

**PEOPLE DO CARE!**

The often-held notion of public apathy is being shaken by conservation minded Nevada citizens at Mt. Charleston in the Toiyabe National Forest.

The current rash of Christmas Tree poaching has prompted co-operative Law Enforcement supported by informants who are tired of seeing their National Forest robbed.

Citizen reports and anonymous tips have enabled Nevada Division of Forestry, U.S. Forest Service, and Metro Police to apprehend several tree poachers this past week. Violators are being cited under comparable Federal or State laws, depending on circumstances.

Forest Service District Ranger Robert Wize was encouraged and thankful for the public support. "I'm glad people realize the tragedy of tree theft from an environment as vulnerable as Mt. Charleston," he said.

"Many trees in the National Forest take ten to twenty years to grow only one foot, due to our arid climate. Some trees recently cut were not large, but were over 70 years old," said Wize.

Reports of illegal cutting leading to a conviction may bring rewards of up to \$1,000 from Secret Witness. Call 386-3213. All callers remain anonymous.

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In an era of austere budgets, local government agencies working together can provide greater returns for your tax dollar. Along these lines, the Clark County Library District and the Clark County Health District are jointly developing a health information center within the Flamingo Library.

Other Medfac Library services will include the availability of a large variety of free pamphlets on popular health topics. Additionally, future efforts will include special programs on issues, such as nutrition and diet, anorexia nervosa, and stress management.

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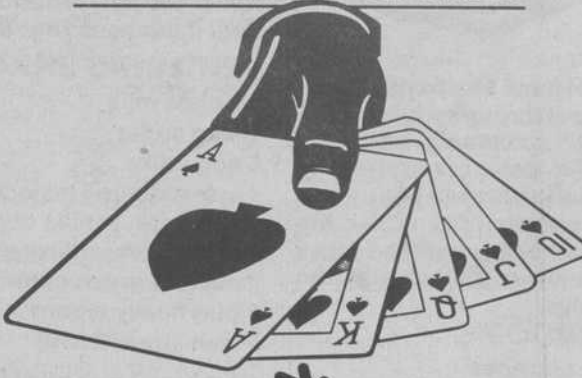
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