

good family man, but he was also a long time friend of my father.

He is perhaps best known as the former owner of The Daily Times newspaper in Maryville, Tennessee, a scenic community in my District located in the foothills of the Smoky Mountains.

The Daily Times had a circulation of only 7,500 when Tutt took it over in 1955; by the time he sold it in 1989, circulation had grown to 22,000. A close friend of Tutt, Sam Kennedy, told The Daily Times on the news of his passing that, "He had the ability to understand what his people wanted. He knew how to produce a local, small daily newspaper that contained news that people were interested in."

He transformed the paper into the pride of Blount County, and it still operates today as a model newspaper, frequently being ranked among the top three newspapers in the Nation in penetration of its circulation area. It has also been recognized as the fastest growing daily newspaper in Tennessee.

When Tutt sold The Daily Times, he devoted the rest of his life to philanthropy. His support of educational institutions, charities, and various causes is too great to list in this space, but Blount County and this Nation are better places because of his life and work.

When trying to decide whether to support a cause, Tutt would simply ask one question: Will it help the community grow? He undoubtedly touched the lives of thousands of people in my District in many positive ways.

I offer my condolences to his two daughters, Nancy and Debbie; step daughter, Frances; five grandchildren; 13 great grandchildren; sister, Dot; and brother, Randolph.

Mr. Speaker, in closing, I urge my colleagues and other readers of the RECORD to join me in celebrating the remarkable life of Tutt S. Bradford.

I can think of no more fitting tribute to Tutt than to request The Daily Times article highlighting his life and accomplishments be reprinted into the RECORD below.

TUTT BRADFORD, NEWSPAPER OWNER,  
COMMUNITY LEADER, DIES AT 94  
(From staff reports)

Tutt S. Bradford, publisher/owner of The Daily Times for 34 years and a tireless community leader and philanthropist, died at Shannondale of Maryville Friday afternoon. He was 94.

Bradford became the fifth owner of The Daily Times in November 1955, and served as publisher until 1984. He continued as chairman of the board until the paper was sold in 1989.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete and will be announced later by McCammon-Ammons-Click Funeral Home.

Gregg Jones, president and CEO of Jones Media, parent company of The Daily Times, said, "Blount County has lost a wonderful citizen, and my family and the staff of The Daily Times have lost a dear friend. Few have worked harder for the progress of this community than Tutt Bradford. He was never bashful about volunteering his time, leadership and personal financial resources to help Blount County address its challenges and fight for its opportunities. We all are better off because of Tutt's passionate love for his home. To his family we offer our deepest condolences for his loss as well as our heartfelt gratitude for having been blessed to have crossed his path."

#### SUCCESSFUL CAREER

Bradford was born in Columbia, S.C., the second of five children. His first venture into

print media began when he had a paper route as a child in the 1920s.

After his military service during World War II, Bradford moved into newspaper advertising. His successes led to his promotion to publisher of a newspaper in Cleveland, Tenn., then later as publisher of a Bristol newspaper.

In a 2008 interview with Daily Times reporter Linda Braden Albert, Bradford said, "When (the Southern Newspapers Group) bought the paper in Bristol, it was just barely breaking even. In five years, I made \$5 million. So the president of the company called me and said, 'Tutt, what would you like to do next?' I said, 'What do you mean?' He said, 'Well, wouldn't you like to own a paper?'"

Bradford replied that he would if he had the money, and he was offered the opportunity to purchase The Daily Times with financing from the Southern Newspapers Group.

When Bradford—who served as owner, publisher and occasionally, editor—bought The Times in 1955, circulation was 7,500.

He involved his daughters Nancy Cain and Debbie Bradford Moon in the publication. Jerome F. Moon, a native Blount countian and husband of Debbie Bradford, became president and publisher in 1984.

When Bradford sold the newspaper to the Persis Group of Honolulu, Hawaii, in 1989, circulation had increased to 22,000.

In the 2008 interview, Bradford said one of the highlights of his career at The Daily Times was bringing a new press to the company. A repairman working on the old press told him about a three-color unit that would do all the colors in one unit.

"Every time we did a color we had to clean off everything, rollers and everything, and put the right ink on them," Bradford said. "This way, they were put all in one unit like we have there now. It was really great." Bradford put in his order for one of the units and he said The Daily Times was one of the first newspapers in the country to get a press where the colors were "left in there."

"I knew him quite well," said Sam Kennedy, former owner of the Kennedy Newspapers and Columbia Dispatch. "He took the Maryville paper and literally outdid the Knoxville papers."

"He had the ability to understand what his people wanted," Kennedy added. "He knew how to produce a local, small daily newspaper that contained news that people were interested in."

#### COMMUNITY ICON

During his newspaper career and long after he retired, Bradford remained very active as a community leader and benefactor.

"Will it help the community grow?" Bradford asked himself when he needed to decide what causes he would support.

One such project dear to his heart is the Hearing and Speech Foundation, cofounded by Bradford and John Berry, owner of Blount Hearing and Speech Services, to provide such services for people who could not otherwise afford them.

"The reason I started the foundation was that my ears were blasted out during World War II," Bradford said in the 2008 interview. He sought treatment at many places for his hearing loss but none helped him until he met Berry. In 2003, Bradford was honored for his continuing support of the foundation.

According to long-time Daily Times Editor Dean Stone, Bradford also worked for funding for the still-uncompleted Foothills Parkway in Great Smoky Mountains National Park. First it was to get the state to purchase the right-of-way for federal construction. Later it was for federal construction money.

Bradford also worked successfully to get Cades Cove placed into a historical district in the Smokies' master plan in order to preserve some of the structures and its open nature, protecting the Cove as we know it for the enjoyment of millions annually.

#### BECAUSE OF RELIGION

Bradford also served on the boards of many organizations. A few of the beneficiaries were Maryville College, Blount County Chamber of Commerce, Blount County Industrial Development Board, United Way of Blount County, Pellissippi State Community College and the Blount County Public Library.

In 1991, he was named Outstanding Philanthropist of the Year by the National Society of Fundraising Executives.

"It's because of my religion," he said. "The Lord said to love other people, and I have. I've really tried to help other people, particularly when they were down."

#### HONORING ARTHUR EDWARDS

##### HON. JOHN P. SARBANES

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 9, 2012

Mr. SARBANES. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Arthur Edwards who has been an outstanding citizen and a major figure in promoting the arts in Annapolis. His unceasing devotion to Maryland Hall, the Annapolis Symphony Orchestra, ASO, and other art activities has raised the visibility and quality of those organizations.

When working with the ASO, Mr. Edwards embodied its core values. His commitment to the highest quality of music, outreach and engagement with the community, the cultivation of its legacy, and his creativity all helped to mold the ASO into the premier orchestra it is today. Through the Patricia and Arthur Edwards Family Foundation charitable trust, Mr. Edwards was able to fund the Orfeo Alliance, a partnership between The Key School and the Annapolis Symphony Orchestra that produces an annual artist-in-residence program that benefits music education programs at Key School as well as artistic programs for the Orchestra. By supporting this program, Mr. Edwards ensured that the ASO would have a long term, tight knit relationship with its surrounding community as well as the opportunity to influence young minds through the arts.

Arthur has been a driving force for the betterment of the City of Annapolis and its citizens. He is the kind of person every community cherishes. Arthur's generosity with his time is well known and is only matched by his good humor. From the first day I met him, I have been amazed at the quiet humility of this man who has done so much for so many. The Annapolis area will forever be indebted for his outstanding work in bringing music and the arts to the community as a whole.

#### DITZA PEREZ

##### HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 9, 2012

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Ditz Perez

for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. Ditza Perez is a 12th grader at Arvada Senior High and received this award because her determination and hard work have allowed her to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Ditza Perez is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Ditza Perez for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all her future accomplishments.

#### HONORING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE EAST SIDE CLUB

#### HON. TAMMY BALDWIN

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, May 9, 2012*

Ms. BALDWIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the 100th anniversary of the East Side Club and to recognize its outstanding commitment and contribution to our community.

In 1912, a group of businessmen from Madison's East side formed the East Side Advancement Association, which would eventually become the East Side Businessmen's Association (ESBMA) in 1922. Originally, the clubhouse was located in the old Hudson Hotel on Atwood Avenue and served as a place where members could gather for both business and recreational purposes. In 1947, as membership grew, the members purchased a prime piece of land located on the banks of Lake Monona and opened their new clubhouse on the site in 1955. This scenic location is where the East Side Club stands to this very day.

The East Side Club, as it has been known since 2006, is a hub for activity. The location along Lake Monona makes the club ideal for celebrations and has hosted countless weddings, birthdays, anniversaries, class reunions, and much more. In addition to private events, the East Side Club's Tiki Bar and Grill, bocce ball courts, Friday fish fry, and Sunday brunches offer families and friends a great setting to not only unwind and catch up with old friends, but also meet new ones.

Over the past century, the East Side Club has also proven to be much more than a social gathering place. The members' long-standing commitment to the surrounding community is an invaluable asset. For 72 years, the club held an annual Fall Festival establishing itself as an organization that cares deeply about the community. From hosting fundraisers for local charities to providing scholarships for local students, the East Side Club is always searching for new ways to give back to the community.

The East Side Club has provided entertainment and support to our community for 100 years and I offer hearty congratulations to the past and present staff and members on the celebration of this tremendous milestone. It is because of organizations like the East Side Club that I am so proud to represent the Sec-

ond Congressional District of Wisconsin. I wish the club and its members nothing but the best and many more years of continued success.

#### IN HONOR OF MR. LARRY BALDWIN

#### HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, May 9, 2012*

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Mr. Larry Baldwin as he is celebrated for his dedicated work on behalf of the environment.

In 2001, Larry graduated from Shippensburg University with a degree in GeoEnvironmental Studies. While earning his degree, Larry worked as an intern with the Chesapeake Bay Foundation where he was also an active volunteer for more than a decade. He began working for the Neuse River Foundation (NRF) in North Carolina in October, 2002 as the Lower Neuse RIVERKEEPER®.

During his nine years with NRF, Larry worked to engage countless volunteers and raise educational awareness on the importance of a healthy Neuse River. He was instrumental in establishing the Neuse RIVERKEEPER® RiverKids program and mobilizing RiverWatch and Muddy Water Watch volunteers to help monitor the Neuse River and its tributaries.

Today, Larry serves as the North Carolina Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations (CAFO) Coordinator for Waterkeeper Alliance. He is focused on training and educating Riverkeepers worldwide on CAFO pollution. Additionally, his expertise has given Larry the opportunity to educate not only the public, but the government on environmental issues. Just last month, Larry was in Washington, D.C. educating Congress on the public health and environmental hazards created by factory farm facilities.

He is also active with numerous environmental groups including the Waterkeeper Alliance, America Rivers, River Network, North Carolina Conservation Network and the Eastern Carolina Coastal Caucus. He is a member of the Craven County Water Use Reduction Committee, Emergency Planning Committee and the Crystal Coast Disaster Coalition.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in honoring Mr. Larry Baldwin, an outspoken advocate for environmental protection.

#### A TRIBUTE TO ALFRED L. DESERIO

#### HON. ROBERT A. BRADY

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, May 9, 2012*

Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Alfred L. DeSerio. A 42-year veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps and respected member of the community, Alfred died Saturday at the age of 105.

DeSerio was born and raised in Philadelphia where his family operated a bakery. He would help deliver Italian bread on a horse-drawn carriage. Before his 18th birthday, he lied

about his age to enlist in the Marines where he attained the rank of master sergeant.

Mr. DeSerio was a perfect example of the "Greatest Generation." He served our nation with distinction in the Pacific Theater of World War II and in the Korean War. During World War II, one of DeSerio's duties was to escort the honored remains of fellow Marines home to their families. It was a job he took very seriously.

Mr. DeSerio served his country twice during the Vietnam War.

After retiring from the service in 1970, DeSerio moved to Collingdale. He was a maintenance worker at Mercy Fitzgerald Hospital in Darby until his retirement in 1988. Unfortunately, he lost his wife Mary in 1985.

A resident at St. Francis Country House since 2002, he was often recognized for his years of service while receiving proclamations from state government and a challenge coin from the commandant of the Marine Corps. His military decorations include the World War II Victory Medal, the Vietnam Service Medal with one star, the Vietnam Gallantry Cross with palms and frame, the National Defense Service Medal and the United Nations Service Medal.

DeSerio was a longtime member of the Upper Darby Marine Corps League Detachment No. 884, which named him Citizen of the Year in January.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you, and my other distinguished colleagues join me in recognizing the life of Alfred L. DeSerio and his service to our nation.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

#### HON. BOB FILNER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, May 9, 2012*

Mr. FILNER. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall 223, I was away from the Capitol due to prior commitments to my constituents. Had I been present, I would have voted "no."

#### ONE LAPTOP PER CHILD

#### HON. MICHAEL F. DOYLE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, May 9, 2012*

Mr. DOYLE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Ketaki Desai, Elizabeth Cullinan, Tim Kelly, and Reginald Cox, four graduate students from Carnegie Mellon's Heinz School of Public Policy and Management, for their first place finish at the Hult Global Case Challenge.

Their innovative program, One Laptop Per Child, seeks to provide durable, low energy laptops for children in 3rd world countries with limited educational resources. This idea garnered the top prize at the Hult Challenge, where these CMU grad students were awarded \$333,000 to encourage and further their initiative.

The Hult Global Case Challenge, now in its third year, is focused on bringing some of the brightest minds in the world together to find ways to solve key social challenges. This year, the three categories—education, energy,