Friday, February 14, 1986

Las Vegas Israelite



(L-R) Ann Mishoulam, President, and Hesh Altman, National Director of Flight Operations for OPERATION ANGEL PLANE. Hesh is also a member of Temple Beth Sholom and a pilot for our flight team. Blood is being flown into Las Vegas by OPERATION ANGEL PLANE pilots from Kingman, Bullhead City, Needles, and many other surrounding cities.

Due to the qualifications of our highly motivated volunteer pilots, and to the capabilities of the aircraft we use, OPERATION ANGEL PLANE possesses the flexibility to operate from the smallest and most remote landing strips into the largest and most sophisticated airports. Furthermore, due to the very nature of general aviation, the procedures for transfer of containers and/or passengers is simple and direct -- from a car just a few steps to the aircraft, and later, from the aircraft just a few steps to a waiting car.

Currently, one of the many children being flown by OPERATION ANGEL PLANE is three year Morgan who has Juvenile Rheumatoid Arthritis which causes her legs to swell so badly that oftentimes she cannot walk at all. It is also causing her to go blind. In order to receive the proper treatments she needs she must go to UCLA once each week. Needless to say, after about a year of doctor bills and hospital bills, Morgan's parents have run out of funds and insurance. Now, they are considering going on welfare in order to get some relief. Without our service Morgan would not get her lifesaving treatments.

OPERATION ANGEL PLANE is also flying Mr.





Hesh helping little Morgan Fenstermaker and her mother to board the aircraft. They are about to depart for the UCLA Medical Center in Los Angeles where Morgan will receive three separate treatments.

Birch, a 76-year-old victim of cancer to his laser treatments in the San Fernando Valley. Mr. Birch receives \$1,200 each month in Social Security benefits and so does not qualify for Medicare. Without our help, Mr. Birch, too, would not be able to receive his lifesaving treatments.

OPERATION ANGEL PLANE is solely responsible for transporting all blood and blood products in and out of the Las Vegas area. When a person is involved in an accident or must undergo surgery, it is our mission to be sure that all the necessary blood is available or call at local blood banks and hospitals. Without the service we provide many people would simply not survive because the blood they need is not available.

There are just several of the 20 to 30 different types of missions flown by OPERATION ANGEL PLANE each month for the citizens of our community. Most medical services available in Las Vegas are fairly generic in nature. Those families hit with rare and/or major illnesses must leave Las Vegas for help. To them, TIME IS LIFE.

The staff and pilot members of OPERATION ANGEL PLANE are always available to be of service. You, your family, employees, and community needs this medical responsiveness. Your donation will ensure it is there.





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To the Editor:

Saturday evening, January 25, we were privileged to attend one of the most prestigious and exemplary affairs of the year -- Hadassah's Presidents Ball. The two ladies who were responsible for this brilliant evening are Patti Hoganson and ReneerSchreibman.

The reason for my writing this letter is to tell the people of Nevada about the theme of the Hadassah Ball. It was a tribute to a group of people who have done so much and is still doing so much for the betterment of mankind all over the world. Jews and Christians, blacks and whites, were represented in great numbers both as recipients, guests, participants in the evolution of this program and entertainers.

We deemed this evening most heart-warming and beautiful because at a time when there is so much strife in the world, we here in Nevada are trying to do all in our power to lessen the breech that has been built up over the years.

Among the entertainers were a group from "Love All People" and to hear them sing the Israeli National Anthem in Hebrew was most inspiring.

The honorees came from every walk of life, every race, color and creed. It is a shame that more people do not attend affairs such as this one, sponsored by a liberated assemblage who work for humanity. They would learn to live a happier, more fulfilling life, free of all bigotry and hate.

Lillian H. Wallace

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