

Giving blood

is (hic) fun

Bleed fiercely--there's beer in it

By BUTCH TRELEAVEN

Bleed, U of A, bleed.

Rick Dewar, med 3, is out for blood—yours and mine. He is in charge of this year's blood drive Nov. 28—Dec. 1 and Dec. 5-8 in the west lounge of SUB.

So we bleed and then what? That is when the real work begins. It costs approximately \$6.50 for the handling and processing of a pint of blood.

Blood transfusions are free across Canada. In the U.S. it is a different situation. In California a pint of blood costs about \$25. A patient going into open heart sur-

gery at the Mayo Clinic at Rochester, New York can expect to pay between \$400 to \$500 for blood alone.

Dr. Buchanan, medical superintendent of the Red Cross blood transfusion service, explained: "After a bottle (380 cubic centimetres) has been donated some blood is left in the tubing." This blood is divided into two samples, for a recheck of blood group and a test for infection up to and including syphilis.

SHORT LIFE

Fresh blood lasts only 21 days. Any blood not used within this time is sent to Toronto where the blood plasma is fractionated into protein fractions that can be stored for years.

These fractions are very useful for fighting disease, immunization and the treatment of shock.

But at U of A you do not have

to be a humanitarian to donate. There are reasons—like beer and trophies.

There are four competitions to encourage students and faculty to donate. U of A is involved in an inter-university competition for the Corpuscle Cup based on the percentage of students donating.

The Transfusion Trophy will be awarded to the faculty which is first to reach 100 per cent of its membership donating.

NEW TROPHY

A new trophy is being introduced this year by the inter-residence council. It goes to the residence having the highest percentage of donors.

The Inter-Fraternity Council has taken their usual practical attitude. They have arranged for the men's fraternity with the highest percentage to receive two cases of beer from each of the other nine fraternities.



—Neil Driscoll photo

A DRIP IN THE BOTTLE
... is worth two in the vein

Get sick now - it's free
at Student Health Services

If you're planning to break a leg, do it before the summer.

It won't cost you a cent.

Student Health Service covers a student's medical expenses from the day he registers until the day he writes his last exam.

"We try to provide all necessary medical and consultation services during the university year," said Dr. J. F. Elliott, director of SHS. This includes supplying drugs, if prescribed, and ambulance service free of charge.

However, SHS does not cover provision or replacement of eyeglass lenses, injuries resulting from automobile accidents, or immunization and vaccination.

In case of chronic diseases, the Student Health Service Committee determines to what extent coverage will be provided.

If a student withdraws during the year because of pregnancy, she can receive care free of charge at the Obstetrical Clinic of the University Hospital.

"The Pill" is not available at SHS except for treatment (e.g. to regulate the menstrual cycle). "We don't feel that our function is to provide contraceptives to students," said Dr. Elliott.

SHS will assume the cost of a student's psychiatric care to a

maximum of \$200. Any costs exceeding this amount will have to be paid by the student himself.

However, this year SHS has engaged a psychiatrist on a retainer basis and his service is free.

Some students may never need SHS but they like the idea of having it. "It's there and if you need it you can use it—kind of like an insurance," said Robert Ward, arts 2.

Families of married students are not covered by SHS. However, it does provide a well child clinic which ensures proper growth, normal development and provides immunizations for pre-school children of full-time students.

Some students have objected because SHS does not provide coverage during the summer. This year MSI brought out a policy which covers the student for the summer and the students' spouse and family for the whole year.

"We were under the impression that this is what was wanted," said Dr. Elliott, "but the response has been very low."

Those students who have used it speak highly of SHS. "They'll send you to a specialist if they can't take care of you and they won't quibble about it," said Mary Samide, arts 3. "And the food is terrific," she added.

Your female
frigid? -- See
Treasure Van

By MARION CONYBEARE

Is your girl frigid?

Get her a fertility doll at Treasure Van.

If that doesn't work, try a wife leader. And if all else fails you can always turn to the wineskin.

Along the same Venus statuettes are offered to them what likes to look. And for the full-grown Linus there are bedtime cuddly Koala bears.

Treasure Van sells souvenirs, jewelry, and ornaments from all over the world.

This year there is twice as much "treasure."

There has been a cut in Japanese goods, but bongos from Taiwan, the banana republic of the far east, were added.

Proceeds from the annual sale go towards an international seminar, Canadian travel seminars, education seminars, and to the national WUS office.

Between 750 and 1,000 volunteers are needed to run the sale. Interested persons can contact Dale Enarson, people's manager, in Room 108, SUB.

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Symbol, symbol, on the wall

Students' union is once more calling for designs for its corporate symbol.

Such a design should include a symbolic representation of the new building, says students' union general manager Marv Swenson.

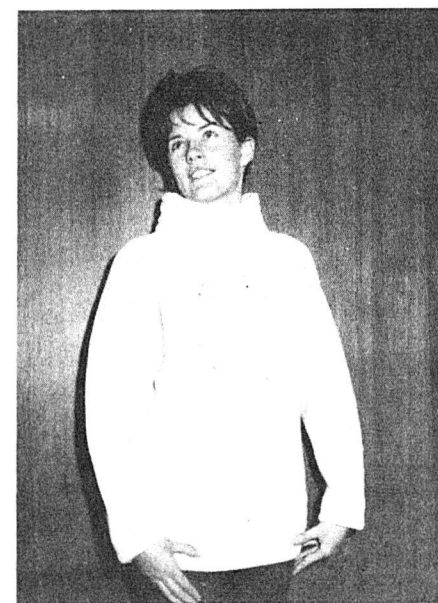
The "symbol-hunt" began last March with a contest asking students to submit entries of eye-catching corporate symbols, representative of the students' union.

Contest results were never announced. Recent inquiry into the situation explained why—none of the three entries submitted were acceptable.

As well, the small cash award set aside for the contest winner remains untouched.

Such a symbol will decorate the students' union letterhead, the cafeteria china, and the building itself, if ever accepted.

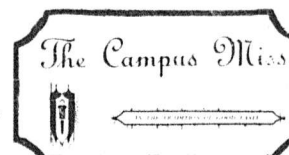
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