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HOW TO HELP

To support our programs, please donate online, www.angelview.org. send checks to Angel View, 12379 Miracle Hill Road. Desert Hot Springs. CA 92240, or donate to and shop at our resale stores. www.angelview.org/ stores. Thank you.

January 28, 2016, Cuistot Restaurant

Annual Fashion Show and Luncheon Combined

For many years, Angel View has held a fall fashion show featuring outfits that were donated to our resale stores. In addition, each year on Presidents Day, we've held an annual luncheon. "For the first time," says Patti Park, executive director, "we're combining the events into one Wild West Show which will be held on Thursday, January 28 at Cuistot Restaurant in Palm Desert."

Guests are encouraged to saddle up to the saloon and general store early. A fashion boutique will be open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. At noon, the luncheon and fashion

show begin. "This year, there will be no honoree and no presentations." Park continues. "The focus will be on food, fun and fashion. Our mission will be front and center though since two of our clients will be participating as models."

> Tickets are \$75 and are available online at www.angelview.org (see events) or by calling (866) 670-8666 ext. 1. Two levels of sponsorships are available. The \$1,000 Gold Angel sponsorship includes one table of 10: the \$300 Silver Angel sponsorship includes 2 tickets. Both sponsorships include a page in the program which will be used to showcase client stories.

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Job Skills Help Adults Transition

Since August, a group of special education students from Palm Springs Unified School District have been learning job skills at Angel View. According to Dean Troup, a Cathedral City High School teacher who works with students aged 18-22 in the Adult Transition Program, "I was shopping here one day and since we're always looking for new work sites where our student trainees can learn new skills, I thought it would be a wonderful fit. It is! The merchandise is so varied, it helps them learn what things are. There's such a need for them, they feel valued. We love it."

Most days, shoppers at the Palm Springs Clearance Center will see busy trainees restocking merchandise, breaking down boxes, and organizing items that have been misplaced. Others help sweep and keep the store tidy. Store employees also help coach trainees. "That's one of the most beneficial aspects," Troup emphasizes. "They need to learn to work with other workers and to learn from other workers. The teacher won't be there after graduation."

Alison Munoz Curbow, 18, shown with her teacher, was busy stacking merchandise. She seemed to be enjoying her new skills. "I love putting stuff away," she said, "to organize, and help people if they need it."

We couldn't be happier to have their assistance.



Travel Costs Prevent Children from Receiving Medical Care

Have you heard of the fatal four? Aspiration, constipation, dehydration and seizures. For children with intellectual and developmental disabilities – they can be killers, so they need to be monitored carefully by their physicians.

"In the Coachella Valley," notes Walter Johnson, MD, president of the Angel View board, "that's a serious problem because specialty pediatric care is not close by."

For kids like Danny, 12, whose family has to drive 170 miles round trip every time he needs to be seen by his neurologist in Loma Linda, the travel cost is hard to bear.

According to research from the Health Assessment Resource Center (HARC), 5,200 local kids have developmental disabilities. More still have physical

The cost of gas

issues. Many are being raised in single parent homes with multiple siblings and without a working car.

Angel View Outreach helps children with disabilities through difficult circumstances. We helped Carmen. a single mom, find day care for her autistic son. It allowed her to keep her job – the family's sole means of support. But for Danny, the most valuable part of the program is reimbursement for miles his family travels accessing his specialty care. Bottom line — if parents can't afford to take their kids to the doctor, kids miss being monitored. That puts them at risk of the fatal four.

Last year, our program covered the cost of more than 115.000 "medical miles." We enabled children to keep 800 life-saving appointments with doctors in Loma Linda.

"The need for help is greater than our funds," Dr. Johnston notes. "Last year, we had to put a hold on mileage awards. Our goal is to raise \$75,000 so we can meet the pent up demand and enable more children to keep critical medical appointments."

The cost of gas should never endanger a child's life. With your help, it won't.









Fall/Winter Calendar Full of Fun

No matter what your style, Angel View has it covered. Please join us at any/all of the following fundraisers to support our programs and services.

OCTOBER 24:

Palm Springs Casual Concours Charity Car Show, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m., Desert Princess Country Club at Landau and Vista Chino. Entry tickets are \$10 at www.angelview.org or at the door; \$5 raffle tickets for a chance at winning a 1985 Oldsmobile Cutlass Ciera convertible conversion.



DECEMBER 8, 9, 11, 12, 13:

Barry Manilow's "A Gift of Love III" concert series at McCallum Theatre, Palm Desert. Tickets are available at www.mccallumtheatre.com.



DECEMBER 31:

New Year's Eve-Day Swimathon, 9 a.m. – 11 a.m., Palm Springs Swim Center, 405 South Pavilion Way. To sponsor laps, yards, or the event, contact Steven Erickson, steven@ mmgccpa.com.



JANUARY 28:

Angel View's annual Fashion Show/ Luncheon, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., Cuistot, 72595 El Paseo, Palm Desert. Tickets, \$75 at www.angelview.org, or (866) 670-8666 ext. 1 (please see back cover).



FEBRUARY 20:

Jazz at the Gardens on El Paseo, 5 p.m. – 7 p.m., 73545 El Paseo, Palm Desert. Tickets: \$15 at the door.





Peter's Voice
By Peter Li, Angel View Resident

Two Worlds Collided – How I Met Dan McGrath

I met Dan McGrath at Lynda Carter's star dedication in 2014. I was turning around and I accidentally hit him with the back of my power chair. We talked for bit afterwards. He really liked what I had to say about Angel View and what I was doing to give back. He gave me his card and asked me to go on his radio show, "Morning Coffee with Dan on Sunny103.1."



And that's how it all started. He asked me to be a regular on his show...once a month.

Dan is an awesome guy, a lover of all types of music. He is very passionate and supportive in what he believes in – from helping out with the desert communities to emceeing at many charity events to whoever is in need, to putting many organizations on his show to bring awareness to the desert community, to me.

The best thing about Dan McGrath is that he doesn't see me as an individual with a disability but as Peter Li. We've became family. He thinks of me as his own son.

"Two thumbs up Dan McGrath!"

(Editor's Note: Dan has graciously agreed to emcee our January 28, 2016 Fashion Show and Luncheon at Cuistot.)





Trying to get rid of a car or boat? Donate it to Angel View!

You'll get a tax deduction and help our clients.

Coming soon to Rancho MirageandLakeElsinore -newAngelViewstores!

Store proceeds support our programs and services for children and adults with disabilities.