

build a National Storytelling Center in Jonesborough. An estimated 80,000 tourists are expected to visit northeast Tennessee per year generating revenue as well as jobs.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to praise the many educational benefits of storytelling. The art of storytelling allows teachers to develop student interest in literature and history. By telling stories, students learn excellent communication skills while being given the unique opportunity to speak to a large group of people. Storytelling teaches students to be aware of the many diverse cultures in the United States. In addition, many businesses use storytelling to enhance presentations and seminars.

In order to further promote storytelling across the Nation, the National Storytelling Association hosts Tellabration on the Saturday night before Thanksgiving. Tellabration occurs in several States and NSA hopes to declare the week prior to Tellabration, National Storytelling Week. I commend the National Storytelling Association on their efforts and wish them continued success.

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TRIBUTE TO DONALD G. WARD, JR.

**HON. CHARLES H. TAYLOR**

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 24, 1997*

Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of a truly fine gentleman and friend, Donald Grady "Jack" Ward, a lifelong resident of Henderson County, NC, in the Eleventh Congressional District.

Jack was the son of Katherine Harris Ward of Hendersonville and the late Donald G. Ward. He served his country in the Army during World War II, and was a member of the VFW and American Legion. Jack continued his service to America very ably as a member of the Republican Presidential Task Force under Ronald Reagan and George Bush. Further, he was a member of Dana United Methodist Church.

As founder of his own business, Ward Brothers Tractor, he was a 10-time honoree of the Red Book Business Character Award. He was also a long time leader in the apple industry in Henderson County.

Henry David Thoreau once said that doing good was the only full profession. Jack believed that doing good was not only a profession but a way of life. I join Jack's family, friends, colleagues, and the citizens of Henderson County, in recognizing Jack for his leadership, community service, and service to the country.

Jack was a fine American and a loyal friend and supporter. My sympathy is extended to his lovely wife Katherine, his son Donald III, and the rest of the Ward family. It was indeed an honor to represent him in Washington, and to be an honorary pall bearer at the request of his family.

TRIBUTE TO VOLUNTEER EFFORTS  
AT CUESTA COLLEGE

**HON. WALTER H. CAPPS**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 24, 1997*

Mr. CAPPS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and pay tribute to the tireless efforts of the 1,000 volunteers at Cuesta College, in San Luis Obispo, CA, who have shown exemplary dedication and a profound commitment to serving the needs of its students, and members of their community. These individuals provide us all with a bright example of how the spirit of volunteerism and the vigilance of engaged citizenship can make a difference in the lives of individuals and that of their community.

We should commend Cuesta College and these volunteers not just for their work, but for their example. I am extremely proud of these individuals because they speak to the limitless possibility that exists when we give our energies and talents toward improving our communities and the opportunities they provide. They show us how taking responsibility for those things we value, such as educating people, can have a great impact on our future.

Mr. Speaker, government cannot be expected to solve all of our problems, so it has become increasingly important for individuals across our nation to take part in lending their effort to such endeavors. These 1,000 volunteers from Cuesta College have taken the lead in this pursuit and for that I commend them. I request, Mr. Speaker, that the House extend them the same honor.

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IN HONOR OF GERALD A.  
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**HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 24, 1997*

Mrs. MALONEY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay a respectful tribute to Gerald A. Esposito. Tonight, community board No. 1 of Greenpoint and Williamsburg, Brooklyn, will be honoring Mr. Esposito on the 20th anniversary of his appointment as district manager.

Gerald Esposito has dedicated many years of magnanimous service to the community. His lifelong residency of Greenpoint-Williamsburg has been filled with community service work. His benevolent community work began at the Boy Scouts of America and progressed to work with VISTA. The Peace Corps, and nonprofit and local government.

Much of Mr. Esposito's time has been dedicated to improving the community. Among his many accomplishments, he has fought to protect the rights of the public by battling consumer fraud and he has served as an advocate for housing and other legal matters.

In 1977, community board No. 1 hired Mr. Esposito, making him the youngest district manager in the city of New York. Over the past 20 years, he has guided the board through many of the community's complex issues and resolved numerous problems with service delivery, budget and planning. He has proven to be excellent at negotiating, building partnerships and resolving problems.

Throughout his tenure with community board No. 1, Mr. Esposito has maintained his ties with the community by belonging to various fraternal organizations and alumni associations. He has also continued in his father's footsteps by becoming Scout Master of Troop 604 and being appointed chairman of the Boy Scouts of America Lenape Bay District.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues rise with me in this tribute to Gerald Esposito. The Greenpoint-Williamsburg community and community board No. 1 are lucky to have such a great man and leader among them. I am thrilled to have Mr. Esposito in my district.

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A TRIBUTE TO THE SOUTHAMPTON  
PRESS NEWSPAPER ON ITS 100TH  
ANNIVERSARY

**HON. MICHAEL P. FORBES**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 24, 1997*

Mr. FORBES. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the Southampton Press, the venerable community newspaper of Southampton, Long Island that is celebrating its 100th anniversary this year.

Since its first edition in 1897, the Southampton Press has exemplified the finest traditions of American community journalism, providing Southampton residents with superlative coverage of local news, the arts, agriculture, business, and editorial analysis. Devoting itself fully towards serving the communities it covers, the Southampton Press has earned the highest regard of its readers and peers because it so faithfully maintains the highest journalistic ideals.

It was one of Long Island's most prominent publishers, Walter R. Burling, who founded the Southampton Press, naming his son, George, as editor and producing the inaugural issue on May 29, 1897. A newspaper veteran, Walter Burling founded and operated both the Sea-Side Times, of Southampton, and the East Hampton Star, a well-respected paper still in publication. Through 1971, the Burling family name was associated with the Southampton Press, until it was purchased by Donald Loucheim, who today publishes the paper in conjunction with his son, Joe.

The editors and writers at the Southampton Press have built a proud tradition of excellence, as evidenced by the dozens of awards and honors from the New York Press Association. In diverse categories from best editorial to spot news, coverage of the environment, education and advertising excellence, the staff at the Southampton Press has garnered the kudos of its journalistic peers.

The Southampton Press today has a higher circulation—as verified by the Audit Bureau of Circulation—than any other weekly or daily newspaper in the region. The Southampton Press now publishes two editions, each tailored to communities on either side of the Shinnecock Canal that divides the town of Southampton in two.

In recognition of the Southampton Press' role in the heritage of the town, the Southampton Colonial Society opened a special exhibition on the newspaper's history at the Southampton Historical Museum. The exhibit captures the newspaper's unique role in Southampton's history by tying its press coverage to objects and artifacts from the museum's collection.