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An Information, Issues, and Events Newsletter
for Clients and Friends of the Foundation



Come Help ASF Honor World AIDS Day with a Candlelight Vigil

ASF will commemorate **World AIDS Day** with a **Candlelight Vigil** on **Saturday December 2** from **7:30 – 8:00 p.m.** The Vigil will be held at the Second Street Promenade in the Artists Village in Santa Ana. The event is open to the public. Candles will be provided at the vigil.

The vigil will draw our attention to the fight against AIDS here in Orange County and around the world. We will also take time to remember those friends, partners, spouses and family members we have lost to the disease. The vigil will include music, poetry and readings to help us commemorate the evening.

Gift Baskets Are Coming!

Holiday Gift Baskets will be available from **December 4** through **December 22!** If you haven't turned in your form or have questions about the Gift Basket Program, **please call your case manager.**

Special thanks go out to the **Friday Night Trios Bowling League** donating to the Holiday Gift Basket program, which held the 2nd Annual No Tap Tournament on October 22, 2006. Their generous contributions are greatly appreciated!

You are encouraged to join us for the vigil and spend the evening in the Artist Village. The vigil coincides with the monthly Open House Art Walk held in the Artists Village. Several restaurants in the area provide dining options and you can walk through the galleries and studios to make it a full evening. ASF staff will be onsite throughout the evening to provide people attending the Art Walk with information about HIV/AIDS and ASF.

If you have questions about the event please contact Ty Rose, Outreach Chaplain at ASF, 949-809-8762 or trose@ocaf.org.

Parking can be found in the 'Artists Village Parking Structure' at Third Street and Broadway in Santa Ana. More information on the Artists Village may be found on the web at www.aplaceforart.org

You're Invited to ASF's Family Christmas Party!!!

The Family Christmas Party will be held on Friday, December 22 from 6:30 - 9:30pm at the United Methodist Church, 1000 State College Avenue, Anaheim, CA. For more information call Dave Merino at (949) 809-5774.



Attention All Clients Who Have Medicare!

You can go to www.medicare.gov to get information on changes to Part D Prescription Drug Coverage for 2007.

In 2006, many of you qualified for the Part D "Extra Help" (a.k.a. Low Income Subsidy or LIS) by having ADAP meet your Share of Cost for 2005. This allowed you to pay a low copay for each medication to not have to pay any premiums.

Now, Medicare is screening all Medicare beneficiaries to see who will get this "Extra Help" in 2007. The website will help you find out if you qualify. If you need help getting onto the internet, need help with the process, or just have questions, you can call Rob Natsuhara, Benefits Counselor, at (949) 809-5715.

Latino Mass at St. Ann's

There will be a Mass by Bishop Jaime Soto on Saturday, December 9 at 7:00pm at St. Ann's Church in Santa Ana in memory of Latino clients who have passed away. **All clients are invited to attend.** Flowers and Mass Cards will be handed out. For more information, contact Dave Merino at (949) 809-5774.

VIVIENDO POSITIVAMENTE 1st AND 3rd TUESDAY OF THE MONTH 10:30am - 12:00pm

Street drugs and HIV

December 5

Join Sariah Kakishita to the presentation to this interesting topic.

Using leftovers

December 19

David Merino from the food pantry at ASF will be giving us tips on how to use leftovers during the holliday season.



POSITIVE U EVERY WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH 10:30am - 12:00pm

GILEAD Sciences

December 6

Michael Roy from GILEAD Sciences will be with us again presenting another of interesting topic.

Holiday decorations

December 13

Join Carmen and Mayra on the making of holiday decorations.

The Gift

December 20th

Joe Mendoza will be presenting a film that will be followed by a discussion.

Nutrition Labels

December 27th

Join Sariah Kakishita while she talks about what we need to know about nutrition labels.

What's Up?!? at OCASF

Support Groups

Choices

Wednesdays 12:30pm—2:00pm

A support group for individuals diagnosed with HIV/AIDS who are experiencing problems with drugs or alcohol. Held at ASF. For more information, call Judy Fluor Runels at (949) 809-5795.

Kids Club

Thursdays 4:00-5:30pm. Tutoring 5:30-7:00pm

A closed 8-week support group for kids 6-14 with a parent or family member with HIV/AIDS. Meets at ASF. Call Laurie Barber at (949) 809-5710 for more information.

Spanish Language Women's Support Groups

► *1st Wednesday & 3rd Tuesday of the month*

Open to HIV+ women & other women affected by HIV/AIDS. Call Juanita Trevino at (949) 809-5799 for more information.

► *First Wednesday* of the month from 6:00 to 7:30pm, at HCA (17th St. Clinic) Room 149B, 1725 W. 17th St., Santa Ana.

► *Third Tuesday* of the month from 10:30 to 12:30 pm, at the Seventh-Day Adventist Church, 12702 Ninth St., Garden Grove.

Spanish HIV+ Support Group

Mondays 5:30-7:30pm

Open to all Spanish-speaking HIV+ people. At the 17th St. Clinic, Methadone Education Rm. (**Room 149-B**), 1725 W. 17th St., Santa Ana. Call Juanita Trevino at (949) 809-5799.

Mindful Living

Fridays, 12:30pm—2:00 pm

An open, accepting support group for the HIV Positive Community. For more information, contact Scott Beardsley at (949) 809-5793 or Kristen Plachetka at (949) 809-5793.

Workshops : Life Skills

Group C

Last Wednesday of every month, 6:00—8:00pm

Group C is a support group that provides information and support to those infected and affected by Hepatitis C. At the Orange County Health Care Agency, 1725 W. 17th St, Room 149-B, Santa Ana. Call Anita at (949) 809-8770 for more information.

Positive "U"

Every Wednesday, 10:30—12:00pm

A different topic each session presented in English followed by a free lunch here at the ASF office! No admittance after 10:45. For more information, please contact Carmen at (949) 809-5781.

Viviendo Positivamente

1st & 3rd Tuesday, 10:30—12:00pm

A different topic each session presented in Spanish followed by a free lunch at ASF! No admittance after 10:45. For more information, please contact Carmen at (949) 809-5781.

Wellness Education

Workout Group

For more info or to sign up for an initial evaluation, call (949) 809-5771.

Social Activities

African-American Living Room

A social group open to all African-American clients. For more information, or for the group location, please contact Wendy at (949) 809-5732.

Positive Life Force

Positive Life Force is an English-speaking social group for positive gay men of all ages. Men come together to meet new people and make new friends. We are currently looking to recruit a few good men for the PLF Core Group. For more information, please call or call Joe at (949) 809-8774 or email at positivelifeforce@ocASF.org.

Hetero Singles Event—December 13 at 6:00 pm

Contact Juanita Trevino for more information at 949-809-5799.

Noches de Feria Family Christmas Party—December 22 from 6:30—9:30pm: at the United Methodist Church of Anaheim. 1000 State College Avenue, Anaheim, CA. For more information call Dave Merino at (949) 809-5774.

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December 2006 Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<p>ASF Food</p> <p>►Tuesdays & Thursdays 12:00 noon—4:30pm</p>	<p>ASF Closes EARLY On 12/8 and ASF is CLOSED 12/25 & 12/26</p>	<p>Pantry Hours for De-</p> <p>►Wednesdays & Fridays 9:00 am — 1:00 pm</p>		<p>1</p> <p>12:30-2:00pm: Mindful Living 1:00-2:00pm: Workout Group.</p>	<p>2</p>
3	<p>4</p> <p>1:00-2:00pm: Workout Group. 5:30-7:30pm: Spanish HIV+ Support Group</p>	<p>5</p> <p>10:30-12noon: Viviendo Positivamente</p>	<p>6</p> <p>10:30-12noon: Positive "U". 12:30-2:00pm: Choices 1:00-2:00pm: Workout Group. 6:00-7:30pm: Women's Support Group (Spanish).</p>	<p>7</p> <p>10:00am: VitaMart Orders Due 4:00-5:30pm: Kids Club. 5:30-7:00pm: Kids Club Tutoring.</p>	<p>8</p> <p>ASF Closes Early At Noon</p>	<p>9</p> <p>7:00pm: Latino Mass by Jaime Soto</p>
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