

I am pleased to announce that the South Dakota Development Center is planning a centennial celebration on September 20, 2002. The centennial celebration includes a rededication of several buildings on campus, an award ceremony, a luncheon, special afternoon activities, and an evening social at the local VFW for returning former employees, dignitaries, special guests and friends.

I am proud to have this opportunity to honor the South Dakota Development Center for its 100 years of outstanding service. It is an honor for me to share with my colleagues the exemplary leadership and strong commitment to individuals with developmental disabilities that the South Dakota Development Center has provided. I strongly commend their years of hard work and dedication, and I am very pleased that their substantial efforts are being publicly honored and celebrated.●

#### TRIBUTE TO NORMAN TATE: DELAWARE'S FIREMAN OF THE YEAR

● Mr. BIDEN. Madam President, over the past year, our Nation has endured heartbreak and celebrated heroes, especially the members of the fire service who, in a very profound sense, became the face of America on that fateful day last September.

In my State of Delaware, we celebrate a very special hero of our fire service, Norman Tate, who has been chosen as the 2002 Delaware Volunteer Fireman's Association Fireman of the Year.

The truth is, Norm Tate has earned this award—and could have received it deservedly—in any number of years. He has been a firefighter with the Seaford Volunteer Fire Department since 1959, and now holds Life Member status. He has served in, literally, every administrative office of his department, and on the ambulance squad; he has twice been named Seaford's Fireman of the Year—the only member ever, in a century-long history, to receive the award more than once, and again, he could have received it, and deserved it, just about any year.

Norm has also been the Fireman of the Year for Sussex County and for the Delmarva Volunteer Fireman's Association, and was instrumental in setting up the Delaware Volunteer Fireman's Association, DVFA, State Conference. He did the hard organizational and persuasive work of committee chairman, and has been honored with the title of President Emeritus of DVFA.

Beyond the fire service, Norm Tate has been a leader in the Seaford Lions Club, and received the Lion of the Year Award. He also received the "Voice of the Blue Jays" award for outstanding service to the Seaford School District, and the Distinguished Service Award from the City of Seaford.

In short, Norman Tate defines citizen-leadership. He is the extraordinary

ordinary American who becomes a hero, not by ambition but in response to the needs of his community and his country. He has a deep sense of responsibility, as well as pride, arising from his citizenship; he looks for opportunities to help; he undertakes service as a privilege.

Norm Tate is being honored as Delaware's Volunteer Fireman of the Year, as his beloved Seaford Volunteer Fire Department celebrates 100 years of service to the community. There could not be—at Seaford or in any fire company a more appropriate honoree in such a meaningful anniversary year.

Norm Tate is, quite simply, the best, and as the fellow citizens he has served so well, we in Delaware are proud to honor him; as his friend, I am privileged to know him, and blessed by the influence of his generous and gracious spirit.●

#### MOREHOUSE SCHOOL OF MEDICINE, ATLANTA, GEORGIA

● Mr. CLELAND. Madam President, 27 years ago the National Medical Association and other prominent organizations endorsed the development of the Medical School at Morehouse College in Atlanta, GA. This came in light of studies that revealed, first, a severe shortage of African-American and other minority physicians in the United States, particularly in Georgia, and, second, that African-Americans suffered disproportionately from major diseases. Since its inception, Morehouse School of Medicine has worked to help solve our Nation's healthcare crisis by graduating top-quality physicians who dedicate themselves to serving the more than 32 million people in this country who live in medically neglected communities. Seventy percent of Morehouse School of Medicine graduates practice in underserved communities.

The entering M.D. class has grown from 24 students in 1978 to its current 44. Each year, more than 20,000 Georgians who are disadvantaged are served by approximately 30 community health promotion projects sponsored by Morehouse School of Medicine. These projects include prevention initiatives associated with substance abuse, teen pregnancy, geriatric services, cancer, lead poisoning, and violence prevention. In addition, Morehouse School of Medicine faculty provides about 75,000 patient encounters per year in community clinics throughout metropolitan Atlanta. The student body of Morehouse School of Medicine continues to excel. For the past few years, 100 percent of the school's family medicine residents have passed their board exams in their first sitting.

These accomplishments grow out of strong leadership, beginning with the vision of Dr. Hugh M. Gloster of Morehouse College and Morehouse School of Medicine's founding dean and first president, Dr. Louis W. Sullivan, and continuing with Dr. James R. Gavin,

the current president. Since its inception in 1975, Morehouse School of Medicine has established a four-year medical education program, a master of public health program, a Ph.D. program in the biomedical sciences, seven residency programs, and several centers of excellence. These centers include the Neuroscience Institute, the Cardiovascular Research Institute, and the NASA/Space Medicine and Life Science Research Center, the first of its kind at a minority medical institution.

Today we celebrate the new home of one of those centers of excellence, the National Center for Primary Care. This state-of-the-art facility will house an exceptional team of administrators, educators, and researchers devoted to eliminating health disparities in this country.

Georgia should, indeed, be grateful for this new jewel in our crown. Under the guidance of former Surgeon General David Satcher, Director of the National Center for Primary Care, this healthcare think tank is poised to educate and illuminate for decades to come.●

#### ON THE DEDICATION OF THE YSMAEL R. VILLEGAS MIDDLE SCHOOL, RIVERSIDE, CALI- FORNIA

● Mrs. BOXER. Madam President, on September 6, the new Ysmael R. Villegas Middle School will be dedicated in Riverside, CA. This day will hold a particularly special meaning for the people of Riverside, as this new school is named for one of the community's most distinguished military heroes, Staff Sgt. Ysmael R. Villegas, an Hispanic-American killed in the line of duty during World War II. He died only one day before his 21st birthday and received the Congressional Medal of Honor for his bravery.

Sergeant Villegas, a resident of Casa Blanca in the Riverside community, received the prestigious Congressional Medal of Honor for his valiant bravery while defending our country in the Philippines. His citation, in part, reads:

He moved boldly from man to man, in the face of bursting grenades and demolition charges, through heavy machinegun and rifle fire, to bolster the spirit of his comrades. As he neared his goal, he was hit and killed by enemy fire. Through his heroism and indomitable fighting spirit, Staff Sergeant Villegas, at the cost of his life, inspired his men to a determined attack in which they swept the enemy from the field.

It is clear from these words that Sergeant Villegas was truly a great American war hero. The people of Riverside have every reason to memorialize him and I am pleased that the Alvord Unified School District will give him this lasting legacy.

As the Alvord Unified School District and the City of Riverside celebrate the dedication of the Ysmael R. Villegas Middle School, I extend my best wishes

to all those who made this important day possible. As students enter the classrooms of this institution, they can hold their heads high knowing that their school bears the name of such a wonderful model of courage, dignity and integrity. ●

#### CONGRATULATING THE STATE OF OHIO ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE

● Mr. VOINOVICH. Madam President, I rise today on behalf of the people of the State of Ohio to congratulate Ohio Attorney General Betty Montgomery and her staff for being selected to receive the 2002 American Bar Association, ABA, Pro Bono Publico Award.

In May 2000, Betty Montgomery unveiled an office-wide Pro Bono Initiative to provide legal assistance for low-income seniors and hospice patients across Ohio. Through this program, participating staff attorneys offer their time and talents to provide legal assistance to those who can't afford it. Once training is completed, attorneys are allowed to provide their services at no charge for up to 40 hours a year. Services provided by assistant attorneys general include wills, general powers of attorney, durable powers of attorney for health care, and other "end-of-life" legal issues.

Since the program's inception, 125 assistant attorneys general, 20 paralegals, and 15 secretaries have answered the call to help underserved Ohioans handle their legal matters. To date, the office has served 625 clients by providing them with 1,235 healthcare powers of attorney, living wills, powers of attorney, and wills.

This year, the Attorney General's office is one of five recipients of the ABA Pro Bono Publico Awards. The Pro Bono Publico Awards were established by the ABA in 1984 and are presented annually by the ABA Standing Committee on Pro Bono and Public Service to recognize lawyers, law firms and corporate law departments for extraordinarily noteworthy contributions in extending legal services to the poor and disadvantaged.

This is not the first time that the Attorney General's office has been honored for these services. In 2001, the Columbia Bar Foundation and Association recognized the program with its award for Outstanding Pro Bono Service by a Governmental Agency. In addition, the Ohio Legal assistance Foundation and the Ohio Bar Association presented the Attorney General's office with the 2001 Presidential Award for Pro Bono Service.

I am proud to have worked with my friend, Betty Montgomery, when I was Governor of Ohio. Her unwavering commitment to serving the people of Ohio through pro bono services is vital towards maintaining a justice system that is meaningful to all segments of society. This program serves as a testament to our founding fathers' belief in a system of equal justice for all.

I believe that every lawyer has an ethical and professional obligation to provide pro bono services. It is my hope that this sets a challenge for lawyers statewide and sends the message that participating in pro bono programs is an ideal that is embraced by leaders in the legal community. Betty Montgomery has certainly led the way in this endeavor. I am proud of her accomplishment and I congratulate Attorney General Montgomery and her staff on their dedication to providing pro bono services to all of Ohio's citizens. ●

#### 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.)

#### MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

##### ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Under the authority of the Senate of January 3, 2001, the Secretary of the Senate, on August 2, 2002, during the recess of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bills:

H.R. 3009. An act to extend the Andean Trade Preference Act, to grant additional trade benefits under that act, and for other purposes.

Under the authority of the Senate of January 3, 2001, the enrolled bills were signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. BYRD) on August 2, 2002.

##### ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Under the authority of the Senate of January 3, 2001, the Secretary of the Senate, on August 7, 2002, during the recess of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bills:

H.R. 223. An act to amend the Clear Creek County, Colorado, Public Lands Transfer Act of 1993 to provide additional time for Clear Creek County to dispose of certain lands transferred to the county under the act.

H.R. 309. An act to provide for the determination of withholding tax rates under the Guam income tax.

H.R. 601. An act to redesignate certain lands within Craters of the Moon National Monument, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1384. An act to amend the National Trails System Act to designate the route in Arizona and New Mexico which the Navajo

and Mescalero Apache Indian tribes were forced to walk in 1863 and 1864, for study for potential addition to the National Trails System.

H.R. 1456. An act to expand the boundary of the Booker T. Washington National Monument, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1576. An act to designate the James Peak Wilderness and Protection Area in the Arapaho and Roosevelt National Forests in the State of Colorado, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2068. An act to revise, codify, and enact without substantive change certain general and permanent laws, related to public buildings, property, and works, as title 40, United States Code, "Public Buildings, Property, and Works."

H.R. 2234. An act to revise the boundary of the Tumacacori National Historical Park in the State of Arizona.

H.R. 2440. An act to rename Wolf Trap Farm Park as "Wolf Trap National Park for the Performing Arts," and for other purposes.

H.R. 2441. An act to amend the Public Health Service Act to redesignate a facility as the National Hansen's Disease Programs Center, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2643. An act to authorize the acquisition of additional lands for inclusion in the Fort Clatsop National Memorial in the State of Oregon, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3343. An act to amend title X of the Energy Policy Act of 1992, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3380. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to issue right-of-way permits for natural gas pipelines within the boundary of Great Smoky Mountains National Park.

Under the authority of the Senate of January 3, 2001, the enrolled bills were signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. BYRD) on August 8, 2002.

#### MEASURE REFERRED

The following measure, having been reported from the Committee on Indian Affairs, was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, pursuant to the order of May 27, 1988, for a period of not to exceed 60 days:

S. 1210. A bill to reauthorize the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996.

#### EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-8413. A communication from the Comptroller General of the United States, General Accounting Office, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report concerning U.S. General Accounting Office (GAO) employees who were assigned to congressional committees as of July 22, 2002; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-8414. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, Department of the Interior, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation entitled "Fort Sumter and Fort Moultrie National Historical Park Act of 2002"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-8415. A communication from the General Counsel, Department of the Treasury,