

The WWP HSS Red Cross Newsletter

Club Accomplishments

- Lollipops- 2350 sold (\$282 raised)
- Blood Drive- 85 productive units of blood donated
- Blood Drive Cards- 162 cards for our local chapter's blood donors
- Canned Food Drive- 101 cans for the local victims of Hurricane Sandy
- Clothing Drive- 623 articles for the local victims of Hurricane Sandy
- Holiday Cards- 263 cards for soldiers overseas and local veterans

2012 Fall Blood Drive

Due to the hard work of the blood drive committee and our Red Cross Club members, we had a very successful first blood drive of the school year. We recruited 111 potential

donors and obtained 85 units of blood. This many units of blood can save over 250 lives. The volunteers and the committee helped the drive by bringing refreshments and recruiting donors to give blood. They also created banners and posters, helped organize the event, and ensured that the donors remained safe. We would like to send out a special thanks to everyone who took the time to donate blood as well as to our Blood Drive Chairperson Prawallika Gangidi and Vice President Elissa Lomakova for coordinating the event.



Red Cross Member Spotlight

Krishna Mukkavilli, a current junior, was an outstanding member of this fall's Blood Drive Committee. Determined to make the Blood Drive more successful than ever, Krishna helped publicize the event, and he became one of the committee's top blood donor recruiters. He also volunteered for one of the committee's most attention-grabbing tasks: recruiting students while wearing a blood drop suit. Although he was initially intimidated by the job – he knew that he would receive stares from nearly every student within South's commons – he ended up having a lot of fun.

Krishna's involvement in the Blood Drive committee is just one of his many contributions to the club so far. Because he loves teaching children, he enjoys participating in F.A.C.T. The event is especially meaningful to him because he used to attend Maurice Hawk, so he and his friends always spend a lot of time coming up with creative and fun activities for the children.

Krishna summed up his enthusiasm for Red Cross by saying, "Overall, I think that the Red Cross Club at our school is pretty awesome. I mean what other school gets to have two Blood Drives, a Dance-A-Thon, several F.A.C.T. events, and many other opportunities to participate in the community? It really is a lot of fun and it helps a lot of people as well. It's a win-win!"



Our Local Chapter



Superstorm Sandy Response



Activated more than 300 response vehicles.



Served more than 5.3 million meals and snacks.



5,800 trained disaster workers have been deployed.



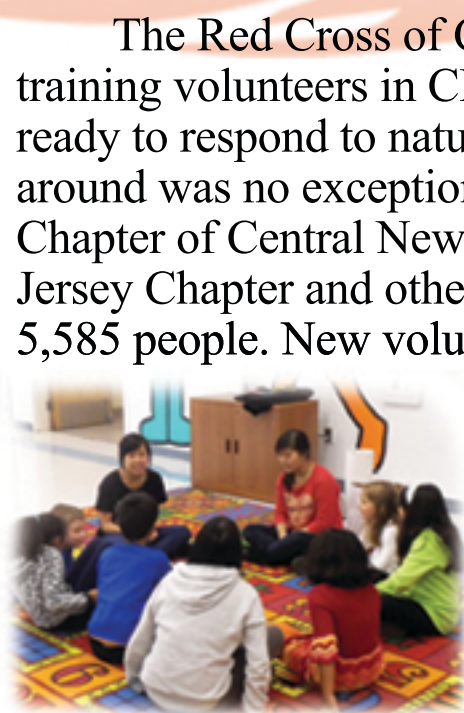
Distributed more than 1.3 million relief items.



Provided 54,800 emotional support and health contacts.



Provided more than 72,500 overnight stays in shelters.



The Red Cross of Central New Jersey is ever active in the community. It has been raising funds, training volunteers in CPR and emergency methods, and assisting the needy. It has always been at the ready to respond to natural disasters by providing supplies and housing victims in shelters. This time around was no exception. When Hurricane Sandy hit in the last week of October, the local Red Cross Chapter of Central New Jersey sprang into action. Since then, our local chapter, working with the North Jersey Chapter and other organizations, has set up over 71 shelters in New Jersey and served more than 5,585 people. New volunteers have joined the Red Cross forces and have been getting trained to help with hurricane relief, collecting food and clothing, and helping rebuild affected areas. Although most of its efforts are geared towards Sandy because of high priority, the Red Cross is also active in other means. Currently, it is preparing for the Run for the Red on December 2. This marathon is a 5k run or walk in Millburn, and proceeds go to the NJ chapters. Also, there are blood drives conducted by the Red Cross year round, just like the Fall Blood Drive which happened at South.

Halloween Safety

This October, Red Cross members went over to Maurice Hawk Elementary School to teach the students Halloween safety tips. Because the members who participated were so enthusiastic and creative – some included activities such as bingo, origami, and sock puppets – the event was a huge success. Community Events Representative Yae-Seul Han, who was in charge of the event, shared, “I think everyone had fun – the Hawk kids had fun learning how to trick-or-treat safely and the South kids enjoyed teaching! I could see that the Hawk kids really enjoyed us being there to spend time with them.” Yae-Seul also noted that although every group presented an effective lesson, the most successful groups were the ones who prepared a variety of activities – usually 6 or more of them. Red Cross member Jon Lee had a similar opinion. He recalled, “I’ve participated in several Hawk events, so I’ve seen how the kids at Hawk have a lot of energy and can be hard to control. For Halloween safety, my group and I made sure that we had a lot of different activities. By quickly transitioning from one activity to another, we were able to keep the kids interested.”



Red Cross Club Aids in Hurricane Sandy Recovery

During the past few weeks the Red Cross Club has been collecting many items that help people around our community. After the unfortunate arrival of Hurricane Sandy, many families were without power and basic necessities. The canned food drive helped many people get back on their feet after the Hurricane. In addition, the ticket donation by the North vs. South football game raised over \$4000! All of this money will be used to support affected families with shelter and other necessities.

Our Red Cross Community Events Representative, Yae-Seul, was asked for her overall thoughts of the current fund raising events: “I think our Red Cross Club efforts for helping the victims of Hurricane Sandy have been going well. Particularly, the North v. South football game donation idea was great because we were able to directly reach out to the South community to help the victims. We got a high number of generous donations and overall, it was a great way to help those affected by the hurricane.”

Ultimately, the Red Cross Club has coordinated excellent events to support families and aid in our recovery as a community.



The American Red Cross has launched relief operations in 10 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico to help people affected by superstorm Sandy.

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0.25	Byrne, Elizabeth					0.25																	
10.5	Byrnes, Joey	0.5						0.5								0.5					9		
3	Case, Jennifer					0.5													0.5				2
0.5	Cohen, Taylor															0.5							
3.5	Costantino, Rachel	0.5				2.5		0.5															
2.75	Crossey, Zachary												0.5						2.25				
0.5	Dar, Ahmed	0.5																					
1	DeMilt, Gina					0.5		0.5															
0.25	Dhond, Priya					0.25																	
0.25	Gadangi, Harshita					0.25																	
0.75	Gandepudi, Sarah					0.75																	
1	Gao, Angela												1										
13	Gbekle, Danielle					1				0.5				11		0.5							
7.5	Goldfinger, Rachel	0.5		0.5	4	1.5		0.5								0.5							
1	Goldner, Rachel	0.5						0.5															
0.5	Gong, Suyang							0.5															
2	Gu, Sharon	0.5				0.5		0.5								0.5							
1.5	Gupta, Anu								0.5													1	
0.5	Hacker, Tsipora									0.5													
1	Hashmi, Jaffer							0.5								0.5							
0.5	Hussong, Tommy							0.5															
1.5	Iyer, Ankitha								0.5													1	
2.75	Jaime-Cavanagh, Olivia	0.5				0.25																	2
2	Joe, Francis	0.5						0.5	0.5							0.5							
4.75	Kermani, Darayus	0.5				0.75		0.5	0.5			1				0.5						1	
5	Khan, Aafereen	0.5			4.5																		
1	Kumar, Metri												0.5			0.5							
2	Lam, Laura	0.5				1		0.5															
2.5	Leon, Jaclyn	0.5				1		0.5								0.5							
5.5	Liang, Zining	0.5				1		0.5								0.5	3						

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0.5	Syed, Rabia					0.5																	
0.5	Thakre, Rohit	0.5																					
0.75	Upmaka, Deepti	0.5				0.25																	
0.5	Vaidyanathan, Shruthi	0.5																					
7.75	Vena, Emily															0.5	7.25						
1	Wang, Allen	0.5							0.5														
0.5	Wang, Eric	0.5																					
0.5	Wang, Eunice							0.5															
0.5	Washington, Brittany							0.5															
3.25	Yu, Michelle	0.5				2.25		0.5															
1	Yuan, Yang(Edward)	0.5						0.5															
1	Zhuo, Becca	0.5						0.5															

Freshmen

0.5	Auste, Stephanie	0.5																					
1	Bason, Timmy											1											
2.25	Bhargava, Anica				0.75	1	0.5																
6.5	Bheemidi, Ashritha	0.5	0.5	4.5			0.5								0.5								
0.5	Boateng, Erin	0.5																					
1.5	Caparino, Kathryn	0.5				1																	
7.75	Chang, Emily	0.5			1.25		0.5										5		0.5				
2	Chekuri, Amrutha	0.5										1			0.5								
8.5	Chintalapati, Anusha	0.5				2	0.5								0.5		4					1	
6.75	Christopher, Natasha	0.5	0.5	4.5	0.75		0.5																
4.5	D'Souza, Alexis	0.5				3	0.5								0.5								
7.25	Dorado, Isabella	0.5	0.5	4.5	1.25		0.5																
2.75	Ferguson, Madeleine	0.5				1.75	0.5																
4	Ghule, Mugdha	0.5				2.5	0.5								0.5								
2.5	Guruprasad, Geetika	0.5					0.5								0.5							1	
2.75	Han, Samuel	0.5			1.75										0.5								
20.5	Handa, Suyash	0.5															20						

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7.5	Hsia, Tiffaney	0.5		0.5	6	0.5																	
8.25	Hu, Amanda	0.5		0.5	6	0.25		0.5								0.5							
12	Hung, Kaylyn	0.5		0.5	6	0.25										0.5	3.25					1	
1.5	Irizarry, Victoria	0.5						0.5								0.5							
1.5	Jaladi, Bharath	0.5																				1	
1.5	Ji, Shuwei	0.5						0.5								0.5							
14.5	Jiang, Sabrina	0.5		0.5	5	1.25		0.5				0.5				0.5		2	0.75	1			2
3	Judson, Eric	0.5				0.5		0.5							0.5	0.5			0.5				
3.5	Kang, Louis	0.5	3																				
3.5	Kapil, Sonia	0.5					1	0.5								0.5						1	
1	Kashyap, Ananya							0.5								0.5							
19.5	Khanna, Nidhi	0.5				0.5	2		0.5	0.5				12		0.5						1	2
7.5	Khota, Vyshnavi	0.5		0.5	4.5			0.5								0.5						1	
4.25	Kim, Andrew					2.25		0.5								0.5						1	
1.5	Kottam, Ameha							0.5														1	
0.5	Kumar, Eashaan	0.5																					
1.5	Li, Honglin	0.5						0.5								0.5							
9	Lu, Vanessa	0.5		0.5	6			0.5								0.5						1	
0.5	Maina, Lisa	0.5																					
1	Medam, Samanvitha	0.5						0.5															
0.5	Nadkarni, Neha	0.5																					
6.25	Novio, Leyeen	0.5		0.5	4	0.75		0.5															
5	Odediran, Oluwa (Joba)	0.5			2		1	0.5							1								
4.75	Orlovsky, Lily	0.5		0.5		1.75		0.5					1			0.5							
1.5	Padmanabhan, Sadana	0.5						0.5								0.5							
1	Pinto, Abigail	0.5						0.5															
1	Qiu, Yanjie	0.5						0.5															
3.5	Rastogi, Muskaan	0.5			2			0.5								0.5							
6	Rivers, Alyssa	0.5		0.5	4	0.5										0.5							
5.5	Rivers, Alyssen	0.5			4			0.5								0.5							
5.5	Selyutin, Daniel			0.5	4			0.5								0.5							

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1.5	Shah, Zaaira	0.5				0.5		0.5															
2	Siniakowicz, Claudia	0.5											1.5										
1.5	Sloan, Maddie	0.5				1																	
0.5	Srinivasan, Sidharth	0.5																					
1.5	Srinivasan, Smiti	0.5						0.5								0.5							
1.5	Subramanian, Sucharita	0.5						0.5								0.5							
9.5	Suresh, Shradha	0.5		0.5	4								1			0.5		3					
1	Tamhane, Mitali	0.5						0.5															
2.5	Tiwari, Priyanka	0.5					1.5	0.5															
8.5	Tsai, Amy	0.5		0.5	4	1	1.5	0.5								0.5							
1	Verma, Simran	0.5														0.5							
5	Visaria, Anish							0.5	0.5						0.5						3.5		
15	Vundyala, Sanil																15						
15	Vundyala, Sanut																15						
2.25	Walia, Shelby	0.5		0.5					0.5										0.75				
0.5	Wang, Karen	0.5																					
1	Washington, Kalynn	0.5						0.5															
0.5	Wason, Harpriya															0.5							
1.5	Watson, Shannon	0.5						0.5								0.5							
2.5	Wong, Michelle	0.5						0.5								0.5						1	
9.75	Wu, Samantha	0.5				0.25		0.5					1			0.5	3			1		1	2
7.5	Wu, Sarah	0.5		0.5	5											0.5				1			
0.5	Xie, Monica	0.5																					
19.5	Xu, Victoria	0.5				1.5	1	0.5	0.5	1.5				9.5		0.5	3					1	
3.5	Yuan, Kate								0.5				1										2
10.5	Zhang, Funing	0.5		0.5	5	2.5		0.5								0.5						1	
13.75	Zhou, Caroline	0.5		0.5		0.25										0.5	11					1	