

CAESARS PALACE HOSTS JERRY LEWIS TELETHON 1983

Caesars Palace, Las Vegas, the celebrated hotel and entertainment center, will be the home of the Jerry Lewis Muscular Dystrophy Association Telethon in 1983, making this the second consecutive year that the Labor Day show will be broadcast from the famed resort, according to Jan Morrison, President of the Southern Nevada chapter of the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA).

"We're going back to Caesars Palace for the simple reason that we were delighted with everything it had to offer last year and have every reason to believe that we will be equally delighted in 1983," said MDS National Chairman Jerry Lewis. "We're planning to make this year's show our most spectacular yet, and the fabulous facilities and people at Caesars Palace will enable us to do just that."

The Jerry Lewis Telethon has always been MDA's most important fund raising event and, according to Ms. Morrison, its success in the past has made it possible for the Association to become one of the world's leading voluntary health agencies fostering research and patient care. Because of rising costs, she said, the 1983 Telethon will play an especially critical role in the continuation of the Association's fight against 40 neuromuscular diseases.

MDA currently sponsors several hundred research projects conducted at MDA-supported university - based research/clinical centers in the U.S. and England and by hundreds of individual scientists throughout the world. The Association also supports some 240 outpatient clinics nationwide where people with any of the 40 neuromuscular disorders covered by MDA receive medical care, selected orthopedic aids, and counseling at no direct charge to them or their families. Clinics in the Southern Nevada area are located at Southern Nevada Memorial Hospital in Las Vegas.

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It is a sad and sobering fact of history that Israel's 35th anniversary follows by less than three months the 50th anniversary of Hitler's coming to power in Germany.

When an individual reaches the age of 35, he may be considered to be approaching the threshold of middle age. But when a country arrives at that point in its existence, we can hardly regard it as more than about to shed its swaddling clothes.

Yet, as we celebrate Israel's 35th anniversary of independence, its spectacular achievements belie its infant status and lead us and the world to treat her as a hardened veteran of war and trouble and a youngster among the family of nations who has had to keep her eyes open and her guard up at every step of the way and in every year, every month and every day of those precious 35 years of statehood.

We have much to celebrate because Israel has come through every test of courage and endurance with astounding results, and not only in the categories of defense and diplomacy which appear in newspaper headlines. The humanitarian, the scientific, the cultural, the spiritual and the economic achievements are the elements that give Israel the true dimensions of a thriving

Saluting Israel at Age 35

and creative nation -- a nation which practices democracy in a courageous fashion as witnessed by the creation of the Commission of Inquiry on Lebanon.

That is the essence of Israel which is filled with hope for the future even when security remains the last word, the bottom line after 35 years of independence.

American Jews are enriched by the consciousness of Israel as a spiritual as well as a political reality.

Side by side with its sense of self-reliance, we cannot ignore Israel's need to buttress its independence with outside material aid from governmental and non-governmental sources.

Israel's 35th birthday gives us cause to celebrate its success as a spiritual force and a land of freedom. It must at the same time bring into sharper focus the crisis which remains very much a part of Israel's daily life because the world around it has failed to recognize the dangers threatening its future.

This is a time when congratulatory messages to Israel should be accompanied by renewed commitments of support and unity. Let us never forget that we have been blessed with the opportunity to share in a great and awe-inspiring miracle.

Happy Birthday, Israel!

PARIS (WNS) -- Three members of the Iranian Embassy in Paris were sentenced to six months imprisonment and a 5,000 Franc Fine (approximately \$850) for having daubed anti-Semitic and anti-Israeli slogans on public buildings in the Paris area. One of the members of the Iranian Embassy in a French citizen working as a clerk and the other two are considered "local staff." The three do not enjoy diplomatic immunity. They were also ordered to pay the city administration some 27,400 Francs (\$4,000) for the damage they caused to public property.

NEW YORK (WNS) -- At the 103rd annual meeting of HIAS, held in New York City, Edwin Shapiro was elected to a fifth term as president of the International Jewish Migration Agency.

JERUSALEM (WNS) -- Despite heavy rain, snow and hail, a modest ceremony took place on Mt. Herzl in memory of fallen Israeli soldiers whose burial places are unknown. The service traditionally takes place on the seventh of Adar, the date on which Moses died and was buried in an unknown place.

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