

kind of strained and tempestuous relationship that can flare when a son succeeds a successful father.

"Since I was 12, all I wanted to do was work with my dad," Brian Roberts said in an interview for this obituary. "I believe the reason we are still in this business when so many others have long since departed was his will to succeed, and to do it with certain core values and integrity. Maybe it was losing both his parents before he was 21, living through the Depression, but somehow he became an optimist. He was the most optimistic man I ever knew. He never told me anything I wanted to do at Comcast was a bad idea, and after more than 30 years, you'd think I've had a lot of bad ideas."

Together, Brian and Ralph had many good ideas that brought television to tens of millions across America. We are all forever grateful for Ralph Roberts' contributions to the American business world and to telecommunications. The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and our Nation benefited from Ralph's hard work and vision. Our prayers are with his wife Suzanne, his children, and his grandchildren.●

REMEMBERING COLONEL PAUL F. DUDLEY, RETIRED

● Mr. HELLER. Mr. President, today we honor the life and service of Col. Paul F. Dudley, Retired, whose passing signifies a great loss to Nevada. I send my condolences and prayers to his wife Barbara and all of Mr. Dudley's family in this time of mourning, including his 6 children, 16 grandchildren, and 18 great-grandchildren. Mr. Dudley was a man committed to his family, his country, his State, and his community. He will be sorely missed.

Mr. Dudley was born on April 24, 1925, in Marengo, OH. After graduating from high school, he enlisted in the Marines and served during World War II. Following the war, Mr. Dudley attended Otterbein College and served his local community as an Ohio State Patrol trooper and detective. He later served in the Ohio Air National Guard, following graduating first in his class from the Air Force in Colorado as a nuclear weapons maintenance officer and returning to active duty. Throughout his service with the Ohio Air National Guard, he commanded the NATO Special Ammunition Storage Site in Ghedi, Italy. In 1975, he moved his family to Las Vegas and served at Nellis Air Force Base to command the Aviation Depot Squadron. Mr. Dudley's service to this country has been invaluable.

From serving in World War II, to his Air Force assignments as a nuclear safety officer in Italy, to his duty as an inspector general at the Tan Son Nhut Air Base in South Vietnam, his bravery was without limit. Mr. Dudley received two Distinguished Flying Cross medals for his extraordinary actions as a Marine radioman-gunner during World War II and also flew in 43 combat missions throughout the Pacific campaign.

As a World War II veteran, Mr. Dudley's commitment to his country, as

well as his dedication to his family and community, exemplified why the legacy of all World War II veterans must be preserved for generations to come. These veterans truly are the "greatest generation"—selflessly serving not for recognition, but because it was the right thing to do. As a member of the Senate Veterans' Affairs Committee, I recognize that Congress has a responsibility not only to honor these brave individuals, but to ensure they are cared for when they return home. I remain committed to upholding this promise for our veterans and servicemembers in Nevada and throughout the Nation.

I extend my deepest sympathies to Barbara and all of Mr. Dudley's family. We will always remember Mr. Dudley for his courageous contributions to the United States of America. His service to his country and dedication to his family and community earn him a place among the outstanding men and women who have valiantly defended our Nation.

Throughout his life, Mr. Dudley maintained a dedication to keeping this great Nation safe, which I am honored to commend. His patriotism and drive will never be forgotten. Today, I join the Las Vegas community and citizens of the Silver State to celebrate the life of an upstanding Nevadan.●

CONGRATULATING FOOTHILL HIGH SCHOOL

● Mr. HELLER. Mr. President, today, I wish to congratulate Foothill High School on its team of students selected as the Southwest regional winner and third place overall in the sixth annual Vans Custom Culture shoe designing contest. The contest was highly competitive with 2,529 schools registered to participate. Five students, including April Siglos, Cayleigh Miner, Catherine Swift, Shelby Baker, and Aimee Perry, were chosen to represent the high school at the award ceremony in New York. Students Daniel Di'Antonio and Elizabeth Marshall were also important contributors to the team, participating in the design process. Competitors were required to design pairs of shoes for four categories including art, music, action sports, and local flavor. The team won a total of \$4,000 for its achievement in being selected in the top five competitors, a contribution that will help future Foothill students for years to come.

The contest has been utilized by Foothill High School art teacher Sarah Plough as a classroom assignment in recent years, giving students the opportunity to harness their creative side and apply their art skills to a three-dimensional object. Students in Ms. Plough's class were also assigned to participate in local contests, bringing their artwork outside of Foothill High School's walls and into the local community. Ms. Plough's drive to bring opportunity to her students is appreciated by the entire Foothill High School and Las Vegas communities.

The students are shining examples to their fellow Foothill Falcons, focusing a great amount of time and effort to create phenomenal artwork for the competition. They spent 5 weeks working on their designs and even devoted hours over spring break to their projects. They should be proud of their hard work and their great accomplishment.

I am excited to see local students bringing recognition to both Nevada and to Foothill High School for their advancement in a national competition. Their accolade is well deserved. Today, I ask my colleagues to join me and all Nevadans in congratulating Foothill High School for its success and its honorable representation of Nevada.●

TRIBUTE TO RAEGAN ARNOLDY

● Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, today I recognize Raegan Arnoldy, an intern in my Washington, DC, office, for all of the hard work she has done for me, my staff, and the State of South Dakota.

Raegan is a graduate of Lyman County High School in Presho, SD. Currently, Raegan is attending the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, where she is majoring in communication studies and business administration. Raegan is a dedicated worker who has been committed to getting the most out of her experience.

I extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Raegan Arnoldy for all of the fine work she has done and wish her continued success in the years to come.●

TRIBUTE TO MACI BURKE

● Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, today I recognize Maci Burke, an intern in my Washington, DC, office, for all of the hard work she has done for me, my staff, and the State of South Dakota.

Maci is a graduate of Chamberlain High School in Chamberlain, SD. Currently, Maci is attending the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, where she is majoring in political science. Maci is a dedicated worker who has been committed to getting the most out of her experience.

I extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Maci Burke for all of the fine work she has done and wish her continued success in the years to come.●

TRIBUTE TO DANIELLE KERR

● Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, today I recognize Danielle Kerr, an intern in my Rapid City, SD, office, for all of the hard work she has done for me, my staff, and the State of South Dakota.

Danielle is a graduate of Stevens High School in Rapid City, SD as well as the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, UNL, with an English major. Currently she has been accepted into the 2018 class at the UNL College of Law.

Danielle is a dedicated worker who has been committed to getting the most out of her experience.

I extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Danielle Kerr for all of the fine work she has done and wish her continued success in the years to come.●

TRIBUTE TO ALEX SACHTJEN

● Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, today I recognize Alex Sachtjen, an intern in my Washington, DC, office, for all of the hard work he has done for me, my staff, and the State of South Dakota.

Alex is a graduate of Burke High School in Burke, SD. Currently, Alex is attending Augustana College, where he is majoring in government and international affairs and business administration. Alex is a dedicated worker who has been committed to getting the most out of his experience.

I extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Alex Sachtjen for all of the fine work he has done and wish him continued success in the years to come.●

TRIBUTE TO TIARA TINGLE

● Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, today I recognize Tiara Tingle, an intern in my Washington, DC, office, for all of the hard work she has done for me, my staff, and the State of South Dakota.

Tiara is a graduate of Brandon Valley High School in Brandon, SD. Currently, Tiara is attending the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, where she is majoring in economics. Tiara is a dedicated worker who has been committed to getting the most out of her experience.

I extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Tiara Tingle for all of the fine work she has done and wish her continued success in the years to come.●

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 10:18 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House agrees to the resolution (H. Res. 340) returning to the Senate the bill (H.R. 1735) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2016 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes, and, in the opinion of this House, contravenes the first clause of the seventh section of the first article of the Constitution of the United States and is an infringement of the privileges of this House and that such bill, with the Senate amendment thereto, shall be respectfully returned to the Senate with a message communicating this resolution.

At 1:45 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by

Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 2042. An act to allow for judicial review of any final rule addressing carbon dioxide emissions from existing fossil fuel-fired electric utility generating units before requiring compliance with such rule, and to allow States to protect households and businesses from significant adverse effects on electricity ratepayers or reliability.

The message also announced that the House disagrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 1735) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2016 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes, and asks for a conference with the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon, and appoints the following Members as managers of the conference on the part of the House:

From the Committee on Armed Services: Messrs. THORNBERRY, FORBES, MILLER of Florida, WILSON of South Carolina, LOBIONDO, BISHOP of Utah, TURNER, KLINE, ROGERS of Alabama, SHUSTER, CONAWAY, LAMBORN, WITTMAN, HUNTER, Mrs. HARTZLER, Messrs. HECK of Nevada, WENSTRUP, Ms. STEFANIK, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California, Mrs. DAVIS of California, Messrs. LANGEVIN, LARSEN of Washington, COOPER, Ms. BORDALLO, Mr. COURTNEY, Ms. TSONGAS, Messrs. GARAMENDI, JOHNSON of Georgia, Ms. SPEIER, Mr. CASTRO of Texas, and Ms. DUCKWORTH.

The message further announced that the House agrees to the amendment of the Senate to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 1295) to extend the African Growth and Opportunity Act, the Generalized System of Preferences, the preferential duty treatment program for Haiti, and for other purposes, without amendment.

MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bill was read the first time:

S. 1698. A bill to exclude payments from State eugenics compensation programs from consideration in determining eligibility for, or the amount of, Federal public benefits.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. JOHNSON, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, with amendments:

S. 1180. A bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to direct the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to modernize the integrated public alert and warning system of the United States, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 114-73).

By Mr. BLUNT, from the Committee on Appropriations, without amendment:

S. 1695. An original bill making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2016, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 114-74).

By Ms. COLLINS, from the Committee on Appropriations, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

H.R. 2577. An act making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2016, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 114-75).

By Mr. CORKER, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, without amendment and with a preamble:

S. Res. 204. A resolution recognizing June 20, 2015 as "World Refugee Day".

S. Res. 207. A resolution recognizing threats to freedom of the press and expression around the world and reaffirming freedom of the press as a priority in efforts of the United States Government to promote democracy and good governance.

By Mr. CORKER, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, with amendments and an amendment to the title and with a preamble:

S. Res. 211. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate regarding Srebrenica.

By Mr. CORKER, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, with an amendment:

S. 1643. A bill to require a report on actions to secure the safety and security of dissidents housed at Camp Liberty, Iraq.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. CORKER for the Committee on Foreign Relations.

*David Hale, of New Jersey, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.

Nominee: David Hale.

Post: Islamabad.

(The following is a list of all members of my immediate family and their spouses. I have asked each of these persons to inform me of the pertinent contributions made by them. To the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this report is complete and accurate.)

Contributions, amount, date, and donee:

1. Self: None.

2. Spouse: N/A.

3. Children and Spouses: N/A.

4. Parents: Marjorie Freeman, \$25, 5/20/10, RNC; \$25, 2/19/12, RNC; \$10, 4/12/12, RNC; \$20, 8/15/12, RNC; \$20, 9/21/12, RNC; \$20, 9/27/13, RNC; \$50, 4/8/14, RNC; \$100, 6/30/14, RNC; \$25, 9/27/12, Romney Victory Fund.

5. Grandparents: N/A.

6. Brothers and Spouses: John Hale, \$50, 4/25/11, BridgewaterRepublican Municipal Committee.

7. Sisters and Spouses: \$50, 4/26/13, Same.

*Atul Keshap, of Virginia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Maldives.

Nominee: Atul Keshap.

Post: Colombo, Sri Lanka.