

his breadth of knowledge on complex revenue and tax legislation, his cheerful demeanor, his keen intellect, and his dancing prowess. Viewed as a real champion of county government, Dan is widely admired and respected by members of both political parties.

Although Dan was born in Texas, he was raised and educated in northern California. He received his bachelor of arts degree in economics from St. Mary's College and a master of arts degree in economics from San Francisco State University. His particular focus was in the areas of public finance, international trade, and statistics.

On a personal level, a distinguishing attribute of Dan's is his appreciation of fine cuisine and superior fine wines from California. As a winemaker, his recognition and enjoyment of quality wines is particularly close to my heart. Dan also is regarded by many as a real connoisseur of oriental food, especially the increasingly popular Japanese dish, sushi. His ability to locate some of the most interesting sushi establishments in virtually any community is well-documented. He was always able to direct visiting elected officials to the best of Sacramento.

Mr. Speaker, it is with great honor that I congratulate Dan Wall for his tireless efforts on behalf of California's 58 counties. It is his unique and special qualities as a person and professional advocate that warrants his recognition. I ask my colleagues to join me in wishing Dan many more years of success in representing and protecting the interests of county government.

PROTECTING CHILDREN FROM HOSTAGE TAKING

HON. SUE W. KELLY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 11, 1998

Mrs. KELLY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to introduce legislation to address a problem that is plaguing our Nation—children being taken hostages. Far too many scenarios have been documented in which children are exposed to violence, emotional trauma or physical harm at the hands of adults.

For example, in New York, a woman's estranged husband took her and their three children hostage at the point of a loaded shotgun. He held them for nearly four hours, and at one point, he even allegedly traded his seven-year-old son for a pack of cigarettes.

In Texas, a man took 80 children hostage at an area day care facility, including two of his children. They were held at gunpoint and released over a 30-hour period before the standoff was brought to a non-violent conclusion.

In Florida, a suspected drug addict and murderer held two children, ages two and four, hostage for two-and-a-half days. An entire Orlando neighborhood was evacuated during the standoff. Only when he threatened to use the children as human shields did a SWAT team rescue the children in a raid that resulted in the death of the suspect.

In Baltimore, a man broke into a second-floor apartment, stabbing a young mother and holding her nine-month-old child hostage for two hours before a Quick Response Team could rescue the baby and apprehend the suspect.

Situations like these are "unacceptable", and should not be tolerated by anyone. All over the country, children are being used as pawns in actions played by violent adults. We in Congress must do our part to help prevent these scenarios from developing in the first place.

My legislation will give new protections to children—our Nation's most precious resource. I have joined forces with Senators OLYMPIA SNOWE to establish the strictest punishments for those who would evade arrest or obstruct justice by using children as hostages. This bill will toughen penalties against any person who takes a child, 18 years or age or younger, hostage in order to resist any officer or court of the United States, or to compel the Federal Government to do or to abstain from any act. Such a person would serve a minimum of ten years to a maximum of death, depending on the extent of injury to the child.

Please join me in this important effort to protect the lives and well-being of our Nation's young. I hope that together we can make our Nation a safer place for everyone, especially those in our society least able to protect themselves.

MR. ADD PENFIELD'S EULOGY TO LEE JAY STONE

HON. HOWARD COBLE

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 11, 1998

Mr. COBLE. Mr. Speaker, a legendary broadcaster from the Sixth District of North Carolina, recently eulogized another legend from our district. His words were so moving, I wanted to share them with my colleagues.

The broadcaster, Mr. Add Penfield, spoke so eloquently about Lee Jay Stone, a man who was more than just a football coach. Stone, the longtime head coach at Asheboro High School, was a football institution. Lee died on January 27, 1998, at the age of 91. Add Penfield spoke so movingly at Stone's funeral on January 29.

His eulogy appeared in the February 4 edition of the Asheboro Courier-Tribune. I commend to my colleagues the words of one legend who spoke so glowingly about another legend.

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LEE JAY STONE, NOT ONLY A MAN OF
FOOTBALL

(By Add Penfield)

Lee Jay Stone.

How to eulogize him . . . how best to celebrate the life of a man whose stature among his fellow human beings literally defies eulogy.

I have been asked to try. I respond in all humility.

I think maybe one of the Good Ole Boys with whom he often met in downtown Asheboro had it about right not long ago.

"Lee Stone," this Good Ole Boy said, "was something else, he was one of a kind."

Tired, well-worn, hackneyed language, this. Some might say so.

But those of us here . . . those of us whose lives Lee touched and made better—I think would agree that these everyday words hardly tarnish the image of Lee Jay Stone. You bet Lee was something else. Indeed, he was one of a kind.

Lee Stone was something else as a football coach . . . nary a losing season in a career that became legend. It may have taken one of a kind to persuade Charlie Justice to go out for the team at Lee Edwards High School in Asheville those many years ago and to inspire Choo Choo to become arguably the best and most famous of all North Carolina-bred football players.

He . . . Lee Stone . . . was something else, one of a kind, when he coached players like Strawberry Wheless, bless his soul, and Mark Leggett, and Dave Dalton, Bobby Burrows, Neal Hughes, Carrell Moody, Sparky Johnson and Jimmy Dollyhigh.

Because of Lee Stone, these men came to know what it meant to win a football championship at Asheboro High.

If you will, just ask the fine men who coached with and for him . . . people like Max Morgan and Russ Murphy and Tony Simeon . . . if Lee Stone was something else. They'll tell you to the man . . . he was one of a kind.

Lee Stone was a Hall of Famer as a football coach. And, I submit, if there were Halls of Fame for classroom teachers and school administrators, as there really ought to be, Lee Stone would have been a shoo-in for induction. As he did on the sidelines with his football teams, somehow he always got the best from those students who encountered his considerable skills in math and economics classes.

For Lee Stone, you see, was first, last and always an educator . . . in all departments. He was one who could share, with great good humor and accompanying discipline the infinite wisdom with which he was blessed. He shared with the entire community; witness, his long and distinguished service as a member of the Asheboro City Board of Education.

Oh, my yes! Lee Stone was something else in his chosen profession . . . educator and coach, coach and educator. He was one of a kind as a mold of men and women.

Just as an aside . . . Lee Stone was something else the night he was inducted into the N.C. Sports Hall of Fame. The induction took place fittingly . . . and at the instigation of David Stedman . . . in the Asheboro High School gymnasium.

It fell my lot to serve as Lee's presenter at the big banquet which taxed the capacity of the old gym. Hall of Fame officials organizing the event were quite specific and most emphatic in telling the Coach and me just how much time we were to have at the podium. . . . after all, others besides Lee were being inducted.

I think I was allotted four or five minutes for the presentations. As I remember it, Lee was allotted something like seven or eight minutes for his response.

Some of you were there. You know what happened. My broadcast training enabled me to meet the time requirement, right on the money. Then, Lee . . . one of a kind, God bless him . . . got up without a note and spoke for the better part of half an hour.

You be the judges. Only a man who was something else could have gotten away with it. For the record, I know of no complaint that was registered that memorable night.

Lee Stone was something else when it came of family friends . . . devoted husband to the good wife who went on ahead, loving father and father-in-law, dotting grandfather. With Lee, the family came first.

Also, with Lee, friendships were treasures to be enhanced with fierce loyalty . . .

I am proud to have benefited from one of Lee's countless friendships, to have known how fierce his loyalty to a friend could be. Lee Stone and I traveled many miles together, climbed in and out of a lot of broadcast booths and press boxes in stadiums across this state and across this country. We