Reaction to Quayle visit on 3A

PRAISES FIREFIGHTERS — Vice President Dan Quayle, center, praised volunteer firefighters during a campaign speech in Gettysburg Saturday, and later paused for a photo with Gettysburg Fire Department officers, from left, Lt. Jonathan Hansen; Capt. Gary Mauston; Treasurer Dale Adams; Assistant Chief Andy Hansen; Financial Secretary Erik Bergdale; Recording Secretary Don Schmitt; Deputy Chief Larry Weikert; Vice President Dave Staub; Chief John Lawver; and President Tim Braband.

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During his speech, Quayle repeated a previous statement about Hollywood stemming from his criticism of the television sitcom "Murphy Brown." He noted a statement by Democratic presidential contender Bill Clinton during an appearance in Hollywood.

"Here's what he said out there, he said, 'I want Hollywood to write the future of America,'" Quayle recalled.

"I want you the people to write the future of America," he said to the crowd.

Moses said Quayle was vague about what he means when he uses a phrase like "family values."

"I don't understand why he bashes Hollywood. We provided jobs here this summer. We helped the merchants and restaurant owners, and people who sell food and supplies to TNT," Moses said.

"I think family values should be kept in the family...It's easy to preach family values when you're making a good living in America," he said.

Another Gettysburg College student, Kristine Svec, said she was not sure about whom she would support in November. "I don't know yet," she said. "I came to hear his speech...to see what he had to say. I don't know exactly how I will vote," she said.

Greg Oliva, a young local firefighter, left the firehall beaming. He described the vice president's speech as "really inspirational."

He said that he liked certain things about Clinton, "but I'm a Bush-man."

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