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NEW YEAR, NEW YOU AT ANGEL VIEW

Treadmills are humming, bike wheels are whirring and the thump, thump, thump, of the heavy bag is putting a smile of the face of Jose.

There's a flurry of activity in the corner of the building that has been silent for a while.

Today, Rachael is giggling with excitement because she's pedaling so quickly her activities coordinator, James Gavin, said she could be in Rancho Cucamonga by now. Tina is putting in some serious mileage on the treadmill. Smiling from ear to ear, Karen can't wait to begin pulling on the rowing machine as Steven helps her stay on time counting one through 10 while lifting colorful hand weights.

This is the workout room for the clients of Angel View and thanks to generous grants and donations of new and gently-used exercise equipment, this group is getting physical and loving every minute. Today there is no wait for the popular cycle and





treadmill, but that's not always the case.

"We had six (clients) here today, but it could be up to 14," said James Gavin, who recently transitioned from a transportation driver to activities to be part of the action. "Some you have to coach, but once they start doing it, they'll do it – and they love it."

Gavin joined the Angel View staff five years ago and became more involved in physical activities when he drove clients to play areas, pushed them on swings, helped them up and down slides and saw the happiness on their faces.

"He made it more personable to the clients and it was contagious," said transportation supervisor Janae Delgado. "He's a real client activist and took the reins in pushing the envelope to get the clients more involved."

So, along with some hydrotherapy in the pools (one of which is a natural hot spring), the workout area started to compile equipment from stationary bicycles, to rowing machines, boxing gloves and a heavy bag, free weights and a few specialized walkers.

There's even music.

A donated piano tucked in the corner of the room is often played by clients, some performing with one hand. It's a little activity with the arts and everyone benefits.

The gym is open to residential and community clients and each quickly gravitates toward their favorite.

Added Gavin: "If people saw the faces here, they'd know their donation of this equipment or buying something in our resale stores is much more meaningful."

WINTER CALENDAR - DON'T MISS



JANUARY 18-22 | CAREERBUILDER CHALLENGE Angel View is participating in the longtime PGA Tour event with other nonprofits in Charity Row at the host course, PGA West in La Quinta. Angel View benefits from the event hosted by Desert Classic Charities. Stop by and meet our team.

Information: 760-346-8184. Tickets: www.careerbuilderchallenge.com/tickets

JANUARY 26 | ANGEL VIEW'S ANNUAL FASHION SHOW AND LUNCHEON Our models? They're our own angels from Angel View. Wearing fashions found in our own resale stores. See runway-ready wear at Cuistot Restaurant, 72595 El Paseo, Palm Desert. We'll have our clients and other fashionistas ready for their close-up and you'll experience the best in couture and cuisine.



Shopping begins at 10 a.m. and the lunch and show starts at noon. Tickets are \$95 and available at www.angelview.org or by calling 866-670-8666, ext. 1.



MARCH 4 GARDENS ON EL PASEO CONCERT SERIES The 19th annual series kicks off Jan. 28 and will feature one-hour concerts each Saturday through March 18 on the center lawn in front of Saks Fifth Avenue. Angel View is the beneficiary on March 4 and will feature the music of Heatwave. Tickets are on sale the day of each concert at 3:30 p.m. for \$15. It includes lawn seats, two glasses of wine and light bites with \$10 from each ticket benefiting the selected charity.

Information: www.thegardensonelpaseo.com

HI-LO DESERT GOLF GROUP DRIVES TO GIVE

For the second consecutive season, the Hi-Lo Desert Chapter of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America presented Angel View with dozens of gift cards to give back to their local community during the holidays.

Hi-Lo Board of Directors' member Geoff Johansen presented Angel View Executive Director Patti Park (Geoff and Patti shown at right) with a gift bag filled with Target, Walmart and Arco gas cards that will be distributed among Angel View's programs for children and adults with disabilities.

"We know a lot of families are struggling to get their kids to appointments at Loma Linda and the gas cards will help," said Johansen. "It will definitely help some of those families."

The Hi-Lo group chose Angel View as the local charity again and Johansen's wish is that this becomes a long-standing commitment to Angel View.

"I've been involved with this group since 1997 and it's a very tight-knit group – and growing," he said. "We're looking to get to 100 percent of our community reaching out to your community at Angel View."

More donations

In October, Great Autos of Yesteryear presented Angel View with a \$12,000 donation as a result of its annual Palm Springs Casual Concours Classic Car Show held at the Doubletree Resort in Cathedral City.

Close to 100 classic and exotic cars were registered for the event, despite getting fierce competition for hotel space from the new Desert Trip concert. Car enthusiasts were treated to classics like the 1964 Lincoln Continental and a 1954 Chrysler New Yorker station wagon.

More than 30 volunteers from their organization worked on the show and the results benefited Angel View.

"We greatly appreciate Great Autos of Yesteryear's support of Angel View," said executive director Patti Park. "And it's such a win for people who attend. They not only get to enjoy the car show, they help raise much needed funds to support our programs."



HOLIDAY PARTY

More than 125 Angel View clients from residential homes and the therapeutic day program attended the annual Holiday Party at Guide Dogs of the Desert thanks to the continued generosity of Marshall Fisher, who has sponsored the event for 11 consecutive years. The residents were transported to a winter wonderland with trees and lights, balloon and gifts. They were greeted outside by a

cheerful group of ukulele players who performed and sang holiday tunes, led by Wendy Soda.

The music continued inside courtesy of Bob Brown, then there was lunch and goodies along with appearances by Santa and his elves and Harpo the clown.











NEW HOME

Also in October, Angel View administration opened its doors to the public to celebrate its new location in Cathedral City. The administrative staff moved from Desert Hot Springs to the new headquarters to free up needed space at the Miracle Hill location to expand the therapeutic Day Program for adults with disabilities.

The administration offices are located right next to the Cathedral City resale store, 67625 E. Palm Canyon Drive, Cathedral City.

DIVING INTO A RECORD 2017

The fifth annual Piranhas Masters
New Year's Eve Swim for Angel View
made a big splash to kick off the New Year.

A record 55 swimmers participated with more than 35 finishing the 10,000-yard swim at the Palm Springs Swim Center. Another record was also broken – after \$11,000 was raised last year, Steve Erickson, Jeff Conwell and their group amassed \$16,000 for Angel View Outreach.

"It's an honor to support an organization that has been serving our communities' disabled for many years and it's also a meaningful event when you watch the smiles and excitement of personal goals being met as the swimmers exited the water," said Conwell. "All together it made for a special day. Lots of spectators, led by Angel View staff, board of directors, and clients themselves, all cheering along as the swimmers took on this challenge."

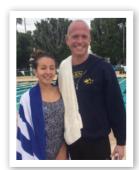
Erickson, a former board member who spearheaded the event, swam the 6.2 miles with a personal record. And the youngest in the pool, Abby Kartzinel, who performed her community service project to celebrate her bat mitzvah last year, joined in again to raise even more funds.

Legally blind swimmer Chris Fargo blew everyone out of the water when he swam every lap using the butterfly stroke.

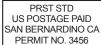
"I'm just blown away," said Erickson.
"Such amazing, positive energy from all the swimmers and the crowd.
Tears came to my eyes thinking of everyone's efforts and generosity."

All were an inspiration.

Thank you one and all for your accomplishments, both in and out of the pool.









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GRANTS NEWS

Since launching Angel View Outreach in 2012, our bilingual outreach specialists have helped more than 1,500 local families raising children with disabilities. In their conversations with



parents, they've learned more information about local needs and that invaluable input allowed us to modify and refine our program based on real issues.

In many cases, a child's disability causes systemic family problems. Because so much attention is devoted to one member of the household, another sibling often acts out or starts missing school.

Thanks to grants from Desert Healthcare District and the S. L. Gimbel Foundation Advised Fund at The Community Foundation – Inland Southern California, we've been able to expand our services. This year in addition to our typical outreach services (resources and referrals, mileage reimbursement, activity sponsorships, etc.), we are now offering a family stabilization component of the program. The goal is to better equip all members of the family to care for the child with a disability.

We greatly appreciate the support of both funders!

Donating from your closet and your wallet. It's as easy as 1-2-3...

There are easy ways to help our children and adults with disabilities.

- **1.** Donate online by visiting www.angelview.org
- **2.** Mail checks to Angel View, 67625 E. Palm Canyon Drive, Cathedral City, CA 92234.
- **3.** Donate to our resale stores with drop off locations near you or contact us to arrange a pick up at 866-670-8666.

Join us on social media.

- 1. Head to our Facebook Page (Angel View, Inc.) and see the photos and stories of our clients – "like" us – and "friend" us. Join our Legacy Circle or Adopt a House.
- 2. Follow us on Twitter (@angelviewcv), check out our latest fundraising activities and you can be part of providing Outreach activities for disabled children.

3. See the latest postings on Instagram (angelviewcv) from our resale stores that support our residential clients and therapeutic day program.

For how to help, please contact Development Director Duke Graham at 760-835-0464.



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COMING SOON

Watch for news of the grand opening of the 26,000-square-foot Clearance and Transportation Center in Desert Hot Springs which will also serve as the new headquarters for resale operations.