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# Minnesota Association of Blood Banks Newsletter



## WELCOME 2022, LETS TALK ABOUT SOME BLOOD BANKING

Hello everyone and welcome to the first newsletter of 2022! My name is Alex Negro and I wanted to personally welcome all of you to this place where we can share our passion about Transfusion Medicine. Thank you all for saving lives every single day! It is a privilege to be writing this letter to you!

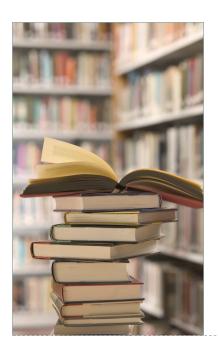


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• See page 3 about our upcoming 2022 Fall Conference. SAVE THE DATE right now!



#### THE CONTINUATION OF OUR MISSION

We are dedicated...

- To provide educational opportunities and to support the education of those practicing Blood Banking and Transfusion Medicine in order to encourage high standards of service in blood product collection, testing, and administration throughout the state of Minnesota.
- To foster, promote, aid, and encourage additional activities that may extend the best possible blood banking service throughout the state of Minnesota
- To encourage communication and networking between Blood Banking and Transfusion Medicine professionals
- To increase the visibility of Blood Banking

and Transfusion Medicine and those working in this field



"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world." - Nelson Mandela

#### **EDUCATION**

Our big news right now is the FOUR scholarships that are being offered right now for students!



CHECK THIS OUT!

### MNABB SCHOLARSHIP—WANT MONEY TO LEARN?



This year we are pleased to offer up to four \$1,000 scholarships to **Minnesota students in MT/CLS/MLS or SBB programs.** For more information, please contact the Education Coordinator, Kelly Gillaspie: <a href="mailto:kelly.gillaspie@innovativeblood.org">kelly.gillaspie@innovativeblood.org</a>

If you are interested in applying for one of our annual scholarships, a copy of the application, along with eligibility requirements, is below. Application deadline for 2022 is August 31st.

<u>CLICK HERE</u> (If reading digitally to be directed to our website to apply or to share the application to others who are interested)



# INFORMATION ON THE ROOM WHERE IT HAPPENS

#### Embassy Suites by Hilton Minneapolis North

Adjacent to the Earle Brown Heritage Center and two miles from Brooklyn Center. 15 minutes from downtown Minneapolis hotspots such as Target Center and Guthrie Theatre, and the Mall of America is 23 minutes away.

<u>CLICK HERE</u> for directions or to check out what is around the area!

#### MNABB ANNUAL FALL CONFERENCE— SEPTEMBER 21, 2022

SAVE THE DATE for this awesome event that will have presentations on topics ranging from project management tools within Transfusion Medicine to trends happening within the world of Blood Banking today.















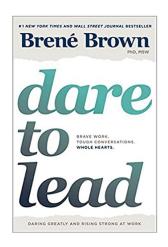
LINKS TO MUSIC

HIGHWAY TUNE— GRETA VAN FLEET

BLACK SMOKE RIS-ING—GRETA VAN FLEET

#### WHAT BLOOD BANKERS ARE RECCOMENDING

Within this section I will be sharing some recommendations from myself as well as any suggested recommendations. Please contact me to let me know something you would enjoy sharing!



**Recommended Book from Alex**: Dare to Lead: Brave Work. Tough Conversations. Whole Hearts

#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER "Brené Brown has taught us what it means to dare greatly, rise strong, and brave the wilderness. Now, based on new research conducted with leaders, change makers, and culture shifters, she's showing us how to put those ideas into practice so we can step up and lead."



**Recommended Music from Alex:** Greta Van Fleet

If you are a fan of 60s-70s music or identify yourself as a Led Zeppelin fan, you will absolutely love this band! I originally started listening to them because they are from Michigan, I fell in love instantly!

#### ABOUT NEWSLETTER AUTHOR

Hello everyone! My name is Alex Negro and am your brand new newsletter editor! I am very excited to be working with all of you and am excited to have more to share with you in the future. If you are curious about me, you should check out this article that I was featured in here at Mayo Clinic! OUR STAFF, OUR STORIES: Alexander Negro



#### MINNESOTA ASSOCIATION OF BLOOD BANKS

Have a safe and fun start to your summer! From our blood bank to yours, happy life until next time!



#### SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE NEWSLETTERS?

I am very open to suggestions and sharing anything that you would like others to see about the world of blood!

# Please send an email <a href="HERE">HERE</a> to share with me (Alex)!



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