

PRATT'S PICKS

The "best of" according to KMLE Radio's Dave Pratt, with a little help from his entertaining morning crew – Stacey Brooks, "Shappy," "Paul the Producer" and Channel 12's Mark Curtis.

Best Pizza Parlor

Dave Pratt: Chuck E. Cheese. The band is consistent, and the skee-ball is hot! Plus, for 82,956 tickets, you can get yourself a lava lamp.

Stacey Brooks: NYPD Pizza.

Shappy: Slice of Sicily in Phoenix.

Paul the Producer: Go out for pizza? I don't think so. The key word here is "delivery."

Mark Curtis: Franco's Italian Caffè in Phoenix and Nello's.

Best Valley Athlete Who Isn't Named Gonzo

Dave Pratt: It's a tie. David, Kyle and Sammy Pratt in the McCormick Ranch Little League.

Stacey Brooks: Steve Nash.

Shappy: Steve Nash.

Paul the Producer: The fat guy at Cardinals games who dances in the aisle with his shirt off when something good happens. No wonder he's still fat. (If his name happens to be Gonzo, I apologize.)

Mark Curtis: Steve Nash.

Best Out-Of-Town Diner/Restaurant

Dave Pratt: Kendall's Ice Cream on Courthouse Square in Prescott. It's Mayberry, man! I saw Barney and Thelma Lou sharing a banana split there.

Stacey Brooks: The Heartline Café in Sedona.

Shappy: The Yavapai restaurant at the Enchantment Resort in Sedona.

Paul the Producer: Is Apache Junction considered "out of town"?

Mark Curtis: The Christmas Tree restaurant in Pinetop.

Best Place to See Men & Women Wearing Skin-Tight Wranglers

Dave Pratt: CMT.

Stacey Brooks: Any KMLE concert.

Shappy: Any KMLE party.

Paul the Producer: Three words... Big Shoe Stu.

Mark Curtis: Bull riding Downtown at America West Arena.

Best Food at BOB

Dave Pratt: Large beer.

Stacey Brooks: I don't know... I'm too busy looking at the players in those tight little pants.

Shappy: Friday's Front Row.

Paul the Producer: The "Big Cookie" that's sold in huge plastic bins by the aisle vendor and costs about four bucks. Hint: The peanut-butter cookie packs up nice and tight in your palm, just in case the umpire sucks!

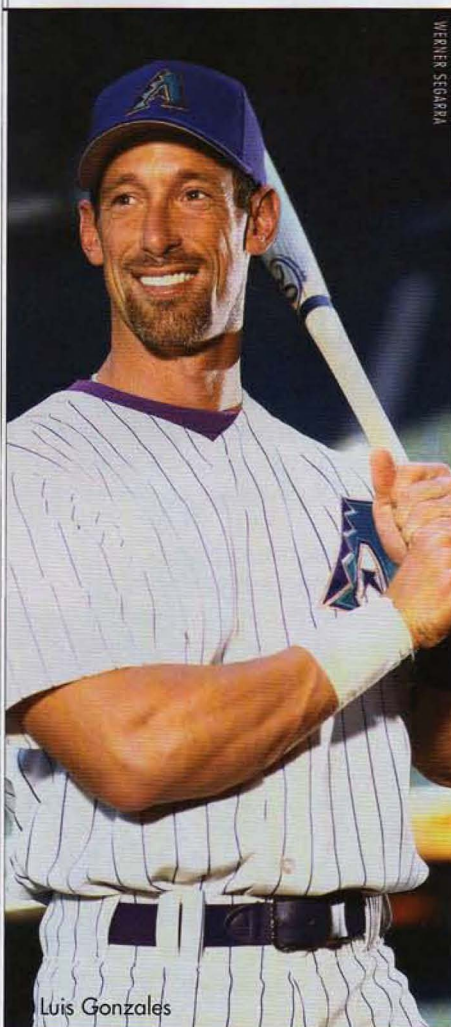
Mark Curtis: A Taste of the Hill hot dog with grilled onions.

Best Reason to Sit Through an Arizona Cardinals Game

Dave Pratt: 10 large beers.

Stacey Brooks: To get a tan.

Shappy: At halftime, they post the other



Luis Gonzales

scores from around the league.

Paul the Producer: If you're going to go, pay the extra cash and sit in the "Loge." You get individual seats, free food and drink, and it's shaded. No sense getting pissed-off and sun stroke all in one day.

Mark Curtis: Keep hope alive.

Best Buffet for Under 20 Bucks

Dave Pratt: I only trust drive-throughs.

Stacey Brooks: Sweet Tomatoes.

Shappy: Casino Arizona.

Paul the Producer: If you pay over 20 bucks for a buffet, you're a stupid #\$\$%^ idiot.

Mark Curtis: My kids' school cafeteria.

Best Barbershop/Hair Salon

Dave Pratt: Place Vendome in Paradise Valley. I go there to irritate the rich people. I tell them I'm Howard Stern.

Stacey Brooks: Rolf's at Gainey Village.

Shappy: Boxer's in Downtown Phoenix.

Paul the Producer: Salon de Paul le Prod-ucuir – better known as "my scissors."

Mark Curtis: V's Barbershop.

Best Reason to Live in the Valley

Dave Pratt: Uh... it's close to my work.

Stacey Brooks: The weather.

Shappy: The Psychobilly Rodeo Band at the Rusty Spur in Scottsdale.

Paul the Producer: Because Stacey Brooks is doing her "Man Shopping" in California now. We're free!!!!

Mark Curtis: The people, the weather, the golf.

Best Place to Blow Your Diet

Dave Pratt: Diet? I work in radio!

Stacey Brooks: The Cheesecake Factory.

Shappy: What's a "diet"? Is that some kind of soda?

Paul the Producer: What? Diet?... I'm not following you.

Mark Curtis: Roaring Fork's killer desserts.

Best Local Magazine

Dave Pratt: My wife and I enjoy the photos in *PHOENIX* magazine and the articles in *Auto Trader*.

Stacey Brooks: Is there any question? *PHOENIX* magazine, of course.

Shappy: *PHOENIX* magazine, of course!

Paul the Producer: Yours, of course.

Mark Curtis: *PHOENIX*, of course.

Editor's Note: Well done. You all get As.