

the symptoms she exhibited are those that most people are familiar with, such as forgetfulness and disorientation. But as the symptoms become more debilitating, she became harder and harder to care for. Thank God for my Dad, who truly rose to the occasion, keeping her at home much longer than would normally have been possible. But ultimately, we were forced to provide professional care for her.

This is when we found Life Care Center of the Merrimack Valley. I have to tell you, our first impression of the place was not good. In fact, it was horrible. Mom's transition was painful. She fought every step of the way. There were many tears. But slowly, Mom and the rest of us began to grow accustomed to her new environment.

Slowly, we began to learn about the later stages of this disease and how to cope with it. We learned that Mom and the other residents of the unit, while trapped inside their own bodies, could give you a glimpse of their personalities if you worked at it. Slowly, all of us, children, spouses and grandchildren, learned not to be afraid of these patients, but instead to embrace them and try to make their lives just a little more pleasant. In doing so, we all made new friends. We can't say enough about the caregivers at Life Care. They treat each resident with respect and dignity, while somehow maintaining their sense of humor. They are truly doing God's work on earth. Mom had found a new family there, and so had we.

So, in the final years of her life, nearly helpless, and unable to communicate, Mom still had something else to teach us. This time she taught us about compassion.

And do you know, that even in her challenged condition, she could spell almost any word you asked, she could recite the Lord's Prayer in its entirety, and she could still sing. She could sing When Irish Eyes are Smiling from beginning to end, Let me call you Sweetheart and yes, "Nothing could be finer than to be in Carolina in the Morning." I guess some memories never fade.

In the end, Mary became as comfortable at Life Care as anyone could in her condition. She became known around the nursing home as Mary, the girl who liked to dance. The last time I saw her, just a week ago, my son Mike and I walked her up and down the halls of the nursing home. At least 15 employees stopped us along the way and gave her a big hello, and some did a little dance with her. Mary gave them all a smile, and it prompted Mike to say, "Boy Dad, Nana's really popular." In fact, one of the nurses told me last night that Mary, was.

In closing, I have to say how proud I am to be a part of this family. During both Mom and Dad's illness, everybody stepped up to the plate. Thank God Chrissie chose to pursue the medical profession, she was always the first phone call, and always there to put the medical jargon in laymans terms. We truly valued her advice. And Gerry is just always there. Whatever you need, whatever you want, Gerry will get it for you, even if it means great inconvenience to her own family. Billy was the father-figure, always there for the heavy lifting, and to take care of the business end of things. And Patty was the principal, the peacemaker, always keeping the communication lines open, and keeping us sane. As Chrissie put it, everybody contributed, and nobody wimped out. I think Mom and Dad are proud of us today.

When you leave today, if you should think about Ma, or Mary, or Nana in the future, we hope you don't think about the woman afflicted with Alzheimer's Disease. We hope you think about the woman who enjoyed the simple things in life, a woman content to be the quiet foundation of the family, a woman who would sing while serving breakfast, and

the woman who may well have left us with words from the song that my sisters chose for the back of the program today:

I hope you still feel small when you stand beside the ocean.

Whenever one door closes, I hope that one more opens.

Promise me that you'll give faith the fighting chance.

And if you get the chance to sit it out or dance.

I hope you dance.

IN HONOR OF TED SARBIN

HON. SAM FARR

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 7, 2005

Mr. FARR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor my dear friend Ted Sarbin, who recently passed away at his Carmel home in my Central California district. He was 94. I knew Ted first as a friend of my late father, but the academic world knew Dr. Sarbin as a pioneering research psychologist who helped shape the modern science of psychology.

Born Theodore Ray Sarbin on May 8, 1911, Ted rose from humble beginnings in Cleveland, Ohio, as one of six children of Russian immigrant parents. As a young man, he rode the rails as a hobo, an experience he later said helped him identify with people on the margins of society. In 1941, he earned a Ph.D. from Ohio State University and did further post doctorate work at the University of Chicago. His dissertation used data gathered at the University of Minnesota to examine the relative accuracy of statistical versus clinical prediction of undergraduate success. During this time he also collaborated on research to measure hypnotic depth. This work pioneered research in these fields and framed the questions for hundreds of subsequent studies by psychologists.

In 1949, after a short stint as a clinical psychologist in Illinois and Los Angeles, he joined the faculty at UC Berkeley. In 1969, he left UC Berkeley to join the faculty at UC Santa Cruz. During these academic years, he gained the reputation as an energetic teacher and graduate student mentor, supervising more students than any other faculty member in his department. He also gained the reputation as a prolific author of studies and journal articles. He focused his work on psychopathology—the study of anti-social behavior and its root causes and effects. He became known as "Mr. Role Theory," defending the unorthodox view that the label "mental illness" was often used as a moral judgment to express or exert social power over those whose conduct was perceived as unwanted or dangerous.

In the course of his academic career, Ted published over 250 scientific articles and book chapters. He received scores of honors, including both Fulbright and Guggenheim fellowships. He received the Morton Prince Award from the Society for Clinical Experimental Hypnosis, as well as the Henry Murray Award from the American Psychological Association. In 2001, the Western Psychological Association recognized him with a lifetime achievement award. Although Ted officially retired in 1976, he never stopped working. He continued to teach and write throughout his life. Recently in Washington, D.C., Ted presented a new

award named in his honor as part of the annual American Psychological Association convention.

Ted was perhaps best known for pioneering work he did on the subject of gays in the military. From 1987 until just before his death, Ted was a researcher for the Defense Personnel Security Research and Education Center at the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, California. The Department of Defense founded the Center to study the impact of psychology on national security in the wake of its discovery of a spy ring embedded in the Navy. He had been at the Center less than a year when he co-authored a report which found no evidence to support the idea that gay and lesbian soldiers pose a security risk. The report later became public in 1990 when it was published under the title "Gays in Uniform: The Pentagon's Secret Reports."

The Report's publication propelled Ted into the spotlight. However, despite its notoriety, the "Gays in Uniform" report simply reflected the theme of Ted's life work: Listen to others and refrain from judgment in reporting the facts. Ted called this narrative psychology—listen to what the patient has to say rather than rush to characterize them.

Ted had a devoted following of former students and colleagues. He established a custom 40 years ago of hosting an annual party where he would present his own award "Role Theorist of the Year," to one of those gathered. He presided over these celebrations with grace and wit. This past August, he hosted his final such banquet which drew over sixty participants.

Ted bought a vacation home in Carmel in the 1950s. He moved to my hometown for good in the 1970s. He loved to golf and played almost every Monday, always aiming to shoot his age, which he achieved at 89. He and his wife, Genevieve, often hosted elaborate costume parties where he always played the part of Don Quixote—a role he often played in his professional life.

Ted is survived by his sons Jim Allen, Ronald Allen, and Theodore Sarbin; sister Ruth Landy; domestic partner Karen Soback; four grandchildren: Mathew Allen, Chelsea Allen, Park Allen, and Link Allen; and two great grandchildren: MacKenzie Allen and Delaney Allen; and numerous people who still love and cherish him. His late wife Genevieve Sarbin, died in 1999.

IN HONOR OF THE UKRAINIAN AMERICAN VETERANS, POST #24 OF PARMA, OHIO

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 7, 2005

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in tribute and recognition of the Ukrainian American Veterans, Post #24, of Parma, Ohio, as they will preside over the blessing of a commemorative monument anchoring the "Walkway of Remembrance" within the Ohio Western Reserve National Cemetery in Rittman, Ohio.

The newly erected monument will forever symbolize the bravery and sacrifice of the men and women of Ukrainian heritage who heeded the call of duty on behalf of our country. The

individual and collective service of these veterans continues to play a key role in protecting our democracy, during times of peace and times of war.

American veterans of Ukrainian descent continue to be a vital source of strength in every branch of the United States military, dating back to the dawn of America. The deep dedication to justice and significant contribution to American society by Ukrainian American veterans has been, and continues to be, a vital strength within our community, and within our Nation.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in honor of the Ukrainian Veterans of America, Post #24, as they commemorate the unwavering service reflected by veterans of Ukrainian heritage; their honorable service within the United States Armed Forces will be remembered always. Let us also recognize United States veterans of every ethnic background, whose united commitment serves to strengthen our entire Nation.

CELEBRATING AND SUSTAINING CHINESE AND AMERICAN CULTURAL CONTRIBUTIONS

HON. DONALD A. MANZULLO

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 7, 2005

Mr. MANZULLO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Festival of China taking place at the Kennedy Center. This festival is the largest in the history of the Kennedy Center and the largest celebration of Chinese performing arts ever undertaken in the United States. Indeed, the Kennedy Center is coordinating the performances of more than 800 artists from China and the United States and is hosting more than 50 events associated with the month-long celebration.

Mr. Speaker, it is well known that significant differences exist between the United States and China in some areas of current policy and practices. This is why it remains important that our government fosters cooperative artistic interaction between our two countries. I am pleased to commend the Kennedy Center and the Chinese Ministry of Culture for collaborating in this vein.

Mr. Speaker, I also want to draw this body's attention to the important role that these cultural exchanges play in the overarching relationship between China and the United States. As Chairman of the US-China Interparliamentary Exchange, I know that it is important that the United States and China continue to work to understand each other on a variety of levels. Mutual cooperation, particularly through U.S.-China exchange programs and cultural events, brings about a deeper understanding and, in turn, can strengthen our bilateral relationship, so we can resolve our differences.

Mr. Speaker, I applaud this exposition as it works to deepen our appreciation for some of China's unique cultural treasures and enhance the friendship between our two countries.

URGING CONGRESS TO SUPPORT DEMOCRATIC ELECTIONS IN COTE D'IVOIRE

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 7, 2005

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, democracy has begun to take hold in Afghanistan and Iraq recently, and today the United States has an opportunity to affirm democracy and democratic principles in another country—Cote d'Ivoire.

Congress, along with the Bush administration, must commit the resources that are needed to ensure that this strong U.S. ally can hold its election at the earliest possible date.

Just 5 years ago, 85 percent of the Ivorian people approved a Constitution mandating that Cote d'Ivoire's President remain in office until an election result.

Violating this critical provision of the Constitution could render the rest of the document null and void and throw the country into further chaos.

Postponing the election would also reward Cote d'Ivoire's anti-government rebels, who have waged a brutal campaign of fear and intimidation. Any peace plan must include the disarmament of these rebels.

Supporting democracy and democratic principles is of particular importance in Cote d'Ivoire, which is the economic anchor of West Africa.

I am today introducing a Sense of Congress Resolution urging the Bush Administration and the Congress to declare, unequivocally, that the United States supports a free and fair presidential election in Cote d'Ivoire at the earliest possible date, and I encourage my colleagues to cosponsor this measure.

Supporting democracy, not thwarting it, must be a guiding principle of America's relations with nations throughout the world.

CONGRATULATING CRESTHILL MIDDLE SCHOOL

HON. THOMAS G. TANCREDO

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 7, 2005

Mr. TANCREDO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Cresthill Middle School in Highlands Ranch Colorado. Cresthill has been named an Intel School of Distinction in Professional Development. This award recognizes schools in which teachers, administrators, and staff work together to continuously improve student learning.

The Intel School of Distinction award adds to the list of honors bestowed upon Cresthill Middle School, which has also been named a Blue Ribbon School of Excellence. These honors reflect the school's extraordinary commitment to education and speak to the dedication of the teachers, students, and parents.

Mr. Speaker, schools such as Cresthill Middle School that foster academic excellence for its students and professional development for its teachers, deserve recognition. In its mission statement, Cresthill Middle School champions all students in the quest toward achievement and responsible citizenship. I am proud to congratulate the school both for living up to

its mission and for being recognized as an Intel School of Distinction.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. BARBARA LEE

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 7, 2005

Ms. LEE. Mr. Speaker, on September 29, 2005, I was unable to vote during rollcall vote No. 504 as I had to attend a funeral in my District. Had I been present, I would have voted against H. Con. Res. 245.

I am increasingly concerned that resolutions like H. Con. Res. 245 are being used to score political points, rather than resolutions that could be well-intended expressions of reasonable patriotism and commitment to our national identity.

Similarly, in the last Congress, we considered legislation (H.R. 2028) that would strip the Federal Courts of jurisdiction over cases involving the Pledge of Allegiance. Though the legislation was intended to ostensibly deal with the "under God" controversy, which was bad enough considering the important role that the Courts play in ensuring that our legislative enactments are permissible in light of the Constitution's protections of our citizens, it unfortunately also had broad implications on cases in which individuals, especially members of religious minorities, would seek enforcement of their constitutional right for religious practice.

I voted against that legislation because it threatened the separation of powers established in our Constitution and undermined the constitutionally established function of the Federal Courts to interpret the law, a principle established in *Marbury v. Madison* two centuries ago. I believe that H. Con. Res. 245 would similarly be incompatible with the First Amendment's religious protections and would thereby harm religious minorities for whom the recitation of the Pledge is a violation of their faith.

Mr. Speaker, it is the responsibility of Congress to protect the rights of all of our citizens and to pass laws consistent with that great document, The Constitution of the United States, not pass laws that flout its principles. I believe that H. Con. Res. 245 deviates from those responsibilities and that is why, had I been able to attend the day's proceedings, I would have voted, "no."

BROCK PETERS IN MEMORIAM

HON. DIANE E. WATSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 7, 2005

Ms. WATSON. Mr. Speaker:

Whereas, It was with great sadness and a deep sense of loss that word was received of the death in Los Angeles of Brock Peters on August 23, 2005, one of America's most distinguished actors of stage and screen, whose deeds in life merit the respectful acknowledgement of his community and nation; and

Whereas, he was born George Fisher on July 2, 1927 in New York City, the child of Sonny and Alma A. Fisher, following a year at the University of Chicago in 1944 and undergraduate study at the City College of New