

America at last! Everything so new, Letting go of the past, It's a hard thing to do.  
Grandpa and Grandma, My Mom and her brothers, From Poland to America, Similar stories of others.

Son of an immigrant, America, my home,  
A story so important, Memorialized in poem.  
Our ancestors from somewhere, So brave and alone,  
Gave a gift so rare,  
America, Our Home!

#### AMERICAN STEW

(By Sam Sanson, Bay Middle School, Bay Village, OH, Runner-Up)

Every American's favorite . . .  
One pound of potatoes and a teaspoon of Irish humor  
One ounce of coconut and 3 cups of Filipino faith  
Five ounces of noodles and a liter of Italian artwork  
One pound of kielbasi and ½ tablespoon of Polish courage  
One teaspoon of sauerkraut and a cup of German determination  
Five teaspoons of soy sauce and an ounce of Chinese history  
Two pounds of escargot and a tablespoon of French cooking  
Two tablespoons of tea and six ounces of British etiquette  
One ounce of figs and one pound of African tribal dancing  
Two pounds of Korean rice and ½ tablespoon of Korean silk  
We hope that you enjoy "America's Stew."  
With all of the surprising ingredients, it makes the most interesting and exciting meal of all!

#### DR. JOHN H. HOPPS, JR.

• Mr. ROBERTS. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to a great educator and champion of science and technology, who recently passed away.

Dr. John Hopps was a true public servant who most recently furthered the cause of our national security as deputy director of defense research and engineering and deputy under secretary of defense for laboratories and basic science at the Department of Defense. As chairman of the Senate Armed Services Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, I had the privilege of knowing John and witnessing first-hand his support of programs, projects and personnel in the defense laboratories.

Prior to his position with the Department of Defense, Dr. Hopps worked to encourage our Nation's youth in their pursuit of academic excellence, especially in this fields of physics and chemistry. As provost and senior vice president for academic affairs and professor of physics at Morehouse College, John was in a position to guide young minds and manage academic departments and multi disciplinary programs.

Immediately before joining Morehouse College, John Hopps served as director of materials research at the National Science Foundation. During his tenure with Draper Laboratory, which began in 1977, John was manager of energy program development, manager of the laboratory's fault-tolerant systems technology research program, and education director for the laboratory.

During his tenure as deputy director of defense research and engineering, Dr. Hopps made great strides in reaching out to the scientific and academic communities and in working to ensure the technological superiority of the defense laboratories and workforce who develop the tools, protective equipment and weapons that are so important to the U.S. warfighter of today and tomorrow. Under his leadership, the Department increased the National Defense Science and Engineering Fellowship Program and pursued a program and structure—Materials World Modules—he developed to connect students of all ages to the excitement and value of science.

This year's defense authorization bill contains a provision that authorizes the Department to establish a pilot science, mathematics and engineering scholarship program that will continue much of the work championed by John in his efforts for the Department of Defense and in his other positions both inside and outside the Federal Government. John's academic background combined with service in the Federal Government gave him a unique perspective on the importance of basic research for future technological advances, linkages he helped us all to make.

John Hopps' patient, deliberative manner, keen sense of humor, and compassionate approach to life and work will be missed by the many students, educators and public servants, whose lives he has touched. My deepest sympathies go out to Dr. Hopps' wife, family and friends, and to all who knew and loved him. •

#### SERGEANT JIM MULLEN

• Mr. BUNNING. Mr. President, I pay tribute and congratulate SGT Jim Mullen on his reception of the Bowling Green firefighter of the year award given to him by his peers at the Bowling Green Fire Department.

Sergeant Mullen has dedicated himself to helping those in need in the Bowling Green, KY area. In addition to the firefighter of the year award, Sergeant Mullen also received the Community Service Award from the department. He earned this commendation through such activities as coaching and administering the city soccer league. He has done a wonderful public service of making Bowling Green a safer and better place to live.

The citizens of Kentucky are fortunate to have the leadership of SGT Jim Mullen. His example of dedication, hard work and compassion should be an inspiration to all throughout the Commonwealth.

He has my most sincere appreciation for this work and I look forward to his continued service to Kentucky. •

#### CITY YEAR'S 15TH ANNIVERSARY

• Mr. KENNEDY. Mr. President, on June 4th hundreds of talented, motivated young men and women will meet

in Boston to celebrate the 15th Anniversary of City Year. In 1989 the first group of young people completed a year of service to their community, inspiring what would become AmeriCorps. Now, 15 years later, City Year will hold its annual meeting in the city where it began. Since then, thirteen additional cities have welcomed the young idealists in red jackets and Timberland boots who, in their own words, "are young enough to want to change the world and old enough to do it."

City Year recruits start each day with "PT," a trademark exercise routine to wake up the mind and spirit to take on the challenges of the day. They move on to challenge the apathy in the communities they serve. They spend each day tackling illiteracy, tutoring, refurbishing buildings, improving access to health care, and changing lives in many other ways.

City Year participants also work tirelessly to encourage others to serve, attracting volunteers through Serve-a-thons and special service days that focus community efforts on a particular project. They spread their love of service and highlight local problems that can be solved by working together.

"Cyzygy," their annual meeting, is a time when they celebrate service and discuss strategies to improve recruitment, retention and the quality of service. Just as they work to improve communities, they work to improve the way communities address their problems, and engage others in the search for effective solutions.

When they launched City Year in the 1980's, Alan Khazei and Michael Brown had a noble vision that spending a year in service to community could become the norm. They foresaw a domestic Peace Corps that could transform lives and rebuild communities. At the time, many thought they were impractical dreamers. Today we know they were practical visionaries and we are all proud to witness the results of their vision. Happy Birthday, City Year! •

#### OHIO UNIVERSITY'S BICENTENNIAL

• Mr. VOINOVICH. Mr. President, the State of Ohio is home to Ohio University, the first public institution of higher learning in the old Northwest Territory. This institution, my alma mater, celebrates the 200th anniversary of its founding this year.

On March 1, 1803, Ohio became the Nation's 17th State. Less than a year later, on February 18, 1804, the Ohio General Assembly approved Ohio University's charter.

Ohio University is the realization of the Jeffersonian ideals of educating broadly and cultivating minds and ideas so that people can reason out their differences. Officially established in 1804, the university opened in 1808 with three students. In 1815, Ohio University award its first two bachelor's

degrees. By the end of the Civil War, the university had graduated a total of 145 students. By 1920, the student population was 1,072, but it was not until after World War II that the university began to approach its present size.

In the 1950s, the student population grew from 4,600 to 8,000, and the 1960s saw enrollment burgeon from about 10,000 to some 18,000 students on the Athens campus. Today, the Athens campus is comprised of more than 200 buildings on 1,800 acres, including state-of-the-art facilities featuring the latest in educational technology. Reinforcing the university's ongoing commitment to diversity, the Athens campus serves approximately 20,000 students hailing from all 50 States and about 100 nations. The university's service as a major educational and cultural institution in southeastern Ohio includes regional campuses in Chillicothe, Ironton, Lancaster, St. Clairsville, and Zanesville. These regional campuses collectively enroll about 8,500 students, making the full-time, part-time, and continuing education enrollment for Ohio University nearly 29,000.

The university offers more than 270 undergraduate areas of study and a 20 to 1 undergraduate student-to-faculty ratio. On the graduate level, the institution grants master's degrees in nearly all of its major academic divisions, and doctoral degrees in selected departments. Ohio University is fully accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools and has been designated a Doctoral/Research University-Extensive, the highest classification, by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching.

Throughout its life of change and growth, Ohio University and the town it calls home, Athens, has still successfully balanced all the advantages of a major university with the appeal of a caring and personal atmosphere. If there ever was a college town, Athens is it. The university's intellectual and cultural environment blends well with Athens' lively and quirky small-town atmosphere to create a setting where students, faculty and town residents live together in a community whose quality of life is difficult to match.

A university of people, not a place or buildings, and the people of Ohio University—its students, staff, faculty, and alumni—have made their world a richer place. I am proud to be a Bobcat and proud of the accomplishments that so many alumni have made.

Congratulations to Ohio University on 200 years of history, rich in providing excellence in higher education.●

#### MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 11:06 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 265. An act to provide for an adjustment of the boundaries of Mount Rainier National Park, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2912. An act to reaffirm the inherent sovereign rights of the Osage Tribe to determine its membership and form of government.

H.R. 4060. An act to amend the Peace Corps Act to establish an Ombudsman and an Office of Safety and Security of the Peace Corps, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4317. An act to name the Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient clinic located in Lufkin, Texas, as the "Charles Wilson Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic".

The message also announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 295. Concurrent resolution congratulating and saluting Focus: HOPE on the occasion of its 35th anniversary and for its remarkable commitment and contributions to Detroit, the State of Michigan, and the United States.

H. Con. Res. 417. Concurrent resolution honoring the Tuskegee Airmen and their contribution in creating an integrated United States Air Force, the world's foremost Air and Space Supremacy Force.

The message further announced that the House has passed the following bill, with an amendment:

S. 1233. An act to authorize assistance for the National Great Blacks in Wax Museum and Justice Learning Center.

The message also announced that the House being in possession of the official papers, the managers on the part of the House at the conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the bill (H.R. 2660) making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, and for other purposes, shall be, and they are hereby, discharged to the end that H.R. 2660 and its accompanying papers, be, and they are hereby, laid on the table.

#### MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills were read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 265. An act to provide for an adjustment of the boundaries of Mount Rainier National Park, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 2912. An act to reaffirm the inherent sovereign rights of the Osage Tribe to determine its membership and form of government; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

H.R. 4060. An act to amend the Peace Corps Act to establish an Ombudsman and an Office of Safety and Security of the Peace Corps, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

H.R. 4317. An act to name the Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient clinic located in Lufkin, Texas, as the "Charles Wilson Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic"; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

The following concurrent resolutions were read, and referred as indicated:

H. Con. Res. 295. Concurrent resolution congratulating and saluting Focus: HOPE on

the occasion of its 35th anniversary and for its remarkable commitment and contributions to Detroit, the State of Michigan, and the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. Con. Res. 417. Concurrent resolution honoring the Tuskegee Airmen and their contribution in creating an integrated United States Air Force, the world's foremost Air and Space Supremacy Force; to the Committee on Armed Services.

#### ENROLLED BILL PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on June 2, 2004, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bill:

S. 2092. An act to assist the participation of Taiwan in the World Health Organization.

#### EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-7704. A communication from the Senior Attorney, Research and Special Programs Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hazardous Materials: Revisions to Incident Reporting Requirements and the Hazardous Materials Incident Report Form; Response to Appeals" (RIN2137-AD21) received on May 25, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7705. A communication from the Trial Attorney, Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Brake System Safety Standards for Freight and Other Non-Passenger Trains and Equipment; End-of-Train Devices" (RIN2130-AB52) received on May 25, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7706. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Merchant Marine Training" (RIN2133-AB60) received on May 25, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7707. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Regulations (Including 2 Regulations): [CGD08-04-021], [CGD01-04-036]" (RIN1625-AA09) received on May 25, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7708. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Regulations: Chincoteague Channel, Chincoteague, VA [CGD05-03-168]" (RIN1625-AA09) received on May 25, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7709. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulated Navigation Area: [CGD11-04-001], San Francisco Bay, San Pablo Bay, Carquinez Strait, Suisun Bay, Sacramento River, San Joaquin River, and Connecting Waters, California" (RIN1625-AA11) received on May 25, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7710. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regatta and Marine