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**Donors come out for two blood drives to support local man**

It's been said time and again, that area people step up when there's a need. That was true again last week, as residents from northern Vermilion County turned out for a blood drive in honor of Dave Anderson, local farmer and Butler Township Supervisor.

A community blood drive was held February 28 at First Church of God, Hoopeston. It was sponsored by Hoopeston FFA Alumni. A second drive was held March 1 at Hoopeston Area High School, sponsored by the student council. Normally held for faculty and students, the school opened its drive to the public in support of Mr. Anderson.

Both were resounding successes, said Elizabeth Silver, who coordinated public awareness for the events.

The community drive set a goal of 35 pints and collected 50. Two people were unable to give and there were seven cancellations, Silver said. "But seven people stepped up and did walk-ins," Silver said.

Of the 52 people total, 24 were first-time donors.

The high school's goal was 38. Forty-two pints were collected. Of the 42 donors, 12 were first-timers, said teacher Ashley Gondzur, student council sponsor. Six people who signed up were unable to keep their appointments.

The school gets money for a scholarship based on the number of pints collected in its two blood drives this year. "We are able to give a \$586 scholarship this year," she said.

Those 88 combined pints will help significantly more people. "One pint of blood can actually save up to three lives, according to ImpactLife," Silver said, "so they always tell us we saved three times as many donations as

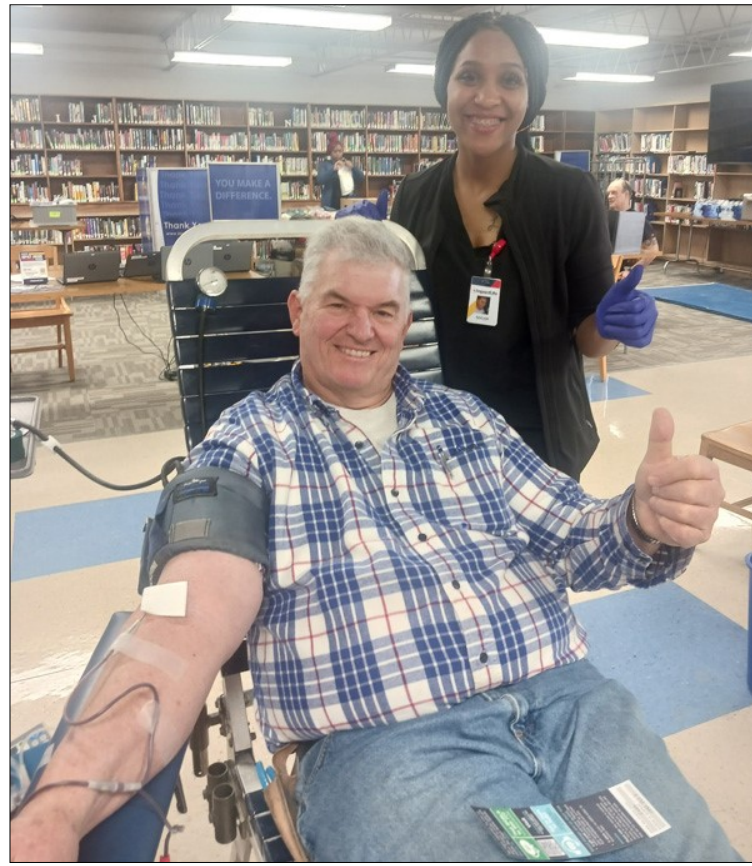


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 First-time blood donor Chris Elliott, of Rankin, and blood program representative, Taylor, give thumbs-up at last week's blood drive in honor of Dave Anderson.

we received."  
 Dave Anderson was initially diagnosed in October with myelodysplastic Syndrome (MDS), but it progressed  
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## Briefly

### Siren testing

Hoopeston test its outdoor warning sirens at 10 a.m. the first Tuesday of each month, barring inclement weather.

### Scam warnings

A couple of Hoopeston area senior citizens want to

## From the Blotter

**Gage Wilson**, 30, of Hoopeston, was arrested after a traffic stop at 7:05 p.m. Saturday at South Seventh Ave. and West Main. He was taken to the police station where he was charged with driving while license revoked and released on a notice to appear in Vermilion County traffic court.

**Troy A. Knight**, 36, of Hoopeston, was arrested after a stop at 8:43 p.m. Sunday in the 300 block of East Orange. He was charged with driving while license revoked and operating an uninsured vehicle and was released on a notice to appear in Vermilion County traffic court.

**Brittany N. Knight**, 32, of Milford, was arrested by Iroquois County Sheriff's Police on Saturday. She was charged with domestic battery and taken to the Iroquois County Jail, where she remained in lieu of bond.

## Support continued from other side

quickly into acute myeloid leukemia (AML), said his son, Ryan Anderson.

"My dad is hoping that after this targeted treatment he took, that he will regrow new cells and regress the cancer back to the MDS side, which would allow him to hopefully return to some source of normal life," Anderson said.

The treatments completely erased Dave Anderson's immune system. "The hope is he will grow new, healthy cells, which is where we are now, he added."

As Anderson has learned, his dad is not the only one who might benefit from a blood drive. One person is Aleyah Carley, from Gifford, he said. That's when Russ Leigh and Silver organized the event on behalf of the Future Farmers of America, "which my dad strongly believes in to encourage young farmers to pursue this important career."

The Andersons are very much involved with each other, not only as a family but in their businesses, as well. Dave Anderson helps out at Anderson Funeral Home, owned by Ryan. The elder Anderson is also involved with the younger's tractor-pulling ventures.

warn others about scam phone calls they recently received. One received a call saying a grandchild had been arrested and provided a phone number to call. The other received a call that a grandchild had been hospitalized and also had a number to call.

Residents who receive such calls should not call the number provided by the caller, as it is a scheme to get money.

## Koffee & Konversation

Hoopeston Methodist Church will hold Koffee & Konversation at 8:30 a.m. Tuesdays. Free coffee, sweets and conversation. All are welcome!

## At the library

Upcoming events at Hoopeston Public Library include:

**Littles @ the Library**, 10:30 a.m. Tuesdays. Preschool story, craft and playtime for children from birth to age 5 and their caregivers.

**Coffee, Craft & Conversation** 10 a.m.-noon Wednesdays. Crochet, knit, sew and other needlecraft, along with those who do other portable handcrafts are inviting to bring their projects and enjoy a morning of fun and conversation!

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But family is the priority, so when Ryan was at the Louisville National Farm Show, trying for a 3-peat at a national championship and got a call that his dad "hit some rough times," Ryan left to be with his dad and family.

Ryan has left two national events when his dad's condition worsened. The support of his fellow pullers during this time make them part of his extended family. Area residents are also part of the family.

"It is amazing to our family the outpouring kindness we have received from our wonderful community and also, my tractor pulling family," Anderson said, asking a favor from them: "We just ask the community for continued prayers for new, healthy cell growth."

## Weather

Decreasing clouds today. High 46. Tonight, mostly cloudy. Low 31. Tomorrow, mostly cloudy. High 44, low 30.

For real time Hoopeston weather, visit [justthefacts.net/weather/](http://justthefacts.net/weather/).

## HMA activities

**Women's Morning Donut Group** meets at 8:15 a.m. every Wednesday in the large room at Hoopeston Multi Agency, 206 S. First Ave. Come join us!

**Card group meets** Wednesday for euchre starting 12:30.

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