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Rochester Police Officer Anthony DiPonzio (left), last year's recipient, and Ray Ciancaglini, this year's recipient of the 2012 Hickok Center Community Hero Award.

Hickok Center gives Ciancaglini hero award

NEWARK — The Hickok Center for Brain Injury held its third annual Brain Waves Benefit Event last month in honor of Brain Injury Awareness Month.

At the event, the 2012 Hickok Center Community Hero Award was presented to Ray Ciancaglini of Varick, a former middleweight boxer and founder of the Second Impact. Ciancaglini was instrumental in helping pass legislation on concus-

sion management in youth sports.

Rochester Police Officer Anthony DiPonzio, last year's recipient of the award, attended to present this year's honor to Ciancaglini.

The Brain Waves event featured live entertainment by Giuseppe Scungili and the Screamin' Seagull Revue and food by Sticky Lips Pit BBQ.

The Hickok Center raised a little over \$5,000, which

will support survivors of brain injury at the Hickok Center for Brain Injury, providing a safe, supportive environment that encourages brain injury survivors to design and direct their own life's journey.

For more information, visit www.hickokcenter.org.

The Center has two locations — 114 S. Union St., Rochester; and 165 E. Union St., Suite 206, Newark.