

the Uni-Capitol Washington Programme can be found throughout congressional offices, working for both the House and the Senate.

I asked Ben to share his thoughts about this program, and he said, "The UCWIP has truly been a once-in-a-lifetime experience. Working in Senator CRAPO's office has given me an insight into the workings of the world's most influential democracy, adding a practical element to my studies in politics and law. My internship has given me the chance to interact with interesting people and understand the processes and procedures of U.S. Congress, within the friendly and welcoming environment of Senator CRAPO's office."

Ben has been a great addition to my intern staff for the spring semester, and has spent many hours helping keep my schedule and activities running smoothly. His efforts are much appreciated. And I am sure that the other offices that have participated in this program feel that way toward the work of those assigned to their offices.

I cannot conclude without recognizing the efforts put into this program each year by its director and founder, Eric Federer, who spent a number of years working on Capitol Hill himself. After he visited Australia a number of years ago, he determined to find a way to introduce the U.S. Congress to the students he met. He has done such great work in sharing his enthusiasm and experiences with so many Australian students. More than 100 students have made the long journey from their universities in Australia to Washington, DC, to take part in this program. In addition to the work opportunities provided on Capitol Hill, Uni-Capitol Washington also expands the yearly experience to include some of America's historical sites and famous landmarks, including Gettysburg and New York City.

It has been an honor to participate with this program, and I look forward to continuing my association with the Uni-Capitol Washington Internship Programme next year.●

#### TRIBUTE TO HAROLD MCGRAW, JR.

● Mr. DODD. Madam President, today I honor a great American from my home State of Connecticut, Harold McGraw, Jr.

After serving as a captain in the Army Air Corps during World War II, Mr. McGraw joined the family business, McGraw-Hill, as a sales representative in 1947. Over the next half century, he worked his way up to the position of president of the McGraw-Hill book company, and then CEO and chairman of the parent corporation, McGraw-Hill, Inc.

Not satisfied with simply succeeding in business, Mr. McGraw quickly became a leader in his community. In the 1980s, he founded the Business Council

for Effective Literacy, BCEL, and served as its president for a decade. He spoke at events across the country to champion the cause of adult literacy, giving generously of his own wealth and raising funds from corporate and public entities alike.

A BCEL grant led to the formation of the National Coalition for Literacy and established Mr. McGraw as a key public policy expert on this important issue. His work laid the foundation for the National Literacy Act and the National Institute for Literacy, and those of us in Congress and in the executive branch quickly became familiar with his tireless advocacy. He spoke up in person and in letters. He mobilized the business community. And he was always accessible to adult learners, teachers, and local adult literacy programs.

Always cognizant of the role education played in his own success, Mr. McGraw has worked hard to make education a focus of his civic engagement, including efforts with the New York Public Library, the Council for Air to Education, the International Center for the Disabled, and the Barbara Bush Foundation for Family Literacy.

A proud Princeton graduate, Mr. McGraw gave back to his alma mater with a generous gift to establish The McGraw Center for Teaching and Learning at Princeton University. Princeton President Harold Shapiro said that the McGraw Center would help "redefine teaching and learning for future generations." Mr. McGraw has also lent his publishing expertise to the Princeton University Press.

The Harold W. McGraw, Jr. Prize in Education, established in 1988 by The McGraw-Hill Companies to mark the Company's 100th anniversary, honors those who have dedicated themselves to improving American education.

But Mr. McGraw is no stranger to honors himself. In 1990, President Bush awarded him the Nation's highest literacy award at a special White House ceremony.

And he is the recipient of honorary degrees from the Graduate School of Princeton University, the City University of New York, Ohio University, Pine Manor College, Fairfield University, Hofstra University, and Marymount Manhattan College, as well as the Cleveland E. Dodge Medal for Distinguished Service to Education from Columbia University's Teachers College.

Mr. McGraw has given so much to our country at large, but he hasn't forgotten the State he and I both love. A major supporter of the library in his town of Darien, he has also contributed generously to Norwalk Hospital and St. Joseph's Hospital, along with his local church. He has worked to support elderly care at the Waveny Care Center in New Canaan, CT, Pegasus Therapeutic Riding in Stamford, and a wide

range of civic organizations, from the Boy Scouts to the Literary Volunteers of Connecticut.

Harold McGraw represents the best of American business and civic culture. All of us in Connecticut are proud to call him one of our own, and the many whose lives have been touched by his commitment to adult literacy are grateful for his efforts. We look forward to his continued good deeds and remain inspired by his example. It is my pleasure to honor this great American.●

#### REMEMBERING DIANE CAVES

● Mr. ISAKSON. Madam President, today I honor the life and service of Diane Caves, a bright and talented young woman whose life ended far too soon, in the tragic earthquake in Port-au-Prince, Haiti, on January 12, 2010.

Diane worked for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, as a policy analyst in the Office of Public Health Preparedness and Response. Her commitment to public service was recognized just last year when she was named 2009 Federal Employee of the Year for Atlanta in the Outstanding Professional Category, at the age of 30.

Diane led the development in 2008 of CDC's first comprehensive nationwide report on public health preparedness, "Public Health Preparedness: Mobilizing State by State." Her work launched a regular series of reports that demonstrate accountability and drive program improvements to help protect the Nation from public health emergencies.

She shined equally bright among her friends and in her community. She was an avid soccer player, an insatiable reader, and a world traveler. She brought people together to share their interests in food, knitting, books and sports, and motivated others with her energy, wit and unyielding optimism.

Diane recently volunteered for a short assignment to Haiti to work on the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief, or PEPFAR. Congress reauthorized this historic commitment to the fight against global AIDS a little more than a year ago, with strong support from both parties. PEPFAR represents the very best of America. It is a remarkable program that is saving lives around the world with the contributions of people like Diane and her colleagues at CDC.

Diane didn't go to Haiti for the recognition. She went because she was passionate about public health, because she was a committed public servant, and because, above all, she wanted to help people. She didn't go to Haiti because it would be easy or comfortable. She asked to go where the challenges were greatest, the work was the hardest and the potential to help was limitless.

Diane didn't go to Haiti to be a hero. But she has come home as one.

She was brought to Dover Air Force Base last week, and a family memorial service was held in her hometown of Oak Ridge, TN. Her family and friends will mourn her quietly and privately as a loved one. We will also mourn her as a nation, as we do any American who dies in service to this country. There will be a ceremony at CDC in her honor on March 1, 2010, where her name will be added to a memorial for employees who died while in service.

We are thankful for the life and service of Diane Caves. Her smile, her laugh and her spirit will always be remembered. Her service will always be celebrated. Her extraordinary gifts and talents were shared with many during her short life, and they will never be forgotten.

Our thoughts and prayers are with her husband Jeff Caves; her parents Lee and Linda Berry; her brother David Berry; and with Jeff's family and all of her friends and colleagues who will mourn her and miss her and strive always to live up to her example.●

#### TRIBUTE TO DR. SANDI SANDERS

● Mr. PRYOR. Madam President, today I pay tribute to the professional career and community achievements of Dr. Sandra Diane "Sandi" Sanders of Fort Smith, AR.

Dr. Sandi Sanders, who did her master's and doctoral work at the University of Arkansas, has been an educator and involved in the Fort Smith community all of her life. She played a major role in the development of the former Westark Community College which today is the University of Arkansas-Fort Smith, UAFS. She served in many different roles including provost, chief academic officer, senior vice chancellor and chief of staff, and most recently interim chancellor. Her leadership has guided UAFS to be one of the premiere community colleges in Arkansas and across the Nation.

She has served and continues to serve in the community in many different roles such as former director of the Arkansas State Chamber of Commerce, board of directors at Arvest Bank of Fort Smith, United Way Women's Leadership Giving Steering Committee, former campaign chairman for the 2005 United Way of Fort Smith, and many other activities. She is currently serving as project director for the U.S. Marshall Museum being built in Fort Smith. Her dedication to her community is shown through the numerous hours devoted to making her society a better place for her neighbors and for future residents.

Dr. Sanders has brought great leadership and outstanding integrity to the Arkansas community. Her leadership has been and will continue to be critical in an ever-changing environment. The work of educating young people should not be taken lightly and I am

proud to have Dr. Sanders teaching and advising students in our great State.

Madam President, I ask that my colleagues join me in recognizing the great contributions Dr. Sandi Sanders has made to Arkansas and the United States of America.●

#### MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Pate, one of his secretaries.

#### EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations and a withdrawal which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

#### MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE RECEIVED DURING ADJOURNMENT

#### ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 6, 2009, the Secretary of the Senate, on February 16, 2010, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bill:

S. 2950. An act to extend the pilot program for volunteer groups to obtain criminal history background checks.

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 6, 2009, the enrolled bill was signed on February 17, 2010, during the adjournment of the Senate, by the President pro tempore (Mr. BYRD).

#### ENROLLED BILL PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on February 17, 2010, during the adjournment of the Senate, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bill:

S. 2950. An act to extend the pilot program for volunteer groups to obtain criminal history background checks.

#### EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-4670. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmit-

ting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Spiromesifen; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 8436-9) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 1, 2010; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4671. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hexythiazox; Pesticide Tolerances for Emergency Exemptions" (FRL No. 8808-4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 1, 2010; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4672. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Dithianon; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 8808-8) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 1, 2010; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4673. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Chlorantraniliprole; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 8809-3) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 1, 2010; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4674. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Flumioxazin; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 8810-3) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 17, 2010; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4675. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Acetamiprid; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 8809-9) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 16, 2010; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4676. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance; Technical Amendment" (FRL No. 8809-4) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 16, 2010; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4677. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Inert Ingredients; Extension of Effective Date of Revocation of Certain Tolerance Exemptions with Insufficient Data for Reassessment" (FRL No. 8812-3) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 16, 2010; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.