

Evan Geroux; Robert and Marie Gray; Walt and Madeleine Grisevich; Barrett Hackney; Christopher Hackney; Nick and Jayne Hasenflu; Ben and Dee Heath; Don and Barb Hehir; Maury and Dorothy Henderson; Fen Holmes; Elsa House; Lewis and Annella Howlett.

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We on Guam know what freedom is because we also know what occupation is. We celebrate Liberation Day on Guam every year as the day of deliverance from enemy occupation and the return of freedom after 32 months of enemy subjugation. We know what it means to thank Marines, Soldiers, Sailors, Coast Guardsmen, and Airmen for their sacrifices because it was not all that long ago that we were an occupied land. On this Memorial Day, 2004, as we gather in the heart of democracy to honor the greatest generation we on Guam, fellow Americans, would like to add our humble gratitude to the veterans of the 5th Field Service Depot who have returned to help us recall the sacrifices of liberation and renew our love of freedom. God Bless America. God Bless Guam. God Bless the United States Marine Corps.

IN HONOR OF MICHAEL PALMER'S
DEDICATION TO THE TEMPLE
CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 20, 2004

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Michael Palmer for over 14 years of dedicated service as a member of the Temple City Unified School District Board of Education.

Mike Palmer is a dedicated supporter of public education. He is recognized and respected by the community for his unique educational vision. From November 28, 1989 through April 22, 2004, he faithfully served as a member of the Temple City Unified School District Board of Education.

Mike Palmer is an admired and integral member of the Temple City community. He is strongly committed to providing a superior educational experience for students in the district. He has been elected by the residents of TCUSD to serve four terms on the Board of Education. His outstanding leadership on the board has helped guide and influence his fellow board members to make the best decisions for students and faculty in the District.

I ask all Members of Congress to join me today in congratulating Michael Palmer for a truly exemplary public service career, and for his immense commitment to the Temple City Unified School District.

MOUNT VIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL SE-
LECTED FOR NASA EXPLORER
SCHOOL PROGRAM

HON. NICK J. RAHALL, II

OF WEST VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 20, 2004

Mr. RAHALL. Mr. Speaker, as far as we can remember, we have dreamed of reaching the stars. Since its inception in 1958, NASA has helped us realize those dreams. They have taken us into space, placed Americans on the moon, and opened our eyes by exceeding feats once deemed unreachable.

Today, I want to congratulate Mount View Middle School, located in Welch, West Virginia, for being selected to participate in the NASA Explorer School Program. As the first school in West Virginia to be chosen for this prestigious and exciting educational adventure, I am pleased that many of our children in Southern West Virginia will have the opportunity to be exposed to the world of science and engineering in a new and exciting way.

We must focus attention on our future astronauts, scientists, and engineers who will take us even farther than we dare to dream today. They are our children and our students, and with them our hope rests. We must nurture them and give them the resources they need to advance their studies; enhancing their learning and expanding their opportunities so that when it is their time to shine not even the darkest day will dim their light.

The NASA Explorer School Program will help train our math and science teachers and school administrators, for it is our teachers that can provide the spark that ignites our passion, and they lay the basic foundations of education necessary for the success of our future expeditions into space. Advancing the knowledge and skills of our teachers will only improve the development of our students.

The benefits of engaging and educating children in the world of science and engineering cannot be overstated. Programs such as the NASA Explorer Schools Program enable our students to explore these important subjects at a level and intensity that they might not otherwise experience. I once again congratulate Mount View Middle School for being selected to participate in this exciting program, and I look forward to hearing about their related successes.

With the impending challenges ahead, not only today but for generations to come, can we afford not to be ready? By ensuring that our students, our future NASA scientists and engineers, are well prepared for the trials ahead, we can ensure that our future in the skies is as bright as the stars above.

The future of NASA is the future of man. And, as we look toward our future we are reminded of the words of William Faulkner when he said, "I believe that man will not merely endure. He will prevail. He is immortal, not because he alone among creatures has an inexhaustible voice, but because he has a soul, a spirit capable of compassion and sacrifice and endurance."

HONORING WILLIS A. (JACK)
PANGBURN AND WARREN H.
SWARTZ

HON. MARK E. SOUDER

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 20, 2004

Mr. SOUDER. Mr. Speaker, today I would like to recognize two individuals from my district who have dedicated their lives to making our country safer. Not only have these men served our Country in World War II, but they continue to go beyond their call of duty by providing their services to military funerals and always being available to lend a helping hand for the community.

Willis A. (Jack) Pangburn, was born on September 3, 1918 in Mystic, Iowa. He served in the U.S. Army Infantry in WWII, and was wounded in action. Mr. Pangburn received both the Bronze Star and Purple Heart Medals for his valiant actions. He married Rosemary who passed away in 1985. Together, they had one son, four daughters. Mr. Pangburn is a member of the Disabled American Veterans, and American Legion Veterans of Foreign Wars, and was Post commander (2 years) of the VFW.

Mr. Pangburn is honored as this year's Memorial Day Grand Parade Marshall in Goshen, Indiana for service as Coordinator of the Military Funeral Detail from 1987 to 1997. This unit participates in all military funerals requested by deceased veteran's families in Goshen. Honorary Color Guard, Flag Presentation, Rifle Salute, and TAPS are all included in the service. As many as 12 members participate. He presently serves as a member of this unit. Since 1946 he has helped in placing 4 inch white crosses on deceased VFW Members graves, many of these years he has been in charge of this work at Oakridge Cemetery. He continues to "Ring Bells"(Santa Claus) for the Salvation Army, passes out "Buddy Poppies" on Memorial Day for the VFW, helps purchase and delivers food baskets to the needy at Christmas time, and is still ready to contribute his time and energy at 85 years of age.

Warren H. Swartz, was born on May 7, 1924 in Millersburg, Indiana. He served in the U.S. Navy in WWII as a Gunners Mate in the South Pacific and part-time Diver. He married Gerry in January, 1953. Together they had one daughter. Mr. Swartz is a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion, and Disabled American Veterans, and presently serving as Chaplain of the D.A.V. since 1992.

Mr. Swartz was honored as last year's Memorial Day Grand Parade Marshall in Goshen for his service as Coordinator of the Military Funeral Detail from 1997 to 2003. He still serves as a member and, as Chaplain of the D.A.V., he is called upon to present the American flag to the next of kin frequently.

He is revered by all the men of this detail, which numbers about 45, by his faithful and military presence in the fulfillment of his duties. He is willing to travel anywhere to assist a veteran in need.