office Building.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

Mr. COVERDELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, April 14, 1999, at 2 p.m. to hold a closed hearing on intelligence matters.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND FINANCE

Mr. COVERDELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on International Trade and Finance of the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, April 14, 1999, to conduct a hearing on the "Export Control Process".

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON IMMIGRATION

Mr. COVERDELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Immigration, of the Senate Judiciary Committee, be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, April 14, 1999, at 10 a.m. to hold a hearing in room 226, Senate Dirksen Office Building, on: "The Kosovo Refugee Crisis."

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON READINESS AND MANAGEMENT SUPPORT

Mr. COVERDELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate Armed Services Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support be authorized to meet at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, April 14, 1999, in open session, to receive testimony on the status of financial management within the Department of Defense.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

STRATEGIC SUBCOMMITTEE

Mr. COVERDELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Strategic Subcommittee of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet on Wednesday, April 14, 1999, at 9:30 a.m. in open session, to receive testimony on strategic nuclear forces and policy, in review of the defense authorization request for fiscal year 2000 and the Future Years Defense Program.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

NATIONAL BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL

• Mr. ABRAHAM. Mr. President, I rise today to honor a tremendous accomplishment. Middle School South in Harrison Township, Michigan, has been selected as a Michigan Exemplary School and a National Blue Ribbon School for 1997-98.

Middle School South of the L'Anse Creuse Public Schools, was one of two schools in the State of Michigan bestowed the honor of National Blue Ribbon School by the U.S. Department of Education. This selection is a tribute to the time and effort that the parents, administrators, teachers, and students have put into building an excellent learning environment. This prestigious award demonstrates what hard work and commitment can produce.

Again, congratulations to all the teachers and students at Middle School South and the entire L'Anse Creuse Public School District. This is a distinguished award, and they deserve it. I wish them continued prosperity, and many more years of success.●

HONORING DANIEL C. TWEEDALL II

• Mr. BAYH. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize the outstanding achievement of Daniel Tweedall from Evansville, Indiana. On February 28, 1999, Daniel Tweedall was announced the fifth place National winner in the 1999 Voice of Democracy Program. For his fine performance, Daniel will receive a \$5,000 Scholarship Award provided by the Veterans of Foreign Wars and its Ladies Auxiliary.

A Junior at Evansville Central High School, Daniel submitted his winning audio essay script entitled, "My Service to America" to the Indiana Veterans of Foreign Wars Voice of Democracy contest. This beautiful essay was judged the winner from more than 1,500 entries submitted by Indiana student competitors in the 1998-1999 competition. Daniel's essay then went on to its fifth place finish in the nationwide competition. More than 80,000 students participated in this year's contest.

Daniel's moving essay described how the speech given by one of his government teachers following the drive-by shooting of the teacher's sister had inspired him to serve America as the

teacher's sister had. Daniel explained how he chose to serve America through community service in such organizations as Habitat for Humanity. Daniel wrote, "I know that every time I help the woman next door shovel her walk when it snows, serve a hot meal at the rescue mission, or simply walk down the street and smile at someone, the flame from my already burning torch warms the heart, making them want to do more for others and believe in the youth of America." Daniel now hopes he will inspire others to also serve our country through military service, public office, or community service.

After graduation, Daniel plans to attend either DePauw University or the University of Notre Dame where he expects to pursue a career in medicine. Daniel is the President of his class, the vice-president of the school's speech team, and the Secretary of the school's Spanish club. In addition to Habitat for Humanity, Daniel is also involved in the Evansville Rescue Mission and Teen Power.

I commend Daniel on his tremendous accomplishment. Not only has he won a very competitive essay contest, he has also demonstrated the finest qualities of leadership, national service, and community involvement. I hope that his example will inspire others to serve our country.●

TRIBUTE TO JIM THORPE

● Mr. SANTORUM. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to Jim Thorpe as he is being considered in the selection of Athlete of the Century. Pennsylvania has a historic affiliation to this great man, of whom a borough in Carbon County Pennsylvania is named for.

Jim Thorpe is the only American athlete to ever excel, as an amateur and as a professional, in three major sports; track and field, football and baseball.

As an amateur in track and field, Thorpe won the pentathlon and the decathlon at the Amateur Athletic Union's (AAU) National Championship Trials in Boston, prior to the 1912 Olympics. He went on to represent Sac, Fox Nation and the United States in the 1912 Olympic Games in Stockholm, Sweden, and became the first U.S. athlete to win the decathlon and the only athlete in the world to win both the decathlon and the pentathlon during one Olympic year. These athletic feats and the subsequent worldwide publicity helped to establish the viability of the Olympics.

Thorpe's major league baseball career consisted of playing with the New York Giants, the Cincinnati Reds and the Boston Braves, in which he ended the 1919 season with a .327 average.

His amateur football record was established while he was a student at the Carlisle Indian School in Pennsylvania and was chosen to Walter Camp's First Team All American Half-Back in 1911 and 1912. A founding father of profes-

sional football, Thorpe became the first elected president of the American Professional Football Association, now known as the National Football League. He was voted America's Greatest All-Around Male Athlete and chosen as the greatest football player of the half-century in 1950 by an Associated Press Poll of sports writers. He was also named the Greatest American Football Player in History in a 1977 national poll conducted by Sport Magazine.

Because of his outstanding sports achievements, Thorpe was inducted into the National Indian Hall of Fame, the Helms Professional Football Hall of Fame, the Professional Football Hall of Fame in Canton, Ohio, the National Track and Field Hall of Fame, and the Pennsylvania and Oklahoma Halls of Fame.

Mr. President, Jim Thorpe's immeasurable sports achievements have long been an inspiration to America's youth, as well as to the youth of Pennsylvania. I ask my colleagues to join with me in paying tribute to Jim Thorpe for his renowned accomplishments, as he is considered for Athlete of the Century in 2000.●

JOYCE CHIANG

● Mrs. BOXER. Mr. President, today I wish to acknowledge the life and passing of Joyce Chiang, the sister of a member of my staff, John Chiang. I extend my deepest condolences to all the members of Joyce's family and to the many friends who are grieving today over her loss.

A young woman of great talent and promise, Joyce touched the lives of many through her vivacious spirit and dedication to her community. She will long be remembered and greatly missed.

At the age of 28, Joyce had already demonstrated a strong commitment to public service. Most recently, she worked as an attorney for the Immigration and Naturalization Service. Prior to joining the INS, Joyce was a staff member for Congressman Howard Berman. She served as the Student Body President at Smith College, where she graduated in 1992. In her spare time, Joyce volunteered for local charities.

After Joyce disappeared one night in January, her friends and family began organizing to find her. They posted fliers, wore yellow ribbons, and held weekly candlelight vigils for her safe return. These vigils, which were held both in Washington and in California, were attended by hundreds of people—a testament to Joyce's ability to touch people's lives in a special way. Tragically, the search for Joyce Chiang ended with the terrible news that her life had been taken.

Joyce was a young person full of energy, intelligence, and generosity. She was deeply dedicated to improving our communities and had only begun to make her contribution to our society.

Her passing is a loss not only for her friends and family, but for all of us in the greater community in which she lived.●

TRIBUTE TO GEORGE R. STEPHENS

● Mr. CRAIG. Mr. President, it is with mixed emotions that I offer this congratulatory statement to George R. Stephens, a long-time GPO liaison to the Senate Republican Policy Committee, on the eve of his retirement. George has been a part of the Policy Committee family for so long that we've practically forgotten he's on a different payroll. In fact, his tenure with the Committee long precedes my service as Committee Chairman.

But, let's start at the beginning. George R. Stephens began his employment with the Government Printing Office in 1969, following in his mother's—and his grandmother's—footsteps. George's mother, Ella Stephens, joined GPO in 1950 as a "clerk-typist." George's first GPO job was a Linotype operator. After a short stint in the private sector, George returned to work at GPO's headquarters for about 10 years. In January of 1981, he began his 18-year service as a GPO liaison to the U.S. Senate, assigned to the Republican Policy Committee (RPC) as a printer/proofreader. The position included aiding the RPC in publishing its Record Vote Analysis, a publication the Committee has provided continually since its inception in 1947.

George has served under four Policy Committee chairmen: John Tower of Texas; Bill Armstrong of Colorado; DON NICKLES; and now myself. It must have been a challenge for a nonpartisan federal employee to work in the single large committee room that houses the dedicated, outspoken, and decidedly opinionated RPC staff, engaged in near-constant discourse about how to solve the problems of the day. To his credit, George's professionalism and nonpartisanship never wavered, yet he is accepted as a full-fledged member of our Policy Committee family. I think it's fair to say he appreciates our party's dedication to keeping government in its place—that is, good government, but not Big Government.

George has certainly been an energetic advocate for the good government work of his employer, Congress' printer. In a letter to the editor to Roll Call in 1995 responding to that newspaper's call for increased privatization of GPO services, George wrote, "... There isn't another printing company on this earth capable of producing such large jobs so quickly and with the high standards to which Members have become accustomed. Newcomers to Washington quickly learn that GPO prints and delivers the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD and the Federal Register on a daily basis. They also learn that its ability to have printed bills and other documents available within hours of their drafting is essential to the