

category, the outstanding achievements KELO-TV made in its "Tradition of Caring" public service announcement led them to be chosen as first among four national finalists at the presentation of the Emmy awards in New York City.

The "Tradition of Caring" public service announcement culminates three outstanding years of active community involvement by all of KELO-LAND TV's employees on behalf of over twenty charitable organizations. The purpose of their public service campaign was to facilitate employee and community involvement in local causes. To effectively implement their campaign, employees were divided into teams based on similar interests with each team focusing on a particular organization within the community. Their personal approach to public service has not only won them an Emmy, but it has significantly helped organizations throughout South Dakota gain positive exposure and financial assistance.

KELO-LAND TV richly deserves this distinguished award. It is an honor for me to share with my colleagues KELO-TV's exemplary leadership and strong commitment to both the development and enhancement of South Dakota's local communities through public service. I strongly commend their advancements in the television industry, and I am very pleased that their substantial efforts have found such extraordinary success.●

TRIBUTE TO DR. EMMETT O. TEMPLETON

● Mr. SHELBY. Mr. President, I rise today to honor Dr. Emmett O. Templeton of Birmingham, Alabama who recently received the American College of Radiology's (ACR) Gold Medal. Dr. Templeton currently chairs the department of radiology at Montclair Baptist Medical Center in Birmingham and continues to faithfully serve the community.

Dr. Templeton is an extraordinary individual who, as Chairman of the board of Chancellors of the American College of Radiology, made a lasting impression on Members of Congress by his straight-talking style. He served his specialty, radiology, and the nation's public policy in health by dealing with problems head-on and working to find solutions. Dr. Templeton has been an asset to all of us in Congress and is deserving of the ACR Gold Medal which recognizes his marvelous achievements.

In addition, I have included the remarks made in the ACR Bulletin about Dr. Templeton and why he has been awarded the Gold Medal.

EMMETT O. TEMPLETON, M.D.

At 53, Emmett "Neal" Templeton, M.D., is one of the youngest recipients of the ACR Gold Medal. A unique and talented radiologist, Dr. Templeton is perhaps best known for his outstanding contributions and dedicated service to the college. Never one to

toot his own horn, Dr. Templeton's unassuming manner, excellent intermediary talents and astute guidance have earned him the widespread respect of his peers. He has played a significant role in the advancement and success of the ACR and has been an inspiration to many of his colleagues in the southeast.

An ACR Fellow, Dr. Templeton became actively involved with the ACR fewer than 15 years ago, yet has served on more than 20 commissions and committees and participated for several years on many of them. The wide range of committees he has assisted is a reflection of his avid interest in all aspects of radiology, including accurate coding, practice matters and relationships with clinics and hospitals.

"Neal is an unusually bright and charismatic individual, which is immediately evident to those he meets. It is the reason he has so frequently been chosen for leadership," says Milton Gallant, M.D., director of radiology at The General Hospital Center at Passaic in New Jersey. "Leadership opportunities, coupled with unusual statesmanship and hard work, have resulted in his endeavors being uniformly successful."

Dr. Templeton has selflessly shared his time and counsel in ACR leadership roles, beginning as vice chair for the Commission on Radiologic Practice, The Commission on Economics, the Committee on State and Economic Legislation of the Commission on Economics, the Committee on Coding and Nomenclature and the Commission on Government Relations have all benefitted from his direction as chair. From 1992 to 1994, he served as vice chair of the Board of Chancellors. The following two years he served as chairman of the board while also serving as chairman of the Commission on Government Relations. In 1996 he was elected ACR president.

Bibb Allen Jr., M.D., one of Templeton's partners at Birmingham Radiological Group, saw firsthand the sacrifices Templeton willingly made during his tenure on the Board of Chancellors. "Neal spent the vast majority of his personal time away from the hospital conducting the business of the college," Allen says. "All radiologists have benefitted from Neal's leadership and skill."

Dr. Templeton is also a member of the Radiology Residency Review Committee, the AMA Practice Expense Advisory Committee, AMA-CPT Editorial Panel, the Government Relations Oversight Committee and the Practice Expense Advisory Committee panel.

His effective management style has made him an accomplished mediator. He is well known for his concern and support for technologists, office managers and office staff, recognizing the importance of their role in the practice of radiology. According to Barbara E. Chick, M.D., past councilor, chancellor and vice president of the ACR, "His availability to meet with anyone, at any time, to help problem-solve was a great asset to the field of radiology when the 'turf' battles were so common." Chick adds, "I believe his keen insight has been beneficial to many practices in their marketing and reimbursement activities."

Templeton has a unique knowledge of radiologic practice and economic matters. He has been appointed to the boards of HMO and PPO organizations as a result of the model hospital and imaging center practices he has demonstrated in his own practice. One of the highlights of his career was his stewardship of diagnostic imaging centers as an alternative to private office or hospital practice. He was an early expert in this concept during a time when the recognition of radiologists as "physicians" was not unequivocal.

Currently chair of the department of radiology at Montclair Baptist Medical Center,

Birmingham, Ala., Templeton earned his medical degree from the University of Alabama in 1973 and completed his internship and residency at the University of Alabama's hospitals and clinics. Even after achieving the highest positions in the ACR, he continues to serve the college and radiology "in the trenches."

Michael A. Sullivan, M.D., associate chairman of the department of diagnostic radiology at Ochsner Clinic in New Orleans, sums up Templeton's character nicely: "Neal is a wonderful individual who is forthright, honest and hard-working. He exemplifies the term 'involved radiologist.'"●

HONORING HARCUM COLLEGE'S 85th ANNIVERSARY

● Mr. SANTORUM. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize the 85th anniversary of Harcum College. The Harcum Post Graduate School was opened by Edith Hatcher, a talented concert pianist, and her husband Octavius Marvin Harcum. Together they chose a venture that would combine her "talents as an educator and artist and his business vision and ability." Harcum College opened its doors on October 1, 1915 in Melville Hall, with three students and five pianos.

In its early years, Harcum was a preparatory school, giving students the skills needed to attend college. Mr. Harcum was the first President, but when he died tragically in a car accident in 1920, Edith assumed the Presidency. She remained in that position for more than 30 years. The college continued to grow, yet it was a proprietary institution and faced financial difficulties. In 1952 it could no longer be run as a profitable enterprise; Edith declared bankruptcy.

The Junto Adult School was a non-profit educational corporation founded by Benjamin Franklin. It purchased the assets of Harcum and decided to use it as a two-year college for women. Philip Klein assumed leadership, and in 1955, Pennsylvania granted Harcum permission to be the first junior college in the Commonwealth's history to confer the Associate of Arts and Science degrees.

Throughout the years, tremendous expansion of facilities has occurred yet Harcum remains committed to its original philosophies. Harcum College embraces a value system based on four principles: a respect for and appreciation of diversity; the ability to make sound ethical and moral choices; the need to take responsibility for self and others; and a commitment to lifelong learning. All members of the Harcum community are committed to the success of one another.

Harcum College has always placed learning first and is committed to providing individualized educational experiences for a diverse community of learners. Harcum educated students in the arts and occupational skills, and in Mrs. Harcum's words, the college respected each student as an "individual with personal needs, interests, aptitudes, and aspirations."

I commend Harcum College for its accomplishments and commitment to education. Harcum has faced many challenges over the years, and I congratulate the institution as it remains an outstanding educational facility.●

2000 NATIONAL DISTINGUISHED PRINCIPALS AWARD

● Mr. MURKOWSKI. Mr. President, I would like to take a moment to congratulate an exceptional elementary school principal, Mr. Karl Schleich of Wasilla, Alaska. He is the 2000 recipient of the National Distinguished Principals Award for Alaska.

The National Distinguished Principals Program (NDP) was established in 1984 as an annual event to honor elementary and middle school principals who set the pace, character, and quality of the education children receive during their early school years. The program is jointly sponsored by the U.S. Department of Education and the National Association of Elementary School Principals (NAESP). It calls attention to the fundamental importance of the school principal in achieving educational excellence for pre-kindergarten through eighth grade students.

Mr. Schleich's reputation for getting things done was established in southeast Alaska when, in his first position as an educational leader, he oversaw the creation of a grade 6-8 middle school in a former grade 7-12 building and then founded a regional association to support others making similar transitions. As an assistant principal, he helped model a middle school program that received statewide and national attention. In his role as principal at Snowshoe Elementary School, he has boosted school improvement efforts, developed and trained staff in schoolwide assessments of writing, reading comprehension, and early literacy skills, as well as portfolios of children's work. Karl Schleich is commended by his colleagues for his uncommon interpersonal skills and energy that he has demonstrated in his 12 years as a principal.

Our Nation's future depends on today's educators. Currently, 40 percent of America's 4th graders read below the basic level on national reading tests. On international tests, the nation's 12th graders rank last in Advanced Physics compared with students in 18 other countries. And one-third of all incoming college freshmen must enroll in a remedial reading, writing, or mathematics class before taking regular courses. This country is in need of more devoted and talented educators. I commend Mr. Schleich for his hard work and dedication to our children. He is educating those who will lead this country in creating, developing, and putting to work new ideas and technology.●

TRIBUTE TO CAPTAIN JOSEPH E. BAGGETT

● Mr. HUTCHINSON. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize and honor Captain Joseph E. Baggett, Judge Advocate General's Corps, United States Navy, upon his retirement after twenty-nine years of devoted, active duty service in our great nation's Navy.

Captain Baggett was born into a military family. The son of a career enlisted Marine, Captain Baggett grew up in the presence of the United States Navy in such diverse locations as Naval Air Station Pensacola, Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, and the United Kingdom. Raised with the values of Honor, Courage, and Commitment, and with a family tradition of service, it only made sense that he too would pursue a military career.

Captain Baggett graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Tulane University in May 1971, and entered the Navy through Tulane's Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps. At that time Captain Baggett raised his hand and took his oath to support and defend the Constitution. In the years since that day he has devoted indeed all of his great energy, talent, and intellect to that task. He has been steadfast in his covenant to this nation and his devotion to those with whom he has served. An illustrious career gives eloquent testimony to his service to our country and to our Navy's legal community.

After two tours as a Supply Corps officer, including service onboard USS *Rich* (DD-820), he entered the Navy's Law Education Program and commenced the study of law at Tulane University. After earning his Juris Doctor degree in 1977, his first tour of duty as a Navy Judge Advocate was at Naval Legal Service Office, Jacksonville, Florida where he served as a formidable military prosecutor tirelessly pursuing justice on behalf of the Navy.

Captain Baggett's subsequent tours demonstrate his exceptional talent for international and operational law, his unsurpassed academic credentials, and his desire to serve the Fleet wherever required. In such diverse assignments as Commander Middle East Force onboard USS *LaSalle* (AGF-3) and USS *Coronado* (AGF-11), Commander Iceland Defense Force, and Commander Sixth Fleet, serving onboard USS *Belknap* (CG-26) and USS *Iowa* (BB-61), Captain Baggett's legal acumen and diplomatic skill repeatedly helped safeguard America's Interests and project America's presence in these often complex areas of the world. Interspersed were tours in Navy's Office of Legislative Affairs, the International Law Division of the Office of the Judge Advocate General, and the University of Miami where he earned a Masters of Law degree in Ocean and Coastal Law.

With his vast experience with forward-deployed, operational forces, Captain Baggett was able to quickly contribute to a number of vital, National-level issues in subsequent Washington staff assignments, including tours on

the Joint Staff's Strategic Plans and Policy Directorate, as Deputy Assistant Judge Advocate General for International Law, and as the Defense Department Representative for Ocean Policy, where he was pivotal in developing United States policy on a variety of issues, including issues involving the newly formed Russian Federation. With this comprehensive top-level, international legal perspective, Captain Baggett was the obvious choice to become the Counsel for National Security to the Deputy Attorney General of the United States.

Returning to the Fleet as the Senior Staff Judge Advocate for the Commander in Chief, U.S. Atlantic Fleet, Captain Baggett was a major influence in high-level decisionmaking related to all aspects of Fleet operations, including environmental coordination and enforcement, rules of engagement, medical law, military justice, and the legal aspects of shore activity management. Captain Baggett's subsequent tour as the Commanding Officer of the Navy's flagship Naval Legal Service Office, in Norfolk, Virginia, demonstrated once again his exceptional leadership skills. Here he mentored the young men and women of the Navy's legal community about the operational imperatives of the Navy, and constantly stressed the paramount need to serve the Fleet.

Captain Baggett's wealth of expertise of Navy won him the assignment as Director of the Legislation Division in the Navy's Office of Legislative Affairs. In this capacity his consistent sound judgment and flawless tact ensured Navy issues were properly conveyed to Senate Committees and Subcommittees.

Standing beside this officer throughout his career has been his wife Suzanne, a lady to whom he owes much. She has been his key supporter, devoting her life to her husband, to their two sons, Merritt and Graham, and to the men and women of the Navy family. She has traveled by his side for these many years. Her sacrifice and devotion have served as an example and inspiration for others.

With these words before the Senate, I seek to recognize Captain Baggett for his unswerving loyalty to the Navy and the Nation. The Department of the Navy and the American people have been served well by this dedicated naval officer. He will be missed. He has left the Navy better prepared to face the challenges and opportunities of the 21st century. We thank him and wish Joe, and his lovely wife Suzanne, fair winds and following seas as they continue forward in what will most assuredly remain lives of service to this Great Nation.●

EDWIN J. KUNTZ

● Mr. BURNS. Mr. President, I rise today to announce the passing of an outstanding leader in the agriculture community of Montana. I first met Ed