



Siouxland Community Blood Bank

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BLOOD BANK RECOGNIZES BLOOD DONORS AT ANNUAL DINNER

SIOUX CITY, IA June 20, 2007– The Siouxland Community Blood Bank held their Annual Donor Recognition dinner on Tuesday, June 19th at the Sioux City Country Club. This award banquet recognizes volunteer blood donors who reached ten, fifteen, twenty, twenty-five, thirty and forty-five gallon donation levels from March 16, 2006 through March 15, 2007.

Guest speaker for the event was Holly Brees, an 18-year-old graduate of Sergeant Bluff-Luton High School. Holly's mother passed away in January of 2005 of cervical cancer. Holly has held over fifteen blood drives in her mother's honor and has recruited students in her high school to become routine volunteer blood donors. "After realizing that the gift of blood added months to my mom's life, I became much more involved. From my experiences, I've learned how truly important it is to reach out, help someone and give blood."

"We would like to thank each donor for donating throughout the years. It's because of what they do that makes a difference in the lives of many patients" said Janette Twait, CEO of the Siouxland Community Blood Bank. "These donors donated a total of 13,680 pints of blood which in itself is remarkable".

Blood donors from the following Iowa communities were recognized:

Akron, Alford, Anthon, Carroll, Charter Oak, Cherokee, Denison, George, Hawarden, Hinton, Hospers, Ida Grove, Lawton, Le Mars, Mapleton, Marcus, Maurice, Okoboji, Onawa, Orange City, Paullina, Remsen, Rock Valley, Rockwell City, Sac City, Sergeant Bluff, Sibley, Sioux Center, Sioux City, Storm Lake and Thornton.

Blood donors from the following Nebraska communities were recognized:

Allen, Bancroft, Dakota City, Dixon, Emerson, Lyons, Newcastle, Pender, Ponca, South Sioux City, Wakefield, and Wayne.

Blood donors from the following South Dakota communities were recognized:

Burbank, Dakota Dunes, Elk Point, McCook Lake, Mitchell and Pickstown.

Ten gallon blood donors recognized were (alphabetized by community name): Robert Sullivan (*Alford, IA*); Robert Kerns (*Anthon, IA*); Randy Miller (*Bancroft, NE*); Joseph Kyte (*Burbank, SD*); Gary Stark (*Carroll, IA*); Marvin Staley (*Charter Oak, IA*); Marvin Christensen, Connie Ladwig, Jesse Schlichting, Eugene Sitzmann and Daniel Speelmon (*Cherokee, IA*); Lester Juon, and Bonnie Lindquist (*Dakota Dunes, SD*); Susanne Brummer (*Denison, IA*); David Dunn (*Dixon, NE*); John Kyte (*Elk Point, SD*); Billie Rager (*Emerson, NE*); James Cuttell, David Krogman and Ida Mae Kruger (*George, IA*); Dan Byker (*Hawarden, IA*); Vincent Klein (*Hospers, IA*); Francis Dreves and Timothy Galles (*Ida Grove, IA*); Mary Riemenschneider (*Lawton, IA*); Steve Cronin, Larry Hamer, Donald Kerr, Gary Konz and Joyce Lancaster (*Le Mars, IA*); Larry Neuhaus (*Lyons, NE*); Joseph Christensen, Wesby Rus and Gene Vanderbur (*Mapleton, IA*); Kevin Hart (*Marcus, IA*); Kevin Hulstein (*Maurice, IA*); James Fowler and Larry Williams (*McCook Lake, SD*); Lawrence Schmitt (*Mitchell, SD*); Raymond Kneifl (*Newcastle, NE*); Larry Eggers (*Okoboji, IA*); Patricia Aldrich, Roger Meadows and Herold Meyer, (*Onawa, IA*); Lloyd Cleveringa, Harlan De Haan, Lorraine Krommendyk, Jacob Stander, and Rena Van Dyke, (*Orange City, IA*); John Lohberger (*Paullina, IA*); Kevin Fillipi and Don Heineman (*Pender, NE*); Russell Gall (*Pickstown, SD*); Gary Bennett and Terry Nelson, (*Ponca, NE*); John Bensley and Gary Hansen (*Sac City, IA*); Charles Herrig (*Sergeant Bluff, IA*); Eugene Groen (*Sibley, IA*); Irwin De Boer Shirley Klein, Bruce Roetman, Anna Schaap, David Spaans, Colleen Van Berkum, Donald Van Voorst and Basil Vander Helm (*Sioux*

Center, IA); Neal Asmussen, Norman Cline, Julie Hayward, Judith Keizer, Mary Jane Koenigs, Patricia Krage, Gerry Mc Knight, Sandra Miller, Anita Neri, Maurice Nieland, Walter Pavlushik, David Postello, Charles Reeser, Charles Rothe, Ramond Santi, Ronald Stusse, and Lorraine Vollers (*Sioux City, IA*); Gary Hallstrom (*South Sioux City, NE*); Gordon Horner (*Thornton, IA*); James Litchfield and Carol Ulrich (*Wakefield, NE*) and Keith Jarvi (*Wayne, NE*).

Fifteen gallon donors recognized were(alphabetized by community name): Richard Richter, (*Cherokee, IA*); Curtis Meyerhoff, (*George,IA*); Marga Binneboese, (*Hinton, IA*); Charles Beller and Lawrence Kellen (*Le Mars, IA*); Lawrence Garvin (*Marcus, IA*); Russell Van Peursem (*Orange City, IA*); David Bortscheller Mike Tentinger (*Remsen, IA*); Jerry Noteboom (*Rock Valley, IA*); Robert Onnen (*Rockwell City, IA*); Robert Wise (*Sergeant Bluff, IA*); Norman Ashby, Terry Beaumont, Bruce Chartier, John Culver, Sandra Grote, Charlene Hesse, Ralph Hesse, Larry Martin David Sitzmann, Ivan Streeter and James Wingert (*Sioux City, IA*); Roger Beargeon and Steven Kay, (*South Sioux City, NE*); Thomas Eaton (*Wakefield, NE*); Darold Beckenhauer, Ronald Milliken and Theodore Reeg (*Wayne, NE*).

Twenty gallon donors recognized (alphabetized by community name): Stanley Anderson (*Akron, IA*) and Shirley Slota-Alesch (*Le Mars, IA*).

Twenty-five gallon donors recognized : Richard Hall, Russell Kock, Donald Kumm, and Edward Marquardt (*Sioux City, IA*).

Thirty gallon donors recognized (alphabetized by community name): Michael Borschuk (*Dakota Dunes, SD*); Steven Hetzel, (*Onawa, IA*); Paula Hamp-Nelson, Eugene Hoffman, Don Kessler, and Darrell Ritchie (*Sioux City, IA*); and Michael O'Brien (*South Sioux City, NE*).

Also recognized was Donald Wood of Sergeant Bluff, Iowa for achieving forty-five gallons of donated blood.

The evening was made possible by generous corporate sponsorship from Pall Medical Corporation.

To be eligible to donate individuals must be at least 17 years of age (16 in Iowa with a signed Siouxland Community Blood Bank parent consent form); however there is no upper age limit as long as the donor is in good health. In addition donors need to weigh at least 110 pounds and have not donated whole blood in the past 56 days. A photo I.D. is required at the time of registration as well as a list of medications they are currently taking.

For more information about the Siouxland Community Blood Bank or blood drives in your area, call 712-252-4208, 1-800-798-4208 or visit www.siouxlandbloodbank.org

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