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**Red Cross blood drive set for Thursday**  
-Kathryn McNeil  
The Red Cross is sponsoring a blood drive on Thursday, Oct. 3, from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Red Cross Community Center, 1000 W. 12th St., in Manhattan.

**School board sets date for public comment on grading program**  
-By Kelli O'Connell  
The Manhattan School Board will hold a public hearing on Oct. 15 to discuss the school district's proposed grading program.

**2013 LHS Homecoming Parade**  
Participate in the 2013 Litchfield High School Homecoming Parade! The parade will start at 10 a.m. along the parade route through town. It will conclude at the senior center in the evening.

**Govt. closes Omaha Beach in Normandy during shut-down**  
-Kelli McNeil  
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