



**Gulf Coast Regional  
Blood Center**  
*Commit for Life.*

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## REPLENISHMENT BLOOD DRIVE TO SUPPORT LOUIS BUZEK

*Blood Donors Encouraged to Commit for Life and Ensure a Strong Blood Supply*

**WHAT:** Members of the local Knights of Columbus Council No. 2490 are holding a replenishment blood drive for El Campo resident Louis Buzek, who suffered serious injuries after a hunting accident in January. Several units of blood from voluntary blood donors have sustained Buzek's life.

It's the blood already on the hospital shelf during an emergency that saves lives like Buzek's. Blood donations take about 24 hours to process and have a limited shelf life. That's why individuals are encouraged to *Commit for Life* and donate at least once a quarter. Every donation can help save up to three lives.

More information about Buzek can be found at <http://www.prayingforlouisb.blogspot.com>.

**WHEN:** Wednesday, July 22 – 3 to 8 p.m.

**WHERE:** Knights of Columbus-2490  
1458 CR 406  
Armory Road-Highway 71  
El Campo, TX 77437

**For more information, contact Greg Witcher at (979) 543-1884. To schedule your donation, visit [www.giveblood.org](http://www.giveblood.org) or call 1(888) 482-5663.**

**ABOUT US:** Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center is asking its donors to *Commit for Life*. It takes three simple steps: 1) Donate once per quarter; 2) allow The Blood Center to contact you; and 3) spread the word, encouraging others to *Commit for Life*. The Blood Center is the primary supplier of blood components to more than 170 hospitals and health care facilities in a 25-county Texas Gulf Coast region. Donors must be at least 17 years of age, weigh a minimum of 110 pounds and be in good general health. Individuals who are 16 years old, at least 122 pounds, in good general health and have their parents' consent also may donate. The donation process is simple, taking only about one hour. Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center is a nonprofit, independent blood center that is not affiliated with the American Red Cross.

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