

Perry's **Paul Kowalski** Recognized by Red Cross

Paul Kowalski of Perry's Site Projects group was recognized yesterday by the American Red Cross for more than 40 years of blood donations, totaling 25 gallons during that time. Denise DiDonato, Red Cross donor recruiter for the Ashtabula county area, recognized Paul with a framed certificate of achievement and autographed photo of Cleveland Indians Hall-of-Famer Bob Feller, another lifetime donor, during Perry's blood drive this week. Paul also received a framed congratulatory poster from Perry blood drive coordinator **Russ Matthys**.

Denise indicated that in addition to being a regular donor, Paul has been instrumental in recruiting others to contribute to saving a life. His work as a recruiter as well as his willingness to help coordinate blood drives at Perry and the Ashtabula Plant have been a tremendous help to the organization.



Denise DiDonato (left) of the Red Cross presents a recognition award to Perry's Paul Kowalski (right) to commemorate his life-saving gift of 25 gallons of blood, donated over 40 years. Also pictured is American Red Cross staff member Michael Bennett.

Boy Scouts Earn Merit Badge at **D-B Camporee**

More than 135 Boy Scouts and 60 adult leaders converged at Davis-Besse last Saturday to participate in the Boy Scout Atomic Energy Camporee. The scouts' primary mission was to earn a Nuclear Science merit badge through the series of classroom and presentation activities planned for the day-long event. In addition, they toured the Visitor Center and received a security presentation, as well as a wildlife presentation by members of the Black Swamp Bird Observatory.

The annual event was coordinated by **Randy Burk** of Operations, assisted by site volunteers **Jack Reuter, Chris Sutter, Jim Adams, Scott Plymale, Don Rowland, John Cunnings, Gerry Wolf, Nate Wahl, Jeff Cuff** and **Rob Seibel**. Recent D-B retiree Bob Morrison also lent a hand with the event. Thanks to all who helped make it a success!



(Top) The eyes say it all as an inquisitive scout prepares to move a switch on the control panel in the Control Room Simulator as Operations Instructor Nate Wahl coaches the young man on what to do.

(Bottom) D-B retiree Bob Morrison demonstrates using a handheld Geiger counter to the scouts during the camporee.

Operating **Experience**

Dresden – While shutting a condensate pre-filter inlet isolation valve, the chainwheel came off the valve and fell approximately 12 feet to the grating below. The cause was a loose bolt used to secure the chainwheel to the valve stem. Similar events have occurred previously throughout the industry, including one that resulted in a lost-time injury at Turkey Point in 2008. (OE32096)

Lessons Learned: Previous corrective actions taken in response to similar events, both internal and external to Exelon, were not sufficient to prevent this event. In this case, a safety restraint was not installed on the chainwheel to prevent it from falling due to a mechanical defect or degraded condition.