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**Red Cross blood drive set for Thursday**  
-Katie McNeil  
The Red Cross is sponsoring a blood drive on Thursday, Oct. 10, from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Leavenworth Community Center, 1000 W. 10th St. in Leavenworth. The drive is open to all donors 17 years of age and older. For more information, call 816-451-4400.

**School board sets date for public comment on grading program**  
-Katie McNeil  
The Leavenworth School Board will hold a public hearing on Oct. 10 at 7 p.m. to discuss a proposed grading program. The hearing will be held at the Leavenworth Community Center, 1000 W. 10th St. in Leavenworth. The board will also discuss the proposed program and take public comment. For more information, call 816-451-4400.

**2013 LHS Homecoming Parade**  
Participants in the 2013 Leavenworth High School Homecoming Parade took their place in the parade on Saturday afternoon. The parade started at 10 a.m. and went along the main street through town. The parade was a great success and the school is proud of the participation of all the students.

**Govt. closes Omaha Beach in Normandy during shut-down**  
-Katie McNeil  
The U.S. National Archives and Records Administration has closed Omaha Beach in Normandy during a shut-down. The beach is a National Historic Landmark and is a popular tourist destination. The shut-down is due to a fire at the beach. The fire started on Oct. 4 and destroyed several buildings. The fire is still under investigation. The beach is expected to be open again in the near future.