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don't believe they are at risk. Zentmyer, a journalism major, recognized that a person doesn't need specific characteristics to be affected by the virus.

"A lot of people create their own stereotypes so they can disassociate themselves with the disease," he said. "I'm sure that there are plenty of people who still think AIDS is a disease for homosexuals. They don't think it's a disease that can affect their group."

Zentmyer added that no one would have guessed that his 64-year-old uncle, who was a vocalist for a choir in California, was sick, because he showed no symptoms until the last few months of his disease.

"It wasn't noticeable until he told us," he said.

People don't need to have a family member or friend contract HIV/AIDS to realize how devastating the disease still is.

Ben Hoffman, a junior general science major who has volunteered with the HIV Alliance, said his experience brought him into contact with people who have HIV and changed many of his viewpoints about the disease.

"I went into it with the familiar stereotype that people with AIDS were sickly and that the disease was visible," he said. "But this was a huge eye-opener ... It's not like you can tell people have the disease, and it's not something you can pin on somebody."

He added he was shocked the first

AIDS Statistics

As of December 1999, AIDS is the fifth leading cause of death for people 25 to 44 years of age.

Fifty percent of all new HIV infections are among those under age 25.

In just over a decade, AIDS cases among adult and adolescent women more than tripled, increasing from 7 percent of all AIDS cases in 1985 to 23 percent in 1998, and 40 percent of these are attributed to heterosexual sex.

Since the beginning of the epidemic, 7 percent of all men infected with HIV were infected through heterosexual contact. In 1999, 9 percent of men were infected heterosexually.

Since the epidemic began, injection drug use has directly and indirectly accounted for more than 36 percent of AIDS cases in the United States.

Men who have sex with men account for 40 percent of new HIV cases and 34 percent of all adult and adolescent AIDS cases.

SOURCE: American Association for World Health

time he met individuals with HIV. "Nobody met some criteria," he said. "Anyone can get it."

Despite the nationwide AIDS education in recent years, many myths about the disease remain.

Leslie Habetler, community relations coordinator for the HIV Alliance, began her volunteer work after she almost lost a loved one from heroin addiction. She said people need to be more educated about the risks that can lead to AIDS.

"He's lucky he didn't get AIDS," she said of her friend. "The Alliance taught him about the risks of dirty needles, and he's probably still alive because of that."

She added many common misunderstandings about the disease still exist today, including the belief that the virus can be spread through kissing or toilet seats.

Habetler also said students especially don't think they will catch the

disease.

"Sometimes college students feel that they are somehow immune to these things," she said. "The number of HIV-affected people under the age of 25 is increasing, so it's a group we're concerned with."

Although the death of his uncle was unexpected and caused great distress for his family, Zentmyer said some people need this kind of exposure in order to understand that everyone is equally susceptible to HIV.

"People think they're invincible, especially young people, until they have certain experiences," he said.

Zentmyer added that sometimes in order for people to realize the seriousness of an issue, it has to affect someone close to them, as with car accidents and drug overdoses.

"It's too bad that it takes something like that to make people aware," he said.

Family stress

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during the holidays or at any other time of the year.

"We play up the holidays as a time for families to be together," Thomas said. "It's a hard time for individuals whose families didn't work — abusive or dysfunctional families."

Financial problems can also be a strain on the holidays, Thomas said, with a lot of pressure to buy and provide, something many families can't do. And for working parents, conflicts between full-time jobs and arranging activities for children while school is out can also be frustrating.

"It's important to get out," said Sandra Otsyula, site leader of the Eugene Family Resource Center. "The worst thing for everyone is to be stuck in the house. That's a recipe for friction."

Making use of community activities for children — such as the Eugene family calendar, the public library or the Eugene Parks and Recreation Program — can alleviate stress for both parents and children.

Without the stimulus of school, kids need to get out, Otsyula said,

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342-8255

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334-4896

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20 E. 13th Ave.

484-4428

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so bundle them up and take them outdoors.

The Eugene Family Resource Center, located at Patterson Elementary School, 1510 W. 15th Ave., also offers activities for families during the break in addition to its regularly scheduled parenting classes and activities. During Christmas break, the center will offer sandwich lunches open to the community from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. from Dec. 20 to 22 and from Dec. 26 to 29. It also offers a family night every Wednesday from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Regardless of financial or family circumstances, one of the most important tips for the holidays is to simplify and take time for yourself, said Steve Allanketner, executive director

of and psychologist at Options, a private, non-profit counseling center. Not overwhelming oneself with multitudes of family events, social plans and travel can be one of the easiest ways to simplify.

"People need to take time for themselves and not get so caught up in the family network that they don't take care of themselves," Allanketner said. "Also, the holidays are a good time to practice moderation in drinking and partying."

By simplifying plans and using activities and support for families, experiencing that holiday feeling may be a little easier, Thomas said.

"Spend time with your family and focus on the little things," Thomas said. "Be really gentle with each other."

Elections

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and the 25 electoral votes needed to claim the White House.

Gore's advisers believe he needs a court victory and a speedy reduction of Bush's lead to keep public patience with a 23-day standoff that the vice president said could linger until the Electoral College meets Dec. 18.

His lawyers filed an urgent plea with the Florida Supreme Court asking the seven justices, all with Democratic ties, to start hand-counting ballots while Sauls decides whether the re-counts could be added to Gore's totals. "There is no reason to delay counting ballots even one day," the brief read.

Summing up Gore's urgency, both legally and politically, his

lawyers told the court: "We're getting close to the end."

The vice president's allies were just as emphatic about a Florida legislative committee's recommendation that a special session be called to choose a slate of electors, presumably Bush supporters.

"What the hell is going on here?" Senate Democratic leader Tom Rossin asked in frustration.

Bush's brother, Florida Gov. Jeb Bush, said lawmakers may need to intercede if the results are still uncertain Dec. 12, the day states must choose their electors. "Clearly, the U.S. Constitution delegates the authority of the selection of the electors to the Legislature," he said. "That is as clear as can be."

Not so, said Gore's lawyers.

They filed papers with the U.S. Supreme Court arguing that the Legislature would be on shaky

ground if it appointed its own slate. Both sides were submitting briefs in advance of Friday's Supreme Court oral arguments in Washington.

Gore's running mate, Sen. Joseph Lieberman, accused Jeb Bush of helping his brother with a power grab.

"It threatens to put us into a constitutional crisis," Lieberman said. Until now, only Bush's team had talked of stakes so high in an effort to force Gore to concede. Democrats employed the heated rhetoric Thursday to portray Bush as a political puppeteer pulling every available string to maintain his minuscule lead.

Bush brushed off questions about the Legislature, saying, "I won three counts, and I think it's time" to end the election.