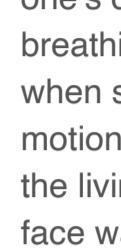
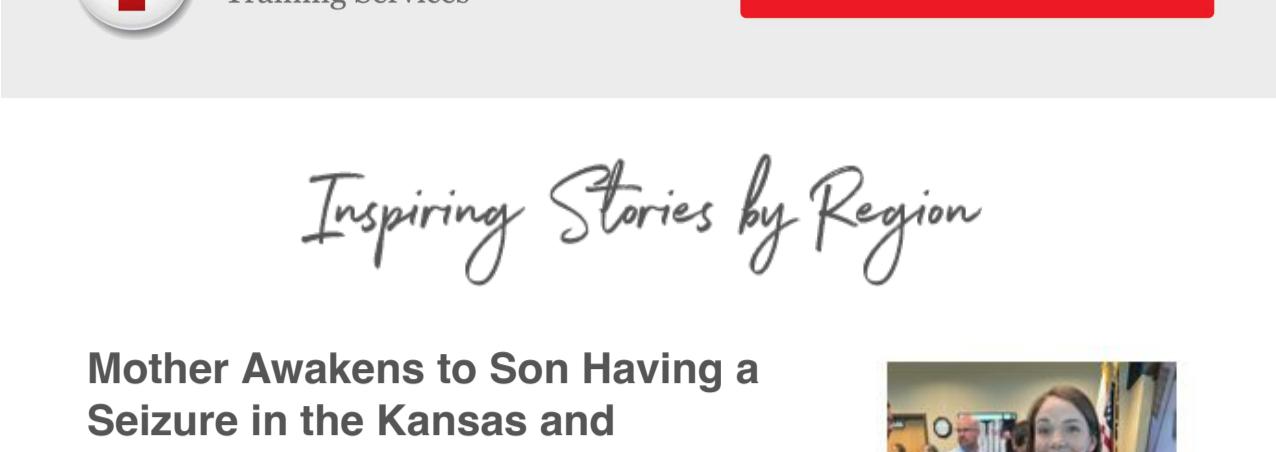
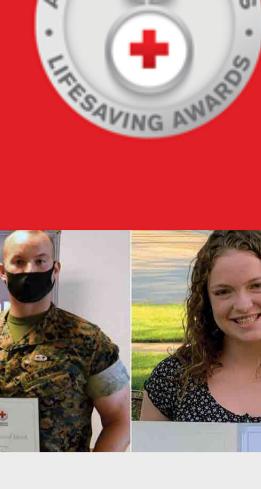


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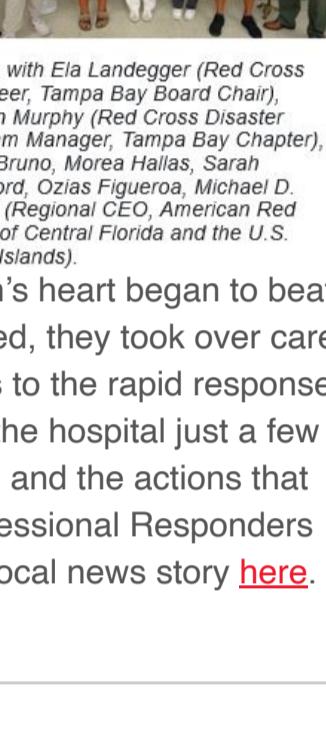
## Inspiring Stories by Region

### Mother Awakens to Son Having a Seizure in the Kansas and Oklahoma Region

There is nothing more terrifying than having one's child experience a seizure and stop breathing. Courtney Cosby experienced that when she awoke to her son exhibiting a jerking motion in bed beside her. She carried him into the living room and, lying him down, saw that his face was blue and he was unresponsive.

Courtney, who learned child CPR in a Red Cross class, instructed her mother to call 911 while she started CPR. As the little boy was being transported to the hospital, he came to and started coughing and crying. Courtney was awarded the Certificate of Merit for her brave actions.

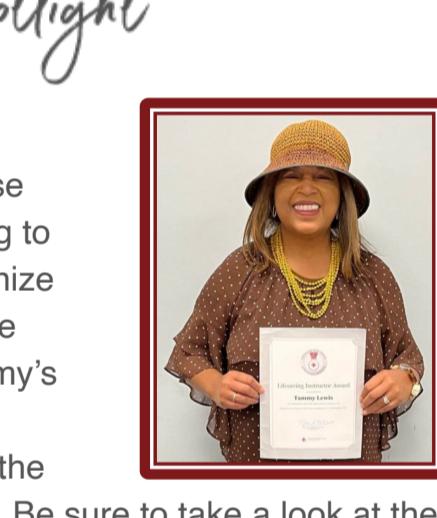
Read more on the region's Facebook [page](#).



Courtney Cosby is recognized for her heroics.

### Lifeguards Rush into Action in the Central Florida Region

When bystanders alerted four on-duty lifeguards about a man who collapsed while playing pickleball, the team didn't hesitate. Ozias Figueroa, Sarah Crawford, Morea Hallas and Alicia Bruno, all certified by the Red Cross, quickly responded to the scene. The team worked seamlessly, performing CPR and, after securing the AED, delivering two shocks. The man's heart began to beat, and he regained consciousness. When EMS arrived, they took over care and transported the patient to the hospital. Thanks to the rapid response of the lifeguards, the man was able to walk out of the hospital just a few days later. Read more about this quartet of heroes and the actions that led to their receiving the Lifesaving Award for Professional Responders on the region's [news page](#) – or take a look at the local news story [here](#).



L to R: with Ela Landegger (Red Cross Volunteer, Tampa Bay Board Chair), Janson Murphy (Red Cross Disaster Program Manager, Tampa Bay Chapter), Alicia Bruno, Morea Hallas, Sarah Crawford, Ozias Figueroa, Michael D. Brown (Regional CEO, American Red Cross of Central Florida and the U.S. Virgin Islands).

### Volunteers Save a Life During a Ping Pong Game in the Wisconsin Region

Ping pong balls were flying and paddles hitting their targets when Tom Stolzenburg experienced a sudden cardiac arrest.

Karen Staebell and Jessica Schmidt, who were working the event, watched Tom

collapse to the floor. They noted that he was unresponsive, had stopped breathing and did not have a pulse. After immediately calling 911, they started CPR until EMS arrived at the scene and took over his care. Karen and Jessica received the Certificate of Extraordinary Personal Action for their response, and Tom was present at the award ceremony. "I am thankful and lucky to be alive," he says. It's an inspiring story – read more on the region's [blog](#).



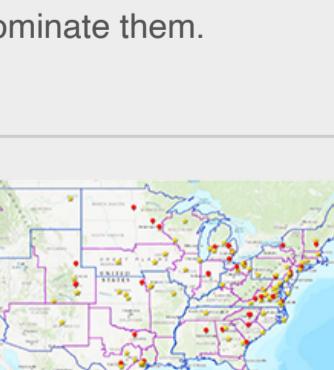
L to R: Jessica Schmidt and Karen Staebell

## Instructor Spotlight

### Tammy Lewis

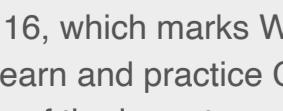
Each month we highlight an Instructor whose student(s) have used their lifesaving training to save or sustain a life. This month we recognize Tammy Lewis, who works for The Muscogee Nation, a Red Cross training provider. Tammy's

student Courtney Cosby, who she taught Pediatric First Aid/CPR/AED, is featured in the Kansas and Oklahoma Region story above. Be sure to take a look at the carousel of ceremony photos on the Muscogee Nation's Facebook [page](#). We extend our thanks to Tammy for providing the quality training that allowed her student to save a life.



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Nominate. Recognize. Inspire.

### Saving Lives Starts Here

If you or someone you know has used **skills** and **knowledge** learned in a Red Cross Training Services course to help save or sustain the life of another individual, visit [LifesavingAwards.org](#) to nominate them.



Want to know if you have a local hero in your area? Take a look at our [map](#).

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