



Celebrating Ordinary People . . .  
Extraordinary Acts

# 2010 REAL HEROES NOMINATION FORM For Marathon, Lincoln & Taylor Counties

A Real Hero demonstrates selfless acts of courage or kindness. A hero can be someone who bravely acts in a time of immediate need or someone who simply lives a life that shows exceptional care for others. Heroes are people who give of themselves, making a difference in someone's life or in the community.

*The Real Heroes among us reflect what is best in our community. They are ordinary people whose actions demonstrate the potential that is in all of us. If someone is a hero in your eyes, we encourage you to nominate him or her today!*

**We are seeking local people to honor at . . .**  
**The Third Annual Real Heroes Banquet**  
**April 15, 2010**  
**The Grand Ballroom at the Jefferson Street Inn**  
**Wausau, Wisconsin**

### Guidelines to Follow When Nominating a Hero

**Remember** that heroism includes all selfless acts of courage or kindness, not just those that involve the direct saving of a life.

**Nominees** should live, work or be active in Marathon, Lincoln or Taylor County.

**Award winners** must be able to attend the Real Heroes Awards Dinner at which they are presented a special award. Admission is complimentary for the winner and one guest.

**Award winners** must agree to participate in a video segment to be shown at the awards dinner and permit the use of their stories and photographs for promotional purposes.

**Nominations** must be received by December 1, 2009 to be considered for the 2010 Real Heroes Banquet.

### How to Nominate Your Hero

Your nominations should include:

- **This nomination form.**
- **500 words or less** describing the act of courage or humanitarian service and explaining why your hero deserves to be recognized.
- **May add up to three (3) supporting documents**, such as letters of support, news articles or photographs.

**Submit by mail, fax or email** this completed nomination form and any supporting documents to:

**2010 Real Heroes**  
1602 2<sup>nd</sup> Street  
Wausau, WI 54403  
Fax: 715-842-1599

Email: [cwill@marathoncounty.redcross.org](mailto:cwill@marathoncounty.redcross.org)



**Nomination Deadline: December 1, 2009**

Name of nominee \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (day) \_\_\_\_\_ (evening) \_\_\_\_\_

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_

Your Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (day) \_\_\_\_\_ (evening) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

- Award categories**  
*(Check Only One)*
- Youth Hero
  - Community Hero
  - Law Enforcement Hero
  - Emergency Response Hero
  - Healthcare Hero
  - Corporate Hero
  - Good Samaritan Hero
  - Other



# 2010 REAL HEROES AWARD CRITERIA

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## Youth Hero

This award pays tribute to a person, high school age or younger, who has stepped forward in a time of crisis to help another person, or has worked toward the betterment of our community by taking action to help improve someone's quality of life, helped someone avoid a crisis or performed a lifesaving action serving as an example for other youth.

## Good Samaritan Hero

This award is presented to an individual who has acted to help another in a time of emergency through their actions. Individuals nominated in this category may have used lifesaving skills such as CPR, water rescue or first aid to assist someone in crisis, or they reached out to help another person, providing a safe and secure environment to ensure the person's well-being.

## Corporate Hero

This award recognizes a business which has demonstrated outstanding contributions to health, safety or well-being of the community through philanthropic actions or humanitarian service.

## Emergency Response Hero

This award recognizes a public sector career or volunteer responder who has demonstrated an outstanding level of service to their community. This category includes those serving as fire fighters, emergency medical technicians and/or first responders. He/she may be someone on or off-duty at the time of the incident.

## Law Enforcement Hero

This award recognizes a law enforcement professional who has demonstrated an outstanding level of service to the people of their community. This nominee could be on or off-duty at the time of the incident.

## Health Care Hero

Nurses, doctors, physician's assistants and others working in the healthcare field are among those eligible for this award. This award honors a person who has demonstrated an outstanding level of service to the people of their community beyond the usual scope of their duties. The nominee could be on or off-duty at the time of the incident.

## Community Hero

This award pays tribute to a community member who has made significant contributions through sharing his or her talents, expertise and leadership for the betterment of the community. Their work may have taken place over a span of many months, years or decades.

## Other

Use this category if you are unsure where your nominee best fits. The Selection Committee will determine the appropriate award designation.

### AWARD REQUIREMENTS

1. The act of courage or humanitarian service can be ongoing OR have occurred anytime after January 1, 2008.
2. Nominees must reside, work, or be active in Marathon, Lincoln or Taylor County or the acts of courage or humanitarian service must have occurred in one of the listed counties.
3. Award winners must be willing to participate in interviews and photographs for media and promotional purposes.
4. Entries may be submitted by mail, fax or e-mail.