

of the Alabama Society of Certified Public Accountants and Chairman of its State Legislation Committee. He was also a member of the Council of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

Bill David was a member of the board of directors for the Alabama Trust Fund and the Business Council of Alabama. Dedicated to a number of civic organizations, he served on the Tuscaloosa County Juvenile Advisory Board and the Alabama Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council.

Beyond Bill David's devotion to his work and his community, he was a dedicated friend to many. A good natured person with a huge heart, Bill David often showed compassion for those less fortunate. His quick wit and intellect fostered his passion for policy issues and politics. He cared very deeply for his community and its people.

But most of all, my thoughts and prayers go out to Jane and their two sons. Bill David was a dedicated family man and his presence will be missed by those who knew him best. Indeed, we will all miss him.●

WE THE PEOPLE: THE CITIZEN AND THE CONSTITUTION

● Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, from April 30 through May 2, 2005, more than 1,200 students from across the United States will visit Washington, D.C. to take part in the national finals of "We the People: The Citizen and the Constitution," the most extensive educational program in the country developed specifically to educate young people about the U.S. Constitution and Bill of Rights. Administered by the Center for Civic Education, the We the People program is funded by the U.S. Department of Education by act of Congress.

I am proud to report that a class from East Grand Rapids High School from Grand Rapids will represent the State of Michigan in this prestigious national event. These outstanding students, through their knowledge of the U.S. Constitution, won their statewide competition and earned the chance to come to our Nation's capital and compete at the national level.

While in Washington, the students will participate in a 3-day academic competition that simulates a congressional hearing in which they "testify" before a panel of judges. Students demonstrate their knowledge and understanding of constitutional principles and have opportunities to evaluate, adopt, and defend positions on relevant historical and contemporary issues. It is important to note that the Educational Testing Service, ETS, characterizes the We the People program as a "great instructional success." Independent studies by ETS have revealed that We the People students "significantly outperformed comparison stu-

dents on every topic of the tests taken."

I congratulate East Grand Rapids students John Abraham, Ted Bosch, Ross Breneman, Katherine Fasse, Bill Frayer, Kyle Fuller, Joe Gallmeyer, Will Gallmeyer, Katherine Harger, Jimmy Hogan, Christina Kim, Peter Meyer, Lenard Robert, Sarah Stevens, Tully Svekric, Alyssa Titche, Gab Tourek, Dimitri Wohns and their teacher, Pierre A. Sirois.

I wish these students the best of luck at the We the People national finals and applaud their outstanding achievement.●

RECOGNIZING ROSEMARY FAY

● Mr. BAYH. Mr. President, today I congratulate an extraordinary young woman, Rosemary Fay, aged 11. Rosemary, a sixth grader at St. Thomas Aquinas School in Indianapolis, was the winner for her age group of the USA Today National Sportsmanship Essay Contest. The essay contest was a part of the 15th National Sportsmanship Day, sponsored by the Institute for International Sport, to raise awareness about fair play, sportsmanship and ethics in athletics and society.

Nearly one thousand students submitted essays addressing sportsmanship and ethics or offering a personal reflection on good or poor sportsmanship. Students were asked to respond to the question, "Do you dare to play fair?". A panel of judges chose the four winners, including Rosemary, who was the winning writer among middle school entrants.

In her touching reflection on the importance of sportsmanship, Rosemary gives her own definition of what it means to be a good sport. She writes, "Good sports are confident, competitive and capable, but most of all, they treat other people with respect and dignity. Their attitudes and actions show they have a higher purpose in life than just winning today's game. Even when they lose, they act like winners." In this day of bitter disputes, when what is truly important is often overshadowed by a more immediate conflict, Rosemary's essay shows us how to step back, remember the bigger picture and be a good sport.

Rosemary also writes about the influence of good sports in her life, paying tribute to her teammates whose good sportsmanship extends beyond the field. Her essay concludes that "Sportsmanship can make a huge difference in a person's life. I know, because I am fortunate to be on a team with truly great sports." She credits her teammates with inspiring her to persevere in sports.

Hoosiers have always known the importance of sports to American life. Playing sports teach our children values like leadership, self-discipline, and the importance of hard work. Improv-

ing access to sports and afterschool athletic activities is a challenge that we must strive to accomplish, so that all students can benefit from the lessons outlined in Rosemary's essay.●

40TH ANNIVERSARY OF FRIENDSHIP INDUSTRIES OF HARRISONBURG

● Mr. ALLEN. Mr. President, today I would like to recognize Friendship Industries, of Harrisonburg, VA, for 40 years of service to persons with disabilities in Harrisonburg City and Rockingham County.

Friendship Industries has been a pioneer in the community since its inception. The mission of the nonprofit social service agency is to develop and maintain employment and training opportunities for persons with disabilities. Clients of the agency begin with a program called Work Adjustment. This program assists trainees with disabilities in their adjustment to a real work environment occurring within a supportive and sheltered atmosphere. The individual learns appropriate work behaviors and skills while developing the highest productivity internally as a sheltered employee, and sometimes gets placed into competitive or supported jobs in the community.

Friendship Industries started with 8 young men with mental retardation and has since grown to provide services for over 120 men and women with differing degrees of mental retardation, mental illness, and/or physical illness. The agency's financial contribution to the community has increased as well. Starting with a mere \$20,000, the budget of Friendship Industries now approaches \$4 million. It employs 20 staff to run the program, and contributes over \$3.6 million to the Harrisonburg area through wages, contract services and job training and services.

Mr. David Flick, president of Friendship Industries since 1976, has been instrumental in the growth and success of the program. With his leadership, the agency has expanded the access and breadth of the program by providing transportation to interested trainees and by forming a network of friendly area companies. I commend David for his unwavering support and passion for helping the disabled get back to work in the Shenandoah Valley.

I congratulate Friendship Industries on 40 years of dedication to improving the lives of persons with disabilities, and wish them continued success for many more years.●

TRIBUTE TO BILL MARTIN

● Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, on behalf of Senator STABENOW and myself, I rise to pay tribute to Ann Arbor, MI, resident Bill Martin. On May 2 of this year, the Jewish Federation of Washtenaw County will confer their Humanitarian