

Appeal funds near match point

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The generosity of The Times' readers has helped raise the The Times Holiday Appeal total to \$36,290.

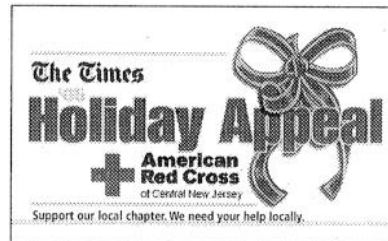
On Wednesday, Rhodia Inc. of Cranbury pledged to match the next \$5,000 raised by the community. The latest gifts mean only \$645 more is needed to meet the company's challenge.

Solicitations for donations to the appeal end tomorrow so readers are encouraged to respond quickly to ensure Rhodia's match.

Funds from this year's Times' Holiday Appeal will be used to support the services and programs of the American Red Cross of Central New Jersey.

Gifts of \$100 each were received from Richard Ciesielski of Washington Crossing, Pa., and The Leadems of Ewing.

Donations of \$50 were received from Ronald and Jill Thornton of Princeton Junction; Janet Karlicek of Hopewell; Nancy C. Wright of Monroe; Richard and Marion Miller of Columbus "In memory of William and Audrey Miller;" Charles and Joanne LoBue of



Hamilton "In memory of Samuel LoBue, Guy LoBue and Michael LoBue;" J.D. Madison of Lawrenceville; Marilyn D. Cichowski of Ewing; Denis J. Michel of Lawrenceville; Dr. Charles E. Hatch III and Dr. Gale D. Downey of Pennington; and Marget Pack.

Ned E. Saaz of Trenton sent a donation of \$35.

Gifts of \$25 were received from Dorothy A. McSorley of Trenton "In memory of Daniel McSorley;" Linda Santini of Lambertville; Eleanor Dudbridge of Mercerville; Manfred and Gisela Gebhard of Bradenton, Fla.; Marcella Dunfee of Ewing; Charles and Viola Papp of Hamilton Square; and Sandra Oropel of Hamilton with a note, "For all the Red Cross does to help people in need, in memory of my mom who went to heaven in July."

Beverly and Roy Hendrickson of Bordentown sent \$20 and J. Philip and

Joyce Lacy of Trenton, \$20.

Anonymous donations include \$100 from Pennington, \$100 from Princeton, \$50 from Ewing, \$50 from Lawrenceville, \$50 from Hopewell, \$50 and \$25 from Bordentown, \$10 and \$10 from Trenton and \$10 from Lawrenceville.

Heartfelt thanks to these benefactors.

The Times deducts no overhead expenses. All money goes directly to the designated nonprofit agency.

To make a donation in support of the American Red Cross of Central New Jersey, please make your check payable to The Times Holiday Appeal and mail or hand deliver it to: 500 Perry St., Box 847, Trenton, NJ 08605. To make a donation online, visit www.redcross.org.

All gifts will be acknowledged. Anonymity, if requested, will be granted.

For more information about the American Red Cross of Central New Jersey, please call (609) 951-8550 or visit the Web site at www.njredcross.org.