

Allison Hammer has proven herself to be an ideal volunteer. While she is only 14 years old, she has already done more volunteer work than many people will do in their whole life. After two of her friends were killed in an All-Terrain Vehicle (ATV) accident, she took it upon herself to start a 75-person ATV safety camp for the youths of Monroe County. In this excellent effort she recruited volunteers and raised the funds to make this camp a success.

The citizens of Monroe County are fortunate to have a young woman like Allison Hammer in their community. Her example of dedication, hard work and compassion should be an inspiration to all throughout the entire Commonwealth.

She has my most sincere appreciation for this work and I look forward to her continued service to Kentucky.●

RECOGNIZING KIMBERLY JOHNSON-SMITH

● Mr. ALLEN. Mr. President, I today recognize Kimberly Johnson-Smith for her community service and leadership. For over 16 years, Mrs. Johnson-Smith has selflessly lent her time and talents on behalf of various civic groups in Arlington County.

In addition to being a member of the Arlington County Civic Federation, Kimberly Johnson-Smith has held various leadership positions in the County, including: chairperson of the Executive Committee, co-chair of the Public Safety Committee, and co-chair of the 911 Scholarship Fund, which raised over \$150,000 dollars for college-bound children of Arlington County public safety personnel. Mrs. Johnson-Smith was also a member of the Arlington Citizen Corps Council where she was the Chairperson for the Public Education for Emergency Preparedness task group as well as the planner and advisor for Arlington Prepares Door-to-Door. In addition, she was a founding member, advisor and scheduler of Arlington County Community Emergency Response Team.

Mrs. Johnson-Smith also spent time at the Arlington Animal Welfare League and helped establish Puppy Parties for Arlington Dogs. She was a member and past board member of the Arlington Outdoor Education Association and also involved herself in the Sheriff's Department and Crime Prevention Council's "SOS" program for seniors.

Among her professional recognitions, Kimberly Johnson-Smith was the recipient of the Journal Cup for Civic Activity and the President's Award for Civic Acts.

Arlington County will surely miss the great leadership and talents that Kimberly Johnson-Smith displayed in all of her activities. I congratulate her on her community service and wish her and her family well in their move to Madison County.●

RECOGNIZING HARRY C. MASON, JR.

● Mr. ALLEN. Mr. President, I am pleased to recognize Mr. Harry C. Mason, Jr. for his community service and leadership. Mr. Mason recently ended his 8-year term serving the citizens of the Town of Orange on the Orange Town Council. During his time as a councilman, Orange saw significant improvement in its quality of life; the town saw the design of a Raw Water Storage Basin project, improvements to the town's infrastructure, design of the new Public Works facility, the launch of the town's first public transit system, and the development of the road to the new middle school.

Throughout his life, Harry Mason has been a community leader and volunteer. He is an esteemed business person of the town of Orange and is an active member of the Orange County Chamber of Commerce and Orange Rotary Club. Mr. Mason is also a strong supporter of the Orange Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue squad. In addition, he participates in and sponsors the Orange County Public School System breakfast buddies program.

The Town of Orange will surely miss the leadership and talents that Councilman Mason displayed on the town council and would like to recognize him for his commitment to Orange. I congratulate him on his community service and wish him well in the future.●

RECOGNIZING EKATERINA MIKHAILOVICH RADZHABOVA

● Mr. ALLEN. Mr. President, I wish to honor Miss Ekaterina Mikhailovich Radzhabova who graduated this month with a master's degree in business from Xavier University in Cincinnati, OH. Miss Radzhabova is a Russian immigrant who came to the United States 5 years ago, at the age of 19, to seek an education and a better way of life.

Since coming to America, Miss Radzhabova has completed both her undergraduate and graduate programs at Xavier with the highest possible honors. This is particularly impressive considering that she accomplished this while speaking her second language, English.

Miss Radzhabova has not only proven herself dedicated through her hard work at school, but also through the volunteer work that she has performed in her extra time to help inner city children develop better skills in reading and arithmetic. On the weekends, she drives outside the city to help an elderly family with chores that they can no longer do on their own. Indeed, through her hard work and service, she has clearly demonstrated the American ideal of helping those who are less fortunate. Miss Radzhabova is not only an inspiration to the youth of Russia but also to all of our young Americans.

During her graduation ceremony this month, Ekaterina Radzhabova was sur-

rounded by many of the friends that she made while living in the United States. Unfortunately, her family was unable to attend the ceremonies. One of those family members was her father, Mikhail Radzhabova, who passed away in October 2001. It was his dream to have his family come to the United States after the fall of the Soviet Union. Although her father was not able to attend the ceremony in person, I am sure that he was there in spirit, looking proudly upon his daughter, knowing that she had helped make his dream a reality. Unfortunately, her mother and brother were denied visas to attend her graduation. But, like her father, they are undoubtedly proud of her accomplishments.

Miss Radzhabova is a talented young woman who has overcome a great deal since she came to America to pursue her dream. She has proven to be a great success in her new country by not only accomplishing part of her father's dream, but also by inspiring countless people around her with her positive attitude and determination to succeed.●

EAST BRUNSWICK HIGH SCHOOL PLACING FIRST AT THE WE THE PEOPLE: THE CITIZEN AND THE CONSTITUTION PROGRAM

● Mr. LAUTENBERG. Mr. President, today I want to recognize students from East Brunswick High School in East Brunswick, NJ who placed first at the national finals for the We the People: The Citizen and the Constitution program. The national finals of the program simulates a congressional hearing whereby students testify as constitutional experts before a panel of judges. The students from East Brunswick defeated classes from every other State.

The program is administered by the Center for Civic Education and features an intensive curriculum which provides students with a fundamental understanding of the Constitution and the Bill of Rights and the principles and values they embody. More than 26.5 million students have participated in program during the last sixteen years.

I congratulate East Brunswick High School teacher Alan Brodman, State Coordinator Arlene Gardner, and District Coordinator Cole Kleitsch. I also congratulate the students on the East Brunswick team: Kian Barry, Patrick Bell, Kathleen Cammidge, Jessica Castles, Jennifer Chen, Ryan Citron, Jenna Elson, Daniel Gartenberg, Scott Goldschmidt, David Goldstein, Kristen Hamaoui, Marc Mondry, Jason Noah, Eric Nowicki, Nicholas Parals, Greg Parnas, Jessica Rebarber, Joa Roux, Blake Segal, Jody Shaw, Andrew Silver, Jeffrey Smith, Daniel Temkin, Abraham Tran, Arln Tuerk, and Haiwei Wang.●