

after nearly 35 years as a newspaper photographer with the Bay City Times in our shared hometown of Bay City, Michigan. I have known Dick for many years and I, along with it seems nearly everyone in the region, have been privileged at one time or another to be the subject of his photographic artistry.

Dick's interest in photography began when he first picked up his dad's 35-millimeter camera as a teen. He learned quickly. By his senior year at the former T.L. Handy High School, Dick was a published photographer and had won several awards for his work. After working for a newspaper in Indiana, Dick returned to his hometown in 1967 to join the Bay City Times as a full-time photographer. A month later, he married Jan and they embarked on a life together in Bay City.

Over the years, Dick's photographs have graced the pages of the Bay City Times and many other publications throughout the world. He has won the admiration of readers and colleagues alike, garnering many awards from his peers in journalism and in the arts. The images he shot of the tragic Wenona Hotel fire earned him a Pulitzer Prize for Spot News nomination in 1978 and his photos of the fire and his slides are still used today as a training tool for firefighters.

His wife, Jan, and children, David and Amy, also deserve credit for providing the love and support so necessary to his professional success and in fostering the talent that manifested itself in his work.

Finally, Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in commending Dick Van Nostrand for his years of journalistic excellence and his unparalleled passion for story-telling through the click of his camera. His vision and talent have served his profession and his community well, and he will be sorely missed by us all.

JOHN P. PERDUYN

**HON. TOM SAWYER**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, November 29, 2001*

Mr. SAWYER. Mr. Speaker, John P. Perduyn has served the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company for 36 years, and the Akron community nearly as long. He began his career in 1965 as associate editor of "Go" and "Triangle," internal publications serving the company's marketing efforts.

Since then, John Perduyn has served the Research and Development, Shoe Products, and the Chemical Division of Goodyear. For a time, he worked in Goodyear's Midwest Region office in Chicago. Fortunately for us in Akron, he returned as director of public information.

Years of dedication and commitment to the principles of sound business and honest communication with employees and consumers won him the position of Senior Vice President of Global Communications in 1999.

John Perduyn's career with Goodyear has coincided with an era of unprecedented change, reorganization, and acquisitions in the

tire and rubber industry—not just in the United States, but around the world. The globalization of markets in transnational industries has tested many companies—but none more than those in the worldwide tire industry. Few companies or executives in any field have met those challenges, in all their various forms, as well as Goodyear and John Perduyn.

Throughout his career, John Perduyn has served as a mentor for many associates within Goodyear and beyond. He is a member of the National Association of Manufacturers' Communication Council, the Public Relations Society of America, the Vice Presidents Forum, and the Arthur W. Page Society. John embodies the Page Society's credo to tell the truth and prove it with action.

Beyond the corporate world, John Perduyn has continued contributing his time and talents to our community. He is on the board of trustees of the Akron Roundtable and Ohio Ballet, offering sound communications advice and policy counsel to those non-profit organizations for many years.

John Perduyn's wise guidance and strong leadership will be missed at Goodyear. We in Akron can only hope that he will find even more time to devote his energies to the community he has served so long and so well.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. TERRY EVERETT**

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, November 29, 2001*

Mr. EVERETT. Mr. Speaker, I was reviewing tornado damaged areas in my district on Tuesday and thus was unable to vote during the following rollcall votes. Had I been present, I would have voted as indicated below.

Rollcall No. 449, H.R. 1259, Computer Security Enhancement Act—"yes," and rollcall No. 450, S. Con. Res. 44, resolution expressing the sense of the Congress regarding National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day—"yes."

Additionally, due to flight delays on Wednesday, I missed the following morning rollcall votes. Had I been present, I would have voted as indicated below.

Rollcall No. 451, on Approving the Journal—"yes," rollcall No. 452, H. Con. Res. 77, Expressing the sense of the Congress regarding the efforts of people of the United States of Korean ancestry to reunite with their family members in North Korea—"yes," and rollcall No. 453, H.R. 2722, Clean Diamond Trade Act—"yes."

RAYMOND M. DOWNEY POST  
OFFICE BUILDING

**HON. STEVE ISRAEL**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, November 29, 2001*

Mr. ISRAEL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to introduce a bill to designate the Deer Park Post

Office as the "Raymond M. Downey Post Office Building." New York lost many heroes on September 11th, but the loss of Chief Downey is an especially difficult one.

During the thirty-nine years he was a New York City firefighter, Chief Downey rescued countless people from what befell so many at the World Trade Center. The most decorated member of the City's fire department, he led a FDNY rescue team to Oklahoma City and directed the recovery effort at the World Trade Center bombing in 1993. He will be sorely missed.

I ask my colleagues to support this bill and to join me in remembering Ray Downey.

HONORING THE CENTRAL TEXAS  
LABOR COUNCIL ON ITS 100TH  
ANNIVERSARY

**HON. CHET EDWARDS**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, November 29, 2001*

Mr. EDWARDS. Mr. Speaker, it is fitting that we extend our congratulations to the Central Texas Labor Council on the occasion of its One-Hundredth Anniversary, celebrated in Waco, Texas on October 20, 2001.

Originally chartered as the McLennan County Labor Council on October 31, 1901, the member-unions included the Leather Workers and Horse Goods, Local 45, the Stationary Fireman's Union, the Tailors Union, Local 96 and the Federal Labor Union 8892. Another member, the Typographical Union, Local 188, was first chartered in 1881. In later years, the Musicians Union local represented organists who accompanied silent films in local movie houses.

In the 1920s, local unions held a forty-hour workweek strike, and helped establish that as a basis for all contracts of labor. Other early job actions were for air conditioning, worker respect and safer workplaces.

In 1901, only unions in McLennan County were affiliated with the Council. Over time, it expanded to include eight counties, and in 1992, the name was changed to the Central Texas Labor Council. The organization now includes forty unions representing 14,000 workers.

Mr. Speaker, the nature of collective bargaining and labor-management relations have changed dramatically since the Council was born a century ago. Today, in Central Texas and across the nation, the vital role of labor unions and labor councils have been widely recognized for their contribution to safer and more productive workplaces with highly-skilled workforces, leading to more competitive enterprises, and ultimately, to a stronger and more stable U.S. economy.

Much has changed in one hundred years. However, the Central Texas Labor Council continues to speak, and fight when necessary, for the rights, the interests and the dignity of working men and women.