

Haven and his wife Bonnie Rae Ellison Barlow were married for 58 years before Bonnie Rae passed away at age 79. Haven and Bonnie Rae returned to Davis County after World War II, where they reared their six children in Layton.

In 1949, Haven started the Barlow Realty and Insurance Company, and he still checks in daily at the very successful real estate development office.

In 1952, Haven was elected to the Utah State Legislature, where he served consecutively for 42 years from 1953 to 1994, longer than any other legislator in Utah history. He served as President of the Utah State Senate for 6 years.

While serving as a senator and representative for 42 years in the Utah State Legislature, Haven introduced and sponsored a number of pieces of legislation that formulated the landscape in northern Utah. In the field of education, one of Haven's passions, he supported the establishment of then-Weber State College as a 4-year school, Weber State's transition from college to university, and the securing of funding for the Weber State Davis Campus. Today, Weber State boasts over 24,000 students. Haven also supported the bill that turned Utah State Agricultural College into Utah State University.

Haven backed legislation that created the Davis Applied Technology Center, which is now the Davis Applied Technology College. The vocational school trains students in a variety of technologies and skills that can be directly applied to the workplace. Additionally, Haven supported the Ogden-Weber Applied Technology Center, also now a college, which offers similar services to its students.

In 1981, Haven was a proponent of the Hill Aerospace Museum, which was founded that year and is now home to over 90 aircraft. The museum hosted its millionth visitor in 1996, and now has nearly 200,000 visitors annually.

Even given his many accomplishments, there is perhaps nothing more admirable about Haven than his support for charity. He sponsored legislation that created the Utah Botanical Center, home of a "giving garden" which donates all produce to local food banks. He has also donated money and countless hours to the United Way of Salt Lake, and has been known to tell skeptical donors that if they wound up unhappy about their donations, he would pay them back personally. United Way of Salt Lake Regional Director Jim Young has said of Haven, "[His] irrepressibly positive attitude makes him a joy to be around. He has what a colleague of mine calls 'yes, in his heart.' Haven's heart for those around him challenges us to become more involved in our community and make a difference."

The world is a better place because of Haven Barlow. He is an example for all Americans to follow, and I wish him a very happy 90th birthday.●

#### RECOGNIZING CYR BUS LINES

● Ms. SNOWE. Mr. President, during the past 100 years our country has seen remarkable changes. From horse drawn-carriages to cars and airplanes, and handwritten letters to text messaging, our world has undergone a vast transformation. Few small businesses have had the tenacity to adapt to these changes and continue to prosper, but those who have, deserve our sincerest praise. With this in mind, today I rise to recognize Cyr Bus Lines, located in Old Town, ME, which this year celebrates its 100th anniversary.

When John T. Cyr founded this small transportation firm in 1912, it utilized horses and carriages for transporting everything from timber to passengers. And now, the Cyr name is highly regarded throughout Maine for its elite bus transportation. As the needs of Maine changed, so did the company, shifting from local trucking to expand into school buses and motor coaches to best suit the wishes of its customers. The result of Cyr's successful adaptation has been a flourishing enterprise.

Today, Cyr buses are a familiar sight to numerous school children and parents, serving 17 different school districts across Maine. Additionally, the company offers over 120 guided coach tours, allowing customers a relaxing and informative trip to several destinations. In 2012, these guided tours include routes to popular destinations throughout New England as well as more distant favorites such as Quebec and New Orleans. This year, one could even book a tour aboard a luxurious Cyr bus to visit Washington D.C. during the magnificent cherry blossom season.

Cyr Bus Lines represents a true family-owned small business, which has been handed down throughout generations and is now owned and operated by the founder's grandson, Joe Cyr. Joe took over operations in 1967 from his father, Harvey, and has continually strived to improve the company. As the years have progressed, the fourth generation of the Cyr family has become involved with Joe's son Mike running the coach department and Joe's daughter Becky acting as bookkeeper.

In light of this firm's long-term success, it should come as no surprise that this small business has received several honors recognizing their commitment to safety and quality. Most recently in 2011, Cyr Bus Lines was awarded the International Motor Coach Group, IMG, award for Motor Coach Safety. Further, at the 2011 annual meeting of the Maine Chamber Group Trust, the local provider for workers' compensation insurance, Cyr Bus Lines received honors for both "Most Improved Safety Program" and for "No Indemnity Claims in 2010." Additionally on April 21, 2011, two of Cyr's employees received first place trophies, in the categories of transit school bus and conventional school bus, for their exceptional driving skills at the Maine Association for Pupil Transportation Cen-

tral Maine Conference and School Bus Rodeo.

A century later, Cyr Bus Lines continues to maintain a position of excellence in the community. This small business' tireless and successful efforts to persevere and prosper in a changing environment represent a truly monumental achievement. I am proud to extend my congratulations to the Cyr family and everyone at Cyr Bus Lines on their 100th anniversary. I offer my best wishes for their continued success.●

#### CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY OF THE MAINE ASSOCIATION OF AGRICULTURAL FAIRS

● Ms. SNOWE. Mr. President, I rise today to honor the Maine Association of Agricultural Fairs and to congratulate this venerable organization on 100 years of championing the agricultural fair industry and the agricultural community of Maine.

As the Maine Association of Agricultural Fairs celebrates its centennial anniversary, I would like to take this opportunity to recognize the remarkable progress and strides made by this historic organization in this century and the last. Founded in 1912, the Association served as a vital catalyst in uniting the agricultural fairs across Maine and promoting a shared spirit of fellowship and cooperation.

What was once a welcomed vehicle for local farmers to exchange and showcase their cattle and goods has over many decades evolved into 26 officially licensed agricultural fairs. During Maine's fair season, which starts in July and ends in early October, families can look forward to any number of events that have achieved iconic status, including harness racing, educational museums, the world's largest steer and oxen show, as well as a world-class Woodsmen's Day competition—all of which speak to Maine's legendary work ethic and can-do spirit.

Every one of Maine's storied agricultural fairs has its own persona, tradition, and imprint on the landscape of our State and the unerring character of our people. In fact, just last year I had the privilege of attending two agricultural fairs—the Skowhegan Fair which began in 1818 and, according to the Association, lays claim to being the oldest continuous-running fair in the United States, and the Fryeburg Fair which is considered Maine's largest agricultural fair, attracting more than 300,000 people annually.

In this second decade of the 21st century, the integral role that the Maine Association of Agricultural Fairs and that agriculture itself continue to play in the lives of Mainers could not be more paramount or indispensable. As many of my colleagues in the Senate can attest, and as thousands of Mainers undeniably understand firsthand, the agricultural industry is one of the bedrock foundations of our State and Nation—central both to consumption and commerce.