

# LESTAT FAMILY TO RECEIVE INFUSION OF NEW BLOOD

## C.R.U.D.E. Will Give 'Til It Hurts

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CHARITY HOSPITAL-- On Sunday, February 12, the offices of the American Dental Network will be the site of C.R.U.D.E.'s (the Council to Revive Urban Decadence) first annual blood drive. The drive will benefit the Lestat family, prominent members of the local vampire and old line carnival communities for many years.

All vampires who can prove at least a 1/8 lineage relationship (Vampiroons) to the original Lestat family will be provided with a generous infusion of freshly drawn blood. The amount available to each recipient will depend on the success of C.R.U.D.E.'s efforts to solicit donations from the French Quarter crowds the night before, during the Krewe du Vieux's humane benefit parade.

C.R.U.D.E. was inspired to sponsor this unique vampiritarian drive as a result of the group's increasingly politically correct consciousness of the nutritionally challenged condition of vampires. Respect for Vampirian Right-to-Life has moved the sensitive (especially around the neck) members of C.R.U.D.E. to seek ways of easing the daily vampirian burden of never knowing where the next meal will come from. Dining on rats is a hazardous last resort, made even more difficult since PETA has filed suit and obtained a restraining order.

The dire conditions facing the

Lestat and other vampire families have been further exacerbated by recent legislation ramrodded through the Republican Congress, which eliminates food stamps and meals-on-wheels eligibility for Vampiroons. Said House Speaker "Eye of Newt" Gingrinch, Fascist-Georgia, "These subsidies were taking too large a bite out of the budget. If they want to eat, they can get day jobs."

Before initiating the blood drive, C.R.U.D.E. consulted with former Surgeon-General Jocelyn Eblers, who assured krewe members that blood saturated with sufficient quantities of alcohol could not sustain any disease-bearing organisms. This convinced the group that Mardi Gras revelers would provide the most healthful blood supply for the vampirian sisters and brothers.

All Krewe du Vieux members and parade watchers will be solicited on the night of Saturday, February 11 (as well as being asked to give blood). Please give generously to this noble and most unnatural cause. (After receiving their infusions of blood, vampires and Vampiroons will be entitled to a free fang polishing and oral examination, performed without any foolish and unnecessary anesthesia by volunteer LSU freshmen dental students.)



## Pig Out? Shape Up, N'Awlins!

RUE BOURBON-- N'Awlins folks are good people. Only dey just luv to eat and drink too much. Hey, dat's uh great excuse to PARTY! Sounds like da natural ting ta do in dis city, huh? So wat's da problem, dawlin'?

Yeah, da Holiday Season has come and gone, and da Krewe du Rue Bourbon has eatin and drunk deir way into obesity -- along wid da rest of N'Awlins. Ain't nothin unnatural bout dat fact. Surely da Krewe ain't gonna go by some "Diet in N'Awlins" cookbook by Chef BlubberMouth Bass.

So, da most unnatural thing a body could do at dis time of da year is . . . Shape Up, N'Awlins. You can eat all da meals ya want and learn to lose dat nasty fat as you follow dose Bourbon Crazyies while dey stumble deir way tru da Vieux Carre. Hey, maybe we should oughta hire dat N'Awlins dawlin Richard Simmons for dis!

## Krewe of Mystic Inane: Just Say N.O.

Following a tradition established many Mardi Gras' ago, Krewe of Mystic Inane has brought in new members of an unusually twisted sort. Following our innate drive to a senseless yet sentimentally sensitive theme, members have voted to support the city we proudly call home. After many hours of intensive re- libation and deliberation on the Wild Side, we have come to the obvious and respectfully we must most unnaturally "Just say N.O."