Nancy joined the U.S. Army after graduation and was assigned to Fitzsimons Army Medical Center in Aurora, CO. She retired as a Lieutenant Colonel in 1996 from the United States Army Reserve. In 1979, Nancy received her master's degree in school nursing and her Pediatric Nurse Practitioner Certificate from the University of Colorado.

Nancy returned to Delaware in 1983. Three years later, she became the school nurse for the Baltz Elementary School and remained there until 1995, when she went to Forest Oak Elementary School. At Forest Oak, she is known as a nonassuming person, who has a "quiet way about doing what she is kind to the children and always looking out for their best interests.

In 2002, Nancy started a fitness program at Forest Oaks Elementary. Having been inspired by a talk on obesity at the National School Nurses Convention, she submitted a grant application, and was awarded \$3,300 from the State of Delaware to implement her program. The program promotes increased physical activity and healthy nutrition in first to fourth graders. Nancy hopes to expand the program to also include students in kindergarten and fifth grade and to teachers and staff.

Nancy has also helped coordinate a bike safety program and helmet program, taught open airways classes to empower students with asthma in self care, collaborated with the school guidance counselor and psychologist to meet the emotional and educational needs of students and presented staff education programs in diabetes, asthma and Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder.

Nancy is a member of Sigma Theta Tau, the international nursing honor society, the National Association of School Nurses, the Delaware School Nurses Association, DSNA, and was a member of the DSNA Continuing Education Committee from 1990–1995. Nancy also serves on the Red Clay Nurse Liaison Committee, is the computer representative for the Red Clay School nurses, and is a member of the revision committee for the school nurse technical assistance manual.

Nancy is married to Joe Nadel, a psychologist and teacher at Wesley College. She has four children, Katie, Carolyn, Dan, and Susan, and three stepchildren, Joe, Ian and Mike. In her spare time, she volunteers at Mary Mother of Hope House II by sponsoring food, linen and gift drives at their shelter.

Nancy is an amazing human being. She has been and remains deeply committed to her family, her students, and her community. She has helped shape the lives of thousands in the halls of the institutions she served, and in the hearts of those who have been lucky enough to call her their friend. I rise today to honor and to thank Nancy for her selfless dedication to the betterment of others. She is a remarkable

woman and a testament to the community she represents.

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NEW JERSEY ALLIANCE FOR ACTION

• Mr. CORZINE. Mr. President, I rise to recognize the 30th anniversary of the New Jersey Alliance for Action, an organization that has worked tirelessly to improve the quality of life for all New Jerseyans.

The New Jersey Alliance for Action is a nonprofit, nonpartisan consortium of business, labor, government and academic leaders dedicated to creating jobs, improving the economy and protecting the environment. These goals are achieved by modernizing our State's infrastructure to meet needs of a growing New Jersey. Since its creation in 1974, the New Jersey Alliance for Action has worked to obtain funding and secure permits for road, rail, and aviation improvements, water projects, school construction, shore preservation, business expansion and other key infrastructure initiatives. Today, it boasts more than 600 dedicated members and has developed a solid track record of working closely with state and local governments.

The Board of Trustees of the New Jersey Alliance for Action is composed of some of New Jersey's most prominent business, labor, professional and educational leaders. Through creative partnerships between the public and private sectors, the foundation addresses many of the pressing issues that affect the great State of New Jersey.

While this organization is exemplary, two men must be singled out for their vision and hard work: Richard M. Hale and Ellis S. Vieser. They were responsible for creating an organization that crossed the boundaries, establishing an environment where the interests of New Jersey's citizens are top priority. We owe a deep debt of gratitude for their lifetime of dedication and remarkable leadership. They embodied a can-do attitude together with a sense of community. It is not difficult to see how the alliance has made such giant strides in such a relatively short period of time.

I thank the members of the New Jersey Alliance for Action for continuing the work of Richard M. Hale and Ellis S. Vieser. It is their commitment to the work of the alliance's founders that allows New Jersey to shine so brightly. Congratulations on this very special milestone.●

VETERANS' HISTORY PROJECT

• Mr. JOHNSON. Mr. President, I rise today to publicly recognize the progress of the Veterans' History Project and to honor Greg Latza, author of Blue Stars: A Selection of Stories from South Dakota's World War II Veterans.

Blue Stars honors and immortalizes the incredible stories of forty-four South Dakota World War II veterans.

Greg's inspiration for writing this book came in 1994, when as a photographer for a newspaper, he covered a powerful interview of a Sioux Falls World War II veteran.

As World War II veterans grow older, it is important to collect their stories, as Greg did, before they are lost. There are 19 million war veterans living in the United States, and every day we lose 1,600 of them. We will be able to honor their services for generations to come by collecting their memories for the Veterans' History Project and preserving them at the Library of Congress

The Veterans' History Project, which Congress unanimously approved on October 27, 2000, honors our Nation's war veterans and those who served in support of them, by creating a legacy of recorded interviews and other documents chronicling veterans' wartime experiences. The project encompasses veterans of World War I, World War II, Korea, Vietnam, Operation Desert Storm, Operation Enduring Freedom, and Operation Iraqi Freedom.

All recordings of personal histories and all documents submitted to the Veterans' History Project will be archived in the National History Collection at the Library of Congress' American Folklife Center. These important artifacts will create a comprehensive, searchable catalog of veterans' stories, thus allowing current and future generations to access them.

I congratulate Greg Latza on his efforts. Blue Stars pays a great tribute to South Dakota's contributions to World War II. Like the Veterans' History Project, it serves as an excellent example of the importance of honoring and remembering America's veterans.

HONORING GUNNERY SERGEANT CLESTER LENOIR

• Mr. BREAUX. Mr. President, I honor not only a fellow Louisianian, but also an extraordinary Marine, Clester Lenoir. Clester Lenoir is retiring after serving more than 20 years of service in the United States Marine Corps. He was raised in Baton Rouge, LA, where he graduated from Tara High School, Baton Rouge in 1984.

Gunnery Sergeant's first duty station was in his home state of Louisiana where he served with the Fourth Marine Division in New Orleans. He was assigned as the Status of Resources and Training System Noncommissioned Officer, a staff sergeant's billet. He was tasked to assist and inspect various reserve units around the Nation. He excelled at this assignment and was awarded a Navy/Marine Corps Achievement medal for his meritorious service.

Lenoir has served as an Administrative Assistant in the Marine Corps' Office of Legislative Affairs during his last 3 years of service. That office supports Members of Congress, and their committees on matters relating to the Marine Corps and the security of our Nation.

Lenoir has carried the Marine Corps' message to these hallowed halls, providing Members the information necessary to determine how best to equip, maintain and support the United States Marine Corps and ultimately provide and ensure our Nation's security. During this period, he has been responsible for directing, and organizing numerous congressional events in the metropolitan DC area. His attention to detail in making these very important events logistically successful is noteworthy.

Lenoir has made a lasting contribution in the capability of today's Marine Corps and the future shape of tomorrow's Corps. His superior performance of duties highlight the culmination of more than 20 years of dedicated and honorable Marine Corps service. He achieved five Navy/Marine Corps Achievement medals for his exemplary service throughout his 20-year career. By his exemplary professional competence, sound judgment, and total dedication to duty, he has reflected great credit upon himself and has always upheld the highest traditions of the United States Marine Corps and the United States Naval Service.

I am proud that Clester Lenoir joined the Marine Corps from the great state of Louisiana, seeking to protect and serve our great Nation. He has done so with great distinction. On behalf of the U.S. Senate, I wish to extend my heartfelt thanks and gratitude. May he have many more years of continuing success as he pursues other interests outside of the United States Marine Corps. ●

IN MEMORY OF JUDGE RICHARD SHEPPARD ARNOLD

• Mrs. CLINTON. Mr. President, on September 23, our country lost one of its greatest jurists, and Arkansas lost one of its greatest native sons, Richard Sheppard Arnold.

Judge Arnold was born into a legal family in 1936 in Texarkana, TX. His grandfather, maternal Morris Sheppard, served in this body from Texas from 1913 until 1941, and his paternal grandfather, William H. Arnold, was a circuit judge. His father, Richard Lewis Arnold, was a leading expert in public unitlies law. Judge Arnold graduated first in his class from Yale University and Harvard Law School, and in 1960 and 1961, he served as law clerk to one of our Nation's greatest Supreme Court Justices, the late William J. Brennan. Judge Arnold served in private practice, ran for Congress, served as legislative advisor to both Governor and Senator Dale Bumpers, and spent more than 25 years on the Federal district and appellate benches. Since 1980, Judge Arnold served on the 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals.

Richard Arnold was one of our great legal writers with more than 700 opinions over the course of his legal career. Just this year, the American Society of Writers on Legal Subjects awarded him its lifetime achievement award, only the second in its 50-year history. His more prominent opinions advanced civil rights and voting rights, and in March of this year, as part of a three-judge panel, his 22-page opinion upheld a lower court ruling releasing the Little Rock School District from more than 40 years of Federal court supervision of its desegregation efforts.

Judge Richard Arnold was a friend to President Clinton and me and we join his wife, Kay, and his two daughters, Janet and Lydia, along with his brother, Judge Morris "Buzz" Arnold, in mourning his passing. He will be remembered for his remarkable life, his unequalled brilliance, character, common sense, deep religious faith, and devotion to the law. We have lost a cherished friend, and our Nation has lost a champion of justice.

COLONEL JOHN SCHORSCH

• Mr. ALLARD. Mr. President, I rise today to express my appreciation for the outstanding service of Colonel John Schorsch, or "Rusty" as we all call him.

Liaison chiefs are chosen because of their expertise, their ability to manage personnel in a pressure-packed environment, and their discernment in making tough decisions in difficult situations. They generally have a well-rounded education, significant command experience, and a long track record of effectiveness. Simply put, service liaison chiefs are the best of the best.

Colonel Schorsch is certainly one of the best. He is graduate of the United States Military Academy and the U.S. Naval War College. He has been a platoon commander, a company commander, a battalion commander, and a brigade commander. Colonel Schorsch has served as an aide-de-camp and as the joint staff action officer and planner. Perhaps more importantly, Rusty served as the Army aide to two Presidents: President Bush and President Clinton.

I have traveled with Rusty many times and have greatly enjoyed the opportunity to get to know him. He is engaging, outgoing, and disarming. His stories about life in the Army often take on epic proportions and can make the most dour individual break into a grin.

Yet what separates Colonel Schorsch from most is his character. He is completely unflappable. He is undaunted by challenges. He is relentless in pursuit of a goal and absolutely determined to complete an assigned task. To Rusty, no detail is too small, no assignment too menial, and no task too trivial.

When things become difficult, Rusty remains undeterred. He does not give in. He does not cave. Indeed, whenever he has encountered seemingly unsurmountable problems, Rusty's philosophy has always been to step it up, and hold nothing back.

I have watched him time and time again tackle with the equal efficiency the largest of problems and the smallest of details. I have seen him persevere and overcome obstacles. And, during these challenges, he does not complain; and he does not flinch; he does not give in.

The Army has been fortunate to have a soldier like Rusty as its liaison chief here in the Senate. He has demonstrated to me and to many other Members the caliber and quality of Army officers. I know I speak for many of my fellow Members in expressing our disappointment in his departure. Yet I know that the Army has many good things planned for Rusty and that our country will benefit from his experience elsewhere.

With this in mind, I sincerely appreciate Colonel Schorsch's service to me and the rest of the Senate. I wish him the best in the future. He will surely be missed $lack \bullet$

HONORING CHUCK GROTH

• Mr. JOHNSON. Mr. President, on behalf of Senator Tom Daschle and myself, we publicly honor and recognize Chuck Groth. For more than 30 years, Chuck Groth has been telling the story. Whether it's about the trials and tribulations of farm families or the status of Federal policy that will impact agriculture, more than 10,000 South Dakota farm families have relied on Chuck's insightful presentation in their monthly edition of the Union Farmer.

The Union Farmer is the voice of the South Dakota Farmer's Union, covering the extensive interests of the organization's varied membership.

Chuck Groth has been responsible for more than 360 editions of the Union Farmer—an extraordinary record of longevity. Throughout the ups and downs of the industry, Chuck reported the news that captured the current state of affairs. He helped elevate the public dialogue about important issues, and made people more aware of the plight of South Dakota's farm and ranch families

During the mid-1980s, America's farm families faced their darkest days since the Great Depression of the 1930s. Chuck helped organized thousands of Farmer's Union members to call upon their elected officials to provide assistance to rural America. The effort led to a historic act that took all 105 members of the South Dakota State Legislature to Washington, DC, in 1985 to lobby Congress about the needs of rural America.

Chuck has helped organize more than 50 fly-ins to Washington, DC, trips that helped keep farm policy at the fore-front of the congressional agenda. Agriculture needed to have its story told, and Chuck was the wordsmith that made that possible.

I ask my colleagues to join Senator TOM DASCHLE and myself in saluting Chuck Groth for his distinguished career and commitment to our Nation's family farmer.