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## Media Alert

### **Oscar Orringer of Duxbury and Buzzards Bay Named American Red Cross Adult Mentor/Role Model Hero**



Oscar Orringer

Hyannis, Mass, February 16, 2011 –The American Red Cross Cape Cod and Islands Chapter is pleased to announce that Oscar Orringer of Duxbury and Buzzards Bay has been named an Adult Mentor/Role Model hero and will be honored at the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Heroes Breakfast at the Resort & Conference Center in Hyannis on March 31, 2011 from 7:00-9:00 am. To purchase tickets, go online to [www.cciredcross.org](http://www.cciredcross.org) or call (508) 775-1540 ext. 21. You can also write to: Cape Cod and Islands Chapter, American Red Cross, 286 South Street, Hyannis, MA 02601.

Patrick McNamara of Marstons Mills nominated Oscar Orringer for his devotion to leadership and public safety. After retiring from the U.S. Government Volpe Transportation Center 15 years ago, he began volunteering with the United States Air Force Auxiliary Civil Air Patrol (CAP) and Cape Cod Composite Squadrom at Otis Air National Guard Base where he teaches adults and youths to keep our coasts safe and supports those who respond in search and rescue missions when events go awry. His mission is to produce leaders who are self-disciplined, self-motivated and are committed to serving their community. An Aerospace Education Officer, Orringer has taught more than 100 youth and senior CAP members.

As an Operations Duty Officer, he has supported contingency search and rescue exercises with first responders, including the rescue of the crew of the “Raw Faith,” a vessel which sank 166 miles east of Cape Cod on December 7, 2010. He is well-organized and direct in providing Jayhawk helicopter and Falcon jet crews with briefings for search and rescue operations. Orringer volunteers to work this position over the holidays, allowing active duty USCG personnel to spend time with loved ones. His ability to multi-task has made him invaluable to USCG Cape Cod Air Station at the Massachusetts Military Reservation.

In numerous leadership roles, Orringer has volunteered with the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary to ensure safe and secure ports, waterways and coasts, teaching safe boating and search and rescue flight instruction classes. He also volunteers for Bourne Public Schools as a mentor and speaker on aeronautical topics.

Oscar Orringer donates his time, talent, knowledge and even his personal aircraft to benefit the community, and he deserves to be a 2010 Red Cross Adult Mentor/Role Model Hero.

To find out more about the 9th Annual Red Cross Heroes Breakfast, Red Cross training schedules, volunteering for the Red Cross, for disaster preparedness information in English, Spanish or Portuguese, or to donate, please contact the American Red Cross, Cape Cod Islands Chapter, 286 South Street, Hyannis, MA 02601, call (508) 775-1540 or visit [www.cciredcross.org](http://www.cciredcross.org)

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