

Safety Council's announcement that AK Steel Chairman and CEO Dick Wardrop Jr. has been selected as the inaugural recipient of its Green Cross for Safety Medallion. The National Safety Council is a non-government, non-profit international membership organization dedicated to promoting safety, health, and environment quality in the nation's workplaces. Their award is presented annually to the American corporate leader who has demonstrated a longstanding commitment to workplace safety and corporate citizenship. NSC President and CEO Gerald Scannell recognized AK Steel as one of the nation's leaders in creating and maintaining a safety culture throughout the company; as well as communicating its commitment to safety to its shareholders and the public, and making safety a core value within the AK Steel organization.

Forbes Magazine, in its January 11, 1999 issue, named Dick Wardrop to its "Platinum List" for leadership in steering AK Steel to its position as the best-performing company in the metals industry. AK Steel has also been named to the Fortune 500 list, Fortune Most Admired Companies list, Industry Week's 100 Best Managed Companies in the World list and the Cleveland Plain Dealer 100. Wardrop joined AK Steel in 1992 and was instrumental in turning the troubled firm, then known as Armco Steel Company, L.P. into one of the country's most successful steel companies. AK Steel has led the steel industry in operating profit per ton, a key industry measurement, for more than six consecutive years. Since 1992, AK Steel's financial performance has been as much as four times higher than the industry average. AK steel could not have reached such a high standard without the dynamic leadership and personal commitment to being "first in safety," the consistent message of the company's top officer, Mr. Wardrop.

In addition to his zero injury and injury prevention policy, Mr. Wardrop has led AK Steel as the nation's leader in quality of life for its plant environment and corporate grants and donations to the community. AK Steel has its headquarters in Middletown, Ohio and has about 11,000 employees in plants and offices in Middletown, Coshoccon, Mansfield, Warren and Zanesville, Ohio; Ashland, Kentucky; Rockport, Indiana; and Butler, Sharon and Wheatland, Pennsylvania.

Mr. Dick Wardrop Jr. is a true leader whose hard work and dedication should serve as an example for us all. Every American should aspire to this kind of enthusiastic commitment to service. I am proud to know and represent a person like Mr. Wardrop and AK Steel Congress. As Mr. Scannell said, "Dick Wardrop has set an extremely high standard of corporate citizenship against which all future nominees will be judged."

#### HONORING SHIRLEY MOTLEY PORTWOOD

#### HON. JOHN SHIMKUS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, September 13, 2000*

Mr. SHIMKUS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a local author, Shirley Motley Portwood, from Godfrey, Illinois.

Ms. Portwood is a history professor at Southern Illinois University and recently

penned her first book, "Tell us a Story: An African-American Family in the Heartland." What started as a personal project of collecting stories for her grandchildren soon snowballed into a collage of stories about her family growing up in southern Illinois.

I am thankful to Shirley for reinforcing the value of sharing one's family heritage with the younger generation. For it is our history that teaches us the greatest lessons in life.

#### HONORING WAYNE MOOREHEAD

#### HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, September 13, 2000*

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, it is with great sadness that I take this moment to celebrate the life of Wayne Moorehead. After an extensive battle with heart disease, Wayne passed away in his sleep at the age of 84. While friends and family remember this accomplished journalist, I too would like to pay tribute to this great American.

Wayne brought a smile to everyone he came in contact with. His infectious laugh and great sense of humor will be greatly missed. Wayne is, to say the least, a celebrity in southern Colorado, leaving an impression upon many that he came into contact with. Karen Maas-Smith, from a recent article by Charlie Langdon in the Durango Herald, said this about Wayne: "When I heard of his passing, I instantly missed him, but I can't reflect on him without smiling. His laughter was his greatest gift. He himself was a gift to the planet."

Wayne always found a way to find something positive out of every situation he was in. His sense of humor helped to ease tensions in the news rooms and press meetings where he spent most of his professional life.

Wayne's love for life and his fellow man was obvious in his every action. No matter the difficulty of the situation, he always seemed to find a way to get through it with a smile. His illuminating persona will be greatly missed by the community of Durango.

Wayne was a great journalist and a great friend of Colorado.

#### CLEAN WATERS AND BAYS ACT OF 2000

SPEECH OF

#### HON. JIM SAXTON

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 12, 2000*

Mr. SAXTON. Mr. Speaker, I want to commend my colleagues on the Transportation Committee for bringing this measure before the House. Earlier today the House adopted our colleague WAYNE GILCHREST'S Estuary Habitat Restoration bill. That bill provides an additional source of funds from the Corps of Engineers, in consultation with other Federal agencies, to restore the environmental health of our estuaries. As you know, most of the major estuaries in the United States have prepared plans under National Estuary Program to conserve and manage important estuary resources. Unfortunately, funds to implement

those plans, particularly the expensive restoration components have been hard to come by. WAYNE'S bill, in conjunction with provisions that I authored which are also included in this package, will help address that problem.

The provisions that I originally introduced as H.R. 1237 were passed by the House in May, and I am glad to see that they are again included in this estuary package. H.R. 1237 authorizes the funds to implement, in addition to just prepare, National Estuary Program plans. This is particularly important in my district where the Barnegat Bay Estuary is surrounded by a densely populated area. This high volume of land and water use makes wise and active management essential to protect and preserve the estuary's important ecological values. The Barnegat Bay Estuary Program has prepared a plan that I believe is up to the task of wise and active management, but only if it is implemented. Passage of this legislation, including H.R. 1237, is needed to assure that funds for implementation are available.

I also commend the Committee for including in this package the Chesapeake Bay Program reauthorization provisions written by our late friend from Virginia, Herb Bateman. The Chesapeake Bay defined his congressional district, and it is only right that we make sure his bill becomes law this year.

Estuaries fuel the growth of our fisheries and provide us with many recreational opportunities. However, the qualities that make them so special must be actively and aggressively guarded. This bill gives the tools we need to provide that protection. I urge my colleagues to support it this evening.

#### HONORING THE INDIAN TEACHER EDUCATIONAL PERSONNEL PROGRAM AT HUMBOLDT STATE UNIVERSITY

#### HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, September 13, 2000*

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, today I recognize the 30th anniversary of the Indian Teacher and Educational Personnel Program (ITEPP) at Humboldt State University in Arcata, California. Since its establishment, ITEPP has trained hundreds of students for successful careers serving Native American communities across the nation.

ITEPP was the nation's first Indian teacher-training program created to address the dropout rate of American Indian students. It originated from the vision of tribal leaders and educators who believed Native students would respond better to Native teachers who were not only able to teach the basic academic public school curriculum, but could maintain the tribal and cultural identities of their students. In the mid-80s the program expanded to include training for other educational personnel such as social workers, administrators, guidance counselors, and tribal service professionals.

Students from across the nation representing numerous tribes have participated in the program. Over ninety percent of the students have graduated and the program has a one hundred percent employment rate. With this measure of success ITEPP has also become a model for other Native teacher-training

programs throughout our nation as well as Canada and Australia.

Mr. Speaker, it is appropriate that we honor the accomplishments of the Indian Teacher and Educational Personnel Program on the occasion of its 30th anniversary and honor the hard work and dedication of its graduates who have furthered education and served their community.

IN HONOR OF THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF ST. PROCOP LADIES' GUILD

**HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, September 13, 2000*

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of the valuable services to the community which the St. Procop Ladies' Guild has provided throughout its 25 year history.

The organization, founded in September of 1975, prides itself on serving the needs of the local community. It has maintained an outstanding commitment to the achievement of this task. St. Procop Ladies' Guild organizes a wide range of fundraising events with the aim of invoking an atmosphere of community spirit and inclusivity. These events include monthly card parties, bake sales, craft shows, and pancake breakfasts.

Such events are designed with the aim of providing aid for the less fortunate members of our community. The parish organizes a weekly meal program for the needy. Their commitment to such noble causes should receive due recognition and respect. In addition, the parish organizes a variety of social and spiritual events which add immeasurably to the vibrancy and vitality of community life.

A community benefits when its residents reach out to one another, to lend a hand during a time of need. The enduring commitment of the St. Procop Ladies' Guild reflect the finest level of love and caring for their community. On behalf of the Greater Cleveland Community, I extend my sincere gratitude for their good works.

My fellow colleagues, I rise today in honor and recognition of the St. Procop Ladies' Guild and their valuable contribution to community life.

HONORING KEITH CLARK

**HON. SCOTT MCINNIS**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, September 13, 2000*

Mr. MCINNIS. Mr. Speaker, it is with profound sadness that I ask for this moment to celebrate the life of Keith Clark. Keith was a model citizen and a highly respected educator in Grand Junction, Colorado. Keith left an indelible impression upon many he came in contact with and he will be deeply missed.

Keith grew up during the Great Depression where hard work wasn't an option, it was part of everyday life. Keith took these values to heart, serving his country with distinction in World War II as a B-52 pilot. After returning States side, Keith finished his formal education, an education that would ultimately lead

to a career that would have an immense impact upon thousands of Colorado's youth.

After receiving his education from Mesa State College, and his teaching certificate from the University of Northern Colorado, Keith began his illustrious teaching career. For nearly 30 years, he ensured that Grand Junction's youth understood the importance of knowledge and learning. His techniques and style were at times considered unconventional, but for many students, Keith's unorthodox approach sparked an intellectual curiosity that would remain with them for the rest of their life.

Larry Beckner summed up the incredible impact that Mr. Clark had upon his life in an article by Rachel Sauer in The Grand Junction Daily Sentinel: "He instilled in me the belief that whatever is out there, I can do it. That was the attitude that he had and the attitude I picked up from him." Keith taught students to realize the importance of life and how to appreciate it. He also helped young people to learn the value of being a student. Beckner also had this to say: "He turned me around from being just a person in school to being a student. He opened my eyes to community involvement, to political issues and he made me a student."

Keith Clark exemplified the ideals of what it means to be an American. He fought to protect this country's highest ideals during World War II and he worked tirelessly to promote the importance of a good education to his students. Both at home and abroad, Keith was a genuine American hero.

Mr. Speaker, at this time I would like to extend my condolences on behalf of the State of Colorado and the U.S. Congress to the family of a true American patriot, Keith Clark. Keith touched the lives of thousands of people. Though he is gone, his proud legacy will live on in the family, friends and students who were blessed to know him.

LITERACY INVOLVES FAMILIES TOGETHER ACT

SPEECH OF

**HON. RON KIND**

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 12, 2000*

Mr. KIND. Mr. Speaker, as a member of the Education and Workforce Committee, I rise in support of this family literacy measure, and to applaud the leadership of Chairman GOODLING as he finishes a long and distinguished career both on our committee and in this chamber.

I am particularly pleased to support the LIFT Act because earlier this year, an organization in my Congressional District received an award from the Secretary of Education proclaiming it as an outstanding program in adult literacy services.

The Chippewa Valley—Literacy Volunteers of America has been providing family literacy services in the Eau Claire area for nine years. In general, Even Start—Family Literacy programs provide "four legs" of support in helping families who face unique education challenges. Using Even Start—Family Literacy seed money, the Chippewa Valley Literacy Volunteers have been able to provide services for (1) early childhood, (2) adult education, (3) parenting education, and (4) parent and children relationships.

The community in which this group operates has a large Hmong population, who have been especially well-served by this program through both English-as-a-second-language classes and parent-child development assistance. The Chippewa Valley group has also been successful in assisting families move from welfare to work.

In fact, Wisconsin is home to a variety of such programs that have successfully used Even Start money as seed funding while developing funding mechanisms from local community sources as well as other federal programs.

Even Start provides the kind of services we should all like to see enacted in our communities; services that we as federal policy makers should be proud to assist. These are comprehensive, integrated efforts to help whole families, and to assist the most needy in our communities reach self-fulfillment and self-sufficiency.

I am pleased Chairman GOODLING pursued bipartisan support for this bill in an effort to give our communities effective, useful resources to help families.

In closing, I must also say that I am pleased to have served with Chairman GOODLING on the Education and Workforce Committee. I always appreciate his fairness and no-nonsense approach to committee business. I hope this body as a whole will honor the legacy of my friend from Pennsylvania and strive to pass effective, quality education legislation.

A TRIBUTE TO KITTY CARLISLE HART

**HON. NITA M. LOWEY**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, September 13, 2000*

Mrs. LOWEY. Mr. Speaker, today I express my great admiration for Kitty Carlisle Hart, an extraordinary actress, singer, advocate, and community leader who this year celebrates her ninetieth birthday.

Kitty Carlisle Hart's contributions to the arts have been remarkable. She first appeared on Broadway in "Champagne Sec," made her debut with the Metropolitan Opera as Prince Orlofsky in "Die Fledermaus," "and starred in the American premiere of Benjamin Britten's "Rape of Lucretia."

Her career on film has been equally impressive, including roles in "A Night at the Opera," "She Loves Me Not," "Here Is My Heart," "Radio Days," and "Six Degrees of Separation."

Millions of Americans know and love Kitty Carlisle Hart from her fifteen year run as a witty and endearing, panelist on "To Tell The Truth." Her sparkling personality helped make that program a national phenomenon.

In New York, Kitty Carlisle Hart has distinguished herself as one of our most valuable citizens. She chaired the New York State Council on the Arts, which supports countless cultural activities, and worked with Nelson Rockefeller to expand opportunities for women. Kitty Carlisle Hart has also devoted her time and energy to a variety of educational institutions and museums, always infusing her work with a passion for the creative spirit.

For these efforts and many others, Kitty Carlisle Hart was awarded the National Medal of Arts by President George Bush in 1991.