

# Donate blood, give the gift of life in next week's Red Cross blood drive

By Andrew Lucas  
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Blood may not be a commodity that most people want to part with, but giving blood is a simple way to help save a life.

Campus Red Cross will have a blood drive Tuesday and Wednesday in the Centennial Room of the Nebraska Union. The drive is open to students and the public and will be from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

"Anyone from the community can come in," said Jennifer Allen, chairwoman of the blood drive.

People interested can make an appointment, but walk-ins also are welcome.

"It usually takes about an hour to an hour and fifteen minutes," said Allen, a senior biology and pre-med major.

Blood donors can come to the union

to be registered. They must give a blood sample and answer a few questions about their health. Donors must weigh more than 110 pounds and be older than 17.

Nurses from the American Red Cross and the Community Blood Bank will work at the drive.

Julie Duerfeldt, a junior in the Teachers College, said potential donors should not be worried about getting AIDS by donating blood.

"There has never been a case of someone getting AIDS from giving blood," Duerfeldt said.

People who have received a tattoo within the last year or who have been out of the country within the last year are not eligible to give blood. People on antibiotics also are not eligible.

About a pint of blood is drawn and then tested. Donors will be sent a card telling them their blood type. The blood also is tested for the HIV virus,

and the donor is contacted if the results are positive.

Once collected and tested, the blood is used by the American Red Cross and the Community Blood Bank.

Blood is in high demand because it is used for burns, accident victims and surgeries, Allen said.

The blood type O-negative has the highest demand because of its compatibility. Blood also can be separated for other uses.

"Different parts of the blood can be used for different things," Allen said.

The Eagle radio station will broadcast a live promotion at the blood drive.

"They (students) might get to be on the radio," Allen said. "If nothing else," she said, "they get the pleasure of knowing they're helping someone out."

## East Campus issues main topic of debate

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ing more student involvement in ASUN.

A debate sponsored by East Campus groups on East Campus stayed on that theme for much of the time Thursday.

East Campus issues, such as parking, availability of core classes and renovations for the campus' union and rec center were discussed.

The first debate in this year's race for the ASUN

presidency was sponsored by UNL Collegiate 4-H, Block and Bridle and the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources Advisory Board.

The parties took turns touting their ideas for the campus.

ACCESS presidential candidate Chad Pekron suggested moving some ASUN offices to East Campus. He also raised the possibility of adding a food court to the union.

CUT COST presidential candidate Mark McGovern applied his idea of not requiring class attendance to East Campus. Some students have trouble commuting between the East and City campuses, he said.

LETTUCE, which had all three candidates at the debate, suggested that more University Program Council social functions occur on East Campus.

IMPACT, which also had all candidates present, suggested more metered parking for East Campus, as well as more labs and recitations to go with core classes.

All parties spoke about attain-

The ACCESS party was asked about its negative view of greek involvement in campus government. Pekron said he apologized for offending any greeks, but he said he felt greeks had taken over ASUN and that non-greeks weren't given a chance to show whether they could be effective leaders on campus.

LETTUCE vice-presidential candidate Andy Smith rebutted Pekron's statement by saying that until any other groups showed they could lead, greeks would remain in charge. Smith said his party was 99 percent greek.

Student fees also were an issue. McGovern said he hoped to ease students' financial burden. He said he wanted to make advisers responsible for mistakes made in class schedules and to eliminate late fees for tuition and housing.

Shawntell Hurtgen, presidential candidate for IMPACT, said she had been a part of the Committee for Fee Allocations and that her party would work with administration and student senators to keep fees reasonable.

IMPACT representatives responded to most questions by saying they were glad the other parties agreed with their platform.

"We're all in agreement," Matt Kissler, LETTUCE's second vice-presidential candidate, said. "Now let's move on."

McGovern said he found it interesting that IMPACT was taking credit for all the ideas, even though they were the last party to come out with a platform.



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## Lawmakers move slowly on economic package

From The Associated Press

A senator from Omaha predicts that a highly touted computer manufacturing company won't build a proposed \$1.3 billion plant near Omaha. "I'll bet you \$50 that Micron is not coming to Omaha," Sen. Ernie Chambers told Omaha colleague Sen. Eric Will during floor debate on three economic incentive bills.

"You're gonna grovel and give away everything we have," Chambers said Thursday.

The chief sponsor of the three bills aimed at sweetening the pot for Micron Technologies Inc., Speaker of the Legislature Ron Withem of Papillion, said he's pleased with signs of progress he saw during the vote on two amendments offered to one of the bills. Each amendment mustered only


11 affirmative votes.

At issue was Eddyville Sen. Jim Jones' attempt to restrict a zoning provision of the bill from 10 miles to two miles. The amendment failed 11-32. A Coorsden amendment to increase the number of jobs needed to qualify for the tax breaks and other incentives failed 11-22.

"I think we found out that there's probably 10 or 11 senators who aren't supporting the bills," Withem said.

Omaha is one of three finalists for the new plant. Oklahoma City and Utah County, Utah, are the other two finalists. Micron is expected to select a site for its proposed plant by March 1.

The bills comprise the bait aimed at luring Micron or any other company that would agree to invest at least \$50 million and employ at least 500 people.



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partments should not have to lay off regular employees.

If they could not find alternate funds, he said, they may cut hours worked by temporaries or eliminate some services.

"Any time we're going to impact costs on the university and our budget, of course we're concerned," he said. "At this point, it's a wait-and-see approach to see what happens to this proposal."

Swanson said as a department manager, he had mixed emotions about the increase.

"I'd feel good for the employees' group affected," he said. "We can all

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**DARYL SWANSON**  
Nebraska Union director

empathize with the necessity of getting better pay for our work.

"On the contrary, as a manager I'd have to find the funding to cover those raises, and that's more difficult."

Swanson said he might ask the Committee for Fees Allocation for a student fee increase or raise prices on goods and services.

Swanson also said departments

might economize — where departments could accomplish more with fewer workers and fewer hours.

Emily Wilber, a student employment specialist at the Student Employment and Internship Center, said a wage increase could entice more students to work in a department. But others would have to downsize due to tight budgets, she said.

## Regents

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to him.

"It's a good thing for us to get out of Varner Hall," he said.

Regent Robert Allen of Hastings said he was excited about the tour but would have a lot of questions about items not on the tour. He said, however, he would remember where he was.

"I've got to be on my good manners," he said.

Allen said he would ask about deferred maintenance at Richards and Burnett halls. He said he was glad to have the \$40 million Beadle Center at UNL, but having it only several blocks from the two halls was "embarrassing, if not disgusting."

Regent Charles Wilson of Lincoln said the tour was a chance for faculty and students to bring the regents up to speed on what was happening on their campus.

Wilson said an all-day tour of each campus would be better than a five-minute report from each of the chancellors.

The tour of UNL coincides with the regents' meeting Saturday in Varner Hall.

Business items fill the regents' agenda this month. Items on the schedule Saturday are:

● The regents will consider a proposal to raise room and board rates for residence halls at UNL and the University of Nebraska at Kearney. Under the proposal, UNL room and board rates for a double-room, 20-meal plan would go from \$3,145 to \$3,350, a 6.5 percent increase.

● The board will consider the approval of a bid to purchase a \$349,250 Immunocytometry System. The system would sort plant chromosomes, nuclei, animal cells, bacteria and other microorganisms. The equipment would be part of the Beadle Center for Biotechnology.

● The board also will hear financial statements and enrollment figures from the four campuses. The budget items contain current information about budgets, gifts and grants available to the campuses.

According to the agenda, the NU system has 50 percent of its total budget remaining with six months left in the current fiscal year.

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