## No Name News Letter The voice of TUCSON OA for Oct., 1987



Hi! How may I help?

Tucson Area OA Intergroup presents: "TURNING IT OVER" Abstinence & Step 3

Sunday, October 25, 1987 - 1:00-5:00 pm

Tucson General Hospital 3838 N. Campbell (at Prince) Tucson Room A, second floor

For more information, call Gari-Sue, 886-8865, or any Intergroup officer.

There will be speakers and sharing and an auction.

## **'OUT OF THE FOOD, INTO RECOVERY**"

Below is a policy statement on food plans adopted by Conference "87:

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The Thursday GRATITUDE 5:30 step study meeting needs your support. There are 12 & 12's for newcomers. Old timers, please bring yours. 739 E. 5th.

**TRADITION 1:Our common** welfare should come first. Personal recovery depends on OA unity.

A First Tradition Committee meet-ing was held in Phoenix for the pur-pose of forming a statewide First Tradition Committee. Five Intergroups were represented. Officers were elected. There was long-range plan-ing of FTC conventions, retreats and marathons. A Tucson Area FTC is in the plan-ning stage. If you are interested, please contact our MSO rep., Elvie T., or an Intergroup officer.

WE WANT TO SHARE THE PROGRAM WITH YOU. WE ARE SEEING MANY OF YOU AT ALL OUR MEETINGS AND MANY OF YOU ARE BEING CALLED BY "OLD TIMERS." SOME MEETINGS ARE PLANNING A SPECIAL TIME FOR "NEWCOMERS MEETINGS" AS A PART OF THEIR FORMAT.

HEETINGS HS H PHRT OF THEIR FORMHT. HOWEVER, REMEMBER WE ARE NOT PROFES-SIONALS BUT RECOVERING COMPULSIVE OVER-EATERS, TOO. SO--PLEASE TAKE PHONE NUMBERS AND CALL US. IT HELPS OUR RE-COVERY, TOO! ASK QUESTIONS UNTIL YOU FIND OUT WHAT YOU WANT TO KNOW. WE OFFER YOU A PLACE WHERE YOU WILL BE ACCEPTED AND UNDERSTOOD. WE'VE BEEN THERE & ARE THERE NOW, LIKE ALL COMPULSIVE PEOPLE. **KEEP COMING BACK!!!** "OA IS NOT A DIET CLUB" is the title of our newest pamphlet. Below are some of its informative paragraphs: Many people come to OA expecting diets, Weigh-ins and lectures on food and weight. To their surprise (and often relief), they find that OA offers none of these things. Why? Because food and weight are only sumptoms of our problem. We use food

Why? Because food and weight are only symptoms of our problem. We use food as the alcoholic uses alcohol and the drug addict uses drugs. While a diet can help us lose weight, it often in-tensifies the compulsion to overeat. We in OA believe we have a threefold illness--physical, emotional, and spiritual. Tens of thousands of us have found that the twelve-step program offered by O.A. effect re-covery on all three levels.