

Juan continues to live in Long Branch with his wife of 10 years, Tara, and his two children, Emelie who is 6 years old and Zachary age four.

Mr. Speaker, it is my sincere hope that my colleagues will join me in honoring and recognizing, Detective Juan H. Vasquez, as the Latino American Association of Monmouth County honors him for his unwavering commitment to the Latino community as well as the Long Branch Police Department.

CONGRATULATIONS TO LINDA  
ARREOLA

HON. BOB FILNER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, October 6, 2004*

Mr. FILNER. Mr. Speaker and colleagues, I want to take this opportunity to recognize and congratulate Linda Arreola for being honored by the Interfaith Committee for Worker Justice and worker rights. Linda is the Assistant Director of the Office for Social Ministry in the Catholic Diocese of San Diego. In this office, she assists the direction and coordination of ministries involving issues such as the sanctity of life, immigration, worker justice, human trafficking, political responsibility and advocacy.

Ms. Arreola is a member of the United States Catholic Conference Bishops' Working Group on Human Trafficking. She has also worked in other ministries in the Diocese including the Diocesan Institute for Adult Education and Ministry Formation, Hispanic Affairs and the Office for Hispanic Evangelization. She has been a member of St. Anthony of Padua in National City since 1983, where she served as director of religious education, catechist and youth minister.

Ms. Arreola is a native of San Diego and has lived in National City for 33 years, having graduated from Sweetwater Union High School. She also attended San Diego State University, where she received a Bachelor of Arts and Masters of Arts in French. Linda is also an instructor in the San Diego Diocesan Institute and volunteers as a Puente Project mentor at Southwestern College.

Congratulations to Ms. Linda Arreola for her commitment in working to make our community a better place.

TRIBUTE TO MR. THADDEUS  
ROBERT STEBBINS

HON. HENRY J. HYDE

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, October 6, 2004*

Mr. HYDE. Mr. Speaker, I would like to commend to the House for its edification a recent event of note, that on the 3rd of September of this year, in Exeter, New Hampshire, Thaddeus Robert Stebbins celebrated his 17th birthday.

Although still in the formative period of his life's journey, Mr. Stebbins has already demonstrated remarkable abilities across a broad range of endeavor, from academics and music to sports and debate. These preternatural accomplishments must command our attention

and admiration. But even more noteworthy are the maturity of thought and manner already manifest and the generosity of spirit evidenced by the unhesitating respect granted others.

The birthday was celebrated quietly at the Phillips Exeter Academy where Mr. Stebbins is currently enrolled in his Upper year and where he is manfully displaying talents and capacities notable even at that prestigious institution. Although they were not physically in attendance on that day, Mr. Stebbins was very much in the thoughts of his proud parents and sisters, of his godfather, and of his many admiring friends.

I cannot speak to Mr. Stebbins' religious beliefs, but I have no doubt that the Almighty has prepared great things for him and ever watches over him. And that he has entertained angels, unaware.

Mr. Speaker, Wordsworth wrote that "the Child is the father of the Man". We will be fortunate indeed to know the Man he will become.

HONORING HARVEY L. GOLDEN'S  
50 YEARS OF PRACTICING LAW

HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, October 6, 2004*

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to praise the works of one of South Carolina's outstanding legal minds, Harvey L. Golden, who celebrates 50 years of practicing family law this month. I am proud to call Harvey a good friend, a fellow member of the Bar of South Carolina, and I ask all of my colleagues to join me in honoring his lifetime of hard work and service in the law profession.

I ask that the following information on Harvey's life and achievements be added into the official record.

Harvey Laurance Golden was born in Brooklyn, New York, October 15, 1929, the only child of Gertrude Dribbon Golden who had, come to this Country from Manchester, England, and Irvin (Jack) Golden who was born in New York. When Harvey was four years old, his mother, father and he moved from Brooklyn to Hartford, Connecticut, where his father spent World War II working at the Colt Firearms factory and, subsequently, became a supervisor in Pratt and Whitney Aircraft factory. In Hartford, his mother became a buyer for Brown and Thompson Department Store. In Hartford, Harvey attended the Vine Street School and subsequently Jones Jr. High School. Whereupon the family moved to Columbia, South Carolina, after a brief summer in Augusta, Georgia. In Columbia, he attended Columbia High School and became Business Manager of the school newspaper, "High Life" and became active in the high school debate team. Harvey was also active in the drama club and chorus.

While in Columbia, Harvey and some of his best friends joined the S.C. Air National Guard in 1948 and when the Korean war began, he turned down a college deferment when his S.C. Guard unit was federalized. The South Carolina Guard was the first guard unit in the country to be nationalized and he was the first guardsman in Korea and one month later was promoted to Sergeant. He spent two years as a Weapons Specialist in charge of the 157th Fighter Bomber Squadron Armament, including napalm, bombs, rockets, machine guns and small

arms. This work was accomplished on F-51 aircraft that had already been sent to the war zone and had SCANG scrubbed from the side of the planes. These were the same aircraft on which Sgt. Golden had been working back at Congaree Air Base in Columbia. Upon returning to Columbia he was hospitalized in the Columbia VA Hospital for three months and released.

Whereupon, he approached Dean Sam Prince of the USC Law School requesting special dispensation to be allowed to attend law school without vacation and thus be able to graduate in two years rather than three or two and a half. The Dean grudgingly allowed him to become the first student to petition the law school to enter and while in law school he was awarded membership in Wig and Robe Honor Society, having begun in September 1952 and finished in September, 1954 with only one grade below a B. He was also elected by the faculty and editorial board as Editor-in-Chief of the South Carolina Law Review. He had already been elected president of his fraternity. After graduation, he had become very active in the University Theatre and had played many roles there as well as in Town Theatre and later he founded the Workshop Theatre and Columbia City Ballet as he began the practice of law. After law school, he practiced with Edens and Woodward and then Isadore Lourie, the late legendary State Senator, joined him as Golden and Lourie for the next four years.

On July 15, 1962, he married Heide Engelhart and they are the proud parents of three children and two grand children.

HARVEY L. GOLDEN

Trial Attorney in South Carolina for 50 continuous years with primary statewide practice in Family Law. Currently:

Recipient, American Bar Association, Lifetime Achievement Award—August, 2001;

Recipient, South Carolina Bar Association first Family Law Public Service Award—June, 1994;

Member, ABA House of Delegates (1990-2000) and its Nominating Committee (1996-1998);

Officer, Council Member, ABA Family Law Section (1984-2000);

Certified Fellow of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers and member of its National Board of Governors;

Founding Fellow, (U.S. Chapter) International Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers;

Diplomate, American College of Family Trial Lawyers (1989-);

Advocate, American Board of Trial Advocates;

Listed in "Best Lawyers in America" all five editions 1983-99.

Listed as one of the best forty-three Family Court Lawyers in the United States by National Law Journal, November 16, 1987;

Contributor to "Fair Share", "Matrimonial Strategist", "Trial" and "Family Advocate" National legal publications;

Author, S.C. Pre-Nuptial Agreement Statute;

Co-Author, S.C. Equitable Apportionment Act;

Co-Author: "Divorce", 13 S.C. Jurisprudence 63, 1992, and "Adultery and Fornication", 3 S.C. Jurisprudence 1, 1991;

Chairman, AAML Inter-Disciplinary Mental Health Committee;

Former Treasurer, International Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers (1990-1991);

Former National Chairman of American Bar Association Family Law Section 1987-1988) and Secretary, Vice Chair and Chair Elect (1984-1987);

Former President, South Carolina Chapter, American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers (4 Years)

Past Member, Nominating Committee, American Bar Association Conference of Section Chairmen;

Past Member, American Bar Association Law School Accreditation Team (1988). Formerly Contributing Editor on Family Law for the South Carolina Educational Television Network;

Member, South Carolina Bar Judicial Modernization Committee. Formerly one of five original appointees by the S.C. Supreme Court on Family Law Specialization Advisory Board;

Former Chairman of the Family Law Section of the S.C. Bar.

Former Chairman of the S.C. Trial Lawyers Family Law Section. Program Participant, "Negotiations" American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers, 1983;

Producer-Moderator of the First Family law CLE program in South Carolina (1975) at the request of the SC Supreme Court;

Former member, Long Range Planning Committee and Scope and Correlation Committee, ABA Family Law Section;

Former Public Information Representative, ABA Family Law Section;

Frequent Family Law Faculty at: ABA National Institutes, Annual and mid-winter conventions and S.C. Mandatory Judicial C.L.E. programs. Frequent Lecturer on Family Law at USC College of Law, USC College of General Studies, Lutheran Southern Theological Seminary, CLE program speaker in: Atlanta, Connecticut, D.C., Colorado, Florida, Illinois, Maryland, New Jersey, North Carolina, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia, and Wisconsin Bar Association programs. Past Chairman of the Paternity Committee of the ABA, Family Law Section (1978-1981).

Recipient of the 1978 "Certificate of Outstanding Contribution" of ABA Family Law Section;

Participant, with Lawrence Stotter, Esq., in the "Great Custody Debate of 1980" presented by the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers, Chicago, Illinois;

Former Special Judge appointee in Richland County, S.C. Juvenile-Domestic Relations Courts, County Civil Jury Courts, County Criminal Jury Courts (1965-1975);

Elected to the Debate Hall of Fame, University of South Carolina (1977);

Former Editor in Chief, S.C. Law Quarterly (1954);

Elected to Order of Wig and Robe. Legal Scholarship Society (1954);

Former Drama Critic, the State Newspaper, Columbia, South Carolina (1983-1987);

Past President, Congregation Beth Shalom, Columbia, S.C. (Two terms);

Co-Founder and Director, Workshop Theatre of South Carolina (1965-1981);

Co-Founder of Columbia City Ballet Company, Columbia, South Carolina (1962), Board of Directors (1962-1988).

U.S. Air Force Korean Combat Zone (1950-1952).

PAYING TRIBUTE TO MARGRET MERGELMAN

**HON. SCOTT McINNIS**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, October 6, 2004*

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Margret Mergelman, a dedicated leader and 4-H activist from Gunnison, Colorado. For over sixty-four years, Margret has volunteered to better her community, and I am honored to stand before this body of Congress and this Nation today to recognize her service.

Margret earned her elementary education degree in 1943 from Western State College

and that same year married Warren Mergelman, whose family has ranged the Gunnison area for generations. Margret accompanied her husband on the long cattle drives for local area ranchers. After the couple started a family she focused her attention on homemaking skills, especially cooking. When the kids became active in 4-H, she started a cooking club, in addition to sewing, gardening, and square-dancing clubs. She herself was a 4-H leader for ten years. Margret's cooking is legendary and her open-house lunch after the Cattlemen's Days parade has drawn more than one hundred people in the past. Today Margret is still active in the rural community, donating cash gifts to the local 4-H and annually sponsoring the Mergelman Family Award to competitors of the Round Robin Showmanship. She has also been a member of the Eastern Star for sixty-two years.

Mr. Speaker, Margret Mergelman, is a dedicated individual who devotes her free time to aiding members of her Gunnison community and works to preserve Colorado's western style and heritage. Her level of enthusiasm and commitment is commendable and I am honored to stand here before this body and recognize the efforts of such a selfless and benevolent woman. Thanks for all your service Margret, and I wish you all the best in your future endeavors.

RECOGNITION OF DEPUTY MAYOR REBECCA AARONSON

**HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.**

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, October 6, 2004*

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I would like to call the attention of my colleagues to a constituent in the 6th District of New Jersey. It is with great pleasure that I introduce my friend, the Honorable Rebecca Aaronson, Deputy Mayor of Manalapan, N.J., who is being honored by the Latino American Association of Monmouth County as they celebrate their Eleventh Annual Awards Banquet.

Rebecca Aaronson was born in Laredo, Texas to Mexican parents. Her father was born in Monterrey, Mexico and her mother was born in Mexico City, D.F. She grew up in El Paso, Texas and attended the University of Texas at El Paso for one year. Rebecca met and married Richard Aaronson in 1972. She is the proud mother of two sons, Scott, 27 years old, who recently married Julie, and Glenn, 22 years old, a senior at Quinnipiac University in Connecticut.

Rebecca returned to school and graduated from Brookdale Community College in 1997 with an Associates Degree in Humanities. She volunteered at the Women's Center of Monmouth County (now 180) in the shelter program for victims of domestic violence. She became involved with the community because she always felt that no one has the right to complain if they are not willing to do something about it. She was concerned with the over-development of her town, Manalapan, and felt that the builders, not the Planning Board, were making all of the decisions.

In 2002, she was elected Mayor of Manalapan Township. Presently, she is in her second term and serves as Deputy Mayor. In 2001 she was the Democratic candidate for

Monmouth County Freeholder. Presently she serves as the Vice Chair of Monmouth County Democrats.

She believes that she and her colleagues have made a difference in Manalapan. Her philosophy has always been that we are all obligated to leave our mark somehow and politics has given her the opportunity to do so. She carries that philosophy to her personal life and is always seeking a way of making a difference in people's lives.

Mr. Speaker, it is my sincere hope that my colleagues will join me in honoring and recognizing Deputy Mayor Rebecca Aaronson, as the Latino American Association of Monmouth County honors her for her unfaltering dedication to the Latino community.

CONGRATULATIONS TO RABBI LEVIN

**HON. BOB FILNER**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, October 6, 2004*

Mr. FILNER. Mr. Speaker and colleagues, I want to take the time to recognize Rabbi Moshe Levin, the spiritual leader of Congregation Ner Tamid in the Sunset, San Francisco. Rabbi Levin is being honored by the Interfaith Committee for Worker Justice for his contributions to worker justice and worker rights.

Rabbi Levin came from San Francisco to San Diego, where he served as the Senior Rabbi of Congregation Beth El in La Jolla for 15 years. Two years ago, he was named Rabbi Emeritus of that prestigious congregation, and began commuting to San Francisco to serve the people of Ner Tamid.

Rabbi Levin was ordained at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, the central pillar of Conservative Judaism in the United States. He served as an Air Force chaplain for the first 2 years of his rabbinical career, and was stationed in Southeast Asia during the Vietnam War. His pulpit experience spanned 30 years, including 2 years on the Island of Curacao in the Dutch West Indies.

Rabbi Levin was born in Brooklyn, NY, graduated from Brooklyn College and spent 2 years at Jerusalem's Hebrew University, majoring in economics and philosophy, and studying the Bible with the famed Nehama Leibowitz and archeology with Yigal Yadin. At the Jewish Theological Seminary, Rabbi Levin was privileged to study with such giants of the last century as Abraham Joshua Heschel and Chancellor Louis Finkelstein.

Over the course of his career, Rabbi Moshe Levin has been active in Zionist causes, social action projects, interfaith activities, as well as furthering the creative continuity of American Jewish life. He is a founding member of the Palestinian-Jewish Dialogue of San Diego, which has been featured in the Christian Science Monitor, and has served on numerous boards, most recently the American Jewish Committee and the Interfaith Committee for Worker Justice. In 1992, he was named Civil Libertarian of the Year by the San Diego and Imperial Chapters of the ACLU.

Rabbi Levin's writings include: The Ethical Orgins of Kashrut, Near-Eastern Birthrights and the Eassau Jacob Narrative, Sexuality in Jewish Law and Tradition, and the Rabbinate for the 21st Century. It is a privilege to honor Rabbi Moshe Levin.