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BLOOD CENTER

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BLOOD CENTER HONORS OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEERS

LEHIGH VALLEY, PA -- Miller-Keystone Blood Center recently honored its volunteers with a special recognition event at the Four Points Sheraton, Allentown, and Toscani, West Lawn.

During the year 2010, more than 450 volunteers donated over 25,000 hours of service, supporting the Blood Center's crucial mission as the **exclusive blood supplier** to our regional hospitals. The volunteers, which include retirees, business people, and high school/college students, assist in a variety of positions, including donor aides, canteen attendants, telephone reminder callers, special event support and office support. These volunteers assist in the operations at the Blood Center's fixed sites in Allentown, Bethlehem, Easton, Hazleton, Quakertown, Reading and Wind Gap; and at over 2,000 annual blood mobiles throughout eastern Pennsylvania and western New Jersey.

Volunteers with hours of service ranging from 100 to 14,000 hours were recognized, including the following volunteers, who achieved new levels over 1,000 hours and were presented with special recognition awards:

14,000: **Jean Achey, Bethlehem**

11,000: **William Younger, Catasauqua**

8,000: **Jacqueline Younger, Catasauqua**

3,500: **Charles Heffentrager, Whitehall**

3,000: **Edward Muschlitz, Northampton**

2,500: **Richard Bennett, Whitehall**

1,500: **Roland Hahn, Allentown**

Lucille Matyasich, Wyomissing

Mardi Metzger, Bethlehem

1,000: **Jeanne Achenbach, Pen Argyl**

Hans Farenkopf, Emmaus

Jackie Heimbach, Sinking Spring

Joanne Mooney, Whitehall

Shirley Neff, Palmerton

Barbara Orwig, Easton

Susan Tretter, Nazareth

Laura Wentzel, Reading

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Your Donation. Your Community. Your Blood Center. Established in 1971, Miller-Keystone Blood Center is a private, not-for-profit, 501(c)(3) community organization that serves as the **only blood provider** to the hospitals in ten (10) Pennsylvania and New Jersey counties. One of the nation's best-regarded, highly experienced blood centers, our history of compliance with FDA requirements, combined with our ISO9001:2008 certification demonstrates our commitment to quality and service excellence. For more than 40 years, we have delivered the safe, reliable blood products that the community needs.

Last year, Miller-Keystone Blood Center scheduled more than 120,000 donors, collecting nearly 113,000 units of blood, which were processed into over 171,000 life-saving blood products. For more information on volunteer opportunities with the Blood Center, call the Volunteer Office at 610-691-5850, or visit their web site at www.GIVEaPINT.org.

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