

have won an incredible 162 out of 170 games.

I congratulate these fine young athletes on yet another championship season and would like to recognize Raiders' coach Larry Kehres for his dedication and commitment to the school and the team. He has just been named the AFCA Division III National Coach of the Year, making him the first coach to win seven National Coach of the Year Awards. This is an unprecedented accomplishment, and I congratulate Coach Kehres and wish him and the Purple Raiders all the best for next season and many more after that.

While their execution of the split-back offense is flawless, it is Mount Union's academic performance that is truly remarkable. The football team has graduated a near-perfect percentage of players in the last 17 seasons. I applaud the Purple Raider players who exceed all expectations on the gridiron, as well as in the classroom.

For the local residents of Alliance and the students of Mount Union, there is so much to be proud of when it comes to the Purple Raiders. As the fans crowd into the oldest college football stadium in Ohio every fall, they are not only cheering for the heroes of the Purple Raiders, but also for future heroes, future leaders who will have learned the valuable lessons that come with a solid education and a demanding athletic routine. These experiences will aid them in making a positive impact many years from now.

Again, I congratulate head coach Larry Kehres and his Purple Raiders on another perfect championship season. They are a shining example of true student-athletes.

I ask that the names of the Mount Union College Purple Raiders football team coaching staff and players be listed at the conclusion of my remarks.

The list follows.

PURPLE RAIDERS COACHING STAFF

Larry Kehres, Don Montgomery, Jeff Wojtowicz, Joe Leigh, Marty Cvelbar, Vince Kehres, E.J. Henderson, Rudy Sharkey, Paul Gulling, Gene Paina, Joel Cockley, and Clyde Ross.

STUDENT ASSISTANT COACHES

Jason Candle, Jason Gerber, Nick Lesniak, and Kacy Carter.

PLAYERS

Jamoni Robinson, Randy Mason, Josh Reger, Aaron Bubonics, Rourke Skelton, Ryan Rimedio, Jason Cavell, Jay Francis, Josh Liddell, Steve Watson, Derrick Leach, Michael Hinger, Rob Adamson, Zac Bruney, Joe Montgomery, Wade Kirk, Jesse Clum, Brandon Fishbach, Ryan Modica, Andrew Winkler, Jesse Burghardt, Ken Whitfield, Mike Miller, Matt Cole, Grant Relic, Marty Mazanec, Tom Underdahl, Mike Adamson, Matt Caponi, Michael Kernik, Chris Kern, Russell Logan, Matt Sotcan, Sean Keegan, Jamie Allman, Robert McDavid, and Ross Watson;

Cody Bertone, Vince Suber, Jared Gulling, Dustin Blake, Michael Marcellino, Justen Stickley, Scott Casto, Nick Sirianni, Emery Holmes, Justin Burton, Todd Frank, E.J. Lilly, Jonathan Falatic, Anthony Frate, Aaron Robinson, Jeff Strauch, Jordan Beach, Mike Sabo, Josh Church, Brett Jordan, Dan

Pugh, Ryan Witkoski, Mike Abramo, Jeff Berdysz, Chase Ross, Mike Gibbons, Rick Ciccone, Brian Weiser, Tony Buckler, Nick Ciani, Michael Deitrick, Jonathan Bailey, Jason McElhaney, Kalvine McGege, Keith Spivey, Kelechi Ibeh, and Josh Wells;

Antoine Beale, Chris Carter, Kyle Pelfrey, Luke Garland, Vince Ilacqua, Joe Culler, Mark Brace, Brian Wise, Shaun Spisak, Monty Harris, Stan Watson, Byron Jackson, Brian Miller, Brett Linzey, Justin Meiser, James Wetzel, Peter Gasparro, George Wilders, Brent Fox, Scott Kyser, Thomas Cesarz, Dusty Sanna, Jim Nelson, Derek Buell, Bruce Novestine, Bryan Myers, Josh Lahmers, Josh Huffman, John Gliha, Mike Restivo, Dave Knestaut, Josh Hoskins, Ron DeJulio, Thomas Manning, Grant Savelli, Mike Reeder, and John Brutvan;

Daniel Blume, Bob Bradley, Eric Cook, Jeff Goodwill, Ryan Knapp, Vance Vukelic, Don Penny, Adam Holmes, Eric Spurlock, Robert VanDyke, Frederick Blackman, Dusty Wilson, Jesse Wells, Rick Prescott, Eric Ardo, Pat Yappel, Mark Pauli, Dominic Danesi, Levi Motts, Justin Coston, Frank Palcko, George Momirovic, Drew DeHart, Brian Boucher, Brian Leckonby, Jonathan Harvey, Maurice Gibson, Larry Kinnard, Michael Gill, Josh Johnson, Matthew Byrne, Brent Miller, Derek McIntosh, Adam Slopek, Andrew Blake, Doug Miller, Joe Bugara, and Marcello DeAngelis; and

John Healy, Trevor Smith, Randell Knapp, Tom Sanor, Geoff Dartt, Aarik Gault, James Cunningham, Michael Myers, Joel Sickmeier, Corey Brunson, Drew Hanley, Greg Braur, Keith Brown, Travis Johnson, Caleb Chappelle, Mike Maluk, Matt Campbell, Kristopher Takach, Josh Ludwig, Jake Guthrie, Antoine Dillard, Matthew Bogo, Victor Preisel, Dan Phillips, Edward Dick, Karl Jackson, Buddy Wolf, Brandon Harr, Rob Conroy, Johnny Josef, Scott Campbell, Jeff Knoblauch, Chad Teague, Sam Vucelich, Ryan Westerburg, Donte Rhode, and Brian Proud.●

IN MEMORIAM: JOE REMCHO

● Mrs. BOXER. Mr. President, I rise in tribute to the late Joe Remcho, who died in a helicopter crash in California last Saturday. Joe was a great American an accomplished attorney, a strong advocate for civil liberties, a leading legal scholar, and a trusted advisor to many public officials.

Joe's curriculum vitae is varied and impressive. After graduating from Yale University and Harvard Law School, he taught second grade for a year at an inner-city public school. In the early 1970s, with the Vietnam war at its height, the young attorney went to Saigon to serve on the Lawyers Military Defense Committee. After returning to the United States, he moved to California to become the staff attorney for the American Civil Liberties Union of Northern California. Four years later, he established a successful private practice specializing in first amendment, education, and election law. His clients included California's Governor and the State assembly. In 1988, he was honored by his colleagues as California's Trial Lawyer of the Year.

Despite his very full docket, Joe found time to serve as an adjunct professor of law at the University of San Francisco, a commissioner on the Cali-

fornia Fair Political Practices Commission, and a member of California's bipartisan State committees on internet political practices and the Political Reform Act.

Above all, Joe Remcho was a warm and wonderful human being a devoted family man, a loving husband and father, and a friend to those who were fortunate enough to know him.

I last saw Joe just 2 days before he died. Our families were together, and his strength and warmth were ever present.

Whether he was spending a quiet vacation with family and friends or fighting in court to defend the Constitution, Joe Remcho lived his life to the fullest. His death leaves a tremendous void in the lives of all those who knew him, but his memory fills that space with love and admiration.●

THE SILVER ROSE

● Mr. NELSON of Nebraska. Mr. President, I am here today to thank Gary Chenett, Diane Rey, and John Schniedermeier. They are responsible for awarding the Silver Rose to our veterans in Nebraska. The Order of the Silver Rose was established in 1997 by Mary Elizabeth Marchand. Her father, Chief Hospital Corpsman Frank Davis, died from illnesses resulting from the use of Agent Orange in the Vietnam war. He was a combat veteran; however, he was not wounded in combat, but was exposed to a dangerous substance while fighting for his country that took his life many years later.

The Department of Defense has determined that Chief Davis and many like him do not qualify for the Purple Heart. It is the mission of the Order of The Silver Rose organization to recognize the courage, heroism, and contributions of American service personnel found to have been exposed to Agent Orange in a combat zone. I am sure that as time passes, they will expand their focus to members who have died from other conflicts.

The Order of the Silver Rose gives many veterans the satisfaction that they are being recognized for giving their Nation the ultimate sacrifice. There are thousands of veterans who served this country faithfully and now find themselves in poor health, some fatal health, directly due to being exposed to harmful substances during war.

Gary Chenett, Diane Rey, and John Schniedermeier have awarded 11 Nebraskans with the Silver Rose, I would like to honor them today, they are: Raymond D. Todorovich of Omaha, Edgar Fleharty of Fremont, Randy E. Holke of Fremont, John Schniedermeier of Omaha, Ronald R. Charles of Omaha, Terry H. Greenwell of Omaha, David C. Smith of Firth, Joseph E. Stillwell of Omaha, Roy R. Rogers of Fremont, Albert W. Kowalski of Omaha, and Gilbert J. Styskal, Jr. of Omaha.

On behalf of Nebraska, I thank these brave patriots for their sacrifices.●