

Requesting Member: Congressman JOHN BOOZMAN (AR-03)

Bill Number: H.R. 1105, the Omnibus Appropriations Act, 2009

Account: Salaries & Expenses
Agency: Agricultural Research Service
Name/Address: National Center for Agricultural Law, 107 Waterman Hall, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR 72701

Description: The funding will be used to continue programs at the National Center for Agricultural Law, the leading source of objective, scholarly and authoritative agricultural and food law research and information.

Earmark: Animal Science Food Safety Consortium, \$939,000

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Account: SRG
Agency: Cooperative State Research Education and Extension Service

Name/Address: University of Arkansas Division of Agriculture, E212 AFLS Building, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR 72701

Description: The funding will be used for the continuation of cutting edge research into all areas of poultry, beef and pork meat production from the farm to the consumer's table, including providing solutions for current priorities and long term anticipated needs.

Earmark: Geographic Information System, \$1,248,000

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Description: The funding will be used for the continuation of the University's participation in the National Consortium for Rural Geospatial Innovations in America (RGIS), which is comprised of eight sites across the country that helps bring the benefits of geographic information systems and related spatial information technologies to rural and tribal America.

Earmark: Institute for Food Science Engineering, \$775,000

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Name/Address: University of Arkansas Division of Agriculture 1FSE, E212 AFLS Building, Fayetteville, AR 72701

Description: The funding will be used to carry out IFSE's research on value added processing, safety, nutritional value, packaging storage and distribution of food products.

Earmark: Appropriate Technology Transfer for Rural Areas, \$2,582,000

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Account: Rural cooperative development grants

Agency: Rural Business-Cooperative Service

Name/Address: National Center for Appropriate Technology, 207 W. Center Street, Fayetteville, AR 72702

Description: The funding will be used for the continued operation of the ATTRA national program, which provides free technical assistance to farmers, ranchers and others in all 50 states seeking information on sustainable agriculture technologies, farm energy and information for marketing and adding value to farm products.

Earmark: Enhancing Agricultural Profitability through Specialty Crops, \$164,000

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Description: The funding will be used to provide profitable production and processing systems new, innovative and transitioning agricultural producers and processors.

HONORING LEE RHYANT

HON. PHIL GINGREY

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 25, 2009

Mr. GINGREY of Georgia. Madam Speaker, in celebration of Black History Month, I want to continue recognizing African Americans from throughout Georgia's 11th Congressional District who have a major impact on their community.

Today, I rise to honor Lee Rhyant of Marietta, Georgia. For the past nine years, Lee has served as the Vice President and Site Manager for one of Marietta's most important and largest employers—Lockheed Martin. During his tenure at Lockheed, the company has continued to prosper—providing thousands of jobs for 11th District residents.

In addition to his success in the business world, we should all strive to emulate Lee Rhyant's thirst for education and learning. Lee holds a Bachelor of Science Degree from Bethune-Cookman College, an MBA from Indiana University, and has attended London School of Business, MIT, Harvard, General Motors Institute, and the University of Michigan.

Lee and his wife, Evelyn Ingram Rhyant, have raised two wonderful sons—twins actually—who have followed their parent's example of hard work and have both become fine physicians.

Given his involvement in the business community of Cobb County and his active role as a wonderful father and family man, it is hard to believe that Lee has much time to devote to anything else.

However, despite his busy schedule, I could stand here on the House Floor for hours listing the different organizations to which Lee generously donates his time—including the United Way of Cobb County, the Atlanta Area Boy Scouts Council, the Board of Directors of Bethune-Cookman College, and the Safe America Foundation to name a few. Lee Rhyant is truly community service personified.

I ask that my colleagues join me in commending Lee Rhyant for his hard work and dedication to improving the lives of the people of his community.

HONORING THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA STUDENTS WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE "WE THE PEOPLE" MIDDLE SCHOOL SHOWCASE COMPETITION

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. NORTON. Madam Speaker, I rise to ask the House to join me in congratulating the remarkable students from The SEED Public Charter School and DC Preparatory Academy. Students from these schools participated in We the People: The Citizen and the Constitution Middle School Showcase on January 7, 2009 for the District of Columbia at the Charles Sumner School Museum and Archives and demonstrated a remarkable understanding of the fundamental principles of our nation.

The students participated in a simulated congressional hearing where they responded to questions on the U.S. Constitution and Bill of Rights from a panel of adult judges. They responded to questions about English philosopher John Locke's view of the purposes of government, the principles embedded in the Declaration of Independence, the compromises made at the Philadelphia Convention, how the Constitution protects our most basic rights, and rights and responsibilities of citizenship.

The We the People: The Citizen and the Constitution is administered by the Center for Civic Education and funded by the U.S. Department of Education under the Education for Democracy Act approved by the U.S. Congress. It is one of the best programs in the nation to promote a deep understanding of the U.S. Constitution, the Bill of Rights, and the principles they embody.

I would also like to congratulate teachers LaTonya Davis at DC Preparatory Academy and Ian Milne at The SEED Public Charter School who did an exceptional job preparing these young students. I also wish to commend Justin Rydstrom, the state coordinator for the We the People program in the District of Columbia. Special recognition should be given to the National Capital Lawyer's Auxiliary who provided volunteers to make the event a success.

Madam Speaker, I am pleased to submit the names of these young "constitutional experts" for special recognition by our colleagues in the House of Representatives and wish them the best of luck as they develop into the future leaders of our nation.

The SEED School: Dymond Andrews, Roshae Ball, Chandler Connelly, Ashley DaCosta, Jevian Gudger, Makayla Head, Joseph Johnson, Loria Pate, Janell Proctor, Michael Moore, Shamari Pratt, Latiece Smith, Daa'Jah Wallace, and Chardae Walter.

DC Prep: Tawfiq Abdul-Karim, Saqwan Adams, Rashawn Alexander, Hakeem Bello, Kyleisha Byrd, Deshaun Cannady, Jennifer Carter, Marc Childs, Carl Costley, William Delaney, Desmond Dixon, Jade Dixon, Shaquille Hall, Tony Hansford, DeVante' Hendren, Lndon Hudgens, Aleia Johnson, Keith Kelly, Martin Marshall, Denzel Mitchell, Kenny Montague, Ken Mutamba, Ryan Perkins, Melissa Reid, Jessica Robinson, Renita Robinson, Jonnae Spann, Ricardo McCrary Steward, Wesley Tebo, Brianna Thomas,