

the expansion of courses to include clerical courses. Today Western High School resides on a joint campus opened in 1967 with the all-male Baltimore Polytechnic Institute on Falls Road.

The WHS class of 1965 graduated from Western in a transitional period for Western. Two years away from the opening of the current campus, Western High School students attended classes in the heart of downtown Baltimore. With an overpopulated school building that forced administrators to move to a split shift schedule to accommodate all of Western's students, alumnae often participated in work or volunteer opportunities located within walking distance of the school. This proximity to downtown also allowed Western students to participate in the burgeoning civil rights movement in Baltimore City, including the picketing of businesses which refused to serve African Americans. While Western High School students can fondly remember their efforts to fight for social justice in the civil rights movement, the class of 1965 was also struck by the tragic news of President John F. Kennedy's assassination. Even as WHS mourned this news, former Western High School alumna Sarah T. Hughes, then judge of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas and just the third woman to ever serve as a Federal jurist, administered the oath of office to then-Vice President Lyndon B. Johnson aboard Air Force One.

The storied history of Western High School and school motto, "Lucem accepimus, lucem demus"—"We have received light, let us give light"—has continued to inspire generations of students and countless alumnae of WHS. Among its alumnae include Henrietta Szold, the founder of Hadassah; Trazana Beverley, a 1977 Tony Award Winner; former Maryland State superintendent of schools Dr. Nancy S. Grasmick; current Baltimore City mayor Stephanie Rawlings-Blake; and current Western High School principal Michelle White. As the WHS class of 1965 comes together this week to celebrate their class reunion and years of friendship, I encourage each alumnae to remember the words they were taught at Western High School many years ago and continue to strengthen their own communities.●

TRIBUTE TO JAMIE TURNER

● Mr. CARPER. Mr. President, it is with great pleasure that, on behalf of the Delaware congressional delegation, I wish to honor the exemplary service of Jamie Turner, director of the Delaware Emergency Management Agency, upon his retirement. Jamie has served as director for 13 years and during that time has provided first responders and Delaware citizens with emergency preparedness training and education to keep Delawareans safe when hazards such as hurricanes, tornadoes, and fires hit Delaware. His efforts will be a guide

and inspiration for the hard-working employees at DEMA and the many first responders in Delaware for years to come.

Jamie has a lifetime of experience when it comes to responding to emergency situations. In 1970, he began his education in fire protection technology at Delaware Technical Community College. He studied the causes and proper responses to various hazards and preventive measures that can be taken to avoid them entirely. Jamie took the knowledge he gained from his education and in 1976 began working with the Delaware State Fire School as the emergency service training administrator. It was his responsibility to supervise instructors, research technical information, and work with fire, rescue, and emergency medical services to develop necessary guidelines and effective procedures.

Then, in 2000, he took on the role of executive secretary of the Delaware Volunteer Firemen's Association, where he was tasked with following legislation at every level of government that affected DVFA's membership. In this role, he researched different laws and ordinances to ensure that the DVFA was following the proper guidelines. Thanks to Jamie, Delaware's firefighters stayed informed on the regulations that were put in place to keep themselves and those in emergency situations safe.

Jamie has been a dedicated public servant for years. Before his appointment to director of DEMA, he was serving and protecting Delaware through his consistent endeavors to remain on the cutting edge of best practices in emergency protocol and then use that experience to educate others in the field. He is active in the Smyrna Little League and continues to volunteer with the Delaware Fire Service.

On behalf of Senator CHRIS COONS and Congressman JOHN CARNEY, I wholeheartedly thank Jamie Turner for his service to the State of Delaware. His model leadership and dedication has improved the quality of our State's emergency response systems and has kept countless residents safe. We offer our sincere congratulations on a job well done and wish him and his wife Debbie, their daughters Kim and Katie, husbands Mike and Sean respectively, and their grandchildren Madelyn, Harper, Keegan, and Kolton many happy years to come.●

TRIBUTE TO VAUGHN THOMAS HAWKES

● Mr. CRAPO. Mr. President, I wish to honor Vaughn Thomas Hawkes on his 80th birthday. Vaughn is a native Idahoan whose family roots in the State go back generations. He is one of nine children born to a farm family outside of Preston, where he learned hard work and ingenuity are the keys to a good life. The work ethic he learned early on has served him well through his 80 years, but he had a spirit of adventure

that was unusual for an Idaho farm boy. After he finished college at Utah State University and married his sweetheart of close to 56 years, Frances Arlene Anderson, they embarked on a journey that took them to the tiny island territory of American Samoa, where he first taught high school chemistry, math, and physics, and then served as principal at Mapusaga High School. But perhaps some may think his greatest achievement during that time was that he was instrumental in introducing American football to the Samoan people—something many college and NFL teams have appreciated for many years now. An educator by training and inclination, Vaughn spent many years in administrative positions at the Blackfoot School District before finishing his career in the Provo School District where he retired.

His devotion to his faith has been manifest in many ways, including missionary service throughout the world—first as a young missionary in western Canada; then in American Samoa; then in Milan, Italy; and most recently in Santa Monica, CA. His teaching nature has been evident far beyond his professional career, as he has been given the opportunity to educate through that missionary service. Upon his retirement from education several years ago, he had served in teaching positions at the LDS Missionary Training Center and the BYU-Idaho Pathways Program—ever searching to help those who are seeking improvement in their educational pursuits.

His friends and neighbors know him as a tinkerer, a man who can fix anything. He maintains a world-class collection of tools and parts you never knew you were missing. He is the proud father of eight children—Susan, Richard, Diane, Pamela, Cynthia, Daniel, John, and Scott. His eldest daughter, Susan, has worked for me for many years, and I have had the opportunity to get to know Vaughn on a personal level. While he may count them as his greatest achievements, each one of them is grateful for his influence and support in their lives. He taught them how to work, how to fight for what is right and fair, to value education and learning, to take the adventurous path, and to be faithful to the Lord. He has built a life of service and devotion to his family, friends, and faith and serves as a tremendous example of kindness and strength to all who know him.

As a young farm boy, Vaughn had an opportunity to receive the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD every day through the mail. He was fascinated by all that transpired in Congress and read the documents studiously. It was only the beginning of a lifetime of curiosity about the world around him. So it seemed a fitting tribute to honor his 80th birthday to provide him with his own mention in that illustrious RECORD. We wish him a very happy 80th birthday.●