

- American Red Cross

It is time for the Red Cross Battle of the Badges Blood Drive. This means local law enforcement will “battle” with local firefighters and EMS to see who can give the most blood.



EMS personnel, firefighters and law enforcement officers give time to the community; they give a sense of security to residents; and they often give blood, too. As local heroes to many, their courage in the face of adversity bolsters people in need.

But the Battle isn't just for police officers and fire fighters; anyone can get involved in the fun by donating blood and voting for a favorite team. But choose your vote carefully, it might just come up the next time you're trying to get out of that speeding ticket or when need to get the cat out of the neighbor's tree.

Join the Battle of the Badges and donate at the Liberal Community Blood Drive on Thursday from noon to 6 p.m. at the Western Avenue Church of Christ located at 215 S. Western Ave.

Lunch will be sponsored by Stu Emmert's Automotive.

Red Cross Battle of the Badges begins

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When this contest is over, the Battle of the Badges winner gets bragging rights and a big trophy. But most importantly, hospital patients throughout Southwest Kansas are also winners because they get the life-saving blood they need to survive.

Anyone can become a hero during Battle of the Badges. This is your chance. Give blood.

How to Donate Blood:

Call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit redcrossblood.org for more information or to make an appointment. All blood types are needed to ensure the Red Cross maintains an adequate blood supply. A blood donor card or driver's license or two other forms of identification are required at check-in. Donors must be in general good health, weigh at least 110 pounds and be at least 17 years old (16 with completed Parental Consent Form). New height and weight restrictions apply to donors 18 and younger.