APOLOGIES...AND HOLIDAY WISHES!!

Your editor extends his apologies for the very late arrival of the November issue. It seems that the U.S. Postal Service decided to do a detailed audit of our mailing. This audit included having postal personnel opening the newsletter and reading every page to determine if all of the "contents" were legal according to postal guidelines. It was finally determined that an insert we had included with the mailing was "illegal", so it was removed, but only after several days of phone calls and trips to the airport branch. WHAT FUN!!!

It's that time of the year when everyone is asking you for year-end contributions, but all of our community groups need help, so please try to be as generous as possible. The 4A's is always in need of food for their food bank program & $$$ for their special housing fund. Do what you can to help them or other community organizations.

There will be lots of partying during the next few weeks, so we would like to take this opportunity to urge you to be extremely careful while driving around town. We have been experiencing lots of icy weather this month & the police are out in force looking for drunk drivers. If you have too much to drink, call a CAB for a ride home, or have one of your friends be an alcohol-free designated driver. We want all of you to be around in 1992.

The Board Members of IDENTITY, INC. sincerely hope that all of you will have a very happy holiday season and a prosperous and joyous NEW YEAR. A special HAPPY CHANUKAH to all of our Jewish friends. We look forward to working together with all of you in 1992.

CHEERS!! Jim Boudreaux, Editor

THE ONLY WAY TO DEFEAT HOMOPHOBIA IS TO CONFRONT IT!

MEMBERSHIP / PLEDGE FORM
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☐ Yes! I want to be a part of Identity, Inc! I understand that my membership will expire one year from this date. My membership entitles me to Northview, Identity's monthly newsletter and other periodic mailings. I have the option to NOT receive the newsletter and mailings if I check here. ☐

Here is my contribution of: □ $25 Basic Membership AND □ $25 OR □ $35 □ $50 □ $100 □ $ Other Per Month for one year

Contributions are tax-deductible to the full extent of the law.

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Yes, we know that we told you last month that we were having a CHINESE AUCTION, but because of the hassles we had with the U.S. POSTAL SERVICE, most of you did not receive your newsletter in time to know about the special event. We are going to try again......

WHEN? Friday, December 27, 1991
TIME: 6:30 PM - Doors Open
       7:00 PM - Food Service Begins
       7:30 PM - Announcements, Auction Singing, Fun Times, ETC.
WHERE? Unitarian Universalist Fellowship
       3201 Turnagain Street, Anchorage

Most of you will be recuperating from all of the hustle and bustle of Christmas and all of that shopping and eating and we know you will be ready for a fun event. Just remember to bring along lots of $1 bills so you can bid on the items to be auctioned off during the evening. We won't attempt to explain exactly how a CHINESE AUCTION works, but you will need to have lots of $1 bills for bidding. This is a fund raiser for IDENTITY.

Oh yes, we still need some items to auction at this Potluck. We really would like to have some HAND MADE items...like some art or craft type of thing. This might also be an opportunity for you to get rid of that Christmas gift you received and really don't want to keep. Bring it along!!!

Helpline Volunteers Needed For Training

The ANCHORAGE GAY & LESBIAN HELPLINE, 258-4777, is in dire need of some new volunteers to help staff the operation of the phone on weekends and at other times during the week. A special training class will be held on Friday, January 10 (during the evening) and Saturday, January 11 during the day. This class is being taught by individuals who have extensive experience in the operation of helplines and the issues that can arise. The volume of calls received by the Anchorage HELPLINE is on the increase, so it is very important that more VOLUNTEERS sign up to help with this vital community service. If you are interested in helping out, please call the HELPLINE at 258-4777 & leave a message or call Ruth at 563-1324. Your call will be returned ASAP. YOUR HELP IS NEEDED NOW, SO PLEASE VOLUNTEER!!!!!!! The HELPLINE is a community service program of Identity, Inc.
The holiday season and all those parties weighs heavily on the NOSE's shoulders, but we will attempt to make the rounds & report newsy items.

Well, boys & girls, the town is all abuzz about a truly significant event that has only happened in the past few days. I'm talking, of course, about the NEW FLOOR in the Raven bar. Yes, you read it here first. Many of us will miss those sticky floors after all these years, but some changes can be wonderful. Why not run down & check out the new floor for yourself.

Speaking of the Raven, the NOSE has learned that their bowling team has recently accomplished another first. They lost all FOUR games on a recent Sunday afternoon during league play. It seems that all of the team members had parted the night before & weren't quite up to par.

The 4A's had a wonderful Open House on Friday, Dec. 6, with lots of good food. The new space looks great and is being heavily used by both staff and clients. The big hit of the day was a special appearance of JAMES ROGERS, the 4 month old son of 4A's executive director Rebecca and hubby Ken. James was all decked out in Christmassy red attire & was definitely enjoying the attention of all those party animals. The NOSE has learned that James is wondering why he has so many UNCLEs who shower him with so much attention. He is a son to be proud of, Rebecca & Ken!!!

Holiday parties are especially fun if someone is giving away prizes, & the NOSE has heard rumors that Bob DeLoach recently won 2 airline tickets to Seattle at a special open house party at SUNSET TRAVEL. We also hear that he MAY be looking for someone CUTE to accompany him on that trip. CONGRATULATIONS, BOB!!!

Word has hit the streets that the Anchorage Garden Buddies have recently experienced a SOFT COUP D'ETAT. We still don't know if this was accomplished by men in uniform. Anyway, no meeting is planned for December, but a reorganization meeting is planned for sometime in January 1992. Watch these pages for more news next month. Don't you just love the intrigue???

Everyone keeps asking when Anchorage can expect to see River Phoenix and his film "My Own Private Idaho." Just be patient!!! Rand at the Capri says he has the film scheduled for early 1992. We'll keep you informed.

Just a quick reminder that Dec. 21 is WINTER SOLSTICE, after which the days will start to get longer.

The NOSE was pleased to learn that MYLY has recently returned to the Wednesday night shows at the Blue Moon. She's back after a much needed rest.

Enjoy your holiday parties, and please remember to BE SAFE!!!

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!!!

THE NOSE!!!
4A's BENEFIT

A very SPECIAL BENEFIT SHOW is scheduled for TUESDAY, December 17 by the cast of the CHORUS LINE show currently playing in Anchorage. This special show is called CHORUS LINE IN CABARET and will be held at 11 PM at the KEYBOARD LOUNGE located at the corner of 4th Ave. and K Street next to the Captain Cook Hotel. Tickets cost $10 at the door. All proceeds will go to the ALASKAN AIDS ASSISTANCE ASSOCIATION and the ACTORS' EQUITY AGAINST AIDS FOUNDATION. This is a great opportunity for you to see some professional performers in a more intimate setting doing something SPECIAL for the AIDS community. For more information, call the 4A's at 276-1400 or the KEYBOARD LOUNGE at 276-8131. WE HOPE TO SEE A LOT OF YOU THERE!!!!!!!

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IMPERIAL COURT CHRISTMAS BALL

The Imperial Court of All Alaska is pleased to announce that it will be holding its CHRISTMAS BALL on Sunday, Dec. 15 at the ELKS CLUB. Doors open at 6 PM with festivities starting at 7 PM. Tickets are $10 at the door. The Ball is hosted by Mr & Ms Gay Alaska.

Empress Barbie & Emperor Loren are pleased to welcome some special guests to the 1991 Ball. Visiting Anchorage for the Ball are Marilyn Starr from San Diego, Gladys Bumps from San Francisco and Regina from Pomona. All 3 guests will assist in emceeing the Ball. You can expect to see some special performances by these out of town guests.

Other activities planned for the Ball include dancing, faffles for a TV and airline tickets, some gifts and an appearance by a Secret Santa. As always, everyone can expect to have FUN, FUN, FUN!!!

On behalf of the Imperial Court, Emperor Loren and Empress Barbie extend their best wishes to everyone in our community for a MERRY CHRISTMAS AND AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

SEE YOU AT THE CHRISTMAS BALL!!!!!!

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BARS PLAN HOLIDAY PARTIES

Both community bars are planning some special parties for the holiday season. The RAVEN, in conjunction with the Mt. McKinley Club, will be hosting their annual Christmas party on Saturday, Dec. 14. As always, there will be a special appearance by Santa Claus. Call the RAVEN for details & times. There will also be special events planned for New Year's Eve.

* The Blue Moon will be hosting their Christmas party on Wednesday, Dec. 18.
* Activities begin at 9 PM with a very special Wednesday show climaxed by the crowning of the SNOW QUEEN. There will be food, prizes & drawings. Look for more fun on New Years Eve with drink special & door prizes.
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FLOAT COMMITTEE PLANNING FOR '92

Many of you will remember the award winning float from last year's Fur Ron-dezvous parade...well, that famous float committee is now doing final planning for the 1992 parade. They are now actively searching for some warehouse space (free space) to house the float for construction. Anyone knowing of available space should call Cherresse at 561-8744.
15% NEWS YEAR'S EVE DANCE AT MUSEUM

The 15%, Inc., will again sponsor a special New Year's Eve Dance for the women's community this year. The location is moving to the Anchorage Museum of History & Art at 7th & A Streets. Free Parking is available. The festivities will run from 9 PM-1 AM. There will be a no-host bar and lots of gourmet food. A photographer will be available for those of you who may want to preserve the evenings memories. Tickets are $10 and are available at the AK Women's Bookstore.

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CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES BY MCC

The MCC of the Living God Church will be sponsoring a special Christmas Eve service starting at 11:30 PM. These services will be held at the First Christian Church located at 3031 Latouche St. This is a change in location from regular MCC services. There will be lots of singing and special music for this service. Call Pastor Jim Morgan at 338-6749 for more information.

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THE DAY AFTER????

Wondering what you're going to do the day AFTER Christmas? You might want to consider going down to the CAPRI Cinema on Dec. 26 at 8:30 PM for a special showing of "Spartacus" starring Kirk Douglas & Laurence Olivier. This classic film is being shown as a benefit show for 4A's. The admission price is CASH or a donation of FOOD for the 4A's food bank. There is NO MINIMUM admission price. ALL donations will go to the 4A's. SEE YOU THERE!

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COAT ROOM CORRECTION

In the November NorthView we reported that the coat room at the Blue Moon Bar was being operated for the benefit of the Alaska AIDS Assistance Association. We have since learned that this is NOT the case. The coat room is being operated by the owner of the bar and NO FUNDS that you contribute to the coat room attendant are being given to the 4A's, or any other organization.

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Happenings of Interest!!!!!

Saturday, December 14  -  Annual Christmas Party at the RAVEN - Appearance by Santa Claus.
Sunday, December 15   -  Imperial Court CHRISTMAS BALL - Elks Club - Show starts 7:30 PM.
Tuesday, December 17   -  Chorus Line in Cabaret - Benefit show for 4A's - Keyboard Lounge.
Wednesday, December 18 -  Blue Moon Bar Christmas show & party.
Saturday, December 21  -  Sing-A-Long at Lucy's
Tuesday, December 24   -  Special Christmas Eve Services-MCC Church. 11:30 PM
Wednesday, December 25 -  CHRISTMAS DAY - HAVE A SAFE AND MERRY CHRISTMAS!!!
Friday, December 27    -  4th Friday Potluck Social & Chinese Auction.
Saturday, December 28  -  IDENTITY Board of Directors Meeting.
                       -  Monthly Women's Coffeehouse
Tuesday, December 31   -  NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE sponsored by 15% Inc.-Anchorage Museum 8 PM.
Wednesday, January 1   -  HAPPY 1992!!!!
Saturday, January 4    -  Monthly Women's 2-Step Dance, Mt. View Community Center.
Sunday, January 12     -  First Rehearsal for 1992 Celebration of Change.

ANCHORAGE GAY & LESBIAN HELPLINE

258-4777

ARTISTS:
We need a poster for the 1992 Celebration of Change

$100.00 will be paid to the creator of the selected poster

8 1/2 x 11 inch renderings of the poster should be submitted to the 15% no later than December 15. The sample must include lettering (where and how the name, date and location of the show will appear) as well as the overall design plan. The posters when printed will become the property of the 15%, Inc. (the artist will be credited) and will be distributed throughout town to advertise the show. For more information please contact Bonnie at 279-8697.