

talented Idaho artist and businessman, Fred I. Ochi, on February 18, 2007. Fred lived in my hometown of Idaho Falls and was best known throughout Idaho and the West for his beautiful paintings; barns were one of the trademark subjects of his Japanese-influenced art. Although known for his art work, Fred's life reflected a penchant for perseverance, business, and appreciation of the importance of art to communities.

Fred, a Japanese American, was born in California in 1913. After losing his mother at the young age of eight, Fred and his brother spent 3 years in Japan living with their grandparents. He returned to California where he studied art and became a theatre manager in the San Francisco Bay area in the 1930s. He found a public place for his artwork back then—movie marquees of the 17 theatres he managed. Due to the war, Fred was evacuated from California in 1942 and moved to southeastern Idaho, where he managed marquees for theatres there. Fred was an unfortunate victim of one of the darker periods in Idaho history; he had to be escorted by Idaho National Guard troops when people organized a protest against the theatres based on Fred's ethnicity.

Fred continued his life's work in Idaho Falls. He settled there in 1943 and spent the rest of his life working there, raising his children with his wife Yoshiko. The man who completed 10,000 watercolors over the course of his lifetime opened a commercial art and sign shop, and was a founding member of the Idaho Falls Art Guild. In Idaho Falls, he served as a longtime member of the Chamber of Commerce and the Kiwanis Club. Fred left an indelible mark on arts in Idaho. He served as president of the Idaho Art Association and earned the 1998 Governors Award for Excellence in Art. During Idaho's State Centennial, Fred was named one of the "100 Citizens Who Made a Difference for the State."

Fred was generous with his talent, sharing it with students of all ages throughout Idaho and western Wyoming. Fred's ready smile and sense of humor was well-known: his business cards read "Smiling Irishman, Fred O'Shay." My sister Christine knew Fred well. Knowing of her interest in art, Fred would invite her to watch him work at his studio, the "log hut." She remembers his painting style as fast and powerful; he used many different brushes with big brush strokes. It was intentional and bright, like his personality.

Fellow Idaho Falls artist Gloria Miller Allen observed:

I will always remember him in old white dress shirts slightly spattered with paint, and with his glasses spattered as well. I can still see him in his red kimono selling paintings down by the river. Idaho Falls will miss this good man.

Fred's legacy lives on in his 5 children, 11 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren. He will be sorely

missed, and I offer his family my condolences and our gratitude for sharing Fred and his art and legacy with us all.●

#### MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 11:42 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 362. An act to authorize science scholarships for educating mathematics and science teachers, and for other purposes.

H.R. 363. An act to authorize programs for support of the early career development of science and engineering researchers, and for other purposes.

H.R. 518. An act to amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to authorize States to restrict receipt of foreign municipal solid waste and implement the Agreement Concerning the Transboundary Movement of Hazardous Waste between the United States and Canada, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1675. An act to suspend the requirements of the Department of Housing and Urban Development regarding electronic filing of previous participation certificates and regarding filing of such certificates with respect to certain low-income housing investors.

H.R. 1676. An act to reauthorize the program of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development for loan guarantees for Indian housing.

#### MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills were read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 362. An act to authorize science scholarships for educating mathematics and science teachers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

H.R. 363. An act to authorize appropriations for basic research and research infrastructure in science and engineering, and for support of graduate fellowships, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

H.R. 518. An act to amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to authorize States to restrict receipt of foreign municipal solid waste and implement the Agreement Concerning the Transboundary Movement of Hazardous Waste between the United States and Canada, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

H.R. 1675. An act to suspend the requirements of the Department of Housing and Urban Development regarding electronic filing of previous participation certificates and regarding filing of such certificates with respect to certain low-income housing investors; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

H.R. 1676. An act to reauthorize the program of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development for loan guarantees for Indian housing; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

#### EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-1613. A communication from the Deputy Director for Regulations, Office of Pipeline Safety, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pipeline Safety: Design and Construction Requirements to Reduce Internal Corrosion in Gas Transmission Pipelines" (RIN2137-AE09) received on April 23, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1614. A communication from the Assistant Chief Counsel, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hazardous Materials: Revision of Requirements for Authorization of Use of International Standards" (RIN2137-AE01) received on April 23, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1615. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Part 95 Instrument Flight Rules (18)" ((RIN2120-AA63)(Amtd. No. 467)) received on April 23, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1616. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (127)" ((RIN2120-AA65)(Amtd. No. 3212)) received on April 23, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1617. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (8)" ((RIN2120-AA65)(Amtd. No. 3211)) received on April 23, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1618. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (85)" ((RIN2120-AA65)(Amtd. No. 3210)) received on April 23, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1619. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (11)" ((RIN2120-AA65)(Amtd. No. 3209)) received on April 23, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1620. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (22)" ((RIN2120-AA65)(Amtd. No. 3208)) received on April 23, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1621. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Rolls-Royce Corporation 501-D Series Turbo-prop Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2001-NE-01)) received on April 23, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1622. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Pratt