

I am quite proud and most pleased to announce that the 2008 John V. Corrigan '38 Distinguished Alumnus Award was presented to the one of the Senate's very own, Mr. Terrence E. Sauvain, who currently serves in my office of the President pro tempore as a senior advisor.

I have been very fortunate to have had Terry as a member of my staff for so many years. In every task I have asked him to undertake, including 2 years of service as the secretary to the minority leader, Terry has performed his duties with courtesy, dedication, efficiency, and diligence. In every position, he has gone above and beyond the call of duty in performing the work of the Senate, assisting my representation of the people of West Virginia, and serving the best interests of the Nation, and for all this, I am truly grateful.

Terry Sauvain also served as the 14th staff director of the Senate Appropriations Committee, since the committee was formed in 1867. In this role, Terry directed a great team of professional analysts with a goal of "sharpening the issues" so that Senators were able to make bipartisan, responsible, and fiscally prudent decisions on Federal Government spending amounting to \$1 trillion per year. Terry's outstanding service to the Senate has earned him a variety of honors, including the Nyumbani Medallion of Hope for his work supporting me in the humanitarian fight to bring relief to children with HIV/AIDS in Africa.

I heartily congratulate Terry Sauvain and his family on his receipt of this award.

I ask unanimous consent that an article appearing in the most recent issue of St. Ignatius Magazine concerning this award be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

TERRENCE SAUVAIN HONORED FOR
DISTINGUISHED PUBLIC SERVICE
(By Paris Wolfe)

This past February, Terrence Sauvain '58 received The Honorable John V. Corrigan '38 Distinguished Alumnus Award for notable achievements in his profession.

During the selection process, the award committee asked former award recipient Fr. Thomas Acker, S.J., '47, about Sauvain. "He was glowing about Terry, and all he's done," says Steve Gerba '89, committee chair.

Sauvain spoke to students during his visit to Cleveland. "He shared insight into government," Gerba recalls. "He couldn't say enough about good education as a career foundation."

In August 2002, Wheeling Jesuit University recognized Sauvain's career achievements. The university conferred an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree on Sauvain in the presence of U.S. Sen. Robert Byrd, U.S. Rep. Alan Mollohan and Fr. Acker, president emeritus of Wheeling Jesuit University. The degree recognizes Sauvain's contributions to the United States through a distinguished career in public service under Byrd's leadership and mentoring.

Sauvain considers himself fortunate to have served Byrd, master of the appropriations process, as the Senate Appropriations

committee staff director. He was only the 14th person to serve in that capacity since the committee was founded in 1867. As staff director, he was the senator's right arm in reviewing budgetary expenditures of \$1 trillion annually. For his service to the senator in the humanitarian fight to bring relief to children with HIV/AIDS in Africa, he was awarded the Nyumbani Medallion of Hope.

Throughout his 43 years of public service, Sauvain has tried to live the lessons he learned at Saint Ignatius and the University of Notre Dame. He has always been impressed by the Prayer for Generosity that Saint Ignatius students recite, and he is convinced that those whom we most admire have demonstrated personal sacrifice and dedication to duty, which require a great measure of personal generosity.

Sauvain earned a master's in government from George Washington University in 1971. Capt. Sauvain, USCGR ret., served 30 years in the Coast Guard Reserve, his "second job," where he specialized in joint Coast Guard and National Guard counter-drug operations. He is the recipient of the Coast Guard Meritorious Service Medal, the National Guard Eagle Award and the National Guard Association Patrick Henry Award.

In 2006, the University of Notre Dame honored him with The Reverend John J. Cavanaugh, C.S.C. Award for distinguished public service. In 2007, the U.S. Coast Guard's commandant presented him with a Distinguished Public Service Award.

He and his wife, Veronica, have three children: Marie Robertson (James), Catherine and Terrence Jr.—all lawyers.

REMEMBERING SENATOR JESSE HELMES

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to a fellow Senator, a friend, and a true Southern gentleman, Senator Jesse Helms, who passed away on July 4, 2008. He was a man resolute in his beliefs. I have heard many say here in the Senate, as well as outside the Capitol Grounds, that regardless of what you thought about his position or opinion, you always respected Senator Helms for standing up for what he believed.

As a master of the Senate parliamentary procedures, he did not hesitate to use this knowledge as a tool when he thought it was necessary to get his point across. While inevitably these tactics might have frustrated some of his colleagues from time to time, Senators couldn't help but marvel at his courageous defense of his beliefs, and they never doubted that Senator Helms would treat them with respect. I have heard from those close to Senator Helms, and experienced it myself, that he was true to his belief that standing up and defending one's opinion was never to be confused with, or providing a reason for, animosity towards one's opponents.

His kindness and respect did not stop with his colleagues in the Senate. Senator Helms was a true advocate that Senators were here to represent and serve their constituents regardless of any party affiliation, and his office was known for its impeccable constituent services. His beliefs and service to his fellow citizens not only endeared him to those he served or those he served

with, but also to those that had the privilege to serve on his staff. I don't think he even referred to them as his staff but as his Senate family—the Helms Senate family.

His dedication to his staff is exemplified by the number of his staffers that went on to serve in important positions in federal and state government and in the private sector, having been "tutored and trained" in the discipline of Senator Helms. An excellent example is Robert Wilkie, now serving in the Defense Department as Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs.

Respect for Senator Helms extends well beyond these Senate halls to across the globe. Senator Helms' experience with foreign policy started with his service in the U.S. Navy during World War II and continued with his efforts to reform the United Nations. His effect was no less prevalent when he was the first legislator to address the U.N. Security Council. I was privileged to witness his stalwart performance.

It goes without saying that the Senate, this Nation, and the State of North Carolina are better today because of Senator Helms. I extend my most heartfelt condolences to the Helms family and his friends.

Mr. GRAHAM. Mr. President, today I rise to speak about the contributions and service of one of the true giants of the U.S. Senate.

Senator Jesse Helms of North Carolina was one of the longest serving and most distinguished Senators in the history of our Nation. During his time in the Senate, he was known as a strong advocate for his causes and was one of the most tenacious fighters this body has ever seen. Senator Helms knew what he believed, why he believed it, and he was always prepared to fight strenuously for his cause.

On those occasions when the Senate was prepared to promote ideas with which he disagreed, Senator Helms proved to be one of the most adept at slowing the body to a crawl. It was a trait that endeared him to many of his supporters and was a source of much consternation for his detractors.

However, if there is one accomplishment for which Senator Helms will be long remembered and greatly admired, it is his steadfast warnings and commitment to fighting the scourge of communism. Not a day went by that Senator Helms was not concerned about the spread of communism around the globe.

Like President Reagan and South Carolina's own longstanding Senator Strom Thurmond, Senator Helms understood that communism was an evil ideology and, at its most basic form, a means of enslaving millions of people. As a nation of freedom-loving people, we had a responsibility to stop its spread.

The struggle against communism continued for decades with Senator Helms playing a leading role in encouraging our Nation to confront this evil. Eventually, the hard line he took

against communism, along with Reagan, Thurmond, and others, was vindicated. The Berlin Wall tumbled and the Soviet Union collapsed.

Today, communism has been discredited and millions of people have been freed from its bonds. Senator Helms, and the other strong anti-Communists, deserve our thanks for their steadfast fight and eventual victory over communism. It would not have been possible without their hard work.

In closing, I was saddened to hear of the passing of Senator Helms and I want to take this opportunity to send my condolences to his family and friends. I also want to express my sincere appreciation for his long service in the U.S. Senate and to the Nation he loved.

Mr. SPECTER. Mr. President, I have sought recognition to pay tribute to my late colleague from North Carolina, Senator Jesse Helms. I look back upon his career in the U.S. Senate and remember a true champion of conservative values; a Senator who stood by his convictions with a tenacity for which he will long be remembered.

Senator Helms was initially introduced to public service by his father, who served their North Carolina community as both the fire chief and the chief of police. After working in print, radio, and television journalism and serving on the Raleigh City Council, Jesse Helms decided to run for Senate in 1972 and proved his political mettle by defeating three opponents to win the seat.

Senator Helms spent the next 30 years serving five terms in the Senate, leaving behind a legacy of uncompromising and unapologetic conservatism. He could boast of many accomplishments during his career, including being dubbed "Senator No," a moniker he earned for standing strong against issues he felt threatened the conservative agenda. Senator No chaired the Agriculture Committee from 1981-1987 and the Foreign Relations Committee from 1995-2001, where he had a hand in cultivating many important pieces of legislation. His firm stance against tyranny led to successful negotiations and passage of a bill to assist Cuban citizens, organized efforts to bring more countries into the NATO alliance, and supported the development of a missile defense system to defend our allies abroad.

Senator Helms also made his presence known on the national campaign trail where played a pivotal role in fostering the conservative agenda in Ronald Reagan's presidential campaign in 1976. His efforts were so effective he was asked to participate again in 1980. Clearly "Senator No," a moniker he earned for standing strong against issues he felt threatened the conservative agenda, helped the future President shape his conservative message.

Senator Helms and I may have differed on many issues, but I respected his wide array of knowledge and the vigor with which he defended them. I

am glad to say I served in this chamber with Jesse Helms and will always honor his passion for life and dedication to service in the Senate.

Mr. ENSIGN. Mr. President, President William McKinley once said, "That's all a man can hope for during his lifetime—to set an example—and when he is dead, to be an inspiration for history."

Of all his accomplishments during his lifetime, the example that Senator Jesse Helms set for treating others rises above everything else. During my first term in the Senate, I had the privilege of traveling to Mexico as part of a congressional delegation with Jesse Helms. I saw his kindness and sincerity in the way he treated everyone, regardless of position. The foreign dignitaries received the same respect and consideration as staff. Not enough Senators treat members of their staff like members of their family, but Jesse Helms did. And that gentleness extended to all who came into contact with him.

The kindness with which he touched so many lives stands in stark contrast to the harsh and tough image which many had of Jesse Helms. Seen as rough and hard-hitting, a more fitting description of Jesse Helms is that he was a steadfast believer in the principles of America. Jesse Helms was the voice, sometimes the lone voice, of a centuries' old vision of a sovereign United States committed to freedom, a strong national defense, and free enterprise. He was willing and able to stop business in the Senate when the strength of our Nation was threatened.

But to those whose lives were personally touched by Jesse Helms, progress was never paused. Instead, Jesse Helms was a conduit of democracy and opportunity. Generations of Cubans, Taiwanese, Iraqis, and Africans will always remember the support that a Senator from North Carolina dedicated to their causes.

And countless North Carolinians will remember the meaningful impact that Jesse Helms had on their lives as their advocate to a sometimes unyielding government bureaucracy. One constituent from Raleigh noted her Senator's efforts on behalf of her aging parents. She remembered her mother saying if there was a problem that couldn't be resolved, "Call Jesse Helms. He won't stop until he gets it solved."

His commitment to his constituents speaks volumes about Jesse Helms's passion for his job and the people who elected him. He always remembered who he represented and why. And he always remembered that we ensure the strength of our Nation by inspiring young people to continue the work of generations of patriots. He never turned away young men and women looking for advice and often engaged them in dialogue. Time and again he told them to stand up for their principles. And then he showed them by example.

Very few Americans in our Nation's history have risen to the level of accomplishment and reverence as Jesse Helms. During three decades in the Senate, he set an example for all Americans as he always stood by his principles and extended kindness to friend and foe. Now he is an inspiration for history.

FORMER VICE PRESIDENT PROTECTION ACT OF 2008

Mr. LEAHY. Mr. President, I am pleased that, last night, the Senate unanimously passed the Former Vice President Protection Act, H.R. 5938, a bill to ensure that former Vice Presidents and their immediate family receive Secret Service protection for 6 months after they leave office. I am especially pleased that this important legislation includes key provisions of the Leahy-Specter Identity Theft Enforcement and Restitution Act, a critical cyber crime bill that unanimously passed the Senate last November. I urge the House of Representatives to promptly take up and enact this important criminal legislation.

Although the Secret Service has provided protection to former Vice Presidents over the last 30 years, through a variety of temporary grants of authority, this legislation will provide clear authority for the Secret Service to provide such protection for the first time. The men and women of the Secret Service perform the very difficult job of protecting our current and former leaders exceptionally well. I am pleased that this legislation will help the Secret Service to carry out this important mission.

This bipartisan legislation also includes important cyber crime provisions portions of the Identity Theft Enforcement and Restitution Act to protect the privacy rights of all Americans. The anti-cyber crime provisions in this bill are long overdue. A recent survey by the Federal Trade Commission found that that more than 8 million Americans fell victim to identity theft in 2005. In addition, a new report by the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development encourages democratic governments around the world to more aggressively fight identity theft by enacting stronger cyber crime laws and stiffening the penalties to deter potential cyber-criminals.

The key anti-cyber crime provisions that are included in this legislation will close existing gaps in our criminal law to keep up with the cunning and ingenuity of today's identity thieves. First, to better protect American consumers, the legislation provides the victims of identity theft with the ability to seek restitution in Federal court for the loss of time and money spent restoring their credit and remedying the harms of identity theft, so that identity theft victims can be made whole.

Second, to address the increasing number of computer hacking crimes