

# PLO Tricks New York Times

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events was, in fact, a matter of dispute. Not until the twenty-second paragraph of the thirty-six paragraph feature did the *Times* note that "Israeli critics of the Palestinians" had warned that the PLO was trying to "boost its image of moderation." The *Times* did not bother to actually interview one of those Israelis to give him a chance to explain his point.

As it turned out, the *Times'* folly in relying on PLO sources soon became apparent. The very next day, the Associated Press reported that an Algerian physician who had just visited Libya found Abu Nidal in a Libyan hospital, dying of cancer. To make matters worse, the *Times* refused to admit that its original story was wrong, or that there was any other side of the story; it simply declined to publish the new information about the Algerian doctor.

The *Times'* decision to rush into print with this PLO-based story contrasts sharply with its approach when the source of information is Israel.

Earlier this year, Israeli officials provided the *Times* correspondent in Jerusalem, Joel Brinkley, with copies of letters sent from PLO headquarters in Tunis to PLO operatives in the Gaza Strip, ordering the murders of various Arabs with whom the PLO had disputes. Brinkley — according to his own account — suppressed the information for an entire month.

Brinkley claimed that he was busy "verifying" the authenticity of the documents by consulting with PLO sources, although why that should have been necessary, and why it should have taken him a month — in this age of modern telephones and facsimile machines — remains unclear. When Brinkley finally wrote up the story, he managed to "balance" each Israeli argument with a counter-argument from an Arab source. Letters to the editor challenging Brinkley's thirty-day delay were

# Ted Quillin — Goodwill Industries "Humanitarian Of The Year"

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will's 1st Annual Appreciation Awards Banquet at the Holiday Inn-Casino. Governor Miller presented Goodwill's "Humanitarian of the Year" award to Ted Quillin, past chairman of the board of directors, in his presentation comments, Governor Miller commended Quillin for his attitude, commitment, perseverance and leadership qualities resulting in the continued growth and valuable community services that Goodwill Industries provide for our physically and mentally handicapped, as well as, disadvantaged citizens of Southern Nevada. The Governor acknowledged Ted's support and contributions to various other civic and community organizations over the past years, he commended Goodwill Industries for conferring the "Humanitarian of the Year" award on Ted Quillin and pledged his continuing support for Goodwill Industries of Southern Nevada.

The Appreciation Awards Banquet was hosted by Steve Miller, Chairman, Board of Directors, and Reverend Jesse Scott, President, NAACP, started the festivities with a spirited invocation.

The banquet room was decorated with the blue and white colors of Goodwill Industries for the more than 200 guests and supporters. Steve Miller and Ted Quillin co-emceed the awards presentations. The first introduction of the evening was

not published.

Was the *Times* simply duped by its PLO sources? Or does the *Times* have a deliberate double standard regarding Israeli and PLO official information sources? And how can the *Times* justify its refusal to publish letters criticizing it? These are questions that demand answers.

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Ellen Pelach, a local Goodwill client who was chosen as "The Disabled Employee of the Year" by the Governor's Committee on the Employment of People with Disabilities for 1989. Ellen received a standing ovation!

Members of the Goodwill Board of Directors assisted chairman Miller in presenting achievement, support appreciation and surplus merchandise appreciation awards to the many Southern Nevada businesses who support Goodwill Industries.

Irene Lemley, president & CEO of Goodwill, presented the "Forever Faithful" award to Nick and Cheryl Pandelis; the "Angel of the Year" award to Bobby Page; the "Volunteer of the Year" award to Steve Miller, and the "President's" award to Leo Lewis.

The "Humanitarian of the Year" award was the final presentation.

# B'nai B'rith Concerned About Anti-Semitism In Soviet Bloc

WASHINGTON, DC — The Board of Governors of B'nai B'rith expressed its concern over reports of resurgent anti-Semitism in the USSR and Eastern Europe, passing a number of resolutions calling for concrete action.

The B'nai B'rith leadership took note of the progress toward new freedoms for Soviet Jews and democracy in Eastern Europe, especially delighting in the release of long-time refuseniks Emmanuel and Judith Lurie. At the same time, B'nai B'rith urged all newly "emerging East European governments and their key clergy to take actions to prevent all forms of anti-Semitism." B'nai B'rith appealed specifically to the Soviet government to "let all Jews who wish to emigrate leave the Soviet Union immediately," and encouraged Soviet Jews "to opt for emigration to Israel."

B'nai B'rith, which now has four units in the USSR with plans to expand in Eastern Europe, also resolved to promote "activities of B'nai B'rith in furtherance of Jewish cultural and religious life in Eastern Europe and in the Soviet Union."

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