

## *United Way campaign successful*

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Fifty per cent more people helped make Niagara College's United Way campaign a success this year, said Rick Demers, co-chair of the United Way of South Niagara, and supervisor of health, safety and security at Niagara College in Welland.

"Student Council put out a tremendous effort for the United Way through donations and a barbecue at the Student Administrative Council (SAC)."

"They really helped us (the United Way campaign) out a lot," said Demers.

Demers said Niagara College raised \$14,723 for the United Way (75 per cent of the 1995 goal of \$20,000).

"We had 50 per cent more people donating this year than last," said Demers.

"We're hoping the hard work (the college did) will result in success for years to come," said Demers.

"One of the recommendations to next year's cabinet (for the United Way campaign at Niagara College) is to have a year-long campaign," said Demers.

Demers said in mid-January 1996

a new person will be selected to run the United Way campaign at Niagara College.

What worked and what didn't (for the 1995 campaign) will be discussed at a meeting then, said Demers.

"Overall, we would have liked to have met our original goal (of \$20,000), but we're thankful with everyone who donated," said Holly Gennings, co-chair of the United Way of South Niagara, and secretary of employment services for Niagara College.

Gennings, winner of the staff's day off with pay, said she was shocked.

"(I was) most definitely shocked," said Gennings.

Although Gennings said she will probably do shopping on her day off, she hasn't decided when the day will be.

In The United Way of South Niagara, Welland received 96 per cent of their goal (\$568,000) with \$545,111 raised, a difference of \$22,889.

Pelham exceeded their goal (\$17,000) by two per cent (\$305), giving \$17,305 to the United way.

Port Colborne's goal of \$82,500 was exceeded by five per cent

(\$4,153), sending United Way \$86,653.

In total, \$766,088 was sent to the United Way of South Niagara, exceeding their 1995 goal of \$765,000 by \$1,088.