

This week Dr. Hermann A. Grunder will retire as Director of Argonne National Laboratory, a leading Department of Energy science laboratory that I am proud to say is located in my congressional district in Illinois. I have had the privilege of working closely with Dr. Grunder over the course of the last 5 years during his tenure at Argonne, and so I speak with personal knowledge and affection when I say that Hermann has left an indelible stamp on Argonne, the quality of life in my district, the DOE complex and the Nation.

There is no doubt that he has created a positive and lasting legacy, both nationally and internationally, and I would like to take this time to pay tribute to his many achievements and wish him well on the occasion of his retirement.

Dr. Grunder first entered the DOE system in 1959 at Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory in California. After a short break to complete his Ph.D at the University of Basel in Switzerland, he returned to Berkeley as a physicist in 1964 and has served the Nation ever since. At Berkeley, his scientific excellence, vision and leadership earned him executive positions of increasing responsibility.

In 1985, he left Berkeley to become the first Director of the Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator facility in Virginia, which he helped to build from the ground up literally. Today, the Jefferson lab is one of the Nation's leading accelerator laboratories.

In 2000, Dr. Grunder became Director of Argonne. The first thing I noticed when I met Hermann was his energy and enthusiasm for science. It is infectious. As a long-time member of the Committee on Science and chairman of its Subcommittee on Energy, I have had the good fortune of meeting many of the Nation's most talented scientists; and I can say without a doubt that Hermann's passion for science and his dedication to DOE's system of national laboratories stands out among the crowd.

As Argonne's 10th Director, Dr. Grunder strengthened the laboratory by renewing senior management at the highest level and grooming the laboratory's next generation of leaders. Through his active efforts to encourage strong research ties between Argonne and regional universities and Fermilab, Dr. Grunder greatly enhanced the Midwest's reputation as a world center of advanced scientific research and development. These collaborations are expected to trigger new scientific, technological and economic benefits for Illinois and the Nation, while providing students from Illinois and around the world with a greater role in research at Argonne.

While at Argonne, Dr. Grunder emerged as an international advocate for safe, proliferation-free nuclear energy, a strong steward of DOE's unique user facilities at our national labs, and a keen supporter of biosciences and technology's role in homeland security.

Under his leadership, Argonne reviewed ongoing research in the aftermath of September 11 and identified many potential ways this research could improve our homeland security. Since then, Argonne has contributed to hundreds of research initiatives designed to anticipate, detect and counter terrorist acts.

It came as no surprise in 2004 when Energy Secretary Spencer Abraham chose to honor Dr. Grunder's career with the DOE laboratory system by presenting him with the Secretary of Energy's Gold Award in recognition of his tireless engagement on issues of national importance, including nuclear energy, national security and international user facilities.

The DOE and the Office of Science recognized how extremely lucky they were to have a true champion like Dr. Grunder on their team for so long; and we in Illinois were very, very lucky to have had such an outstanding professional at the helm of one of our two outstanding labs for the last 5 years.

Mr. Speaker, Dr. Hermann Grunder has contributed greatly to the DOE laboratory complex, my district, and the State of Illinois and our Nation. His commitment and industrious efforts as a public servant serve as an inspiration to us all. I know that his presence at Argonne will be greatly missed, but I am confident that with his abundant energy and zeal for science he will continue to do great things in the scientific community for years to come.

Today I congratulate Dr. Grunder on his retirement and wish him all the best in his many future endeavors.

SENTENCED TO SERVE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Washington (Mr. McDERMOTT) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. McDERMOTT. Mr. Speaker, I rise to alert the American people to the case of Emiliano Santiago. His case, his plight should be known and feared by every high school junior and senior across the country, as well as every parent and every guardian.

Emiliano Santiago is a 26-year-old soldier from Seattle who proudly and bravely served his country for 8 years immediately following high school. His 8-year commitment to the United States military was up a few months ago, or at least so he thought. That is when Emiliano Santiago discovered that Secretary Rumsfeld's secret back door draft existed. Despite 8 years in the military, despite fulfilling his commitment to his country, Emiliano cannot leave the military. Emiliano Santiago cannot leave the military this week, this month or any year in the future for some time to come. Emiliano Santiago cannot leave the military this decade or the next decade.

The ugly little secret in the Pentagon is that Emiliano Santiago's vol-

untary service is involuntary. He has been sentenced to serve. The ugly truth of the matter is simply this: He is forced to serve at the whim of Rumsfeld potentially until Christmas Eve in the year 2031. Emiliano Santiago signed up in 1996. He has been sentenced to 35 years of service under Mr. Rumsfeld.

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He is now subject to the whim of Mr. Rumsfeld. He will be in his fifties before he can escape from Mr. Rumsfeld's grasp.

Do you think anyone told Emiliano what he was getting into? Not a chance. Welcome to the myth of the voluntary military service under Donald Rumsfeld. He cannot find enough soldiers so the Pentagon is forcing those already in service to stay whether they want to or not, whether they have jobs, family, or plans of their own.

Emiliano is owned by Mr. Rumsfeld. Welcome to the volunteer Army. They call it stop-loss. It is an involuntary military service. Just ask Emiliano and 50,000 other U.S. soldiers. Yes, 50,000 soldiers who signed up in what they thought was a voluntary military cannot now voluntarily leave the military at the end of their commitment.

Stop-loss is Rumsfeld's legalese for a backdoor draft. It is legal, real; and do not let anyone, especially military recruiters, tell you otherwise.

A recruiter signed up Emiliano. The recruiter was saying, Sign up here for 8 years. He never explained to me of the possibility of stop-loss. No one told Emiliano of the backdoor draft. And Americans are just finding out about the recruiter provision found in the No Child Left Behind Act. Or as I call it, No Child Left Un-recruited. High schools must turn over high school student contact information or lose funding. Now, there is the makings of the voluntary Army.

Rumsfeld has unlimited power to keep you in the military, and the military now has unlimited access to your son and daughter. Forget about any right to privacy. This is America under Republican leadership. If you are in high school right now, the military has your name, your address, and your phone number. If you are in Rumsfeld's military, he has you for decades. It is the new Republican definition of family planning. Ask Rumsfeld what you are doing for the rest of your life.

It is wrong and it is not working. Recruitment in the Army National Guard plunged 31 percent in February and another 12 percent in March. The word is spreading. America's all-voluntary military has been replaced by Rumsfeld's sentence-to-life military.

I served my country as an officer in the United States Navy. I am proud of my military service and proud of anyone who serves America in the military. But today's honor and duty are being distorted into recruiter mandates to find more bodies. The National

Guard is adding another 1,400 recruiters.

I want to be clear about this. Do not blame the recruiters. It is not their fault. They are doing what good soldiers do: follow orders. Being a recruiter used to be a plum job, reserved for only the best of the best. They were soldiers who were models for American military pride. But Rumsfeld has turned them into overworked, overstressed, overzealous representatives with quotas to fill and truth to stretch.

I want the U.S. military at its finest. I want recruiters back to what they can be: role models for America whether someone chooses to join the military or whether decides instead to be proud of the military.

We are not doing that today. We are taking names of literally every high school student in America. Demand that the No Child Left Behind Act apply only to education and not to recruiting. Until then, get the paperwork and opt out, either for yourself or your kid. You can find it at www.militaryfreezone.org. Let me give it again: www.militaryfreezone.org.

Take back your right to the personal privacy that used to be guaranteed by your government. Emiliano Santiago is looking forward to Christmas Eve 2031. That is when he is finally out of Rumsfeld's grasp. We used to have a voluntary military. Now we have Rumsfeld's military. It is a sentence to serve.

ILLINOIS TENTH DISTRICT STUDENTS AID TSUNAMI VICTIMS

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. DENT). Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. KIRK) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. KIRK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the efforts of schools in the Tenth Congressional District of Illinois who together raised over \$600,000 for tsunami victims halfway around the world.

Student councils, community service clubs, entire students bodies from all around our district have held fundraising events and collections in ongoing efforts to benefit the American Red Cross, UNICEF and countless other relief organizations.

I want to highlight the work of Dan Klein, who attends St. Viator High School in Arlington Heights, Illinois, who set out modest goals for his work. Daniel took \$300 of his own money and with some help from his parents ordered 1,000 red rubber bracelets with "Students for Relief" embedded on them. Thinking he could send a small donation to the battered region from bracelet sales, Daniel's efforts led to anything but small. He has sold over 450,000 bracelets via his Web site, www.studentsforrelief.com, and raised over \$500,000 for tsunami victims.

Many other young people across my district exemplify American generosity. Prospect High School students in Prospect Heights raised over \$500,000

to help rebuild Nagapattinam, a small shoreline town in Southeast Asia where their school custodian is from.

Students at Loyola Academy and Regina Dominican High School in Wilmette raised a combination of \$14,000 for their relief efforts.

Deerfield High School students raised \$3,500 for the American Red Cross through bracelet sales.

Student council and Model U.N. organizations at Fremd High School in Palatine raised over \$500 for UNICEF.

Highland Park High School's Key Club and Transitional Program of Instruction raised \$570 for UNICEF.

Students organizations from Glenbrook North High School in Northbrook organized a 2-day fundraising drive that raised \$10,000 for the American Red Cross.

Students from Glenbrook South High School in Glenview raised over \$8,000 for the American Red Cross.

The Service Over Self Club at John Hersey High School in Arlington Heights raised \$1,500 for the Red Cross.

The student council and Red Cross Club at Lake Forest High School organized homeroom competitions and a number of themed events and dances raising \$5,000 for the Red Cross.

The Student Council at Libertyville High School raised nearly \$5,400 for Oxfam USA/International.

New Trier High School in Winnetka initiated a bracelet, pizza and bake sale, along with a study-a-thon netting over \$10,000 for relief efforts.

At Rolling Meadows High School the student council, National Honors Society, and Students Of Service raised \$2,000 for the Red Cross during their 2-week fund raising effort and also collected clothes, blankets, and other essentials.

In Lincolnshire Stevenson High School, they had a Penny Wars competition among freshmen, sophomore, junior, and seniors classes who collected \$5,300 for the American Red Cross.

Vernon Hill High School raised \$3,500 for efforts with Best Buy matching their donation with \$7,000 more.

In Gurnee, Warren Township High School's student council sponsored two fundraisers netting \$400 for the Cooperative for Assistance and Relief Everywhere, CARE International.

Elementary school children in my district also made substantial contributions.

First through eighth graders at Holy Cross School in Deerfield raised \$2,000 for tsunami relief efforts in conjunction with Catholic Charities Week.

Ariana Michel and Gabrielle Feldman of South Park Elementary School in Deerfield raised \$2,000 themselves in just 2 days selling bracelets.

In Northbrook, Westmoor, Greenbriar and Meadowbrook elementary schools raised over \$2,000 for the Red Cross.

Northbrook Junior High School students raised \$5,000 for the tsunami efforts.

Students at Wescott School in Northbrook raised \$2,700 for UNICEF.

Countryside Montessori School in Northbrook raised \$1,200 for the American Red Cross through a coffee and bake sale.

Eighth grade classes at Field School in Northbrook raised \$1,000 for the American Red Cross.

Elm Place School in Highland Park collected school supplies to fill 166 bags sent to students in Phuket, Thailand.

Fifth graders at Lincoln School in Highland Park organized a bake sale netting \$900 for the relief effort.

Jefferson School in Hoffman Estates raised \$2,200 from a wristband sale for tsunami victims.

In Libertyville, Copeland, Highland, Adler, Butterfield and Rockland elementary schools raised \$1,500 for relief efforts.

Winkleman Elementary School in Glenview raised \$2,000 through a rummage sale that will go to Heifer International. In addition, third grade classes at the school raised \$780 for the American Red Cross and made 45 fleece blankets for orphanages.

Kindergarten, first, and second grade classes at Lyons School in Glenview collected \$3,200 for the American Red Cross.

Students at Hawthorn Schools in Vernon Hills organized a district-wide bracelet sale raising \$12,000 for tsunami victims.

Deerpath Middle School in Lake Forest raised over \$1,600 for the American Red Cross.

The Lake Forest Country Day School held a dance marathon raising \$6,000 for the tsunami relief.

In addition, students Ian and Lane Mankoff of Lake Forest raised \$15,000 for the relief effort through a hot chocolate fundraiser.

St. Theresa School in Palatine raised \$6,400 for tsunami victims.

Mr. Speaker, the schools and students I mentioned have taken up the challenge of service with honor while representing their communities with distinction. I am honored to represent these schools that have shown the desire to make a difference in the lives of those ravaged by the tsunami. They not only represent the best of our communities, but they are what makes our country strong. Thank you for the opportunity to recognize these outstanding student and schools of the 10th district of Illinois.

All of these efforts I think exemplify the best that is in the American spirit. And it is so heartening to see the youngest Americans giving the most, showing people across the world that they have never met what Americans can do.

HONORING ULYSSES BRADSHAW KINSEY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from California (Ms. WATSON) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Ms. WATSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to a recently deceased great American, Ulysses Bradshaw Kinsey.