

Flint Cultural Center Corporation, chair of the Genesys Health Board of Trustees, chair of the Genesee Area Focus Council, the chair of the 1999 United Way Campaign for Genesee County. In addition, he is active on the Board of Regents of Baker College of Flint, the Board of Directors of the United Way of Genesee and Lapeer Counties, the Community Foundation of Flint, and the Hundred Club of Flint.

Part of Roger's tradition of service is reflected in his vision for the Flint Journal. The Flint-C.A. Durand Lodge will take this opportunity to commend him for the voice he has provided to civic and cultural groups. Through the Community Calendar feature and human interest articles, Roger has demonstrated a willingness to spotlight programs and individuals that often are overlooked in the barrage of daily news items.

Mr. Speaker, I ask the House of Representatives to join me in congratulating Roger Samuel. I have known him since he arrived in Flint and I respect his judgment, his advice, his business acumen, his compassion, and his sense of responsibility to his community. The Flint-C.A. Durand Masonic Lodge is to be commended for recognizing and honoring Roger Samuel's generosity to the Flint area.

HONORING DR. ROBERT DUNN OF CUMMING, GEORGIA

HON. BOB BARR

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 9, 2002

Mr. BARR of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, Dr. Robert Dunn, a physician of Cumming Georgia is best described by his peers as humble. They have a deep respect for his skill and commitment as a physician and roll model for other physicians.

Dr. Dunn, joined by his family, his wife Norma, their children, Charlene McGill, Bill, Rick and Roger Dunn, along with his peers, was honored last month by Baptist Medical Center. In his honor they redecorated two rooms in the main emergency room as "kid friendly."

Dr. Dunn graduated from Emory University in 1947, and with three fellow physicians started a family practice in Forsyth County, helping meet the medical needs of the entire community. At 76 years of age, he continues to practice medicine, as well as attending conferences and continuing education to stay current with his skills.

Dr. Dunn's dedication to the community has continued for over 50 years. Among his many contributions, he donated his time and practice to providing free physicals for local boy scouts, and he donated land for the preservation of Sawnee Mountain. He led his Christian ministry to Zaire for missionary work and served his grateful nation in Korea.

I would like to join in acknowledging Dr. Robert Dunn for his ongoing commitment and dedication to the community.

THE HARD TRUTH, BY THOMAS C. FRIEDMAN

HON. MARCY KAPTUR

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 9, 2002

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, I submit the following article.

[From the New York Times, Apr. 3, 2002]

THE HARD TRUTH

(By Thomas L. Friedman)

A terrible disaster is in the making in the Middle East. What Osama bin Laden failed to achieve on Sept. 11 is now being unleashed by the Israeli-Palestinian war in the West Bank: a clash of civilizations.

In the wake of repeated suicide bombings, it is no surprise that the Israeli Army has gone on the offensive in the West Bank. Any other nation would have done the same. But Ariel Sharon's operation will succeed only if it is designed to make the Israeli-occupied territories safe for Israel to leave as soon as possible. Israel's goal must be a withdrawal from these areas captured in the 1967 war; otherwise it will never know a day's peace, and it will undermine every legitimate U.S. effort to fight terrorism around the globe.

What I fear, though, is that Mr. Sharon wants to get rid of Mr. Arafat in order to keep Israeli West Bank settlements, not to create the conditions for them to be withdrawn.

President Bush needs to be careful that America doesn't get sucked into something very dangerous here. Mr. Bush has rightly condemned Palestinian suicide bombing as beyond the pale, but he is not making clear that Israel's war against this terrorism has to be accompanied by a real plan for getting out of the territories.

Why? Because President Bush, like all the other key players, doesn't want to face the central dilemma in this conflict—which is that while Israel must get out of the West Bank and Gaza, the Palestinians cannot, at this moment, be trusted to run those territories on their own, without making them a base of future operations against Israel. That means some outside power has to come in to secure the borders, and the only trusted powers would be the U.S. or NATO.

Palestinians who use suicide bombers to blow up Israelis at a Passover meal and then declare "Just end the occupation and everything will be fine" are not believable. No Israeli in his right mind would trust Yasir Arafat, who has used suicide bombers when it suited his purposes, not to do the same thing if he got the West Bank back and some of his people started demanding Tel Aviv.

"The only solution is a new U.N. mandate for U.S. and NATO troops to supervise the gradual emergence of a Palestinian state—after a phased Israeli withdrawal—and then to control its borders," says the Middle East expert Stephen P. Cohen.

People say that U.S. troops there would be shot at like U.S. troops in Beirut. I disagree. U.S. troops that are the midwife of a Palestinian state and supervise a return of Muslim sovereignty over the holy mosques in Jerusalem would be the key to solving all the contradictions of U.S. policy in the Middle East, not new targets.

The Arab leaders don't want to face this hard fact either, because most are illegitimate, unelected autocrats who are afraid of ever speaking the truth in public to the Palestinians. The Arab leaders are a disingenuous as Mr. Sharon; he says ending "terrorism" alone will bring peace to the occupied territories, and the Arab leaders say

ending "the occupation" alone will end all terrorism.

Like Mr. Sharon, the Arab leaders need to face facts—that while the occupation needs to end, they independently need to address issues like suicide terrorism in the name of Islam. As Malaysia's prime minister, Mahathir Mohamad, courageously just declared about suicide bombing: "Bitter and angry though we may be, we must demonstrate to the world that Muslims are rational people when fighting for our rights, and do not resort to acts of terror."

If Arab leaders have only the moral courage to draw lines around Israel's behavior, but no moral courage to decry the utterly corrupt and inept Palestinian leadership or the depravity of suicide bombers in the name of Islam, then we're going nowhere.

The other people who have not wanted to face facts are the feckless American Jewish leaders, fundamentalist Christians and neoconservatives who together have helped make it impossible for anyone in the U.S. administration to talk seriously about halting Israeli settlement-building without being accused of being anti-Israel. Their collaboration has helped prolong a colonial Israeli occupation that now threatens the entire Zionist enterprise.

So there you have it. Either leaders of good will get together and acknowledge that Israel can't stay in the territories but can't just pick up and leave, without a U.S.-NATO force helping Palestinians oversee their state, or Osama wins—and the war of civilizations will be coming to a theater near you.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO HIDY OCHIAI

HON. MAURICE D. HINCHEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 9, 2002

Mr. HINCHEY. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to congratulate Hidy Ochiai as he receives the Endicott, New York SERTOMA Club's 2002 Service to Mankind Award. I commend the SERTOMA Club on its choice of Mr. Ochiai as the recipient of this award.

Mr. Ochiai began his martial arts training in Tokyo, Japan at the age of six, taught by his father. In 1966 he received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Albright College and opened his first school of Washin-ryu Karate in Broome County, New York. He now has a total of 25 branch schools servicing the public. Mr. Ochiai established a karate program as part of a physical education curriculum which, in 1969, was implemented by Broome Community College. Mr. Ochiai has successfully competed in many tournaments, including his first national tournament in 1970 where he won the kata title at the U.S.K.A. Grand Nationals.

Mr. Ochiai has an outstanding record of community service in Broome County and, including the establishment of the Education Karate Program (EKP). More than 30,000 students have completed the EKP, earning Mr. Ochiai the Distinguished Alumnus Award from Albright College for its development. In addition to his work through the EKP, he has written five books.

It is my pleasure to join Hidy Ochiai's colleagues, friends and family in extending my deepest appreciation for his outstanding community service. His personal and professional enthusiasm has made him a valuable asset to our community, and we thank him for his service.

HONORING CORPORAL WALTER WEST

HON. JOSEPH M. HOEFFEL

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 9, 2002

Mr. HOEFFEL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Corporal Walter West. Corporal West retired on August 12, 2001 from the Lower Gwynedd Township Police in Montgomery County, Pennsylvania after thirty-five years of service. He has been an outstanding member of his community.

Mr. West began his career in the U.S. Army in 1959. He was honorably discharged in 1965, having attained the rank of E-4. He became a part-time police officer in May of 1966 and three years later became a full-time officer. In 1970, he attended the Philadelphia Police Academy and earned an Associate Degree in Applied Science from Montgomery County Community College. Corporal West served in the Lower Gwynedd police force admirably. In fact, he was inducted into the American Police Hall of Fame in 1983.

Corporal West has been active in the F.O.P. Montgomery County Lodge #14 and has participated in other community programs such as The Salvation Army Holiday Food Drive, the Home Run Derby, the YMCA physical fitness program and the Rotary Club of which he was a past president. He has been recognized by many in his community for his years of dedicated service.

I am pleased to have this opportunity to recognize Corporal Walter West for his many years of dedicated service. Our community is a better place because of his contributions.

TRIBUTE TO DR. RICHARD G. CARPENTER

HON. ROBERT E. (BUD) CRAMER, JR.

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 9, 2002

Mr. CRAMER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the many contributions of Dr. Richard G. Carpenter to Calhoun Community College and the Decatur, Alabama community during the last ten years. I join his family, friends and colleagues as they celebrate his accomplishments and congratulate him for a successful tenure as President of the school and an exciting new future as President of the Wisconsin Technical College System.

Dr. Carpenter, a native of Franklinton, Louisiana, has been President of Calhoun Community College since 1992. Calhoun is Alabama's largest community college, and Dr. Carpenter has provided them with progressive and visionary leadership for the past decade. He has played a pivotal role in shaping Calhoun Community College to what it is today and will be greatly missed.

Among his accomplishments at Calhoun Community College are its ongoing construction of the school's Technology Park and the record setting enrollment for the fall semester of 2001. His prior experience includes teaching at elementary through university graduate school levels and serving as president of three other community colleges. Dr. Carpenter received his Ph.D. in Community College Lead-

ership from North Carolina State University and has been the recipient of numerous local and national awards.

Mr. Speaker, today I join his wife Dana and his three children as well as his many friends and colleagues in congratulating Dr. Richard Carpenter on ten years of extraordinary service to Calhoun Community College. Dr. Carpenter has been an influential leader for our North Alabama community for many years and I wish him the best as he pursues an exciting new future as President of the Wisconsin Technical College System.

TRIBUTE TO DR. BEVERLY WALTERS

HON. JAMES R. LANGEVIN

OF RHODE ISLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 9, 2002

Mr. LANGEVIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the leadership and achievements of Dr. Beverly Walters in the field of neurosurgery. Dr. Walters is an Associate Professor of Clinical Neurosciences at Brown University, and Chief of Neurosurgery at Landmark Medical Center.

Dr. Walters recently co-chaired a committee that examined a number of studies and established guidelines for the treatment of acute cervical spine and spinal cord injuries. The guidelines were published in the March issue of Neurosurgery. The committee evaluated the best scientific evidence developed over the last 25 years to inform their conclusions.

The standardization and refinement of surgical techniques in treating spinal cord injuries is a substantial accomplishment in neurosurgery, and a testament to Dr. Walters' experience in research and surgical practice. I am proud to represent Dr. Walters, and applaud her commitment to this field.

Mr. Speaker, I hope you and our colleagues will join me in recognizing Dr. Beverly Walters and her outstanding work. Due in part to her dedication, numerous lives are improved daily through increased understanding of spinal cord injuries.

RADM ARCHITZEL GIVES KEYNOTE ADDRESS AT USS "HARRY S. TRUMAN" CHANGE OF COMMAND

HON. IKE SKELTON

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 9, 2002

Mr. SKELTON. Mr. Speaker, on Friday, March 15, a Change of Command was held on the USS *Harry S. Truman*, an aircraft carrier whose home port is Norfolk, VA. Captain Michael Groothousen succeeded Captain David Logsdon as the Commanding Officer of that ship. Captain Logsdon will continue his outstanding military career as a professor of Military Science at the University of South Carolina. The principal address was delivered by RADM David Architzel. The talk was a great reminder of American Naval strength. It is set forth as follows:

Congressmen Skelton and Schrock, Admiral Malone, Captains Logsdon and Groothousen and your families, distin-

guished guests and most importantly, men and women of USS *Harry S. Truman*.

Good morning to all of you, what a great personal and professional honor it is for me to address the crew of this great ship.

I accepted the invitation to speak here today with some trepidation and anxiety. After all, our distinguished guests include Congressmen and the Commander, Naval Air Forces, U.S. Atlantic Fleet (AIRLANT) and others who are far more eloquent speakers than I. Captain Logsdon was persistent in his efforts to convince me to speak, and as a fellow S-3 aviator, of course, I accepted.

Let me begin by saying that the Change of Command ceremony is one that is steeped in Naval tradition. The crew has been assembled and in just a few short minutes they will witness as all the responsibility and authority of Command at Sea passes from Captain Logsdon to Captain Groothousen.

Today is a day of mixed emotions for Logs, CAPT Logsdon. This is the assignment that he has worked his entire career to achieve; an assignment that many seek, but few ever attain. While he has done a wonderful job and has so many great memories of his time at the helm, nothing can stop the clock. I'm reminded of the Chow Call that I used to have to give many years ago at the Naval Academy: it ends with the one minute call and the words; Tide time and Formation wait for no man!" Logs must now go ashore and he will be leaving this ship, just as Captain Otterbein had to leave it 2 and a half years ago, in the hands of another eager and talented officer, Captain Mike Groothousen.

This Change of Command provides the opportunity to reflect upon the accomplishments of the command and crew of *Harry S. Truman*. It also gives us a chance to talk about what lies ahead.

The United States is and always will be a Maritime nation. Since Theodore Roosevelt and the Great White Fleet sailed from Hampton Roads, the U.S. Navy has been an instrument of national policy and diplomacy, and her ships have been the centerpiece of our national defense. When one considers the striking power, mobility and agility of our deploying Carrier Battle Groups, built around carriers such as *Harry S. Truman*, it is evident that our nation's defense is the strongest it's ever been.

"I've been in the Navy, now, for some 28 years and can honestly say that today's Navy and her Sailors and Marines are the finest I've ever seen. You've earned the right to stand proud. Each deploying ship, squadron, and unit has the full support and backing of the American people, never before in American history has our nation been so completely unified and resolute in purpose.

CNO's guidance for 2002 is to "Fight and Win". He recently reflected on how the readiness, flexibility, power, precision and persistence of our naval forces are dealing decisive blows in the war on terrorism. The Navy is performing brilliantly and he is, as I am, very proud of each and every Sailor and Marine standing the watch. Sustainment of this level of performance presents many challenges to our Commanding Officers.

With respect to those challenges, the President, in his address to Congress on the 20th of September of last year, directed the military to "be ready!" and told Congress and the American people that the military's "time will come and they will make us proud!" Well . . . our time has come, the Enterprise, Theodore Roosevelt, Stennis, and Kitty Hawk Battle Groups have triumphed, and the JFK and Vinson Battle Groups have stepped in and filled their shoes. Whether you're on the tip of the spear, preparing to be there, or supporting those who are, We have a mission and one clear objective . . . to win the war on terrorism and we will.