

the facility clean, and provide parking and security services. Their work does a great deal to make a visit to PNC Park such a rewarding experience.

As a way of rewarding and encouraging exemplary service, the Pittsburgh Pirates Baseball Club recognizes a number of "All-Star" employees each month. The All-Star employees for the month of August, 2002, were Bill Gray, DeMilles Jones, Keith Hall, Anna Eberhart, Chad Jordan, Tom Prendergast, Michelle Kimble, Phil Coyne, and Dan Felter. I would like to congratulate these individuals on their selection for recognition as exemplars of excellence on the job.

TRIBUTE TO RUDD MAGERS MAYER

HON. MARK UDALL

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 12, 2002

Mr. UDALL of Colorado. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Rudd Mayer, a loving mother, tireless worker for the environment and passionate citizen of Boulder, Colorado, who tragically passed away on August 13, 2002.

Rudd spent most of her life raising a family, but in her late forties she became a member of the Boulder-based Land and Water Fund of the Rockies working primarily on energy efficiency and renewable energy issues. Her work was essential in getting Colorado's publicly owned energy utility to include wind power as part of its energy supply portfolio. The success of that program is direct proof that Rudd was on to something. She was instrumental in encouraging consumers to pay a little extra for "green energy" such as wind power. She was the main force behind the program to allow consumers the choice of acting on their beliefs of a cleaner environment by helping to implement and promote renewable energy options.

In addition to her important work, Rudd was someone who held friends and family close and instantly drew people in, constantly forming new friendships and acquaintances. Rudd's presence would light up any room and her enthusiastic personality contributed greatly to gatherings of groups and individuals.

Rudd was first, and foremost, a mother. When her kids were growing up, she was always there after school, and set a table for six without fail. Rudd was incredibly active, and exercising was a huge part of her life in Winnetka, Illinois. She was an accomplished tennis player, platform tennis player, rollerblader, hiker and skier. She also enjoyed golf, mountain biking, and swimming breaststroke with her head out of the water wearing Ray Ban sunglasses and a floppy white hat.

Rudd knew she belonged in the west ever since her father took her on a train to Yellowstone when she was about ten years old. When she arrived in Boulder in the 90's it was like coming home. Once in Boulder she lived in a solar heated house in Sunshine canyon. Refusing to use electricity, she would wake up every morning and light a fire to heat the house. During the winter she would sleep in full ski wear.

Her first job in Boulder was at the Boulder Book Store. She grew to be a nationally recognized "green power" marketing expert at the Land and Water Fund of the Rockies.

Shortly after her retirement, Rudd's energy program received a rare unsolicited grant from the Rockefeller Foundation.

What we will remember in the end is more than her big smile, huge heart and sparkling eyes. She was truly an inspiration without bounds to our family and everyone who knew her.

Rudd had always believed in the river of life; she believed that all things had a purpose, and she would have said there was a reason this time for her to go.

Attached is a news story marking her passing. Those that had the pleasure of knowing and working with Rudd will miss her bright smile, her love of life and her passion for enhancing our quality of life.

BOULDER ACTIVIST RUDD MAYER DIES; ENVIRONMENTALISTS SAY WIND-POWER PROponent WILL BE MISSED

(By Katy Human)

Rudd Mayer, an energetic environmental advocate and the driving force behind Xcel Energy's successful wind-power program, died unexpectedly of heart failure Tuesday. She was 58. The tiny, husky-voiced woman commanded great respect in Boulder's environmental community.

"All day long, I've been getting e-mails from Rudd's colleagues about what a pioneer she was," said Susan Innis, green-power marketing director for the Land and Water Fund of the Rockies, an organization for which Mayer consulted.

Several years ago, a merger settlement forced Xcel, then Public Service Company of Colorado, to develop a wind-power program. Innis said, but she said WindSource would have been a quiet, sidelined program without Mayer's input.

Mayer and several colleagues developed a sophisticated marketing scheme for the wind program, which lets Xcel customers buy "green" power for slightly more than traditional electricity from coal-fired power plants. More than 23,000 households and businesses in Colorado are now signed up, according to Xcel figures.

Several organizations praised Mayer's work with awards, including the President's Council on Sustainable Development, the Environmental Protection Agency and the Center for Resource Solutions.

Mayer's former colleague Kelley Green said her friend's greatest legacy is not WindSource but simply the attitude Mayer brought to her work.

"There are lots of people who do really amazing and wonderful things for the environment," Green said, "but there are few that do it with her spirit, her integrity, her commitment, her joy." Mayer was born Sept. 8, 1943, in Washington, D.C., to Dorothy and Rudyard K. Magers. She spent most of her childhood in Evanston, Ill., and graduated from Smith College with a bachelor's degree in art history.

She married Richard Mayer, her high school sweetheart, said Brooke Mayer Larson, a daughter. The two later divorced but remained friends.

Mayer lived in Boulder for about a decade, and the West suited her, Larson said. "She's such a passionate person. She loved the mountains, the land, the desert. . . ."

Mayer had some health problems as a result of childhood illness but was one of the most enthusiastic and energetic people around, said Claudia Putnam, also of the Land and Water Fund. On Tuesday morning, a friend of Mayer's drove her to Boulder Community Hospital because she was having trouble breathing, Putnam said.

Mayer is survived by four children—Larson, Alexandra Mayer Druker of Palo Alto, Calif., Taylor Mayer of Billings, Mont.,

and Campbell Mayer, who has been traveling around the world—and five grandchildren.

The Mayer family is planning a "memorial celebration" at 10:30 a.m. Monday on the lawn in front of the Chautauqua Park Dining Hall in Boulder. In lieu of flowers, the family has asked donations be sent to the Land and Water Fund to support wind power.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. FRANK MASCARA

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 12, 2002

Mr. MASCARA. Mr. Speaker, on September 10, 2002, I was absent for personal reasons and missed rollcall votes numbered 378 through 383. For the record, had I been present I would have voted yea on all of these votes.

IN RECOGNITION OF STATE SENATOR DEBBY SANDERSON

HON. E. CLAY SHAW, JR.

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 12, 2002

Mr. SHAW. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize my good friend, Florida Senator Debby Sanderson who has announced her retirement after 20 years of distinguished public service to the residents of Broward and Palm Beach counties.

In 1982, Senator Sanderson was the first female elected from Broward County to the Florida House of Representatives and served as the Freshman Minority Leader her first term. In 1988, Debby was appointed by the Democratic Speaker of the House to the House Health and Human Services Appropriations Committee. It was this committee assignment early in her career which led to her interest in social services and shaped much of her future work in the Florida legislature. She was chairwoman of the Human Services Appropriations in the House until her election to the Senate in 2000.

During her years of service in the House and Senate, Debby brought her low-key, principle driven agenda focusing on issues such as health care, children, education and a commitment to Florida's social services. Always accessible to her constituents, Debby traveled her district listening to the needs and concerns of officials and citizens alike. Although the Florida legislature is only in session for two months out of the year, for Debby it has been a full time job.

When Senator Debby Sanderson recently announced her retirement, the room was filled with admirers from the social services community all of whom have benefitted from her hard work and dedication: PACE, a program for troubled teenage girls; Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital; Autism Society of Florida; Area Agency on Aging; Special Olympics, to name just a few. Also present were representatives of Florida Breast Cancer Research Coalition whose cause will benefit from passage of the special license plate legislation sponsored by Senator Debby Sanderson.

Mr. Speaker, Senator Debby Sanderson has decided to retire from public life; however I am

certain she will remain an active participant in her community, state, and country. During her 20 years of service, Debby and I have shared constituents and lived within each other's district. She represented me in Tallahassee with honor and dignity and I am honored to represent her here in Washington.

IN REMEMBRANCE OF JAMES L.
CHARLES

HON. ROB PORTMAN

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 12, 2002

Mr. PORTMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in remembrance of James L. Charles, a dear friend, constituent, community leader, and public servant who passed away on September 1, 2002.

Jim was born in Adams County, Ohio on August 21, 1922. He lived a full life, having proudly served his local community and nation. Early on, he served in the U.S. Marines in World War II. Most recently he was a member of the Ohio Education Association, the National Education Association, the Highland Chapter of Ohio Retired Teachers Association, the Brown County Shrine Club, Georgetown American Legion Post #180, Masonic Lodge #631 of Columbus, Scottish Rite Valley of Dayton, and the Syrian Temple of Cincinnati.

He earned a Bachelor of Education from the University of Dayton in 1953, and a Master of Education from Xavier University in 1967. For much of his life, his passion was helping others learn to read and further their education.

For a number of years, he owned and operated a restaurant in Dayton, Ohio, which established a co-op program so employees could get a college education. In addition, he served as the State Director of The National Right to Read Foundation and also as President of the Ohio Reading Reform Foundation. In the 1980's, he worked with the Ohio General Assembly on the issue of literacy, and he was the author of an Ohio State law, signed in 1989, which encourages the use of phonics to teach reading skills. Jim was a strong believer in the benefits of phonics, and through his personal efforts, he not only made a huge difference in the progress of phonics, but also in the reading skills of thousands of Ohioans.

Mr. Speaker, Jim Charles made a difference in the lives of others. His service to our country and to Southwestern Ohio are to be commended and remembered well. All of us in Southwestern Ohio offer condolences to his wife, Dr. Doris Charles, and are thankful for Jim's many contributions to our community.

IN REMEMBRANCE OF MRS.
WANDA FLOYD OF GOOSE
CREEK, SOUTH CAROLINA

HON. HENRY E. BROWN, JR.

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 12, 2002

Mr. BROWN of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of a great

American and a close friend, Mrs. Wanda Floyd, of Goose Creek, South Carolina. Wanda was born on February 1, 1926 and died on September 5, 2002. She will be sorely missed by her family and host of friends.

Many politicians, including myself, owe much to the tireless work of this "Republican Woman". Wanda served in various roles throughout the county. She was the President of the Berkeley County Republican Woman's Club for many years and was a mainstay at the polls. In fact, she and her late husband, Bud Floyd, celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary working the polls at Goose Creek High School! Today, the county she loved, is much stronger, as is the Republican Party of the Low country. We, were blessed to have known and worked along side of this truly loved South Carolinian.

RECOGNIZING THE HISTORICAL
SIGNIFICANCE AND TIMELINESS
OF UNITED STATES-IRELAND
BUSINESS SUMMIT

SPEECH OF

HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 10, 2002

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida. Mr. Speaker, today I voice my full support for H. Res. 513. This Resolution is timely and presents an historic opportunity to recognize the long-standing and enduring relationship between Ireland and the United States of America. This Resolution serves as a reminder of the very strong bond that exists between our two peoples.

Our two governments have long recognized and supported a free, fair, market economy and the principles of open markets that are such an inherent part of our free enterprise systems. These same principles served to maintain and strengthen our democratic form of governments.

Ireland's democratic government and market economy were rewarded with external investment from the United States, Europe, and Asia that flowed into her teeming high technology economy.

Since September 11, 2001, when the United States was attacked, it has been forced to assume a new role as it has engaged in a new war on terrorism. This is a war, which, as so many of us have previously stated, is dependent upon the support we receive in the international community.

This resolution also serves to recognize the importance of friends and allies such as Ireland, that share our beliefs in strong market economies and the role such economies play in our current war against terrorism.

As one of America's great presidents, John F. Kennedy, said during a speech in Dublin in 1963, "We need men who can dream of things that never were." These words serve as a call to us to face a new challenge in our time.

Mr. Speaker, in recognizing our relationship with Ireland, I believe that the economic and political success of Ireland and the Irish people combined with a longstanding relationship with the U.S. will serve as a model for peace

and increased economic growth in a peaceful Northern Ireland. Private sector innovation and leadership will help to resolve conflict and increase understanding between all parties in the region.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. MAJOR R. OWENS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 12, 2002

Mr. OWENS. Mr. Speaker, Monday, September 9th I was unavoidably absent and missed roll call votes No. 375, No. 376 and No. 377. If present I would have voted "yea."

HONORING MR. ERIC MORELAND
JONES

HON. BARBARA LEE

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 12, 2002

Ms. LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and commend bravery and dedication demonstrated by my constituent, Mr. Jones who was a first responder at the attack on the Pentagon on September 11, 2001.

The memories of the horrific terrorist attacks will remain with us forever. Yet, through the pain and adversity of these tragedies, heroes were also born.

We witnessed the horrific attacks on the World Trade Centers in New York City, we learned of the terrible airline crash in the Pennsylvania countryside, and we witnessed what was once an unfathomed attack on our Nation's center of defense, the Pentagon.

I have known Mr. Jones' family for many years. In the footsteps of his parents, he carries on a legacy of commitment to humanity through public service. On September 11th, Eric was driving by the Pentagon when it was hit by American Airline flight #77. He immediately went to the Pentagon site and quickly began to aid in evacuating injured and dying personnel from the building; he carried and helped people to safety and medical triage. Eric remained at his volunteer post for more than 72 hours.

On July 15, 2002, Mr. Jones was one of two people to receive the Office of the Secretary of Defense Medal of Valor for his actions. As we commemorate the anniversary of the 9-11 attacks, we also pay tribute to thousands of first responders and volunteers like Mr. Jones who risked their own lives to ensure that others were saved.

I am deeply moved by Eric's heroism and want to extend my sincere appreciation to him. As we take time to reflect on the events of 9-11 on this anniversary day, we must also resolve and re-commit ourselves to peace and security.