

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. BOB RILEY

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 21, 2002

Mr. RILEY. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably detained for Rollcall No. 171, H. Con. Res. 314, Recognizing the members of AMVETS for their service to the Nation and supporting the goal of AMVETS National Charter Day. Had I been present I would have voted yea.

I was also unavoidably detained for Rollcall No. 172, H. Con. Res. 165, Expressing the sense of the Congress that continual research and education into the cause and cure for fibroid cancer be addressed. Had I been present I would have voted yea.

I was also unavoidably detained for Rollcall No. 173, H. Con. Res. 309, Recognizing the importance of good cervical health and of detecting cervical cancer during its earliest stages. Had I been present I would have voted yea.

CONGRATULATING 46 HIGH SCHOOL ARTISTS

HON. RODNEY P. FRELINGHUYSEN

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 21, 2002

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate and honor 46 outstanding high school artists from the 11th Congressional District of New Jersey. Each of these talented students participated in the Annual Congressional Arts Competition, "An Artistic Discovery," and they were recently honored at a reception and exhibition at the Scheering Plough Corporation in Madison, New Jersey and their works are exceptional!

Mr. Speaker, I would like to list each of them, their high school, and their contest entries for the official RECORD.

We had 46 students participate. That is a tremendous response and we would very much like to build on that for next year's competition.

This year, Mr. Speaker, the winner of "An Artistic Discovery" was Victor Coghlan from Boonton High School for the work entitled "My Friend Joseph." Second place went to Audrey Kruse from West Morris Mendham High School for "Just Call Me Doty." Third place also from West Morris Mendham High School went to Kelsey Dahlin Dugan for "Three." The Viewer's Choice Award was given to Michael Mule of Boonton High School for "Doorway."

Honorable mentions were awarded to Meredith Klein of Livingston High School for "Tin Foil Study," Christina Tammera from Madison High School for "Soda Shop," Kara Kasch from Morristown High School for "Narcissus," Andres Rivera from Mount Olive High School for "Can I Change Myself If I Try?," Megan Bornstein from Randolph High School for "You Are What You Eat," and a self portrait by Dana Kalfas of Montville High School.

Excellent art work was also submitted by Boonton High School with "Ryan Bradely" by Laura Schafniet, Milissa DiSalvo with "My Sneakers," Michael Mule with "Doorway." Dover High School contributed "Nature at its Best" by Shirley Velasquez, "Ode to Monet"

by Megan Franchak, "Falling Into Being" by Leah Huss." Livingston High School submitted a self-portrait by Amy Heuer, Tiffany Wong with "Beware" and "Forbidden Passage" by Johnathan Lee. Madison High School contributed "Travel Photo #46" by James Weber, "City at Sunset" by Adrienne Heller, and "Sunflowers" by Lorriane Ewan. Montville High School submitted, "Italian Breakfast" by Kristina Pennetta, "Laura" by Laura Croce, "The Raven" by Marissa Herrmann and a self-portrait by Dana Kalfas. Morris Knolls High School entered "Appearances can be Deceiving," by Kyle Schuster, "The Devil in Me" by Benjamin Kurfverst, "The Transformation" by Daniel Murphy, and "My Wonderland" by Mercedes Irisarri. Morristown High School offered a self-portrait by Michelle Miller, "Afternoon Light" by Triana Collins, and "Dusk" by Gary Reinhard. Mount Olive High School contributed "Turning Leaves" by Andres Rivera, and untitled works by Timothy Quirino and Ariel Hahn. Randolph High School entered "Digital" by Michel Sun and "Pulsating Time" by Anthony Lee. Ridge High School submitted an untitled work by Seung Eun Lee, "Four Square" by Emily Slapin, "Reflect" by Meghan Musso, and "Genesis" by Gina Caruso. West Essex High School offered "Illuminated" by Sherry Lewkewicz, "Tropical Island" by Julian Osis and untitled works by Elyse Agnello and Francesca Barcia. West Morris Mendham High School entered "The Blue Bowl" and "The self" by Robert Douglas Fritz, III.

Each year the winner of the competition will have an opportunity to travel to our nation's capital to meet Congressional leaders and to mount his or her art work in a special corridor here at the U.S. Capitol, with winners from across the country. Members of Congress and thousands of visitors to the Capitol have a chance to view these works of art firsthand. It is a fantastic reminder that there is vast talent in our young men and women.

Indeed, all of these young artists are winners, and we should be proud of their achievements so early in life.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in congratulating these talented young people from New Jersey's 11th Congressional District.

A TRIBUTE TO MONTEREY COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE RICHARD SILVER

HON. SAM FARR

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 21, 2002

Mr. FARR of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life's work of Monterey County Superior Court Judge Richard Silver, 60, whose outstanding legal acumen has enriched society on the Central Coast for more than a quarter of a century.

A graduate of the University of California's Boalt Hall School of Law, Judge Silver began his legal career as a defense lawyer with the Francis Heisler law firm. Among the cases that fueled his rise to prominence in the late 1960s was the Soledad Brothers prison-murder trial.

At my urging, Gov. Jerry Brown appointed Judge Silver to the bench in 1977. Judge Silver became known for his expertise and efficiency in handling civil cases. He developed a

case management system that makes civil justice more swift in Monterey County than in almost any other California county.

He also built a reputation for settling tough cases before they went to trial. And he became known for tackling contentious issues ranging from land use disputes to struggles between teachers and school districts.

Among those who founded the Monterey College of Law, Judge Silver remains on its board of directors.

Although he is stepping down from the bench, Judge Silver is likely to remain highly active in the local legal community, by settling disputes out of court as a private judge and arbitrator. For this, all of us who have come to know him over the years on the Central Coast will be very grateful.

TRIBUTE TO REVEREND D. CHARLES HILDRETH, 8TH PASTORAL ANNIVERSARY, GREATER HARVEST MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

HON. DAVID E. BONIOR

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 21, 2002

Mr. BONIOR. Mr. Speaker, as the congregation of Greater Harvest Missionary Baptist Church gathered together on Sunday, May 5, 2002, they celebrated the 8th Pastoral Anniversary of Reverend D. Charles Hildreth. A lifelong leader and devoted pastor, Reverend Hildreth has truly demonstrated his commitment to advancing the mission of the Greater Harvest Church across the state of Michigan. As the members and friends of Reverend Hildreth gathered to celebrate this special anniversary, they paid tribute to his outstanding years of activism, leadership, and faith.

Joining the Greater Harvest Missionary Baptist Church, located in Muskegon Heights, Michigan, Reverend Hildreth has been preaching the Gospel to its congregation since June 10, 1994. As his message and ministry has been received, he has shown a special dedication to making a positive difference in the lives of others. To those who know Reverend Hildreth best, he is "a promoter and student of the blessings that accompany the sacrifices of continuing Christian Education."

With a passion for his community, Reverend Jones has been an active force in educating his community as well as working with the Greater Harvest Church in organizing several programs and ministries. As the First Vice President of the Congress Christian Education of the General Baptist State Convention of Michigan, a member of the Board of Directors of the Urban League of Greater Muskegon, and a lifetime member of the NAACP, his involvement within the church and beyond has been an inspiration to all. Reverend Hildreth's distinguished service and outstanding dedication to improving the lives of people through faith will continue to serve as an example to communities across this nation.

I applaud Reverend Hildreth for his leadership, commitment, and service, and I urge my colleagues to join me in saluting him for his exemplary years of faith and service.