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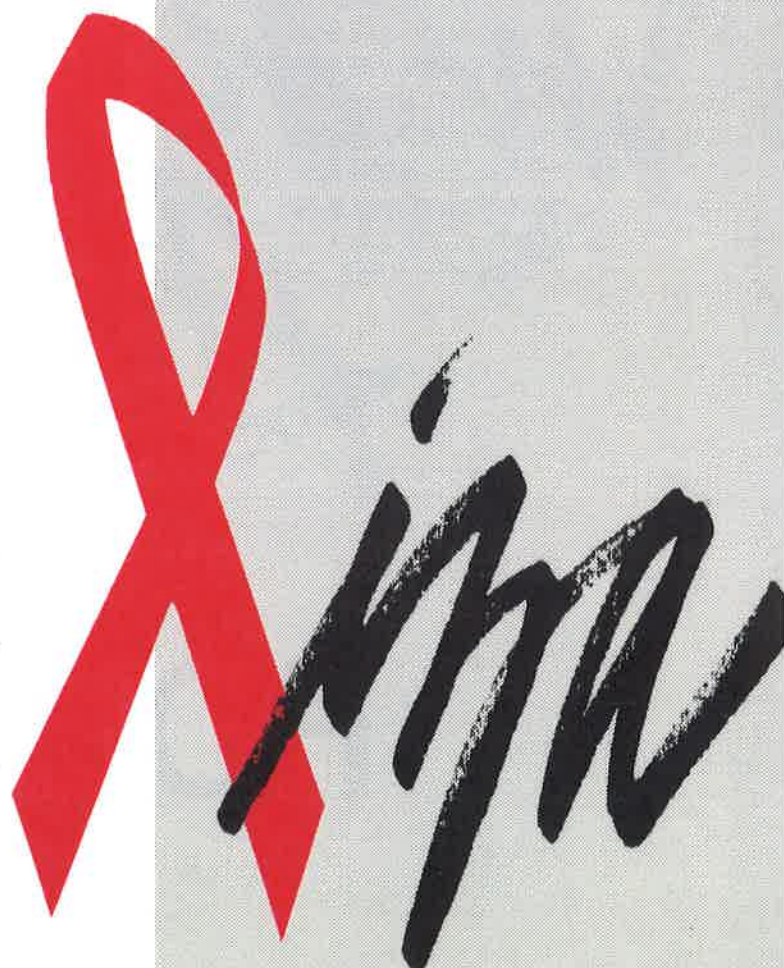
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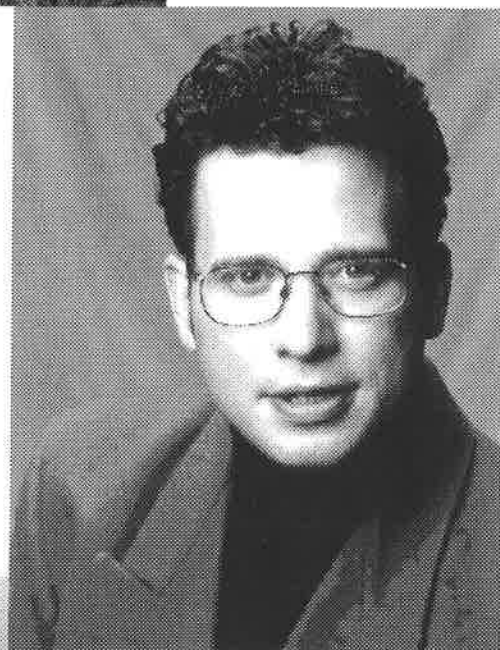
## Evening Program



8:00 p.m.

**Angela Lansbury**  
Hostess

**Dr. Mathilde Krim, Ph.D.**  
Founding Co-Chair and Chairman of the Board  
American Foundation for AIDS Research



**Billy Stritch**

Intermission



9:00 p.m.

**Liza Minelli**



*How lucky Houston is to have  
Maxine Mesinger  
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*How lucky we are to have  
Maxine Mesinger  
as a friend.*

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Dear Friends,

Your support in our first Houston effort to raise funds for the American Foundation for AIDS Research (AmFAR) is so greatly appreciated. Houston always has been a loving, caring community, and from the outset of our campaign, I knew I could count on you.

You have responded in a way that makes me proud to be a Houstonian. It has been very gratifying as well that Liza Minnelli immediately agreed to donate her performance tonight to the cause. And, that Angela Lansbury immediately agreed to host this wonderful evening. My heartfelt thanks goes out to both of them. It is through their help that we have added hundreds of thousands of dollars to AmFAR coffers tonight.

As many of you are, I am a mother and a grandmother, and the last thing I want for my children and grandchildren is to be threatened by the spread of this terrible disease. For all of us, our greatest hope to conquer AIDS is tied to the research which will one day find a cure.

Thank you again for grasping its importance. And, for coming forward with financial help. This is a cause which involves every human being everywhere and we in Houston can be proud to say we're doing something about it.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Maxine". The signature is written in dark ink on a light background.

Maxine Mesinger

**Elizabeth Taylor**

Founding National Chairman

American Foundation for AIDS Research





**Mathilde Krim, Ph.D.**

Founding Co-Chair and Chairman of the Board  
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Within ten years, the AIDS epidemic went from having only a foothold among the most vulnerable portions of our population to being the top killer of American men between the ages of 25 and 44. And, while American women and children with AIDS are still much fewer in number, it is, nevertheless, among them that the rate of AIDS cases is now increasing. AIDS should be of profound concern to everyone.

AIDS is brought about by a virus and, among viruses, HIV is particularly challenging to researchers because of its genetic complexity and unique disease-causing properties. Much new knowledge must still be acquired to develop the highly specific drugs we need to suppress HIV and the sophisticated strategies necessary to repair the damage HIV causes in the human immune system. This country has the technologies and the human and economic resources to do the job and much good biomedical research on HIV/AIDS is underway. But, in the absence of a national and truly comprehensive and coordinated research effort, research needs have been unevenly met by federal funding. Unfortunately, innovative approaches to the solution of the harrowing medical and public health problems caused by AIDS have often remained untried by established institutions.

An independent and goal-oriented organization such as AmFAR is needed to ensure that every scientifically sound research lead is rapidly and fully pursued, that quality AIDS-medical care is widely available, that no opportunity to foster AIDS prevention is missed, and that every form of discrimination or injustice suffered by people with HIV/AIDS is promptly countered and eliminated. AmFAR's record shows that despite its initially modest financial resources, this national private organization has been highly effective because it is able uniquely to combine scientific, medical and sociological expertise with innovative approaches, flexibility and speed of action.

AmFAR's grant-giving programs in support of carefully selected research projects in the basic and clinical biomedical sciences have been—continue to be—extremely important. Indeed, true solutions to the tragedy of HIV/AIDS can come only from research laboratories and clinics. Only they can discover, develop and, finally, test in people the treatments and the vaccine the world so desperately needs.

Difficulties and disappointments have been encountered in AIDS research, but much solid progress has been achieved; and it nurtures a growing sense of hope: HIV disease will become medically manageable, and this will make AIDS itself preventable in people already infected with HIV. A vaccine, although perhaps of an unconventional type, will one day stop the further spread of the epidemic. AmFAR is committed to staying the course until true solutions are in hand.

As AmFAR can do only as much as its resources allow, let us offer our thanks to the evening's generous corporate sponsor, Virginia Slims Legends. Our gratitude goes also to Maxine Mesinger and her Committee whose efforts have made tonight's event a resounding financial success.

Let us be proud, tonight, of the wonderful result of our shared efforts and let us all resolve that we will continue to do our share to sustain hope in people with HIV/AIDS and to make that hope flourish.

## AmFAR DATA SHEET

The American Foundation for AIDS Research (AmFAR) is the nation's leading not-for-profit organization dedicated to the support of AIDS research—both basic biomedical and clinical research—education for AIDS prevention, and sound AIDS-related public policy. Since 1985, AmFAR has provided over \$65 million to more than 1,300 research teams.

Scientists funded by AmFAR have used their grants to produce findings which encourage more substantial donations from other sources. A recent survey showed that for every dollar AmFAR awards in research, an additional \$27 is leveraged from other funding sources. Most researchers say that without AmFAR seed grants, their projects would not have been launched. For example, Dr. Ronald Kennedy of the Southwest Foundation for Biomedical Research in San Antonio was able to use results obtained with a \$50,000 AmFAR grant to obtain \$7.2 million in long-term funding from the government and a pharmaceutical company for use in developing a potential vaccine against HIV.

AmFAR programs include: **Research Grant Awards** which fund one-year basic research grants; **Scholars Awards** which are three-year salary support programs that allow post-doctoral scientists to enter the field of AIDS research; **Pediatric AIDS Foundation Grants** to study HIV disease in children; a **Community-Based Clinical Trials (CBCT) Program** that provides technical assistance and grants to fund innovative programs for testing promising AIDS treatments in communities across America; a **Public Information Program** to inform the public about AIDS issues; a **Targeted Education Grant Program** to respond to unmet educational needs and stimulate innovative approaches in AIDS prevention; an **International Fund** to provide prevention programs in developing nations; and a **Public Policy Program** to develop and promote sound and compassionate AIDS policies. AmFAR also produces several important publications, including the AIDS/HIV Treatment Directory, which lists all clinical trials of AIDS drugs currently operational in the United States, and the AIDS Targeted Information Newsletter.

## AmFAR Quick Facts

### WHAT

American Foundation for AIDS Research is the nation's leading not-for-profit organization dedicated to AIDS research, education and public policy.

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### WHEN

Founded in 1985

### WHY

To mobilize the goodwill, energy and generosity of caring Americans to end the AIDS epidemic.

### WHO

Elizabeth Taylor  
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### HOW

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To date, AmFAR has awarded more than \$1,000,000 in grants to research teams at Baylor College of Medicine, Montrose Clinic (Houston Clinical Research Network), Rice University, Texas Southern University, and St. Luke's Episcopal Hospital.

**The American Foundation for AIDS Research (AmFAR) salutes**

## Houston Clinical Research Network (H.C.R.N.)

The Houston Clinical Research Network is a non-profit organization created by the Montrose Clinic and funded partially by AmFAR to provide access to experimental therapies and HIV research to persons living with HIV in the Houston area.

The HCRN:

- Recruits and conducts high-quality clinical trials and research related to HIV infection;
- Designs, funds and conducts clinical trials of promising agents for the treatment of HIV and related infections that are of special concern locally;
- Provides patient access through dissemination of information regarding this research.

The Houston Clinical Research Network has participated in the conduct of over 20 research studies, enrolling over 1,000 patients. The HCRN has provided education and information on HIV research to literally thousands of persons through its publications, Community Forums, education and outreach facilities. For more information, please call the HCRN at: 713/520-2083.

The HCRN will be the beneficiary of 10% of the net proceeds from this evening's event. A percentage of these funds will be dedicated to joint efforts between the HCRN and Houston's Thomas Street Clinic to promote greater access to research for all people in the Houston area living with HIV/AIDS.

*The Chronicle salutes*

**Maxine Mesinger  
and AmFAR**

***"I am committed to working with AmFAR because they are actively seeking a cure for AIDS. By contributing to AmFAR we can all help find a cure for this devastating disease."***

**Maxine Mesinger**

Houston Chronicle gossip columnist  
and tonight's event chairman



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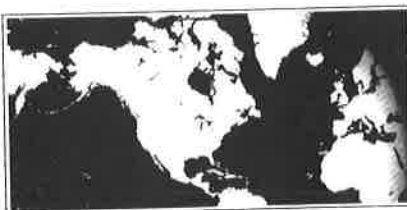
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