

June 4, 2008 - Bethlehem Center High School Sophomore Wins 12th District Congressional Arts Competition

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- Congressman John P. Murtha (PA-12) announced today that Peyton Klein, a 10th grade student at Bethlehem Center High School, received "Best of Show" during this year's annual 12th District Congressional Arts Competition. Klein's work is entitled "unmixed match" and a photograph is attached.

An "Artistic Discovery" is a yearly nationwide high school art competition conducted by Members of the U.S. House of Representatives. The winning artwork from each Congressional District is sent to Washington, D.C. where it is displayed in the U.S. Capitol complex for an entire year (June 2008-2009).

"This annual arts competition is an excellent opportunity to join students together from across the 12th Congressional District to showcase their artistic talent," commented Murtha. "I'm proud of these talented young adults."

The Awards Ceremony was held at California University of Pennsylvania on May 16, 2008. Over 80 entries were submitted this year from school districts across the 12th Congressional District. The artwork was judged by the California University Arts Department and Administration. Mr. Joseph Yankovich, a member of Murtha's staff, announced the winners and presented them each with certificates.

Peyton and her parents will be traveling to Washington, D.C. this month where she will be honored at a reception for "Artistic Discovery" winners from around the country.

The following were judged as "Runner-Up" recipients:

Emily Clements

Connellsville High School; Connellsville,
PA

12th grade

"Lost in Wonderland"

Victoria Interval

Richland High School; Johnstown,
PA

12th grade

"Mandee"

Erin Roberts

Richland High School; Johnstown,
PA

10th grade

"Still Life With A Cup"

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