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The American Red Cross recognized the 2007 Hero Award Recipients at the 6th Annual Heroes Breakfast at The Resort and Conference Center at Hyannis on March 7, 2008

*Heroes of Cape Cod and the Islands
March 7, 2008*



Hyannis, Mass, March 12th, 2008 – At a ceremony attended by 500 people, the American Red Cross, Cape Cod and Islands Chapter recognized the following 2007 Heroes on March 7th, 2008:

- **Firefighter/Law Enforcement – Community Impact** – Dennis Child Safety Seat Team (Firefighters: Ben Anderson; Jeff Larkowski and Dan O’Connell; Police Officers: James Sullivan and Damon Reinold)
- **Firefighter/Paramedic** – John Talin, Hyannis Firefighters
- **Law Enforcement/Good Samaritan** – Trooper Bruce Buckley of Hyannis, Tom Paulini of Harwich, Nicholas Pelkey of West Yarmouth, Jeffrey Newell of Harwich and Santiago Velez of Sandwich.
- **Medical/Selfless Act** – Joseph Rossetti of North Eastham
- **Medical** – a. Deputy Sheriff Edward Rodriguez of Marstons Mills, b. Sgt. Ross Klun of Brewster and Deputy Wallace Bicknell of Chatham
- **911 Dispatch/ Sheriff’s Dept.** – a. William Watson of Buzzards Bay, b. Lori Enos of Forestdale
- **Adult Good Samaritan** – a. LCDR Chris Kluckhuhn of Forestdale, b. Robert Messier Jr. of Sandwich
- **Youth Good Samaritan** – James Seth Barabe of Mashpee
- **Military** – Senior Master Sergeant Francis J. Lang of Forestdale
- **Military/Service to Veterans** – Joseph P. Kennedy of Sagamore Beach

- **Animal Hero – Youth** – Eliza Bowes of West Yarmouth
- **Animal Hero – Adult** – Katie Touhey, Cape Cod Stranding Network/IFAW, Yarmouth Port
- **Environmental Hero** – a. Andre Sampou of West Barnstable, b. Richard Wheeler of Wareham
- **Community Impact/Organization – Champ Homes** – Paul and Carolyn Hebert of Centerville
- **Community Impact/Individual** – Mark Halstead and Mary Ann Hakenson - Homeless not Helpless, of Hyannis
- **Community Service/Adult** – a. Upper cape: Thomas Hanley of Pocasset, b. Mid Cape: Ann Marie Carlson of Bass River, c. Lower Cape: Elizabeth Bridgewater of North Eastham
- **Community Service/Youth** – Ashley Marie Hansen of Chatham
- **Community Service/Business – Cape Cod Times**
- **Educator** – a. Kevin F. Depin of West Dennis, b. Christopher Tarozzi of Centerville
- **Consumer Educator** – Suzanne Tonaire Brosnan of South Orleans
- **Individual Mentor/Role Model Through Disability** – Deanna L. Arnold of South Yarmouth
- **Adult Mentor/Role Model** – Kelly Hewitt of Hyannis
- **Youth Mentor/Role Model** – Amanda Kate Person of Marstons Mills
- **Swim Rescue/Military** – Petty Officer Nick Mills of Buzzards Bay
- **Swim-Water Rescue/Civilian** – a. Gary Richard of West Yarmouth, b. Brian W. Taylor of Plymouth
- **Diversity Hero** – John L. Reed of West Yarmouth
- **Red Cross Hero** – a. Amelia Winston of Hyannis, b Beverly Peterson of Osterville, c. Betsey Ward of Brewster.

The Heroes were recognized by businesses, community members, friends and family. Master of Ceremonies at the breakfast was Peter Meyer, Publisher of the Cape Cod Times and awards were presented by sponsors and community members. The event was made possible thanks to the kind sponsorship and support of the following businesses and individuals:

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