

NOTICES OF HEARINGS/MEETINGS

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL
RESOURCES

Mr. DOMENICI. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that the following hearing has been scheduled before the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

The hearing will take place on Tuesday, June 8th, 2004 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building in Washington, DC.

The purpose of this hearing is to consider the nomination of Suedeene G. Kelly, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for the term expiring June 30, 2009.

For further information, please contact Judy Pensabene of the Committee staff at (202) 224-1327.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON NATIONAL PARKS

Mr. THOMAS. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that the following hearing has been scheduled before the Subcommittee on National Parks of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:

The hearing will be held on Tuesday, June 8, 2004 at 2:30 p.m. in room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building in Washington, DC.

The purpose of the hearing is to receive testimony on the following bills: S. 931, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to undertake a program to reduce the risks from and mitigate the effects of avalanches on visitors to units of the National Park System and on other recreational users of public land; S. 1678, to provide for the establishment of the Uintah Research and Curatorial Center for Dinosaur National Monument in the States of Colorado and Utah, and for other purposes; S. 2140, to expand the boundary of the Mount Rainier National Park; S. 2287, to adjust the boundary of the Barataria Preserve Unit of the Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve in the State of Louisiana, and for other purposes; and S. 2469, to amend the National Historic Preservation Act to provide appropriation authorization and improve the operations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation.

Because of the limited time available for the hearings, witnesses may testify by invitation only. However, those wishing to submit written testimony for the hearing record should send two copies of their testimony to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, United States Senate, SD-366 Dirksen Senate Office Building, Washington, DC 20510-6150.

For further information, please contact Tom Lillie at (202) 224-5161 or Sarah Creachbaum at (202) 224-6293.

COMMENDING THE UNIVERSITY OF
VIRGINIA WINNING THE 2004
NCAA DIVISION I WOMEN'S LA-
CROSSE NATIONAL CHAMPION-
SHIP

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Res. 368, which was submitted earlier today by Senators ALLEN and WARNER.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 368) commending the University of Virginia Cavaliers women's lacrosse team for winning the 2004 NCAA Division I women's lacrosse National Championship.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. ALLEN. Mr. President, I congratulate the University of Virginia Women's Lacrosse team for winning the 2004 NCAA Division I lacrosse championship with a 10-to-4 victory over the previously undefeated 2003 champion Princeton Tigers and introduce a resolution expressing the congratulations of the United States Senate to these outstanding young women.

As a University of Virginia graduate and father of a daughter who plays lacrosse in high school, I express the pride felt by all students, faculty and alumni of the University of Virginia at this tremendous accomplishment by the women's lacrosse team. Coach Julie Myers and her superb coaching staff: Colleen Shearer, Heather Dow and Kateri Linville, deserve much of the credit for the accomplishment of these student athletes and should also be highly commended.

The University of Virginia Cavaliers Women's Lacrosse team raced out to a 5 to 1 halftime lead on the strength of eight saves by tournament MVP Andrea Pfeiffer and two goals and an assist from Tyler Leachman. The University of Virginia went on to win the championship with an outstanding second half performance scoring five goals to the Princeton Tigers' three to win the 2004 NCAA women's lacrosse title 10 to 4.

In her distinguished career, Cavalier Head Coach Julie Myers has won over a hundred games and has taken her teams to the NCAA title game four times, a feat accomplished by only four other coaches in Division I history. Cavalier teams' eight consecutive invitations to the NCAA tournament have been accomplished by only four other coaches in Division I history. In addition to their 2004 National title, the women's team also won the ACC championship, one of the toughest conferences in the country.

The members of the 2004 University of Virginia's Women's Lacrosse team have indeed made Mr. Jefferson's University proud and should be applauded for their character and leadership, both on and off the playing field. I congratu-

late Amy Appelt, Caitlin Banks, Bridget Bradley, Kate Breslin, Laura Burns, Cary Chasney, Kim Connors, Ashley Dodson, Ashleigh Haas, Julie Hauser, Megan Havrilla, Carol Hotarek, Lauren Keller, Meredith Lazarus, Tyler Leachman, Nikki Leib, Chelsea Metz, Ginger Miles, Jessy Morgan, Erin Nagle, Andrea Pfeiffer, Elizabeth Pinney, Kaitlin Swagart, Erin Sweeney, Morgan Thalenberg, Molly Urlock, Jess Wasilewski, and Courtney Young.

Mr. President, I hope my colleagues will join with Senator WARNER and me to pass this resolution recognizing the National Champion University of Virginia Women's Lacrosse team.

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and any statements related to this resolution be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 368) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. RES. 368

Whereas the students, alumni, faculty, and supporters of the University of Virginia are to be congratulated for their commitment and pride in the University of Virginia Cavaliers National Champion women's lacrosse team;

Whereas in the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) championship game against the Princeton Tigers, the Cavaliers raced out to a 5 to 1 halftime lead on the strength of 8 saves by tournament Most Valuable Player Andrea Pfeiffer and 2 goals and an assist from Tyler Leachman;

Whereas the Cavaliers won the 2004 NCAA Division I women's lacrosse National Championship with an outstanding second half performance, scoring 5 goals to the Princeton Tigers' 3 goals to win by a score of 10 to 4;

Whereas the Cavaliers added the NCAA women's lacrosse title to their Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC) title to claim their second championship in 2004;

Whereas every player on the Cavalier women's lacrosse team—Amy Appelt, Caitlin Banks, Bridget Bradley, Kate Breslin, Laura Burns, Cary Chasney, Kim Connors, Ashley Dodson, Ashleigh Haas, Julie Hauser, Megan Havrilla, Carol Hotarek, Lauren Keller, Meredith Lazarus, Tyler Leachman, Nikki Leib, Chelsea Metz, Ginger Miles, Jessy Morgan, Erin Nagle, Andrea Pfeiffer, Elizabeth Pinney, Kaitlin Swagart, Erin Sweeney, Morgan Thalenberg, Molly Urlock, Jess Wasilewski, and Courtney Young—contributed to the team's success in this impressive championship season;

Whereas the Cavaliers women's lacrosse team Head Coach Julie Myers has won more than 100 games and has taken her teams to the NCAA title game 4 times, a feat only accomplished by 4 other coaches in women's lacrosse Division I history;

Whereas Coach Myers's 8 consecutive invitations to the NCAA lacrosse tournament has only been accomplished by 4 other coaches in women's lacrosse Division I history;

Whereas Coach Myers entered this season, her ninth year at the University of Virginia,

as Head Coach with 2 NCAA women's lacrosse titles—1 as a player (1991) and 1 as an assistant coach (1993);

Whereas Julie Myers is the third person in NCAA women's lacrosse history to win a title as both a player and a coach, and is the first person to play for the championship both as a player and as a head coach; and

Whereas assistant coaches Heather Dow, Kateri Linville, and Colleen Shearer deserve high commendation for their strong leadership of, and superb coaching support to, the University of Virginia Cavaliers women's lacrosse team: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) congratulates the University of Virginia Cavaliers women's lacrosse team for winning the 2004 NCAA Division I women's lacrosse National Championship;

(2) recognizes the achievements of all the team's players, coaches, and support staff, and invites them to the United States Capitol Building to be honored; and

(3) directs the Secretary of the Senate to transmit an enrolled copy of this resolution to the Head Coach of the National Champion University of Virginia Cavaliers women's lacrosse team.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGREEMENT—S. 2400

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent the agreement reached earlier today limiting amendments to the Department of Defense authorization bill be modified so that all second-degree amendments must be relevant to the amendment to which they are offered.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

ORDERS FOR WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2, 2004

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 9:45 a.m. tomorrow, Wednesday, June 2. I further ask that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, the Senate then begin a period of morning business for up to 60 minutes, with the Democratic leader or his designee in control of the first 30 minutes, and the majority leader or his designee in control of the final 30 minutes; provided that following morning business, the Senate resume consideration of calendar No. 503, S. 2400, the Department of Defense authorization bill.

I further ask consent that the Senate recess from 12:30 to 2:15 for the weekly party luncheons.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PROGRAM

Mr. McCONNELL. Tomorrow, following morning business, the Senate will resume consideration of the DOD authorization bill.

Earlier today we were able to lock in a final list of first-degree amendments

to the bill. While this will help Senators WARNER and LEVIN begin working on a schedule for the consideration of amendments, I was disappointed the list included, unfortunately, 200 possible amendments. I encourage Senators on both sides of the aisle to show restraint in offering amendments. Nothing requires all 200 of those amendments, in fact, be offered. With everyone's cooperation, we should be able to finish this bill this week.

With that being said, the chairman and ranking member will be here tomorrow working through those amendments. We do expect rollcall votes throughout the day tomorrow in relation to these amendments and Senators will be notified when the first vote is scheduled.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, if my distinguished colleague will yield for me to comment.

Mr. McCONNELL. I yield.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, we are so grateful we are now moving to the Defense bill, getting off the cloture vote. This was a good move. We appreciate that very much.

Realistically, we have about 140 amendments. The majority has over 90 amendments. That is a lot of amendments. Many of the amendments, as we know, will not be offered. There are a large number of irrelevant amendments which are just a "holder" in case something comes up that is not anticipated. However, we still have scores of amendments that people will offer. A number of these amendments, the managers will work through and we will be able to dispose of one way or the other.

However, we are not going to finish the bill Thursday. There is an important trip Members are taking to commemorate the anniversary of the Normandy invasion and a number of Senators will be leaving for that sometime Thursday evening, I understand.

I further note we will not be able to work on this bill Friday. That is my understanding, at least. Certainly there will not be any votes.

We want to work to finish this bill. As I mentioned earlier today, there is not anything we can be more importantly engaged in than working on this Defense bill. Yesterday, five soldiers were killed. We have averaged two deaths a day for the last 2 months. We are approaching 5,000 of our military personnel who have been injured, many of those grievously injured.

We are going to be as cooperative as we can. This is a bill we want as much as the majority. That is why we raised this issue a week ago last Friday and did not want to move off the Defense bill to go to the important class action legislation.

This may be our only opportunity to talk about this issue this year. I hope people are not thinking we were not cooperating. We cannot finish it in 2 days. It is impossible, legislatively impossible. We should get off that and understand that.

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, the assistant Democratic leader has indicated we have had some casualties this week. It is also important to point out this is the smallest number of casualties of any major war in the history of the United States by far.

We just had an opportunity this past weekend to open the World War II Memorial and remember the over 400,000 Americans who were lost in that great conflict. It is impossible to fight the war on terrorism with no casualties. We regret every single death and every single injury, but given the enormous task, we have already completed liberating over 50 million people in the last 2½ years. It has been done in an extraordinarily effective way with minimum loss of life on our side. We all agree our military forces are quite extraordinary in the task they are undertaking.

Speaking of World War II, in addition, tomorrow at 5 p.m., there will be a reception honoring Senators AKAKA, HOLLINGS, LAUTENBERG, INOUE, STEVENS, and WARNER, all of whom served in World War II. We will devote the hour prior to the reception to speeches in the Senate honoring their service.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:45 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. McCONNELL. If there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 6:37 p.m., adjourned until Wednesday, June 2, 2004, at 9:45 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate June 1, 2004:

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

PETER CYRIL WYCHE FLORY, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE, VICE JACK DYER CROUCH, II.

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

CARIN M. BARTH, OF TEXAS, TO BE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER, DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, VICE ANGELA ANTONELLI.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

VERONICA VARGAS STIDVENT, OF TEXAS, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF LABOR, VICE CHRIS SPEAR, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

JOHN H. HAGER, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION AND REHABILITATIVE SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, VICE ROBERT PASTERNAK.

NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

HERMAN BELZ, OF MARYLAND, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL ON THE HUMANITIES FOR A TERM EXPIRING JANUARY 26, 2010, VICE LINDA LEE AAKER, TERM EXPIRED.

TAMAR JACOBY, OF NEW JERSEY, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL ON THE HUMANITIES FOR A TERM EXPIRING JANUARY 26, 2010, VICE PEDRO G. CASTILLO, TERM EXPIRED.

CRAIG HAFNER, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL ON THE HUMANITIES FOR A TERM EXPIRING JANUARY 26, 2010, VICE MICHAEL PACK, TERM EXPIRED.

JAMES DAVIDSON HUNTER, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL ON THE HUMANITIES FOR A TERM EXPIRING JANUARY 26, 2010, VICE EDWARD L. AYERS, TERM EXPIRED.

HARVEY KLEHR, OF GEORGIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL ON THE HUMANITIES FOR A