

he ran meetings and dealt with newspaper comments.

"I've tried to improve professionalism in Vermont and move it to the rest of New England," Donoghue said.

On a national level, Donoghue is state chairman of Project Sunshine, a society for professional journalists. As chairman, he has testified for the release of public records and has tried to improve various laws.

His job as journalism educator at St. Michael's College has allowed him to become a member of the Journalism Education Committee.

A member of NEPA since 1996, Donoghue has served as chairman of the Publications Committee, and has chaired the legislative and membership services committees.

"NEPA is a vital organization," he said. "Approximately 1,500 people come to Boston each winter to hear topnotch speakers and to see the best work in six neighboring states being honored. The convention is a tribute to the organization and a highlight of New England journalism each year."

Donoghue said he is strongly motivated by his wife, Ann Marie. "If it wasn't for her, I wouldn't be doing this," he said.

Donoghue shared some memories about the contributions of his father, John D. Donoghue. A former NEPA board member, John Donoghue was an arts and entertainment critic for the Burlington Free Press for 35 years. He also worked as an editor for the Vermont Catholic Tribune for four years, before retiring.

Involved in journalism education like his son, John Donoghue served as the first chairman of journalism at St. Michael's College.

Both father and son have shown a strong dedication to the field of journalism and their contributions have been recognized by NEPA's Hall of Fame.●

ANNIVERSARY OF JONESBORO TRAGEDY

● Mr. HUTCHINSON. Mr. President, tomorrow, March 24, is the 2-year anniversary of the day on which Natalie Brooks, Paige Ann Herring, Stephanie Johnson, Brittheny Varner, and Shannon Wright were the victims of senseless violence at the Westside Middle School in Jonesboro, AR. Today, I rise simply to offer my condolences to their families and friends and to the other victims of that tragedy. They are, and will continue to be, in my thoughts and prayers.●

COMMEMORATION OF GREEK INDEPENDENCE

● Mr. REED. Mr. President, I am honored to rise today to acknowledge and celebrate the 179th anniversary of Greek Independence. On March 25, 1821, courageous Greeks, poorly armed but imbued with an ancient calling for democracy, initiated a revolution that would successfully end 400 years of oppression by the Ottoman Empire. I am proud to join my distinguished colleagues as a cosponsor of Senator SPECTER's Senate Resolution 251 which designates Saturday "Greek Independence Day: A National Day of Celebration of Greek and American Democracy."

The achievements of Greek civilization in art, architecture, science, phi-

losophy, mathematics, and literature became legacies for succeeding generations living around the world. But it was the idea of democracy, born in Athens over two thousand five hundred years ago, that signaled the beginning of a lasting revolution to which we as Americans are eternally grateful.

As citizens of the United States, we are proud to recognize the contributions of Greek culture in the creation of our great Nation. The Founding Fathers, deeply inspired and influenced by Hellenic ideals, developed our representative democracy from the example of the ancient Greeks. As U.S. democracy flourished, its principles inspired citizens in other nations, sparking revolutions across time and space, from France in 1789 to Portugal in 1974.

As vital as the culture of ancient Greece was to the formation of our Nation, modern Greek culture continues to enrich our society today. I can speak firsthand of the significant contributions that Greek-Americans make in my home state of Rhode Island. They serve our communities in many professions and continue to contribute to the state through their hard work and active citizenship.

Greece's commitment to democracy has been essential in fostering stability and supporting the ideals of freedom and equality among its neighbors in the Balkans and in the Mediterranean region. Today, the United States supports Greece in its call for fellowship and peace in the Balkan peninsula and on the divided island of Cyprus. I applaud the Greek people for their commitment to the protection of democratic principles in these regions.

Therefore, on the day marking the 179th anniversary of the revolution for independence, I congratulate all Greeks and Greek-Americans and express my appreciation for their contributions and those of their ancestors.●

IN RECOGNITION OF TC DRAYTON

● Mr. HOLLINGS. Mr. President, I take this opportunity to recognize one of Charleston, South Carolina's finest and feistiest community activists, Thelma "TC" Drayton. People who have known my friend TC over the years will tell you that nothing, and I mean nothing, stands in her way in spurring the East Side community to action. Thanks in large part to TC's hurricane-force commitment, the at-risk neighborhood where she has lived for 53 years is cleaner, safer and more in control of its destiny. Last week, the community acknowledged her many contributions when Agape Ministries established the TC Drayton Award for volunteerism to be presented each year.

Volunteers in search of encouragement during tough times need look no further than TC's example. Like

Charleston's East Side, which developers have begun to acquire an appetite for, TC Drayton is up against a formidable foe these days. She is fighting her battle against lung cancer with characteristic force and optimism. She hopes to retire from her job as community liaison with the city of Charleston and devote more time to volunteer projects. One that is closest to her heart is a new Agape project known as COAT—Coalition of Older Americans Task Force. TC has always been quick to lend a hand to older members of her church family at Friendship Baptist and would like to extend her reach to other seniors in need.

We all wish TC a speedy recovery and a chance to touch even more lives in Charleston. She is a credit to South Carolina, deserving of all the accolades that she receives.●

CALVIN COLLEGE KNIGHTS

● Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I rise today to congratulate the Calvin College Knights on their recent athletic success. On Saturday, March 18, 2000, Calvin College's Men Basketball team completed their "storybook" season by winning the Division III Men's National Championship. The National Championship is the Men's second since 1992 and the third for Calvin College in the last two years. The Calvin Women's Cross Country team captured the National Title in 1998 and 1999.

With only two seniors on their roster, the young Knights opened the season by winning the Lee Pfund Classic in Wheaton, Illinois. After the tournament, Calvin began play in the competitive Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association, the nation's oldest athletic conference, where they compiled a perfect 17-0 record. Included in this total were two thrilling victories over arch-rival Hope College. For the uninitiated, this intrastate rivalry has the ability to make or break either school's season. Sports Illustrated has noted that the rivalry between these "two Division III schools in Western Michigan, is the equal of Duke-North Carolina, Georgetown-Syracuse or any of the big Division I rivalries," and Tim Russert announced the outcome on "Meet the Press" this year.

The drama and success of the regular season served as a prelude to the NCAA Tournament. Calvin's first tournament game was an overtime cliff-hanger against Franklin in which Nate Burgess, of Grand Rapids, MI, tipped in the winning basket with 3.6 seconds left. This basket allowed Calvin to advance to the "Sweet 16" for the first time since 1993. After two lopsided victories, Calvin relied on the last minute of heroics of Bryan Foltice, of Grandville, MI, who hit a running jumper as time expired to propel Calvin into the National Championship game.