



Stockton's William J. Hughes Center Presents Inaugural Civility in Government and Politics Award to the Honorable W. Cary Edwards

Over 150 on Hand for Event at Stockton College

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Galloway Township, NJ- The late W. Cary Edwards was honored last night as the first recipient of the William J. Hughes Center for Public Policy's first Civility in Government and Politics Award. The event, held in the new Campus Center at Stockton, drew over 150 people.

Mr. Edwards, former member of the New Jersey General Assembly, Chief Counsel to Governor Thomas H. Kean, Attorney General for New Jersey and chairman of the State Commission of Investigation, was honored for three decades of service to New Jersey while fostering a reputation for dialog, engagement and mutual respect.

"Cary would have been thrilled and delighted to have been chosen for this honor," his wife, Lynn said, in accepting the award on her husband's behalf. "While he was a very strong advocate for his and his party's points of view, he did so with respect for the other side of the issues and he always listened to all viewpoints."

Former Congressman Jim Saxton, keynote speaker for the event, spoke fondly of his working relationship with Mr. Edwards. "Government needs more people like Cary Edwards," Saxton said. "He was not afraid to reach across the aisle and build a consensus. He was not afraid of compromise."

The event included remarks from Stockton President Herman J. Saatkamp, Jr., Dr. Edward H. Salmon, Chair of the Hughes Center Steering Committee, Saxton, and Mrs. Edwards.

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