

pain and suffering felt by a nation whose entire population was affected by this horrific event. Sixty-three years later, the name Katyn still stirs passions in Poland.

Today, I honor the victims of the Katyn Forest Massacre and commend them for their courage and their sacrifice. For on that fateful day, more than six decades ago, these valiant men paid the ultimate price to secure their country's freedom.

It is my sincere hope that as more people learn about the carnage that occurred at Katyn Forest and the surrounding sites, we will be able to come to terms with this tragedy and help heal the wounds that the great nation of Poland and its citizens still suffer. When we honor the memories of those brave souls who were lost on that tragic day, we will prevent future generations from repeating the same horrors which occurred in our past.

#### ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

##### RHODE ISLAND COUNCIL ON RESIDENTIAL PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

• Mr. CHAFEE. Mr. President, I am proud today to honor the Rhode Island Council on Residential Programs for Children and Youth, RICORP, for 25 years of service to 1,250 of Rhode Island's most needy children.

RICORP developed training programs for childcare workers in Rhode Island throughout the 1980s and by 2000, the council had established training certification programs for childcare workers, supervisors and clinicians. In 2001, RICORP collaborated with the Community College of Rhode Island to develop a college curriculum in "Children's Residential Programming" and in September of 2002 the program became a reality.

RICORP has also advanced legislation in the Rhode Island General Assembly in 2000 to give contracted providers rate increases in fiscal year 2001 and 2002. Additionally they lobbied for initiatives to improve the lives of children in care, such as the Higher Education Assistance Grant enacted in 1999. This grant gave youth in out-of-home placement free tuition if they attended one of the State colleges.

These are just a few examples of RICORP's contributions toward improving the lives of needy children in the State of Rhode Island.

I join all Rhode Islanders in congratulating RICORP on its 25th anniversary.●

##### TRIBUTE TO C. FRANCIS DRISCOLL

• Mr. DODD. Mr. President, I rise to speak in memory of C. Francis Driscoll, of New London, CT, who passed away on August 8 at the age of 68.

Although Frank Driscoll was born in New York, he would become one of New London's most influential and devoted

public servants, committing his time and energy, for over 30 years, to making life better for the people of that city.

Frank Driscoll's first work on behalf of New London came from 1961 to 1967, when he was the executive director of the Redevelopment Agency, and a driving force in New London's urban renewal. But after 2 years working in Washington at the Department of Housing and Urban Development he returned to New London to take the job that he would hold for the next 23 years, the position of city manager—the top executive post in the city.

As city manager, Frank Driscoll became known as a man who was very careful with how he spent city funds. A child of the Great Depression, he understood that these were the hard-earned tax dollars of working men and women, and he was always careful to spend those dollars wisely. At the same time, he was also tireless in his efforts to obtain Federal funds to improve the quality of life in New London. In fact, during the 1970s, New London won more money in Federal aid than it raised in local property taxes. These critical funds helped New London improve and renovate its schools, revitalize its business district, and ensure the integrity of its water supply.

Frank Driscoll was a skilled, dedicated, and effective leader. But those who knew him or worked with him will probably remember him even more as a deeply caring and compassionate individual. He treated every city employee as part of an extended family. And when it came to his own family, Frank Driscoll's devotion was second to none.

He was also a man of faith who was a vital member of his community. At St. Joseph's Parish in New London, he was a member of the parish council as well as the church choir. Frank was a man whose faith helped shape every aspect of his life, both public and private.

I know that everyone who has lived in New London since the 1960s feels fortunate that they had Frank Driscoll working on their behalf. And I feel privileged to have had him as a friend.

I offer my most heartfelt condolences to Frank's wife Caroline, to their eight children, nine grandchildren, and to everyone else who knew Frank Driscoll. He will be deeply missed.●

##### IN TRIBUTE TO JOHN MCKISSICK'S 500TH FOOTBALL WIN

• Mr. HOLLINGS. Mr. President, in light of John McKissick's historic football accomplishments, I ask that this article from the September 11 USA Today be printed in the RECORD.

The article follows.

[From the USA Today, Sept. 11, 2003]

FOOTBALL COACH ALL ALONE AT BRINK OF 500 WINS

(By Jill Lieber)

He's the winningest football coach at any level, going for his 500th victory Friday night. He has 10 state championships and 26

regional titles. And in 52 years at the helm of the mighty Green Wave of Summerville High School, John McKissick is known for something else in this quaint, historic burg, population 27,752: as a leader of the community, the glue that holds the town together.

"John McKissick has been a vital part of forming connections around this town," says David Pugh, Summerville High's principal. "What makes a community successful is the quality of life, and John has shown great leadership in that. He has been able to connect people. He has taught them how to share."

McKissick, two weeks shy of his 77th birthday, has molded 3,014 teenage boys into players over the years. He has instilled pride in tens of thousands of Summerville High students, cheerleaders, band members, teachers and parents. And he has provided excitement for countless more football fans, who have turned out 10,000 strong, in their green and gold, every Friday night in the fall for the past six decades.

Grandfathers, fathers, uncles, brothers, sons, the next-door neighbor's kid, even the piccolo player down the street: Everybody here is tied to the Green Wave in some way.

Why, McKissick now is coaching the third generation of some Summerville families. His own grandson, Joe Call, a former Green Wave quarterback, is an assistant coach.

Truth be told, the folks in this town, nestled on a piney ridge 25 miles northwest of Charleston, would be lost without McKissick.

"So many leaders have come through the John McKissick system," says Bo Blanton, chairman of the school board and former Green Wave quarterback.

"Police officers. Teachers. Lawyers. Doctors. Dentists. Legislators. Coaches. The bond has been formed over the years, the winning tradition of the football program has permeated through the community, all because of the excellence of John McKissick. So many people have felt a part of it. So many people have been inspired by it."

At 8 p.m. Friday, at McKissick Field, on John McKissick Way, the legendary coach will try to give Summerville yet another treat: The Green Wave (2-0) play local rival Mount Pleasant Wando High (1-1) in what could be McKissick's 500th victory.

Coincidentally, McKissick beat Wando in October 1993 for his 406th victory, which set the national high school football record.

Berlin G. Myers Sr., Summerville mayor the past 33 years and owner of the local lumber company, has declared this John McKissick Week. (Several years ago, Myers actually rescheduled Halloween because it fell on a game night.)

Joan McKissick—who wed her husband in June 1952, just two weeks before he took the job at Summerville—has spruced up the press box with photos of past and present Green Wave players for the media rolling into town for the big game. She's expecting hundreds of family and friends.

Troy Knight, the town's attorney, a former Green Wave ball boy, manager and trainer, is a major player with the 500th Committee. That's a group of local business people who have brainstormed ways to commemorate McKissick's milestone.

They're throwing a party on the field after the game for McKissick's 82 varsity players and their families, if the team wins.

The city will come together Nov. 8 for a fundraiser: Summerville will be establishing a John and Joan McKissick Scholarship.

"Coach McKissick is an educator, first and foremost," Knight says. "His vehicle just happens to be coaching. This is a way for his legacy to live on forever."

Winning admiration of peers

McKissick, a quiet, unassuming man, has not missed a game in 52 years—631 games.