

might be listening to all the stories, but they can be summed up in one sentence: During her sixty years as an activist in Washington, Frances Humphrey Howard truly made a difference.

I know all of my colleagues, and especially our spouses, will miss Frances. My wife, Peatsy, joins me in extending our gratitude for her untiring efforts and our deepest sympathy to her children, Anne and William, and to the entire Humphrey family.●

TRIBUTE TO BARBARA SNELLING

● Mr. JEFFORDS. Madam President, today I congratulate and thank the Honorable Barbara W. Snelling from Shelburne, VT on her lifetime of service to Vermont citizens, young and old.

Back in Vermont, Barbara is being honored by the Vermont Chamber of Commerce as the 2002 Citizen of the Year. In my home state, the Snelling name is synonymous with public service, commitment to community, personal integrity and leadership.

Barbara ran for public office in 1991, shortly after the untimely death of her husband, Gov. Richard A. Snelling. Her list of achievements is long: two-term Lieutenant Governor; two-term State Senator; president of a consulting firm for 14 years; trustee for her alma mater, Radcliffe College; and current member of the United States Peace Institute, an appointment made by former President Clinton. She has also held seemingly endless titles in her community, from Girl Scout Troop leader to United Way Board member.

Her life work is a testament to the meaning of public service that few individuals are capable of achieving. Barbara's endless devotion and commitment to the people of Vermont uniquely qualifies her as a key advisor to her daughter, Diane Snelling, who now serves as a Vermont State Senator.

Barbara has become a symbol of the strength in spirit and courage to overcome adversity. In 1996, during her bid for Governor, she suffered a cerebral hemorrhage and lapsed into a coma. Her determination and drive led to a miraculous recovery.

In her work at the Vermont State House, Barbara used the legislative process for the benefit of all and detriment to none. Each day, Barbara works tirelessly for Vermont, and for this we must all thank her. We owe a great deal to this courageous and determined stateswoman.

Congratulations, Barbara. Your leadership and grace are legendary to the people of Vermont. We are all extremely proud of you and your accomplishments.●

60TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

● Mr. SMITH of Oregon. Madam President, today I congratulate George and Gertrude Lewis on the occasion of their 60th wedding anniversary. They have been residents of Oregon for most of their lives, first in Medford and now in Lake Oswego.

George Lewis was born May 8, 1920 in Takilma, OR. Gertrude Lewis was born July 22, 1920 in Lambert, MT.

George and Gertrude met in the fall of 1939 when they were both pursuing undergraduate studies at the University of Washington in Seattle, WA. They began dating in the spring of 1941 and were married November 11, 1942. November 11, 2002 marks their 60th wedding anniversary.

George joined the Army Air Force, and he left to join allied forces in Europe in February of 1943. On April 5, 1943, his plane was shot down and he became a Prisoner of War until he was liberated on May 8, 1945. He has received a Purple Heart for his service to his country.

George and Gertrude's first child, Diane, was born on October 13, 1943 while George was still a POW. He didn't meet his daughter until he returned from the war in 1945. They then moved to Medford, OR, where George worked for United Airlines as a passenger agent. On April 22, 1946, their second child Stephen was born.

In 1950, George and Gertrude opened their own business, Rogue Valley Travel, a travel agency in Medford, OR. They ran the company together until they sold it and retired in 1980. Gertrude remembers that one of the best times of their lives was in 1952 when they were able to afford their first trip to New York City and Europe, where they visited London and Paris. Since that time, they have traveled all over the world, to Europe, Asia, Africa and more. George's and Gertrude's grandchildren will always remember a map kept in the garage in their home in Medford with pins of all the cities they had been to.

In 1999, George and Gertrude moved to Lake Oswego, OR, where they live today.

Their two children, six grandchildren and two great grandchildren, are proud to help them celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary and work to live by the great example they have set.●

TRIBUTE TO DR. STANLEY F. TODD SR.

● Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, I rise today to pay tribute to my friend and hero, the late Dr. Stanley E. Todd Sr. I would also like to extend my most heartfelt condolences to his daughter Becky Todd York, his son Stanley E. Todd Jr., his twin sister Hazel Bush, and his grandchildren.

As a World War II veteran, Dr. Todd possessed a great deal of courage and patriotism that deserves to be recognized and commended. He served as a nose gunner on a B-24 bomber, an endeavor that nearly cost him his life. At one point during his time in the service, Dr. Todd's plane was shot down over Austria and he became a German prisoner of war.

Though the trials Dr. Todd endured contributed to the person he became, he did not let his harrowing experi-

ences have an adverse affect on his life. Instead, he learned never to take a single moment for granted, a paradigm that rings true and serves as an example to all of us he leaves behind.

After completing his service in the military and marrying Esta Newman, Dr. Todd enrolled in the University of Louisville School of Dentistry. He practiced dentistry in Richmond, Ky., for 33 years. Also in Richmond, Dr. Todd helped found the Richmond Health and Rehabilitation Center, a facility that has provided care to residents since 1968.

Even after retiring in 1982, Dr. Todd continued to maintain an active lifestyle. He served Richmond as a city commissioner and also as chairman of the Richmond Housing Authority. Additionally, he was a former chairman of the board of the Kentucky Heart Association, and served on the board of the Kentucky River Foothills Development Corporation. An elder of Richmond's First Christian church, Dr. Todd provided missionary dental work in Haiti and helped found a local clothing bank. He was also instrumental in the organization of Richmond Little League baseball, and the founding of Stanton Woodcraft in Richmond.

I am certain that the legacy that Dr. Stanley E. Todd Sr., left behind will continue on. Indeed, he possessed a tremendous personal story that serves as a testament to the strength of his spirit and his faith and God. His faith, valor and strength of character should serve as an inspiration to us all. On behalf of myself and my colleagues in the Senate, I offer my deepest condolences to Dr. Todd's friends and loved ones, and express my gratitude for all he contributed to the Commonwealth of Kentucky and to our great Nation.●

TRIBUTE TO TED POSNER

● Mr. BAUCUS. Madam President, I rise today to thank Ted Posner, who has worked for me for a year-and-a-half as Trade Counsel for the Senate Finance Committee.

Ted joined my staff in April 2001 after working for 2 years for Congressman SANDY LEVIN, who is the Ranking Democrat on the Ways and Means Subcommittee on International Trade. There, Ted established himself as a nuts-and-bolts expert on trade laws. He earned the respect not only of his colleagues in the House and Senate, but also in the business community, and in the environmental and labor communities.

Perhaps Ted's biggest achievement in the House was his work to help pass permanent Normal Trade Relations for China. Most people are aware of the strong efforts of the House Democrats to forge a compromise that would help pass this important legislation. But few recognize the behind-the-scenes efforts of staff. Ted's work on this issue was tireless, and all who support trade with China owe Ted their gratitude.

Here in the Senate, Ted has continued his outstanding work—and helped

us pass the most comprehensive trade bill in more than 14 years. The Trade Act of 2002, as most people know, included not only Trade Promotion Authority and Trade Adjustment Assistance, but also an extension and expansion of the Andean Trade Preference Act and the Generalized System of Preferences.

Ted worked on most of these issues, but his work on the Andean trade bill and the provisions in TPA dealing with investor-state dispute settlement deserve particular mention. Especially on the issue of investment, Ted deserves great praise. This is a complicated and divisive issue. And Ted worked with all parties to come up with ideas that could win bipartisan support.

Like many staff on Capitol Hill, Ted is an extraordinarily hard worker. But the consistent thread in all of Ted's work that separates him from so many is that he constantly strives for perfection. That is something that is rare, and it is something that has earned him my great respect.

Now Ted is moving on to the office of the U.S. Trade Representative, where he will be Associate General Counsel. I have no doubt that Ted will be a great litigator, and I have full confidence in his representing the United States at the World Trade Organization.

I thank Ted for his efforts and wish him good luck in the future.●

IN RECOGNITION OF MRS. SISEL KLURMAN

● Mr. LIEBERMAN. Madam President, I rise today to congratulate and recognize Mrs. Sisel Klurman for being honored by the Florida Friends of Bar-Ilan University and setting the standards for "Women and Entrepreneurship: From Adversity to Achievement."

Bar-Ilan, Israel's largest university, is a leading academic institution with over 30,000 students and extensive disciplines. Mrs. Klurman is a founder of the Rabbi Emanuel Rackman International Center for Women and has been a benefactor to the University. Her affiliation with Bar-Ilan University is based on the University's philosophy that blends its unique formula of tradition with modern technologies and scholarship.

Mrs. Klurman was raised with a true love and appreciation for her Jewish culture and tradition by her parents and grandparents. In 1944 she and her husband, Shmuel Aba, opened a way to safely smuggle Holocaust survivors from Poland to Chernowitz and, ultimately, to Israel. During the next few years, Sisel and Sam worked intensely with underground organizations fighting for the liberation of Israel and working with new immigrants. Their drive and inspiration led them to focus on perpetuating the importance of Jewish identity and education. They began to support many causes, with broad outreach, in support of Jewish education.

Today, Mrs. Klurman supports Jewish education, health and welfare

throughout the United States and Israel. She serves on many national boards, including Bar-Ilan University.

As a businesswoman, Mrs. Klurman is President of Ganot Corporation, a real estate and development company, and president of AG Holdings, Inc., operators of nursing and rehabilitation centers. Founded by her late husband, both companies have flourished under her leadership.

With all of her accomplishments and achievements, Mrs. Klurman is most proud of her family. Her four daughters, six grandchildren and their spouses, and five great grandchildren bring her endless pride and joy.

Mrs. Klurman has proven that adversity can embody accomplishment. Her drive, commitment and leadership are a motivation to all women.●

COMMENDING MR. OTOK BEN-HVAR

● Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire. Madam President, I rise today to commend and honor New Hampshire resident Mr. Otok Ben-Hvar for his achievement in serving his country and spreading the message of patriotism and unity in the United States and throughout the world.

As a retired U.S. Army, 82nd Airborne Division paratrooper, Mr. Ben-Hvar has served as an ambassador of American goodwill for more than 25 years. He has traveled throughout the world to deliver toys and trinkets to poor, young children, many of whom are victims of war. During the Balkan War, Mr. Ben-Hvar spent months in Bosnia and Croatia delivering toys, food, clothing and medical supplies to those in need. His tireless effort, while on the front lines of battle, earned him status as the first American to receive honorary citizenship in Croatia. He has been nicknamed "America's Santa to the World," and I can think of no more appropriate title to match his kind and heroic deeds.

Mr. Ben-Hvar has returned to embark on a mission to plant America's first National Tree. Collecting and using the native soil of every American state, territory and commonwealth, as well as Washington, D.C., Mr. Ben-Hvar planted and nurtured the seed of his "American Tree". Since its planning in 1999, Mr. Ben-Hvar has escorted the tree, a sugar maple, to each of the states and territories from whence its soil came—a trip of 103,928 miles, taking close to three years.

The tree brings with it a great message of national harmony, and has been treasured by those who see it. This gesture of patriotism and unity from Mr. Ben-Hvar truly deserves to be honored—which is why I am sharing his effort with the Senate today, and asking the President to respond to his request to have the tree permanently planted on the White House lawn. This tree will stand as a testament to the great strength and character of our nation.

My home state of New Hampshire is renowned for its forested beauty. How-

ever, Mr. Ben-Hvar's tree indeed belongs to the entire United States. It is my distinct honor to represent Mr. Otok Ben-Hvar in the United States Senate and to recognize him now for his tribute to our country.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Evans, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations and a treaty which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

NOTICE STATING THAT THE EMERGENCY DECLARED WITH RESPECT TO THE GOVERNMENT OF IRAN ON NOVEMBER 14, 1979 IS TO CONTINUE BEYOND NOVEMBER 14, 2002—PM 118

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:

To the Congress of the United States:

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)) provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, prior to the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the Federal Register and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. In accordance with this provision, I have sent the enclosed notice, stating that the Iran emergency declared by Executive Order 12170 on November 14, 1979, is to continue in effect beyond November 14, 2002, to the Federal Register for publication. The most recent notice continuing this emergency was published in the Federal Register on November 13, 2001, (66 FR 59666).

Our relations with Iran have not yet returned to normal, and the process of implementing the January 19, 1981, agreements with Iran is still underway. For these reasons, I have determined that it is necessary to continue the national emergency declared on November 14, 1979, with respect to Iran, beyond November 14, 2002.

GEORGE W. BUSH.
THE WHITE HOUSE, November 12, 2002.