



A tradition in the making.

Motorcyclists from across the Midwest hit the open road for a very special kind of drive Saturday, May 7--a blood drive. This annual event is held at Eagle Nation Cycles in Neenah, and CBC was on hand to collect blood donations.

Now in its sixth year, the May Day Blood Run blood drive has grown. The event attracts more riders and their families each year, as well as those who just enjoy seeing dozens of motorcycles all in one place. Blood drive organizer and owner of Eagle Nation Cycles, Steve Erato, said the event has taken on a new meaning, after the death of his young son, Vincent in 2004. "We started this drive six years ago, and ever since my son died, the need for blood took on a new meaning in my family," Steve said. "We just



want to make sure that children, and everyone have blood when they need it."

More than 100 people came out to donate blood! The event was a huge success, and monetary donations were also collected for The Vincent Erato Foundation. The Vincent Erato Foundation raised \$1250 in donations. All proceeds go to helping kids who need items such as clothes, car seats, food, school supplies, and medicine. All these donations came from the support of people at the May Day Blood Run. The Vincent Erato Foundation has donated money to Children's Hospitals of Milwaukee and Neenah. Both hospital's have memory boards with Vinny's name on it.

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