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BRAWL OF THE WILD BLOOD DRIVE NOV. 17-18 AT UM

MISSOULA –

The fourth annual Brawl of the Wild Blood Drive Challenge will take place at The University of Montana on Tuesday and Wednesday, Nov. 17-18.

The challenge pits UM donors against donors from Montana State University to see which school can collect the most donated blood for patients in need. The blood drive will take place from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. both days in the University Center Ballroom, located on the third floor of the UC.

UM collected the most units of blood the first two years of the competition, but MSU came out on top last year, and the Brawl of the Wild blood drive traveling trophy now sits in Bobcat territory.

Help make the Grizzlies victorious this year by donating so the American Red Cross can meet the blood needs of accident victims, premature babies, surgery patients and others.

To make an appointment, go online to <http://www.givelife.org> and enter sponsor code “gogriz.” Walk-ins are welcome. Positive ID is required to donate blood. Remember to eat a complete meal and drink plenty of water before donating blood. For eligibility questions, call 800-737-0902.

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