

"Candlelighters: Childhood Cancer And Coping"



(L-R) Jennifer Cozart, Daniel Floyd, Jeremy Floyd, and Johnny Hysom. Jennifer, Jeremy, and Johnny enjoy a day in the park. All three have cancer. Although their disease is in remission they must travel out of state for treatment.

Sharing is a way of life for a unique group of Las Vegas families. The Candlelighters of Clark County share love, hope, knowledge, emotional support and a common experience; they all have a child with cancer.

According to Candlelighter's president, Linda Dale, "Cancer can destroy or redirect lives. We attempt not only to preserve life through treatments but to enrich the quality of life through emotional support and education. We help families deal with the new and sometimes frightening experiences they will encounter."

Since Nevada has no treatment center specializing in childhood cancer, most of the children must travel to out of state facilities regularly. The Candlelighters provide funds for transportation to and from the various centers and help make it possible for a parent to stay with the child during treatment.

Educating and informing parents is another service of the Candlelighters. Sunrise-Humana Hospital donates a room where they can hold their monthly meetings and house their ever growing library. The books and other printed materials are available to promote knowledge of the different types of cancer, treatments available and possible side effects.

The stress caused by having a child with cancer is all-consuming; the focus of the entire family shifts to the ailing child. In times of crisis,

Argentine Newsstands Still Replete With Anti-Semitic Literature

BUENOS AIRES (WNS) — Newsstands and bookstores in the central streets here continue to be replete with anti-Semitic literature — including Nazi publications, an internal report to the Executive of the World Jewish Congress states.

The report, prepared by the secretariat of the WJC Latin American branch, states that the government of President Raul Alfonsin "is categorical in denouncing these symptoms which it considers part of an effort toward the destabilization of the democratic regime.... Nevertheless,

less, the publications continue, visible to all."

The Jewish press and the news bulletins of the DAIA, the central representative body of Argentine Jewry, have begun the task of cataloguing anti-Semitic and Nazi publications. The list is disturbing, the WJC report says. There are about 10 and they are very open about their anti-Semitic views.

As an example, the report notes that the latest issue of the magazine, "Information on Masonry," states on its cover, "Zionism: Alfonsin Its Servant," and is subtitled "Hitler Was Right."

the Candlelighters help pay for professional counseling for the family. The individual members of Candlelighters are always there for each other; to talk, hold a hand, share knowledge and always - hope.

Chartered in 1978 by two families, each with a child with cancer, the Candlelighters of Clark County is a non-profit, tax exempt organization. There are no professional fund raisers, no salaries paid, just parents and friends doing a job that needs to be done.

For the second year, KVBC TV-3 and Wendy's of Las Vegas, Inc. are co-sponsoring the Candlelighters Holiday Project. Wendy's coupon booklets will be on sale at selected businesses throughout the Las Vegas area and over the counter at all Wendy's of Las Vegas locations. Chanukah is a time for sharing and what better way of sharing than to help a child with cancer?

For more information call 876-5879.

Dr. Kenny C. Guinn To Receive Humanitarian Award

LAS VEGAS — Dr. Kenny C. Guinn, president of Nevada Savings and Loan Association, will be honored December at a dinner to raise funds for National Jewish Hospital/National Asthma Center (NJH/NAC).

The \$400-per-couple benefit for the Denver-based respiratory and immune disease center will be held at Caesar's Palace with a reception at 6 p.m. followed by the dinner program at 7. Black tie dress is optional.

Dr. Guinn will receive the NJH/NAC Humanitarian Award, which is presented in Las Vegas and other cities to recognize persons who have demonstrated great humanitarian concern and outstanding community service.

Harry Wald, vice chairman of the board of Caesar's Palace, and Fred Lewis, vice president of the Hughes Corporation, Summa Corporation and Hughes Properties, Inc. are dinner co-chairmen.

Proceeds from the benefit will help fund research and medical education programs at the Denver medical center. NJH/NAC is a nonprofit, nonsectarian hospital and the only medical center in the world focusing its full resources on respiratory, allergic and immune disorders. These diseases include asthma, emphysema, chronic bronchitis, tuberculosis, occupational and environmental lung diseases, juvenile rheumatoid arthritis and immune-deficiency disorders.

Additional information may be obtained by contacting Cathy Baker, 385-1664 or Renee Brown at the NJH/NAC regional office, (213) 938-7273.

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