



PA Heartland Chapter News

Spring 2012

March is Red Cross Month

During March, the American Red Cross is asking everyone to help people in need by supporting the lifesaving services it provides.

“Please remember those who need our help and support the Red Cross by making a donation, becoming a volunteer, taking a class, or giving blood,” said Robert Newell, Executive Director, PA Heartland Chapter, “We want to thank everyone for their generosity, which has enabled us help people here at home, across the United States, and around the world.”

March is Red Cross Month, first proclaimed in 1943 by President Franklin D. Roosevelt. Since that time, every president, including President Obama, has designated March as Red Cross Month. The American Red Cross is synonymous with helping people, and has been doing so for more than 130 years.

The Red Cross responds to nearly 70,000 disasters a year in this country, providing shelter, food, emotional support and other necessities to those affected. It provides 24-hour support to members of the military, veterans and their families – in war zones, military hospitals and on military installations around the world; collects and distributes more than 40 percent of the nation’s blood supply and trains more than 9 million people in first aid, water safety and other life-saving skills every year.

Here in the PA Heartland area, from July 1, 2011 through January 31, 2012, the Chapter responded to 28 local emergencies, assisted 36 military families and trained 1,164 people in lifesaving skills. And, people from this area donated 4,873 units of blood.

“Red Cross Month is a great time for people to support our mission,” Newell said. “Their kindness will enable us to continue our work, both here at home and across the globe.”

The Red Cross is not a government agency and relies on donations of time, money and blood to do its work. An average of 91 cents of every dollar given to the Red Cross is invested in helping the people the Red Cross services.

Annual Membership Meeting

The annual membership meeting of the American Red Cross PA Heartland Chapter will be held on Friday, May 4, at 6 pm at the Penfield United Methodist Church in Penfield.

All donors (financial and/or blood) and volunteers are invited to attend.

The annual business meeting including recognition of board members, election of new board members and annual reports will follow a meal.

Reservations for the meal are required. Please reserve your spot today by calling the office at 371-2750 x 104 or emailing us at info@arcpaheartland.org

Memorials

IN MEMORY OF:

Mrs. Maxine Gray

By Mr. James Gray

Mr. Denny Gray

By Mr. James Gray

Ms. Twila McLaughlin

By Ray & Dee Hannah

Mr. Brad Carberry

By Ms. Barbara Emmer

Ms. Nicole Duttry

By Richard & Shirley Lewis

Mr. Fritz Kroeck

By Delno & Sandy Swope

Mr. Terry Krach

By Greg & Patty Donahue

By Ms. Marcia Belin

Mr. James Flowers

By Greg & Patty Donahue

Mr. Bill Myers

By Mrs. Mary Ann Calla

Mrs. Christine Blose Hopkins

By Anthony & Mary Jo Gomes

By Michael & Cynthia Knobloch

By William & Darlene Hopkins

By Edward & Judith Hopkins

Mr. William Maxim

By GE Thermometrics Inc.

IN HONOR OF:

Mr. Carl Yanek

By John & Marlene Boboige

Dr. Marianne Konior

By Ms. Jean Bojalad

Ms. Donna Paolinellie

By Tom & Andrea Depue

Ms. Karen Grotzinger

By Ms. Mary Gabb & Family

Mr. Jose Brown

By Ms. Mary Gabb & Family

**Mr. & Mrs. Robert Konior's 50th
Anniversary**

By DuBois Area Middle School
Family

Donations may be made by sending a person's name, a contact for sending a card and your name and address to American Red Cross, PA Heartland Chapter, 109 N Brady St., Suite 2, DuBois, PA 15801.

Spring Gala!

By Marianne H. Konior, D.Ed.

“Hurrah, a Spring Gala sponsored by the PA Heartland Chapter of the American Red Cross, and only \$10 a ticket. I think I’ll get a table for eight, and invite some friends. Doc Konior is chairing this, so I can talk to her about the detention **she gave me** in high school.

“Oh, I won’t need a new dress, and I don’t need to get a sitter? It’s at no place, at no time on April 1st? What’s going on?”

“Oh my...tricked again! It’s an April Fool’s Gala! I should have known better when Doc Konior is involved.

“But this is a good cause. The Red Cross is there at fires and other emergencies. Doc was even there at night in her Red Cross vest helping when the neighbor had a fire. The Chapter participates in blood drives, provides services to military and their families, and supports health and safety classes among other community activities. I’m going to send in a donation.”

Even if you didn’t get one of the 500 invitations mailed in March, please don’t feel slighted. We will appreciate your donation to the Chapter to continue your support of our activities in the four-county area. Thank you in advance.

20 Gallon Plus Donors

Donor recognition lists provided by the NY-Penn and Greater Alleghenies Blood Regions.

William Kinkead	Ridgway	32 Gal
John Sullivan	DuBois	29 Gal
Gerald Kinkead	Ridgway	28 Gal
Albert Blose	DuBois	28 Gal
Rhue Cole	Clearfield	27 Gal
Mike Piccirillo	DuBois	26 Gal
Gary Harrier	Woodland	25 Gal
Richard Guaglianone	Johnsonburg	25 Gal
Michael Zerbe	Emporium	25 Gal
Robert Billick	Ridgway	25 Gal
Donna Wehler	St Marys	24 Gal
Edward Samick	St Marys	24 Gal
Ann Polaski	St Marys	24 Gal
Robert Barr	Clearfield	23 Gal
Donald Myers	St Marys	23 Gal
Robert McCamey	St Marys	23 Gal
Francis Foradori	Brockway	22 Gal
James Anderson	Clearfield	22 Gal
Ronald Krise	Woodland	22 Gal
Ronald Kennedy	Clearfield	21 Gal
William Smith	Punxsutawney	21 Gal
Ralph Haines	Houtzdale	21 Gal
Raymond Dematz	Emporium	21 Gal
Fredrick Dubler	Johnsonburg	21 Gal
Douglas Mc Millen	DuBois	20 Gal
Patrick Wolfe	Knox Dale	20 Gal
Donald Musgrave	Brookville	20 Gal
Regina Caton	Emporium	20 Gal
Patrick Fleming	Ridgway	20 Gal
John Calla	Johnsonburg	20 Gal

Blood Drive Schedule

Blood drives in Clearfield County are as follows:

3/8	Clearfield St. Francis School	1 pm – 7 pm
3/14	Clearfield West Side UMC	Noon – 6 pm
3/15	Treasure Lake Church	1 pm – 7 pm
3/16	440 Front St. Clearfield Fixed Site	Noon – 6 pm
3/16	DuBois Christ Lutheran Church	1 pm – 7 pm
3/17	DuBois Area Middle School- Girl Scouts	9 am – 2 pm
3/28	Penn State DuBois	10 am – 4 pm
3/30	440 Front St. Clearfield Fixed Site	Noon – 6 pm
3/30	DRMC-West CRC Building	10 am – 3 pm
4/6	440 Front St. Clearfield Fixed Site	Noon – 6 pm
4/9	Curwensville United Methodist Ch	Noon – 6 pm
4/20	440 Front St. Clearfield Fixed Site	Noon – 6 pm
4/23	DuBois Lakeside United Methodist	1 pm – 7 pm
4/25	Karthaus Community Alliance Ch	1 pm – 7 pm
4/26	Grampian Church of God	12:30 pm – 6 pm
5/2	Bigler YMCA	Noon – 6 pm
5/4	440 Front St. Clearfield Fixed Site	Noon – 6 pm
5/16	DuBois First United Presbyterian	1 pm – 7 pm
5/17	Treasure Lake Church	1 pm – 7 pm
5/18	440 Front St. Clearfield Fixed Site	Noon – 6 pm

Blood drives in Jefferson County are as follows:

3/22	Brockway St. Tobias Church	Noon – 6 pm
3/23	Sykesville Bethel Baptist Church	Noon – 6 pm
3/23	Brookville Calvary Ch of Nazarene	Noon – 6 pm
3/23	Punxsutawney Christian School	Noon – 6 pm
3/27	Reynoldsville American Legion	1 pm – 7 pm
4/17	Punxsutawney SSCD	Noon – 6 pm
4/18	Brockway Volunteer Hose Co	Noon – 6 pm
4/19	Brookville EUM Church	Noon – 6 pm
5/11	Big Run Volunteer Fire Co	12:30 pm – 6 pm
5/22	Brockway Presbyterian Church	Noon – 6 pm
5/25	Sykesville ABVM Catholic Church	Noon – 6 pm
5/29	Reynoldsville St. Mary’s Church	1 pm – 7 pm

Blood drives in Elk and Cameron Counties are as follows:

3/13	Kersey Senior Center	2 pm – 6:30 pm
3/14	St. Marys Moose Club	10 am – 4 pm
3/15	Weedville American Legion	1 pm – 6 pm
3/16	Ridgway Central Hose Co	11:30 am – 4:30 pm
4/11	St. Marys Moose Club	10 am – 4 pm
4/12	Emporium VFW	11:30 am – 5:30 pm
4/13	Johnsonburg Senior Center	10 am – 3 pm
5/8	Ridgway Central Hose Co	11:30 am – 4:30 pm
5/9	Kersey Senior Center	2 pm – 6:30 pm
5/10	St. Marys Moose Club	10 am – 4 pm
5/11	Weedville American Legion	1 pm – 6 pm

Schedule is subject to change.

Call 1-800-RED-CROSS for an appointment, or schedule on line at redcrossblood.org.

Call **1-866-236-3276** if you have questions about donating blood.

Going Once, Going Twice....

We are excited to announce the upcoming Annual Red Cross Auction on Saturday, April 21, 2012, at the St. Charles Café. The auction benefits the PA Heartland Chapter of the American Red Cross. Col. Bob Britton will be presenting the live auction. Highlights will include a Silent and a chance auction along with the popular Balloon Pop. The preview of items will be from 5:00-7:00 PM, and light hors d'oeuvres will be served. The live auction will begin at 7:00.



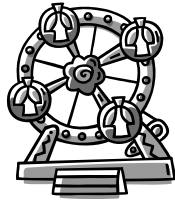
We will need a wide variety of items to auction. Smaller items will go into our Silent auction and the Live auction will contain the larger items for bid. As a sponsor, your name will be included in our program and on our web site. You will receive complimentary tickets to the auction based on the value of your donation. Gold sponsorship, \$250 and above will receive 4 tickets. Silver sponsorship of \$100.00-\$249.00 will receive 2 tickets and Bronze sponsorship of \$50.00-\$99.00 will receive one ticket. Whether your donation is a monetary donation or an item donation, your willingness to give is greatly appreciated.

We are very grateful to the guests who attended in the past, and extend an invitation to all. This auction is one of four major fundraisers for your local Red Cross. Last year the auction raised over \$6,700. Funds raised from this event help the Red Cross fulfill its lifesaving mission of providing relief to victims of disaster and helping people prevent, prepare for, and respond to emergencies. Our goal is to exceed this figure.

Tickets are \$12.00 and available at the office 109 North Brady Street, Suite 2, DuBois or the night of the Auction.

First Bash of Summer Carnival Returns

Mark your calendars. The First Bash of Summer Carnival will be coming back to the DuBois City park, May 30 through June 2, 2012.



The Carnival brings food, rides, concerts and other great activities and benefits the American Red Cross.

Golf Tournament to Benefit Red Cross

Plans are underway for the annual Red Cross Golf Tournament later this summer in the St. Marys area. Event and Hole sponsorships will be available.

For more information contact the chapter office at 371-2750 or email us at info@arcpaheartland.org.



Chapter Welcomes Intern

Elizabeth (Izzi) Shaffer, a HDFS student at Penn State DuBois is working in the Chapter office as an intern during the spring semester. Besides attending classes, Shaffer is also involved in the Campus Thon organization, has worked in the Student life office, and volunteered at Red Cross Blood Drives held on the DuBois Campus.

As part of her internship responsibilities, Shaffer will be working in numerous areas of the Red Cross mission including disaster services, blood services, volunteer services, and fundraising.

Volunteer Positions Open - The Red Cross Needs You

The PA Heartland Chapter has an urgent need for dedicated volunteers to fill both leadership and support positions in all areas of service in Jefferson, Elk, Cameron, and most of Clearfield Counties.

These positions include Disaster Team Captains and team members in communities throughout our four county service area. Also needed are Blood Drive Day Chairs in the Brockway, Clearfield, and DuBois Areas and Blood Drive support positions including greeters, walkers, and canteens in all communities. Additional volunteer positions are available for event and fundraising in all communities.

Red Cross volunteers receive specialized training, leadership experience, networking connections and service opportunities.

To become a Red Cross volunteer, please contact the Red Cross Chapter office or email us at info@arcpaheartland.org



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Service Delivery Totals July 2011- January 2012	
◆ Health and Safety Classes offered:	150
◆ Disaster Service calls:	28
◆ Disaster Expenses:	\$15,017.00
◆ Services to Armed Forces Calls:	36
◆ Blood Drives:	161
◆ Productive Units Collected:	4,873

**Health and Safety Class Schedule
March 2012**

Tuesday, March 13 & Wednesday March 14 8:30 AM – 1:30 PM

First Aid/CPR/AED Instructor's Training

Tuesday, March 20 & Wednesday March 21 6PM – 9:30PM

Standard First Aid with CRP/AED Adult and Child

Thursday, March 23 9:AM – 3:30PM

CPR/AED for the Professional Rescuer and Health Care Provider

Check www.arcpaheartland.org or www.redcross.org for up-to-date class offerings, pricing, and training materials.

Unless otherwise noted, all classes will be held at the Chapter Office, 109 N Brady Street, 2nd floor, DuBois, PA

To register for a class, please call 1-800-REDCROSS or visit www.redcross.org.