



Greater Kalamazoo Area Chapter
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SPRING REALLY IS HERE!

KALAMAZOO, MI, March 25, 2008—Despite the lingering cold and snow, the calendar tells us that Spring really did arrive on March 20. The Greater Kalamazoo Area Chapter of the American Red Cross urges you to add another task to that Spring Cleaning and To Do List. ***Give Blood Now!***

Giving blood is safe, simple and only takes about an hour. With 32 public blood drives in our four county area in April, there will certainly be one that is convenient for you. Some drives are by appointment only, but most are walk-in with no appointment necessary.

Giving blood saves lives, in fact each donation can save up to three lives. Donors must be at least 17 years old, weigh a minimum of 110 pounds and be in good general health. Donors may give blood every 56 days.

For questions on donor eligibility or blood drives scheduled throughout the region please contact the Greater Kalamazoo Area Chapter of the Red Cross at (269) 353-6180 or toll-free at (800) 382-6382, or visit us on the web at www.greaterkzooredcross.org

The April 2008 public blood drive schedule is as follows. Please note that the schedule is subject to change; call us or check our web site throughout the month for updated information.

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Kalamazoo County – April 2008

Thurs., April 3	Noon-5:45 pm	ARC "O" Drive, 5640 Venture Ct. Appts: 353-6180 ext. 0
Thurs., April 3	11 am-4:45 pm	WMU Bernhard Center
Fri., April 4	11 am-4:45 pm	Kalamazoo Valley Comm. College, 6767 West O.
Mon., April 7	Noon-5:45 pm	Gilmore Center for Health Education Appts: 353-6180 ext. 0
Tues., April 8	9 am-2:45 pm	Arvco Contatiner Corporation, 345 Gibson St.
Wed., April 9	Noon-5:45 pm	WMU Britton/Hadley Residence Hall
Thurs., April 10	Noon-5:45 pm	ARC Chapter, 5640 Venture Court. Appts: 353-6180 ext. 0
Fri., April 11	Noon-5:45 pm	Borgess Health/Fitness Ctr, 3025 Gull Rd. Appts: 552-2200
Fri., April 11	11:30 am-5:15 pm	KRESA 1819 E. Milham Rd.
Mon., April 14	Noon-5:45 pm	Portage Community Center, 325 E. Centre St.
Wed., April 16	12:30-6:15 pm	Oshtemo Township Hall, 7275 West Main St.
Fri., April 18	1:30-7:15 pm	Winchell Elementary, 2316 Winchell, Kalamazoo

Mon., April 21	Noon-5:45 pm	Lawrence Educ. Ctr.,1701 Gull Road
Fri., April 18	Noon-5:45 pm	Richland Bible Church, 8643 Gull Road
Mon., April 21	11 am-4:45 pm	WMU Bernhard Center
Wed., April 23	10:15am-4:00 pm	Comerica Building, 151 S. Rose St.,
Thurs., April 24	1:00-6:45 pm	ARC Chapter, 5640 Venture Court. Appts: 353-6180 ext. 0
Mon., April 28	Noon-5:45 pm	Westwood United Methodist Church, 538 Nichols Rd.

Allegan County – April 2008

Tues., April 8	1-6:45 pm	Martin United Methodist Church, 969 E Allegan Rd
Thurs., April 10	Noon-5:45 pm	Christian Reformed Ch., 6591 Old Allegan Rd., Saugatuck
Tues., April 22	Noon-5:45 pm	Church of God, 112 Kalamazoo St., Otsego
Wed., April 23	11:30 am-5:15 pm	Allegan General Hospital, 555 Linn St., Allegan
Thurs., April 24	Noon-5:45 pm	Hamilton Reformed Church, 3554 M 40.
Thurs., April 24	Noon-5:45 pm	Plainwell Community Center, 798 E. Bridge St.
Fri., April 25	Noon-5:45 pm	Open Door Reformed Church, 1683 142 nd Ave., Dorr.

Cass County – April 2008

Fri., April 25	Noon-5:45 pm	Holy Maternity of Mary Catholic Church, 210 N. Front St.
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St. Joseph County – April 2008

Tues., April 1	Noon-5:45 pm	Centreville United Methodist Church, 305 East Main St.
Fri., April 4	Noon-5:45 pm	Mendon United Methodist Church, 320 West Main Street,
	Mendon.	
Mon., April 7	Noon-5:45 pm	Sturgis Wesleyan Church, 907 N. Nottawa
		Appts: 800-382-6382
Tues., April 15	8 am-1:45 pm	Centreville High School, 190 Hogan
Tues., April 22	Noon-5:45 pm	Pioneer H-Bred Intl., Inc., 1365 S. Washington St.,
	Constantine.	
Wed., April 23	11:30-5:15 pm	JoCo Center, 805 Wood Street, Three Rivers.