

have survived a traumatic past, almost half are young women of color, and many are refugees. The productions are different and challenging. They range from Romeo and Juliet to a play deconstructing the Cinderella myth. Odelle produces all productions for "A Company of Girls," from lighting and costumes to directing and coaching.

Elise Brown, of Liberty, is a firefighter with the Portland Fire Department, as well as a Captain and training officer with the Liberty Volunteer Fire Department. Elise taught a carpentry course for Women Unlimited, where women learned carpentry, and also were encouraged to challenge traditional gender barriers in employment. She has been the positive role model many women long for as they explore areas outside the realm of presumed acceptability. Elise has built wooden boats, a post and beam barn and managed a vegetable farm. As assistant to the Director of the Miane Women's Development Institute, she designed and developed a database system, was responsible for the bookkeeping, correspondence and grant requests.

As Co-Director of Portland Adult Education, Larinda Meade of Portland has changed the lives of thousands of women, many among the state's poorest citizens. She has been a classroom teacher, an educational counselor, an administrator of a statewide literacy program, a Dean of Women, and since 1990, co-director of Maine's largest and most diverse public school education program. She has worked to establish a "first-of-its kind" Family Workshop on Munjoy Hill. Larinda has served on the board and as President of Women Unlimited, on the Advisory Council for the Maine Centers for Women, Work and Community and is a founding member of the Coalition for Women in Trades and Technology.

Dancer, dramatist, poet, athlete, artist, and feminist activist Caitlin Schick of Mount Desert Island has accomplished a great deal in her eighteen years. As a poet, her work often deals with subject of eating disorders, loving oneself, speaking up. As an artist, her paintings are striking. One painting is of a woman's face with phrases behind it such as "we can never be beautiful enough * * * we can never be enough * * * we can never be good enough." Caitlin wrote and starred in a skit for National AIDS Day, which dealt with sexual issues facing young people.

I salute the contributions of this year's honorees and appreciate the work of the Maine Women's Fund in advancing the cause of gender equality.

TRIBUTE TO DAN MOODY, JR.

HON. BILL ARCHER

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Saturday, October 28, 2000

Mr. ARCHER. Mr. Speaker, I pay tribute to Dan Moody, Junior of Austin, Texas who died on Friday, the 27th of October. His death was an enormous loss, not just to me as his close friend, but also to all of humanity.

Dan Moody was a man of the highest intellect and integrity of any person I've known in my life. He graduated from the University of

Texas Law School with the highest grade point average of anyone in the history of the school in 1951. Yet he never had the characteristics of a bookworm, rather he was always a down to earth, fun loving, rounded human being. He was almost always right, yet never overbearing or arrogant in his position. He walked through life with respect for every human being.

He was the son of Texas' youngest Governor, Dan Moody, a man who had the courage to fight and defeat the Ku Klux Klan in a court of law. He clearly passed on his courage and integrity to his son, Dan Moody, Jr. To all of his friends, his loyalty was exceeded only by his care and compassion. His word was sanctified bond and he was always prepared to give of himself to others wherever there was a need. I extolled him in life as I do now in death. His country and I will miss him greatly and I'm sure that all of my colleagues join me in extending our sympathies to his marvelous wife, Ann, his daughter Martha, and his son Charles.

TRIBUTE TO OLA MAE FORD

HON. SAXBY CHAMBLISS

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Saturday, October 28, 2000

Mr. CHAMBLISS. Mr. Speaker, I want to pay tribute to Ola Mae Ford, a native of Macon who lives in Fort Hill in what is affectionately referred to as "the house by the side of the road." Her house has this designation because she cooks incredibly delicious food every day, and people travel from all parts of the state to sit at her table and share her hospitality. She has been cooking all of her life, but her training at Albany State University and Atlanta University helped sharpen those skills that she used for 36 years as a Home Economics Teacher at Ballard Hudson Senior High School.

Ms. Ford served as Advisor to the Future Teachers of America and was a member of the National Education and Professional Standards Commission. She has been actively involved with the American Red Cross, both locally and nationally, as well as the March of Dimes, the Central Georgia Health Agency, the Georgia State Health Planning Council, the American Legion's Auxiliary Girls' State Program, and the Southwest Optimist Club. She was appointed by two of Georgia's governors to serve on the Council of Maternal and Infant Health for twelve years.

Presently, she continues to enthusiastically work to improve the lives of the people of Georgia by staying involved with many boards, such as the Board of Directors for Meals on Wheels, Bibb County Home Makers, Friends of the Ocmulgee Monument, Advisory Council for Neighborhood Health Care and President of the Fort Hill Neighborhood Association.

Her life and work are centered around providing the generous gift of hospitality. I congratulate her on all of her life long efforts to build better communities and help others. I want to recognize the positive impact she has made on the lives of so many people. Her work and her contributions are important, and

I want to salute her as an outstanding citizen of Georgia's Eighth District.

OMNIBUS INDIAN ADVANCEMENT ACT

SPEECH OF

HON. LYNN C. WOOLSEY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 26, 2000

Ms. WOOLSEY. Mr. Speaker, I strongly object to H.R. 5528, The Omnibus Indian Advancement Act, because this bill does not protect Marin and Sonoma Counties in California from casino development.

Section XIV of the bill, which discusses the restoration of the Coast Miwok tribe in the Sixth Congressional District of California, rightfully restores the Miwoks' tribal status but does not protect Marin and Sonoma Counties from gambling. That is not acceptable.

In June, H.R. 946, The Graton Rancheria Restoration Act, my bill to restore the Miwoks' status and protect the community from casino development unanimously passed the House.

Now, in the last days of the session in the dark of night this hastily written omnibus bill that undoes the work of this House and does not protect my constituents is brought to the floor. In their effort to finish up their work for the year, the authors of this bill have hung Marin and Sonoma Counties out to dry and undone my work.

An act of Congress took away the Miwoks' status nearly 40 years ago. Now the Miwoks' need an act of Congress to restore their status and to provide them the health and education benefits they deserve.

By working with the tribe, the community and the House Resources Committee, I passed H.R. 946 that carefully balanced the needs of the Miwoks and the needs of the community. Under the bill I wrote and this House passed, everyone would have come out a winner.

Now, without notice, the other body has undone this House's strongly supported efforts on behalf of the Coast Miwoks.

If this bill becomes law, there will be nothing stopping the Coast Miwoks from building a Vegas-style casino in the rolling hills of Marin and Sonoma counties—no matter how much the community objects.

Under current federal law, Indian gaming is prohibited except in states, like California, that allow gambling. In those states, governors are obligated under federal law to negotiate a compact with any recognized tribe that wants to start gaming.

As everyone knows, federal law has precedence over state law in all circumstances. Therefore, without a specific federal prohibition against Miwok gaming, like the one contained in my bill, H.R. 946, the Graton Rancheria Restoration Act, at any point the Miwok could set up gaming in the North Bay; all they would have to do is ask and the governor would be obligated to negotiate a gambling compact with them.

Mr. Speaker, my constituents strongly oppose gaming. As their representative, I strongly oppose this bill. The pressure to wrap up