



Product & Donor Eligibility
Dating Calendar

2026

A Community of Community-Builders

The blood collection community is a network of millions of selfless donors and volunteers who give month after month, year after year, and dedicated teams of transfusion medicine professionals who work, day in and day out, to ensure a safe and steady blood supply. These are the people that make vital blood and blood components available every day to patients across the nation.

Many of the stories about the 2025 National Blood Donation Hall of Fame inductees reveal another powerful dimension of community to be celebrated — *community building*. This year's inductees show how blood collection drives and advocacy work can deepen connections among broader groups of people in the places they live, work, study, play, and pray.

Several inductees who host annual drives describe them as reunions, gatherings of people inspired to give in memory of a parent, child, partner, friend, or mentor whose legacy continues to unite and motivate those they touched. Others—from a small town, a local business, a high school, and a university—have turned blood donation into a galvanizing force that fosters pride and solidarity.

An inductee from Hawaii champions blood donation as a powerful expression of the island state's self-sufficiency, while two of our youngest inductees bring classmates to events so they can be part of something greater than themselves.

It's clear that this year's inductees understand that helping others through the act of giving blood is a way to build bridges and enrich bonds. We hope their stories inspire you as much as they've inspired us—and remind us all of the power we have to build stronger, healthier communities together.

Sincerely,



EDDIE KUBO
Senior Vice President
Commercial Operations, MedTech North America
Fresenius Kabi

Daniel Rogers



NOMINATED BY

OneBlood
Tampa, FL

Finding joy in ensuring a brighter future for us all

Daniel is a consistent and enthusiastic blood donor at Gaither High School in Tampa where he is widely known for his infectious energy and unwavering positivity. Since 2019, he has donated regularly and even continues to do so during school breaks at his local church.

As a differently-abled student, Daniel has faced insurmountable challenges to be like his peers, yet his innate nature is to help others. He not only donates but actively encourages his schoolmates to do the same. Daniel is always the first one to run up to the blood drive sign-up table and then is constantly spreading the word to others about how rewarding the process is. He often walks nervous friends to the bus and supports them throughout the process—many first-time donors say they feel more comfortable when they get to donate at the same time as Daniel.

And Daniel does all this even though he can't stand the sight of blood! He faces every donation with courage and joy, inspiring those around him. Daniel is well on the path to becoming a lifelong donor and champion and a true credit to his community.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
362	363	364	365	New Year's Day	2/6 ● 2/12 ■ 2/23 ♦ 4/23 ♦	2/7 ● 2/14 ■ 2/27 ▲ 4/25 ♦
4	2/8 ● 2/15 ■ 3/1 ▲ 4/26 ♦	5 2/9 ● 2/16 ■ 3/2 ▲ 4/27 ♦	6 2/10 ● 2/17 ■ 3/3 ▲ 4/28 ♦	7 2/11 ● 2/18 ■ 3/4 ▲ 4/29 ♦	8 2/12 ● 2/19 ■ 3/5 ▲ 4/30 ♦	9 2/13 ● 2/20 ■ 3/6 ▲ 5/1 ♦
11	2/15 ● 2/22 ■ 3/8 ▲ 5/3 ♦	12 2/16 ● 2/23 ■ 3/9 ▲ 5/4 ♦	13 2/17 ● 2/24 ■ 3/10 ▲ 5/5 ♦	14 2/18 ● 2/25 ■ 3/11 ▲ 5/6 ♦	15 2/19 ● 2/26 ■ 3/12 ▲ 5/7 ♦	16 2/20 ● 2/27 ■ 3/13 ▲ 5/8 ♦
18	2/22 ● 3/1 ■ 3/15 ▲ 5/10 ♦	19 2/23 ● 3/2 ■ 3/16 ▲ 5/11 ♦	20 2/24 ● 3/3 ■ 3/17 ▲ 5/12 ♦	21 2/25 ● 3/4 ■ 3/18 ▲ 5/13 ♦	22 2/26 ● 3/5 ■ 3/19 ▲ 5/14 ♦	23 2/27 ● 3/6 ■ 3/20 ▲ 5/15 ♦
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32	33	34	35	36	37	38

Red cell dating 35 day ●

Red cell dating 42 day ■

Whole blood donor deferral 56 day ▲

2RBC donor deferral 112 day ♦

Carol Weaver



NOMINATED BY

Versiti Blood Center of Indiana
Indianapolis, IN

Inspiring the next generations of blood donors

Over a remarkable career of blood donation that began when she was 17, Carol has donated more than 400 times and recently hit her 82-gallon milestone. Following the illness and passing of her late husband, Carol was driven by a desire to honor his memory and replace the units he needed. She began donating whole blood, then switched to platelets, donating every other week without fail.

Carol is more than a donor—she's a beacon of inspiration and a champion for the blood community. Her passion for promoting local donations and motivating others, especially young people, is unmatched. A longtime member of Purdue University's Agricultural and Biological Engineering department, she hosted numerous campus blood drives and actively encouraged students to give. Even after retiring, she continued to run five collection events annually to keep the momentum alive. Under her leadership, Purdue has held over 60 drives, collecting nearly 1,100 units each year.

Through her volunteering, Carol's kindness has reached far and wide. She once gathered Indianapolis Colts footballs from their Bleed Blue drives and sent them overseas to underprivileged children, spreading joy and the message of donation across the world.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 32	3/8 ● 3/15 ■ 3/29 ▲ 5/24 ♦	2 3/9 ● 3/16 ■ 3/30 ▲ 5/25 ♦	3 3/10 ● 3/17 ■ 3/31 ▲ 5/26 ♦	4 3/11 ● 3/18 ■ 4/1 ▲ 5/27 ♦	5 3/12 ● 3/19 ■ 4/2 ▲ 5/28 ♦	6 3/13 ● 3/20 ■ 4/3 ▲ 5/29 ♦
8 39	3/15 ● 3/22 ■ 4/5 ▲ 5/31 ♦	9 3/16 ● 3/23 ■ 4/6 ▲ 6/1 ♦	10 3/17 ● 3/24 ■ 4/7 ▲ 6/2 ♦	11 3/18 ● 3/25 ■ 4/8 ▲ 6/3 ♦	12 3/19 ● 3/26 ■ 4/9 ▲ 6/4 ♦	13 3/20 ● 3/27 ■ 4/10 ▲ 6/5 ♦
15 46	3/22 ● 3/29 ■ 4/12 ▲ 6/7 ♦	16 3/23 ● 3/30 ■ 4/13 ▲ 6/8 ♦	17 3/24 ● 3/31 ■ 4/14 ▲ 6/9 ♦	18 3/25 ● 4/1 ■ 4/15 ▲ 6/10 ♦	19 3/26 ● 4/2 ■ 4/16 ▲ 6/11 ♦	20 3/27 ● 4/3 ■ 4/17 ▲ 6/12 ♦
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1 60	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 67	9	10	11	12	13	14
68	69	70	71	72	73	

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James E. Swoboda Sr.

Demonstrating the true meaning of giving back



NOMINATED BY

American Red Cross
West Omaha, NE

Jim has been a dedicated blood donor for almost 50 years. His passion for giving grew over the years, so when, around 2005, a phlebotomist told him about the need for platelets, he embraced the added challenge and became a regular platelet donor. To date, he's given close to 800 units.

But blood donation is only one example of Jim's extraordinary commitment to saving lives. A proud and busy family man, with three adult children and 12 grandchildren, Jim is also an active, selfless volunteer who always puts his community's safety first. He's served as a firefighter and EMT and held a variety of leadership roles for the local fire department's board. His presence is a fixture during natural disasters, where he's dedicated countless hours to flood cleanup, rebuilding efforts, and supporting displaced neighbors.

And his compassion extends far beyond his town's borders. In 2022, Jim and his wife opened their hearts and home to a family of Ukrainian refugees, guiding them through complex paperwork and helping them settle into their new life in America. Jim's only reward? To know that today, they are thriving members of his community.

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1 60	4/5 ● 4/12 ■ 4/26 ▲ 6/21 ♦	2 4/6 ● 4/13 ■ 4/27 ▲ 6/22 ♦	3 4/7 ● 4/14 ■ 4/28 ▲ 6/23 ♦	4 4/8 ● 4/15 ■ 4/29 ▲ 6/24 ♦	5 4/9 ● 4/16 ■ 4/30 ▲ 6/25 ♦	6 4/10 ● 4/17 ■ 5/1 ▲ 6/26 ♦	7 4/11 ● 4/18 ■ 5/2 ▲ 6/27 ♦
8 67	4/12 ● 4/19 ■ 5/3 ▲ 6/28 ♦	9 4/13 ● 4/20 ■ 5/4 ▲ 6/29 ♦	10 4/14 ● 4/21 ■ 5/5 ▲ 6/30 ♦	11 4/15 ● 4/22 ■ 5/6 ▲ 7/1 ♦	12 4/16 ● 4/23 ■ 5/7 ▲ 7/2 ♦	13 4/17 ● 4/24 ■ 5/8 ▲ 7/3 ♦	14 4/18 ● 4/25 ■ 5/9 ▲ 7/4 ♦
15 74	4/19 ● 4/26 ■ 5/10 ▲ 7/5 ♦	16 4/20 ● 4/27 ■ 5/11 ▲ 7/6 ♦	17 4/21 ● 4/28 ■ 5/12 ▲ 7/7 ♦	18 4/22 ● 4/29 ■ 5/13 ▲ 7/8 ♦	19 4/23 ● 4/30 ■ 5/14 ▲ 7/9 ♦	20 4/24 ● 5/1 ■ 5/15 ▲ 7/10 ♦	21 4/25 ● 5/2 ■ 5/16 ▲ 7/11 ♦
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29 88	5/3 ● 5/10 ■ 5/24 ▲ 7/19 ♦	30 5/4 ● 5/11 ■ 5/25 ▲ 7/20 ♦	31 5/5 ● 5/12 ■ 5/26 ▲ 7/21 ♦	1 92	2 93	3 94	4
5 95	6 96	7 97	8 98	9 99	10 100	11 101	

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Tammy Vickers and Traci Harper



NOMINATED BY
OneBlood
Douglas, GA

Showing the big heart of a small town community

In 2016, Tammy and Traci learned that Glenn Roberts, a local businessman, avid fisherman and hunter, and a beloved member of their small, South Georgia community, was battling an aggressive cancer. The duo, who both work at the local County Chamber of Commerce, rallied their 3,500 neighbors—“Our Tribe”, as they lovingly refer to their town “family”—and hosted a blood drive honoring Glenn. In under eight hours, with two bloodmobiles, they collected 103 blood products.

For Tammy, Traci, and the community, the event has become a symbol of hope, ability, and pride. The 10th Annual Glenn Roberts blood drive was held on April 25, 2025. With Tammy and Traci’s leadership, through spring rains and early summers, they have collected more than 200 gallons—for a total of 1,900 blood products.

Everyone eagerly participates—months in advance, volunteers arrive with supplies. Tammy and Traci assist with shirt designs, food donations, and the phone tree. “So many come out to give in a loved one’s name, and we are always left in awe. Feelings run deep here, and we are humbled when we witness an entire town coming together to circle the wagons.”

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
88	89	90	91	92	93	94
5	5/10 ● 5/17 ■ 5/31 ▲ 7/26 ♦	6 5/11 ● 5/18 ■ 6/1 ▲ 7/27 ♦	7 5/12 ● 5/19 ■ 6/2 ▲ 7/28 ♦	8 5/13 ● 5/20 ■ 6/3 ▲ 7/29 ♦	9 5/14 ● 5/21 ■ 6/4 ▲ 7/30 ♦	10 5/15 ● 5/22 ■ 6/5 ▲ 7/31 ♦
12	13 5/17 ● 5/24 ■ 6/7 ▲ 8/2 ♦	14 5/18 ● 5/25 ■ 6/8 ▲ 8/3 ♦	15 5/19 ● 5/26 ■ 6/9 ▲ 8/4 ♦	16 5/20 ● 5/27 ■ 6/10 ▲ 8/5 ♦	17 5/21 ● 5/28 ■ 6/11 ▲ 8/6 ♦	18 5/22 ● 5/29 ■ 6/12 ▲ 8/7 ♦
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26	27 5/31 ● 6/7 ■ 6/21 ▲ 8/16 ♦	28 6/1 ● 6/8 ■ 6/22 ▲ 8/17 ♦	29 6/2 ● 6/9 ■ 6/23 ▲ 8/18 ♦	30 6/3 ● 6/10 ■ 6/24 ▲ 8/19 ♦	1 6/4 ● 6/11 ■ 6/25 ▲ 8/20 ♦	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
123	124	125	126	127	128	129

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Brenna Teerlinck



NOMINATED BY
ImpactLife
Davenport, IA

Channeling the strength of a loved one to help others

Brenna lost her dad and brother when she was very young. Her cousin, Trevor, took her under his wing. “Trevor filled that hole that I was missing.” But Trevor was battling a rare immune disorder, and often in the hospital. Blood transfusions—588 of them—gave him more time to spend with his family and friends. “When I lost him, I felt like I was losing another brother.”

Trevor’s family decided to host a blood drive every year on May 16, his birthday. As soon as Brenna turned 16, she started to donate blood too. She remembers being so nervous that first donation, at his drive in 2023. She wasn’t sure she could do it, but she did! For Trevor and his memory, his legacy, for what he went through. “Trevor got transfusions all the time. It wasn’t a choice for him.”

Brenna graduated from high school this year and continues to donate regularly. She often brings friends along with her, encouraging many to donate for the first time. Brenna knows firsthand the impact they can make. “Sometimes it’s one donation for one patient. But sometimes it’s 588 donors for one patient.”

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26	27	28	29	30	1	2
116	117	118	119	120	6/5 ● 6/12 ■ 6/26 ▲ 8/21 ♦	6/6 ● 6/13 ■ 6/27 ▲ 8/22 ♦
3	6/7 ● 6/14 ■ 6/28 ▲ 8/23 ♦	4	6/8 ● 6/15 ■ 6/29 ▲ 8/24 ♦	5	6/9 ● 6/16 ■ 6/30 ▲ 8/25 ♦	6
123	124	125	126	8/26 ♦	127	6/11 ● 6/18 ■ 7/1 ▲ 8/27 ♦
10	6/14 ● 6/21 ■ 7/5 ▲ 8/30 ♦	11	6/15 ● 6/22 ■ 7/6 ▲ 8/31 ♦	12	6/16 ● 6/23 ■ 7/7 ▲ 9/1 ♦	13
130	131	132	133	9/2 ♦	134	6/17 ● 6/24 ■ 7/8 ▲ 9/3 ♦
17	6/21 ● 6/28 ■ 7/12 ▲ 9/6 ♦	18	6/22 ● 6/29 ■ 7/13 ▲ 9/7 ♦	19	6/23 ● 6/30 ■ 7/14 ▲ 9/8 ♦	20
137	138	139	140	9/9 ♦	141	6/24 ● 7/1 ■ 7/15 ▲ 9/10 ♦
24	6/28 ● 7/5 ■ 7/19 ▲ 9/13 ♦	25	6/29 ● 7/6 ■ 7/20 ▲ 9/14 ♦	26	6/30 ● 7/7 ■ 7/21 ▲ 9/15 ♦	27
144	145	146	147	9/16 ♦	148	7/1 ● 7/8 ■ 7/22 ▲ 9/17 ♦
31	7/5 ● 7/12 ■ 7/26 ▲ 9/20 ♦	1	2	3	4	5
151	152	153	154	155	156	6
						157

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Mindy Sue Jones



NOMINATED BY

Versiti Blood Center of Ohio
Dayton, OH

Coming together as a family to 'pay it forward'

Mindy's journey with blood donation began through personal tragedy, when in 2016 her husband Vincent was diagnosed with leukemia at just 32 years old. Pregnant with their second son, doctors told her Vincent might not live to see the birth. But transfusions gave Vincent precious extra time which allowed him to meet and hold his newborn son.

To honor Vincent, Mindy hosts a blood drive during the midsummer shortage season. Her annual goal is to collect 50 units—one for each transfusion he received. It's an important way of keeping his memory alive, especially for his two sons. "Even if they don't remember him, they're able to see how he affected people with his life," said Vincent's brother Craig. All dressed in orange, in support of leukemia awareness, and emblazoned with "#VincentStrong", the family welcomes donors—many returning every year—with a pancake breakfast.

Mindy exemplifies unwavering dedication, compassion, and advocacy—values she's passing on. "I told my older son; I hope you and your brother will keep it going. If we're still here in 50 years, it will be like their daddy had a full life."

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31	1 7/6 ● 7/13 ■ 7/27 ▲	2 7/7 ● 7/14 ■ 7/28 ▲	3 7/8 ● 7/15 ■ 7/29 ▲	4 7/9 ● 7/16 ■ 7/30 ▲	5 7/10 ● 7/17 ■ 7/31 ▲	6 7/11 ● 7/18 ■ 8/1 ▲
151	152 9/21 ♦	153 9/22 ♦	154 9/23 ♦	155 9/24 ♦	156 9/25 ♦	157 9/26 ♦
7 7/12 ● 7/19 ■ 8/2 ▲	8 7/13 ● 7/20 ■ 8/3 ▲	9 7/14 ● 7/21 ■ 8/4 ▲	10 7/15 ● 7/22 ■ 8/5 ▲	11 7/16 ● 7/23 ■ 8/6 ▲	12 7/17 ● 7/24 ■ 8/7 ▲	13 7/18 ● 7/25 ■ 8/8 ▲
158 9/27 ♦	159 9/28 ♦	160 9/29 ♦	161 9/30 ♦	162 10/1 ♦	163 10/2 ♦	164 10/3 ♦
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165 10/4 ♦	166 10/5 ♦	167 10/6 ♦	168 10/7 ♦	169 10/8 ♦	170 10/9 ♦	171 10/10 ♦
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172 10/11 ♦	173 10/12 ♦	174 10/13 ♦	175 10/14 ♦	176 10/15 ♦	177 10/16 ♦	178 10/17 ♦
28 8/2 ● 8/9 ■ 8/23 ▲	29 8/3 ● 8/10 ■ 8/24 ▲	30 8/4 ● 8/11 ■ 8/25 ▲	1 8/11 ■	2	3	4
179 10/18 ♦	180 10/19 ♦	181 10/20 ♦	182	183	184	185
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
186	187	188	189	190	191	192

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Because of You, Lives Are Saved Every Day

**AABB and Fresenius Kabi proudly celebrate
Blood Collectors Week 2026.**

This special week honors the remarkable skill and dedication of blood center teams who make every donation experience positive and meaningful. Your commitment helps giving grow—ensuring that lifesaving blood components reach patients in need, every day, everywhere.

We invite you, your colleagues, donors, and communities to join us in celebrating this milestone and recognizing the essential work you do to save lives.



Register your center, get tools and tips to plan the week, share your stories, and voice your support by scanning the QR code or visiting bloodcollectors.org [X@bloodcollectors](https://twitter.com/bloodcollectors)



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SEPTEMBER 6-12, 2026

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Gerald H. Yamane



NOMINATED BY

Blood Bank of Hawaii
Honolulu, HI

Doing your part for the place and people you love

Gerald has been giving blood for more than 40 years, originally in support of a family member. To date, he has made an amazing 702 donations. This positions Gerald as one of the most giving donors in Hawaii!

A lifelong resident of Hawaii's geographically-isolated islands, Gerald understands the community is "together, alone". When it comes to the blood supply, he believes it is his responsibility to help meet local needs, because of the precious time that it takes to import products. For the last 20 years Gerald has focused on platelets, because their already short shelf life is further reduced by the 2 days it takes to have them shipped to and from the mainland for testing.

Plus, by giving platelets, Gerald can donate more often. He works the graveyard shift keeping travelers safe at the Honolulu International Airport and can be counted on to visit the center every two weeks, straight from work. He enjoys the community he has cultivated over the years. "The relationships I've built transcend blood donation—you learn about others' families, work, and more through the common act of 'talking story', and all while doing a good deed."

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	29	30	1	2	3	4
179	180	181	182	183	184	185
5	8/9 ● 8/16 ■ 8/30 ▲ 10/25 ♦	6	8/10 ● 8/17 ■ 8/31 ▲ 10/26 ♦	7	8/11 ● 8/18 ■ 9/1 ▲ 10/27 ♦	8
12	8/16 ● 8/23 ■ 9/6 ▲ 11/1 ♦	13	8/17 ● 8/24 ■ 9/7 ▲ 11/2 ♦	14	8/18 ● 8/25 ■ 9/8 ▲ 11/3 ♦	15
19	8/23 ● 8/30 ■ 9/13 ▲ 11/8 ♦	20	8/24 ● 8/31 ■ 9/14 ▲ 11/9 ♦	21	8/25 ● 9/1 ■ 9/15 ▲ 11/10 ♦	22
26	8/30 ● 9/6 ■ 9/20 ▲ 11/15 ♦	27	8/31 ● 9/7 ■ 9/21 ▲ 11/16 ♦	28	9/1 ● 9/8 ■ 9/22 ▲ 11/17 ♦	29
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
214	215	216	217	218	219	220

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July 2026

Latorra Garland

Celebrating life's precious moments and memories



NOMINATED BY

Carter BloodCare
Bedford, TX

When Jacob, Latorra's healthy, happy 13-year-old son, complained of persistent knee pain, Latorra scheduled a medical checkup. It was the beginning of an unexpected and difficult journey: Jacob was diagnosed with progressive bone cancer.

After his first round of chemotherapy, just days after his diagnosis, Jacob began to have respiratory distress. He was rushed to the ICU, where he received multiple blood transfusions. Though Jacob passed away only a few short months later, as Latorra says, "Every transfusion gave us another day to make memories—to spend more time with Jacob and see his beautiful, contagious smiles."

In Jacob's memory, Latorra has become a force-of-nature champion for blood donation, especially when it comes to the youngest in need. "I will always be an advocate and will donate blood as long as I am able. Jacob never gave up and neither will I." She's gladly shared her story to thousands at annual donor recognition banquets and center staff meetings. In 2022 Latorra founded Jacob Way, a children's cancer charity that helps families like hers focus on healing experiences. "No one should navigate this alone; together we can provide hope and strength."

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
207	208	209	210	211	212	213
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214	11/22 ♦	215	11/23 ♦	216	11/24 ♦	217
9	9/13 ● 9/20 ■ 10/4 ▲	10 9/14 ● 9/21 ■ 10/5 ▲	11 9/15 ● 9/22 ■ 10/6 ▲	12 9/16 ● 9/23 ■ 10/7 ▲	13 9/17 ● 9/24 ■ 10/8 ▲	14 9/18 ● 9/25 ■ 10/9 ▲
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228	12/6 ♦	229	12/7 ♦	230	12/8 ♦	231
23	9/27 ● 10/4 ■ 10/18 ▲	24 9/28 ● 10/5 ■ 10/19 ▲	25 9/29 ● 10/6 ■ 10/20 ▲	26 9/30 ● 10/7 ■ 10/21 ▲	27 10/1 ● 10/8 ■ 10/22 ▲	28 10/2 ● 10/9 ■ 10/23 ▲
235	12/13 ♦	236	12/14 ♦	237	12/15 ♦	238
30	10/4 ● 10/11 ■ 10/25 ▲	31 10/5 ● 10/12 ■ 10/26 ▲	1 10/6 ●	2	3	4
242	12/20 ♦	243	12/21 ♦	244	245	246
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Jeremy Hurley

Creating an ever-widening,
ever-lasting circle of generosity



NOMINATED BY

Our Blood Institute
Oklahoma City, OK

Jeremy knows what a pint of blood can mean to a family in crisis. In 2011, his daughter was born with a life-threatening condition that limited her lung development. Her treatment required a constant supply of blood products. In those terrifying and uncertain days, it wasn't just machines or medicine that kept her alive—it was the selfless generosity of strangers. Thanks to them, Jeremy's daughter is now a healthy, thriving 14-year-old.

But Jeremy's connection to blood donation didn't start there. He actually began giving blood in high school, continuing even while serving in the Oklahoma Air National Guard—never knowing his family would one day be recipients, yet never wavering in his commitment to others. Driven by a profound sense of purpose, he has donated more than 480 times, with a current focus on platelets.

The people he has impacted is ever-expanding. When one of the center employees passed away from cancer, Jeremy created and gifted her family a handmade quilt crafted from all his blood drive T-shirts. He has now started to do the same for other patient families—stitching his compassion and experience into something tangible, something lasting.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday							
30	31	1	10/6 ● 10/13 ■ 10/27 ▲	2	10/7 ● 10/14 ■ 10/28 ▲	3	10/8 ● 10/15 ■ 10/29 ▲	4	10/9 ● 10/16 ■ 10/30 ▲	5	10/10 ● 10/17 ■ 10/31 ▲		
242	243	244	12/22 ♦	245	12/23 ♦	246	12/24 ♦	247	12/25 ♦	248	12/26 ♦		
6	10/11 ● 10/18 ■ 11/1 ▲ Labor Day	7	10/12 ● 10/19 ■ 11/2 ▲	8	10/13 ● 10/20 ■ 11/3 ▲	9	10/14 ● 10/21 ■ 11/4 ▲	10	10/15 ● 10/22 ■ 11/5 ▲	11	10/16 ● 10/23 ■ 11/6 ▲	12	10/17 ● 10/24 ■ 11/7 ▲
249	12/27 ♦	250	12/28 ♦	251	12/29 ♦	252	12/30 ♦	253	12/31 ♦	254	1/1 ♦	255	1/2 ♦
13	10/18 ● 10/25 ■ 11/8 ▲	14	10/19 ● 10/26 ■ 11/9 ▲	15	10/20 ● 10/27 ■ 11/10 ▲	16	10/21 ● 10/28 ■ 11/11 ▲	17	10/22 ● 10/29 ■ 11/12 ▲	18	10/23 ● 10/30 ■ 11/13 ▲	19	10/24 ● 10/31 ■ 11/14 ▲
256	1/3 ♦	257	1/4 ♦	258	1/5 ♦	259	1/6 ♦	260	1/7 ♦	261	1/8 ♦	262	1/9 ♦
20	10/25 ● 11/1 ■ 11/15 ▲	21	10/26 ● 11/2 ■ 11/16 ▲	22	10/27 ● 11/3 ■ 11/17 ▲	23	10/28 ● 11/4 ■ 11/18 ▲	24	10/29 ● 11/5 ■ 11/19 ▲	25	10/30 ● 11/6 ■ 11/20 ▲	26	10/31 ● 11/7 ■ 11/21 ▲
263	1/10 ♦	264	1/11 ♦	265	1/12 ♦	266	1/13 ♦	267	1/14 ♦	268	1/15 ♦	269	1/16 ♦
27	11/1 ● 11/8 ■ 11/22 ▲	28	11/2 ● 11/9 ■ 11/23 ▲	29	11/3 ● 11/10 ■ 11/24 ▲	30	11/4 ● 11/11 ■ 11/25 ▲	1		2		3	
270	1/17 ♦	271	1/18 ♦	272	1/19 ♦	273	1/20 ♦	274		275		276	
4	5	6	7	8	9	10							
277	278	279	280	281	282	283							

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September 2026

Sarah Fuller

Teaching compassion, collaboration, and commitment



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Vitalant
Denver, CO

Englewood High School's National Honor Society began doing blood drives in 2009 after a staff member became critically ill with cancer and needed several transfusions. When Sarah Fuller, an English teacher, became faculty advisor for the Honor Society in 2015, she took on leadership of the drives as well. Under her incredible guidance and enthusiasm, it has become one of the strongest education-based programs in Colorado, resulting in 1,725 units collected—an average of 66 units at each event.

Sarah has her students work together to prepare for the two drives they hold each year in October and April. They engage school administrators and board directors and connect with local restaurants for food donations, ensuring fresh, hot pizzas keep coming throughout the day.

Their success is a great source of pride for Sarah. "These are my favorite events of the school year, and our students most memorable events as well. I will consistently get students asking when permission slips come out. It's nice to see first time donors return, often encouraging friends to participate. And every now and then former students tell me they continue to donate even after graduation."

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday							
27	28	29	30	1	2	3							
270	271	272	273	274	275	276							
4	11/8 ● 11/15 ■ 11/29 ▲ 1/24 ♦	5	11/9 ● 11/16 ■ 11/30 ▲ 1/25 ♦	6	11/10 ● 11/17 ■ 12/1 ▲ 1/26 ♦	7	11/11 ● 11/18 ■ 12/2 ▲ 1/27 ♦	8	11/12 ● 11/19 ■ 12/3 ▲ 1/28 ♦	9	11/13 ● 11/20 ■ 12/4 ▲ 1/29 ♦	10	11/14 ● 11/21 ■ 12/5 ▲ 1/30 ♦
11	11/15 ● 11/22 ■ 12/6 ▲ 1/31 ♦	12	11/16 ● 11/23 ■ 12/7 ▲ 2/1 ♦	13	11/17 ● 11/24 ■ 12/8 ▲ 2/2 ♦	14	11/18 ● 11/25 ■ 12/9 ▲ 2/3 ♦	15	11/19 ● 11/26 ■ 12/10 ▲ 2/4 ♦	16	11/20 ● 11/27 ■ 12/11 ▲ 2/5 ♦	17	11/21 ● 11/28 ■ 12/12 ▲ 2/6 ♦
18	11/22 ● 11/29 ■ 12/13 ▲ 2/7 ♦	19	11/23 ● 11/30 ■ 12/14 ▲ 2/8 ♦	20	11/24 ● 12/1 ■ 12/15 ▲ 2/9 ♦	21	11/25 ● 12/2 ■ 12/16 ▲ 2/10 ♦	22	11/26 ● 12/3 ■ 12/17 ▲ 2/11 ♦	23	11/27 ● 12/4 ■ 12/18 ▲ 2/12 ♦	24	11/28 ● 12/5 ■ 12/19 ▲ 2/13 ♦
25	11/29 ● 12/6 ■ 12/20 ▲ 2/14 ♦	26	11/30 ● 12/7 ■ 12/21 ▲ 2/15 ♦	27	12/1 ● 12/8 ■ 12/22 ▲ 2/16 ♦	28	12/2 ● 12/9 ■ 12/23 ▲ 2/17 ♦	29	12/3 ● 12/10 ■ 12/24 ▲ 2/18 ♦	30	12/4 ● 12/11 ■ 12/25 ▲ 2/19 ♦	31	12/5 ● 12/12 ■ 12/26 ▲ 2/20 ♦
1	2	3	4	5	6	7							
305	306	307	308	309	310	311							

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Blake Laverdiere



NOMINATED BY

Rhode Island Blood Center

An operating division of New York Blood Center Enterprises
Providence, RI

Building a corporate culture of dedicated blood donors

More than 15 years ago at a blood drive at his workplace, Blake shared his reason for donating with center Account Manager Heather Robenhymer. His teenage son had cancer and needed numerous transfusions throughout his treatment—transfusions that, he said, “saved my son’s life on more than one occasion.”

At the time, participation in the company’s drives was declining. Heather saw Blake’s passion and suggested he help reinvigorate the program. From that moment on, Blake became one of the center’s most committed and effective advocates, setting the standard for successful partnerships with local organizations.

Blake has since built a strong culture of donation. He encouraged senior leaders to rally their teams, brought Blood Drive Ambassadors to tour the center’s labs, and secured financial, staff, and facility support during critical times. He even serves on the center’s Advocacy Board. Blake’s efforts and impact have been nothing short of transformational. Thanks to his leadership, his company now hosts four drives a year, averaging 500 donations each—making it the largest and most reliable blood drive in Rhode Island.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 305	12/6 ● 12/13 ■ 12/27 ▲ 305	2 12/7 ● 12/14 ■ 12/28 ▲ 306	3 12/8 ● 12/15 ■ 12/29 ▲ 307	4 12/9 ● 12/16 ■ 12/30 ▲ 308	5 12/10 ● 12/17 ■ 12/31 ▲ 309	6 12/11 ● 12/18 ■ 1/1 ▲ 310
8 312	12/13 ● 12/20 ■ 1/3 ▲ 2/28 ♦ 313	9 12/14 ● 12/21 ■ 1/4 ▲ 3/1 ♦ 314	10 12/15 ● 12/22 ■ 1/5 ▲ 3/2 ♦ 315	11 12/16 ● 12/23 ■ 1/6 ▲ 3/3 ♦ 316	12 12/17 ● 12/24 ■ 1/7 ▲ 3/4 ♦ 317	13 12/18 ● 12/25 ■ 1/8 ▲ 3/5 ♦ 318
15 319	12/20 ● 12/27 ■ 1/10 ▲ 3/7 ♦ 320	16 12/21 ● 12/28 ■ 1/11 ▲ 3/8 ♦ 321	17 12/22 ● 12/29 ■ 1/12 ▲ 3/9 ♦ 322	18 12/23 ● 12/30 ■ 1/13 ▲ 3/10 ♦ 323	19 12/24 ● 12/31 ■ 1/14 ▲ 3/11 ♦ 324	20 12/25 ● 1/1 ■ 1/15 ▲ 3/12 ♦ 325
22 326	12/27 ● 1/3 ■ 1/17 ▲ 3/14 ♦ 327	23 12/28 ● 1/4 ■ 1/18 ▲ 3/15 ♦ 328	24 12/29 ● 1/5 ■ 1/19 ▲ 3/16 ♦ 329	25 12/30 ● 1/6 ■ 1/20 ▲ 3/17 ♦ 330	26 12/31 ● 1/7 ■ 1/21 ▲ 3/18 ♦ 331	27 1/1 ● 1/8 ■ 1/22 ▲ 3/19 ♦ 332
29 333	1/3 ● 1/10 ■ 1/24 ▲ 3/21 ♦ 334	30 1/4 ● 1/11 ■ 1/25 ▲ 3/22 ♦ 335	1 336	2 337	3 338	4 339
6 340	7 341	8 342	9 343	10 344	11 345	12 346

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Kristine Ouimet



NOMINATED BY

American Red Cross
Pleasant Hill, CA

Advocating for a lifetime commitment to blood donation

Kristine began donating when she was just 16, at a high school event. From then on, she gave as often as possible—whenever a drive was nearby. But her connection to blood donation became deeply personal when her two children, Matthew and Carswell, were diagnosed with a rare genetic disease.

Both boys required numerous blood and platelet transfusions—Matthew alone needed almost 40. Seeing firsthand how vital blood products are, Kristine and her family started hosting blood drives. They've been an overwhelming success and now average four per year. But in 2022, during one of the children's hospital stays, they experienced a platelet shortage. In that moment Kristine decided to go one step further for the cause. She began donating platelets regularly so that no one else would have to wait and wonder if help would arrive. In 2024, she reached her personal goal: 24 triple platelet donations in a single year.

Recently, Kristine created a short film to raise awareness about giving blood and inspire others not just to donate once, but to make it a long-term commitment—especially when it comes to the platelets her sons depended on.

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29	30	1	1/5 ● 1/12 ■ 1/26 ▲	2	1/6 ● 1/13 ■ 1/27 ▲	3	1/7 ● 1/14 ■ 1/28 ▲	4	1/8 ● 1/15 ■ 1/29 ▲	5	1/9 ● 1/16 ■ 1/30 ▲		
333	334	335	3/23 ♦	336	3/24 ♦	337	3/25 ♦	338	3/26 ♦	339	3/27 ♦		
6	1/10 ● 1/17 ■ 1/31 ▲	7	1/11 ● 1/18 ■ 2/1 ▲	8	1/12 ● 1/19 ■ 2/2 ▲	9	1/13 ● 1/20 ■ 2/3 ▲	10	1/14 ● 1/21 ■ 2/4 ▲	11	1/15 ● 1/22 ■ 2/5 ▲	12	1/16 ● 1/23 ■ 2/6 ▲
340	3/28 ♦	341	3/29 ♦	342	3/30 ♦	343	3/31 ♦	344	4/1 ♦	345	4/2 ♦	346	4/3 ♦
13	1/17 ● 1/24 ■ 2/7 ▲	14	1/18 ● 1/25 ■ 2/8 ▲	15	1/19 ● 1/26 ■ 2/9 ▲	16	1/20 ● 1/27 ■ 2/10 ▲	17	1/21 ● 1/28 ■ 2/11 ▲	18	1/22 ● 1/29 ■ 2/12 ▲	19	1/23 ● 1/30 ■ 2/13 ▲
347	4/4 ♦	348	4/5 ♦	349	4/6 ♦	350	4/7 ♦	351	4/8 ♦	352	4/9 ♦	353	4/10 ♦
20	1/24 ● 1/31 ■ 2/14 ▲	21	1/25 ● 2/1 ■ 2/15 ▲	22	1/26 ● 2/2 ■ 2/16 ▲	23	1/27 ● 2/3 ■ 2/17 ▲	24	1/28 ● 2/4 ■ 2/18 ▲	25	1/29 ● 2/5 ■ 2/19 ▲	26	1/30 ● 2/6 ■ 2/20 ▲
354	4/11 ♦	355	4/12 ♦	356	4/13 ♦	357	4/14 ♦	358	4/15 ♦	359	4/16 ♦	360	4/17 ♦
27	1/31 ● 2/7 ■ 2/21 ▲	28	2/1 ● 2/8 ■ 2/22 ▲	29	2/2 ● 2/9 ■ 2/23 ▲	30	2/3 ● 2/10 ■ 2/24 ▲	31	2/4 ● 2/11 ■ 2/25 ▲	1		2	
361	4/18 ♦	362	4/19 ♦	363	4/20 ♦	364	4/21 ♦	365	4/22 ♦	1		2	
3	4	5	6	7	8	9							
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Submit a Nomination

Each year, Fresenius Kabi proudly partners with blood centers across the U.S. to recognize the unsung heroes of our industry through the Fresenius Kabi National Blood Donation Hall of Fame. This program celebrates individuals who have demonstrated exceptional commitment to blood donation—whether through their own donations or by inspiring others to give.

Blood centers nationwide are invited to submit nominations, and inductees are selected annually for their remarkable dedication and passion.

We encourage you to nominate a donor or individual who has shown unwavering support for blood donation. Anyone may submit a nomination, and there is no limit to the number of nominations per blood center. However, individuals may be inducted into the Hall of Fame only once.

Inductee Recognition

Inductees into the Fresenius Kabi National Blood Donation Hall of Fame are honored in several meaningful ways:

- Recognized at a ceremony hosted by their nominating blood center, where they will receive a personalized award
- A featured profile in the Product and Donor Eligibility Dating Calendar and on the Fresenius Kabi U.S. website
- Celebrated through a customizable news release provided to the nominating blood center for local media outreach

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Hall of Fame

2026 Nominations Now Open!

Submit your nomination(s) for the Fresenius Kabi National Blood Donation Hall of Fame by June 9, 2026.

Share the story of your most inspiring donor(s) by emailing us at: info.usa@fresenius-kabi.com

Scan the QR code to learn more about the nomination process.



Keep Holidays in Mind When Planning to Donate.

Federal holidays are included for your convenience to help you plan ahead when scheduling or considering blood donation, as some donation centers may have adjusted hours or increased need during these times.



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