



Participating in the July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade!!



*Wilkes – Alleghany, Ashe Counties  
Chapter of the American Red Cross*

*Financial Statement Fiscal  
Year Ending June 30, 2007*

<b>Income</b>	
United Way	\$48,700
Wilkes County Gov.	\$16,875
Alleghany County Gov.	\$5,000
United Fund	\$1,000
Contributions	\$39,682
Health and Safety	\$35,684
Blood	\$17,849
All Other Income	\$14,539
<b>TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS, REVENUES AND GAINS</b>	<b>\$179,329</b>
<b>Expenses and Losses</b>	
<b>Program Services</b>	
Armed Forces Emergency Services	\$4,792
Disaster Services	\$55,293
Blood Services	\$24,411
Health and Safety Services	\$34,192
Fund Raising	\$9,114
General Administration	\$22,995
Red Cross Assessment	\$22,934
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$178,495</b>
Net Income	\$834
<b>Year End Total</b>	<b>\$179,329</b>
<b>Additional Ashe County Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 5,476</b>

**Officers and Board of Directors**

- Judith Walsh: Chapter Chairman**  
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**2006 - 2007  
Wilkes – Alleghany  
Community Chapter  
of the American Red Cross**  
*Report to the Community*



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***A Note About Volunteers***

We depend on volunteers of all ages and backgrounds to carry on our work. Volunteers constitute 97 percent of our total workforce, serving as members of the board, at blood drives, instructors teaching lifesaving skills, disaster action team members, office administrators, event organizers and more.



**Please consider making a donation to the Wilkes-Alleghany, Ashe Community Chapter of the American Red Cross.**



**Staff:** Ann Graves:  
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Rebecca Bounds;

**Executive Director**  
**Health & Safety Dir.**  
**Executive Assistant**  
**Blood Service Rep**



**Board Executive Committee Johann Louchez, Janice Turbeville, Ralph Langley, Judith Walsh, Cathy Shumate, Ellen Lackey, Patrick Hession and Geraldine Bumgarner. Not pictured George White & Jim Taylor.**

**Web Site:** [www.wilkesredcross.org](http://www.wilkesredcross.org)  
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**Mission Statement**

The American Red Cross, a humanitarian organization led by volunteers, guided by its Congressional Charter and the Fundamental Principles of the International Red Cross Movement, will provide relief to victims of disasters and help people prevent, prepare for and respond to emergencies.

### The Red Cross in Our Community

The Wilkes-Alleghany Chapter of the American Red Cross is located in Downtown Wilkesboro at 104 West Street. Its history dates back to July 24<sup>th</sup>, 1918 when Wilkes County received its initial Red Cross Charter. In October 1965 a merger between the Wilkes Chapter and the Alleghany Chapter resulted in the current Wilkes-Alleghany Chapter. In recent years the Wilkes-Alleghany Chapter also has provided assistance to volunteers for the American Red Cross in Ashe County. This current arrangement provides assistance to Ashe County citizens through a "Service Delivery Unit".

Volunteers are what make the American Red Cross the vital community based service organization. Through these many volunteers the Red Cross provides; emergency services to people that have experienced a disaster, health & safety training, blood collection services and emergency communication to our nations armed forces personnel.

### Volunteer Training:

There are classes for Red Cross volunteers interested in Disaster Relief, Blood Service, and Health and Safety training. These classes are offered to people that want to help victims of disasters, or provide CPR & First Aid classes and assist at a Blood Drive. Training is required before one participates in these activities. All of these training classes help us and our community prepare for potential disasters and emergencies.



Volunteers & Staff enjoying our Community Ice Cream Social held on International Red Cross Day.



Dr. Essie Hayes, Judith Walsh, Linda Greene, Jen Pena and Mary Iva Gray at our Ice Cream Social

### Disaster Relief and Community Disaster Education

"When Help Can't Wait" you're Chapter responded to 46 single family fires, 1 multi family fire, and Provided meals and aid to our valiant volunteer firefighters at 8 large forest fires. Your Chapter of the American Red Cross provided service to more than 1000 individuals. Meals and assistance were provided to our local volunteer fire fighters, forestry management and numerous additional volunteers for a very large search and rescue operation. On a National disaster level, the chapter dispatched several of your local Red Cross disaster workers to assist at disasters throughout the country, most notably to the Floods out West and the winter storms in the Northeast.



Our youngest volunteer bringing supplies to the Boy Scout Search and Rescue, was 2 year old Isabella Stewart daughter of Aaron & Mandy Stewart of Jonesville

### Blood Services

Every two seconds, someone in the United States needs blood. Thanks to generous blood donors, the Red Cross collects and distributes over half the nation's blood supply. Your local chapter conducts several Blood Drives each year individually and by partnering with individual organizations and corporate sponsors. These Blood Drives are on the behalf of the many patients in our local area hospitals. In Wilkes, Alleghany, and Ashe Counties, 8,624 units of blood were collected through more than 200 blood drives. The Wilkes-Alleghany Chapter belongs to the Carolina's Blood Region, which provides blood collection services for 104 local and regional hospitals.



Blood Service Director awarding Mr. Chris Greene, our first recipient of our monthly drawing.

### Health & Safety Services:

Community Health and Safety Classes are provided for First Aid, Adult/Child/Infant CPR, CPR for the Professional, Babysitters First Aid, Automatic External Defibrillator, Swimming and Life-guarding, Canoe, Blood Borne Pathogens, Pet First Aid, as well as Fundamentals in Instructor training and Instructor Specialty Courses. These American Red Cross programs help people lead safer and healthier lives. Each month classes are offered to the citizens of Wilkes, Alleghany, and Ashe Counties. There are also classes offered through employers or other groups that have partnered with the Red Cross to provide these training classes to their employees and/or members. Our classes certified 1528 individuals.

### Armed Forces / Emergency Services

The Red Cross provides communication between those in the Armed Forces and their families. We have a worldwide network that reaches service members, wherever they are, to communicate a birth, death or illness. Individuals are on stand by to take emergency calls, verify the information through local means, and then communicate the message to the armed forces personnel through their chain of command. The Chapter assisted 37 families from Wilkes, Alleghany, and Ashe Counties all the way to the North Pole in 2006/2007. Emergency messages are sent state side or over seas wherever that military member may be deployed.



Brownie Scouts and Army Reserve Unit



Filling Boxes with Girl Scout Cookies to send to our Troops in Iraq.

### International Services

The international tracing program helps local families find relatives with whom they have lost contact

**The American Red Cross is not a part of the United States Government and does not receive any funding from any state or federal sources, but relies on the generous donations from local groups and individual like you.**