

The Elsie/Madrid community blood drive held Dec. 23 was a great success, according to coordinators Michele Cutler and Rosalie Curtis. The goal set by the American Red Cross was surpassed.

Many donors braved the unfavorable weather conditions to donate.

Lunch and a variety of cookies and breads was served by the Elsie Methodist women.

Winners of the Cabela's gift cards were Mary Harger of Madrid and Marion Glunz of Elsie.

Two Nebraska CattleWomen cookbooks donated by Pat Potter of Elsie were won by Lazette Knoll and Mary Harger.

Along with her good luck with door prizes that day, Mary Harger also reached her two gallon mark with her blood donation.

Jerry Rosentrater and Scott Kennicutt were two new donors at the drive.

Appreciation goes out to the following volunteers without whom the event could not take place: Jo Leonard, Deb Rosentrater, John and Madisyn Cutler, Tori Osler, Jill Kennicutt and Katy Miyamoto.