

SAAF CONNECTION+PLUS

The e-newsletter of the SOUTHERN ARIZONA AIDS FOUNDATION

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The mission of the Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation is to create and sustain a healthier community through a compassionate, comprehensive response to HIV/AIDS.

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Do You Know?

Approximately **2 young Americans** become infected with HIV every hour of every day.

<http://www.thebody.com/>

Great Things
Continue to Happen
at SAAF!

Donate Today at:

SAVE THE DATE

AIDSWALK 2007
Sunday, October 14, 2007

The University of Arizona[®]
Central Mall

BENEFITING THE PROGRAMS AND SERVICES OF THE SOUTHERN ARIZONA AIDS FOUNDATION (SAAF)

This year's event will host a variety of fun and memorable activities in addition to the walk and run including a kid-friendly play area, great food, a live mini concert following the walk, a beautiful quilt opening ceremony with quilt panels on display from the Names Project Foundation, an Interfaith service, and much more.

Check out the July/August Issue for more information.

For questions, contact Michele, Associate Director of Development @ 628-7223.

Do you like to shop online?

Now you can shop online and make a contribution to SAAF at the same time. How? SAAF is partnering with the OurGV Rewards: Online Shopping Mall so that a percentage of each purchase made through the Mall will go directly to SAAF. (Percentages vary from store to store.)

www.saaf.org

Upcoming Events @ SAAF

May

6th – The 20th Annual Jell-O Wrestling
2 pm @ Woody's
SOLD OUT

15th – Newcomer Orientation
5:30 pm @SAAF

20th – AIDS Candlelight Memorial
6:00 pm @Himmel Park

June

2nd/3rd – Client Support Training
8:30 am @ SAAF

17th – AIDS Educator Training
8:30 am @SAAF

19th - Newcomer Orientation
5:30 pm @SAAF

Regular Events

Wednesdays:
SAAF Haven (lunch included)
11 am – 1 pm @SAAF

Walk-In Wednesday
(Every Other Wednesday)
6 pm – 8 pm @SAAF

Thursdays:
Heterosexual Support Group
(lunch included)
11 am - 12:30 pm @SAAF

Fridays:
Yoga
5 pm – 6:30 pm @SAAF

Philanthropy With Phlavor

For the entire month of

The Online Shopping Mall has over 1500 participating stores including Best Buy, Circuit City, Dockers, Eddie Bauer, etc. You can also get special discounts at many of the stores by shopping through the Mall.

[Click here to view a video postcard about OurGV Rewards & SAAF.](#)

To become a shopper through the mall, go to www.ourgvmall.com/saaf. For instructions on how to use the mall, go to the task bar at the top of the site and click on the link entitled "How to Use Mall."

And then, shop to your hearts content!

AIDS Candlelight Memorial

SAAF, Wingspan, and TIHAN are proud to announce that Tucson will participate in the 24th Annual International AIDS Candlelight Memorial.

When:

Sunday, May 20, 2007

Time:

5:30 p.m.

Where:

Himmel Park

(Tucson Blvd., 1 blk south of Speedway)

Tucson's Candlelight Memorial will highlight the effects of AIDS on African-American and youth communities. Bring a blanket and/or lawn chair.

For more information about the AIDS Candlelight Memorial, please contact Danielle Walsh, SAAF's Volunteer Resources Coordinator at 628-7223 or visit www.candlelightmemorial.com.

SAVE THE DATE

The 19th Annual
Jerôme Beillard Festival for Life
Sunday, November 18, 2007

The University of Arizona[®]

June you can dine at Pastiche Modern Eatery and 5% of your check will go to SAAF.

Just simply write in SAAF on the ballot that comes with the check. It is that easy and we thank you for thinking of us!

Support a local restaurant and SAAF at 3025 N. Campbell Ave, 325-3333.

SAAF's Programs: A NEW LOOK

For some of the e-newsletters, we will be highlighting some of our new prevention programs.

Next e-news will feature:
HIP/AZ Methods

Preview: HIP/AZ provides prevention programming... focuses on decreasing the transmission... address risky behaviors...

Read July/August SAAF Connection Plus for Part Three of SAAF's Programs: A NEW LOOK!

Student Union Grand Ballroom

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For questions, contact Mae, Events Coordinator @ 628-7223.

A Special Thanks!

Feast, a Tucson Originals restaurant located at 4122 E. Speedway, joins the fine list of restaurants providing "dining out" quality meals for recipients of SAAF's Food for Life home delivered meals.

Feast joins Barrio, The Cup, Pastiche Modern Eatery, and Kingfisher in supporting this essential program.

Please support these local businesses when you have a choice in restaurants.

For more information please contact Jefferson Bailey, Food for Life Program Coordinator at 628-7223.

Travis Wright Memorial Buyers' Club

The Buyers' Club is open to people living with HIV/AIDS and others in the community who wish to purchase supplements and nutraceuticals of exceptional quality at the lowest possible cost for HIV/AIDS care and general health care.

HOURS:
Monday through Friday
12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m.
And by appointment

The Buyer's Club is self-supporting and provides financial support for SAAF's programs while also providing a community service.

For more information contact Mark Fetgatter at 628-7223.

SAAF's Programs: A NEW LOOK

SAAF has been awarded two 5-year grants from the Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS) and another grant through a sub-contract with Phoenix Body Positive to expand prevention efforts for men who have sex with men in Pima County and continue providing services to people living with HIV/AIDS across the state.

The last e-newsletter featured Gay Men's Health Project (GMHP) and below is the second program to be highlighted.

Man 2 Man – Man 2 Man offers a series of two-day seminars to promote the individual and communal health of men who have sex with men. The seminars feature multimedia presentations, health professionals, videos, panels, behavioral modeling, story-telling, assessments, exercises, and small-group discussions. Man 2 Man's asset-based approach to sexual health starts by taking into consideration such issues as the pursuit of sexual fulfillment and satisfaction, intimacy, and affirmation of self and identity, then building from there. The intent is to help men become more sexually literate, comfortable, and competent so they are more likely to develop successful long-term strategies to reduce risk in the real-life context of changing sexual circumstances. After several years of successful operation under Body Positive in the Phoenix area, Man 2 Man is being expanded to Tucson through collaboration between Body Positive and SAAF.

For more information on Man 2 Man or information about our prevention programs, contact Luis, Director of Prevention at 628-7223.

Don't miss the next e-newsletter that will feature another prevention program: HIP/AZ.

This e-newsletter is sent every two months. Your comments are important to us and we welcome them. If you have comments, please email them to Jess at

jcelentano@saaf.org.

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