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CCOC Celebrates Wedding from Flight 56



Born in the Ukraine, Yana had a very difficult and tumultuous upbringing. Her mother is very ill, and her father resides in a nursing home. They divorced when Yana was a

small child, and as a result she lost all connection with her father.

On March 5, 2002, at the age of 7, Yana was rescued by CCOC on Flight 56. She has been with CCOC for the past 12 years during which CCOC has worked diligent-



ly to provide Yana with a nurturing and safe environment.

As a result of her exposure to radiation, Yana's immune system was compromised, and therefore CCOC

provided Yana with extensive medical care and treatment. Yana was abnormal-



ly thin with very fragile bones and had to consult with medical professionals to deal with the many unusual side effects from her exposure. Under the watchful care of CCOC, Yana has since remarkably improved.

Yana has always been extremely studious. CCOC provided a superb education ensuring her ultimate success. She obtained a degree in Special

Left: Dima when first rescued

by CCOC. Above: Dima with his sister. Below: Dima with

his two precious children.

Education and is now studying for her Masters degree.

The CCOC staff proudly walked Yana down the aisle when she wed Eli, a 26 year-old technician and

university student, on February 10, 2014 in Kfar Chabad, Israel.

We are so excited for this next stage in Yana's



life. It is only with your financial assistance that we are able to provide for our children during such special milestones. Mazel Toy Yana and Eli!

CCOC Alumni Spotlight: Dima



DIMA

DOB: June 21, 1976 Rescue Mission #7 From:

From: Ukraine

 Rescued together with his sister on Flight 7 in 1992

- Resided with CCOC for 3 years until his parents came to live in Israel
- ♦ Served in the army
- ♦ Currently married with 2 children
- Works as a successful computer technician for a high tech company
- Very well-liked amongst his friends and colleagues because of his positive outlook on life
- ♦ Has a contagious smile

Children at Heart 2013

See inside for more details and photos from the gala event!



Jon Voight (Master of Ceremonies), Naomi Watts, Liev Schreiber (Recipient of the Children at Heart Award)

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Children at Heart 2013: Time Flies



Talk show host Zev Brenner interviews Jessica and Shimon Katz about their involvement with CCOC.



New Leadership Award recipient. Mickey Penzer, poses with a lifesize moving clock.



Jon Voight and Liev Schrieber share the stage with artist David Kracov and the evening's quest auctioneer and WNBC's Lead Sports Anchor, Bruce Beck



The CCOC staff (Merlene Anzaroot, Esti Herman, and Rachel Fertel) pose with friends Jon Voight and Naomi Watts.



Designer Elie Tahari welcomes artist David Kracov to the stage to accept his Art from the Heart Award.



Liev Schreiber and Jon Voight

share a special moment on stage.

Humanitarian Award recipient, John Arfman (second from left), with his family and friends



Jon Voight with CCOC supporter and friend, Eve Goldberg (William



CCOC Board member Chippy Meta (Banco Industrial) and friends from Argentina



Dmitriy Salita shows off his boxing skills with fan, Liev Schreiber.



Taking a jab at boxing champ Yuri Foreman



Liev Schreiber and Naomi Watts enjoy the evening's presentations.



Board member Julia Bobrow bids on a live auction item



es the award presentation.



Ambassador Ido Aharoni addresses the crowd.



Yuri Foreman and Jon Voight box on stage as Liev Schreiber observes and prepares for his own fight against Yuri.



Shimon Katz and Nancy Spielberg present Louise and Mathew Evins with their Heart to Heart Award.

On Monday, November 25, 2013 CCOC hosted the annual Children at Heart Gala Dinner and Celebrity Fantasy Auction at Chelsea Piers, Pier Sixty, NYC. This year's honorees included: Liev Schreiber (*Children at Heart Award*), John Arfman (*Humanitarian Award*), Louise and Mathew Evins (Heart to Heart Award), David Kracov (Art from the Heart Award), and Mickey Penzer (New Leadership Award). Jon Voight was the Master of Ceremonies and WNBC's Lead Sports Anchor, Bruce Beck, led the live auction.

This year's event raised funds to rescue the children who are tragically affected by the radiation released from the Chernobyl nuclear explosion, the world's worst nuclear disaster. How time flies... what happened on that catastrophic day 27 years ago must not be forgotten. The radiation has not dissipated and continues to affect those living, breathing, and consuming it on a daily basis. The 2,863 children we have saved on 99 rescue missions need our help. They need medical care, surgeries, rehabilitation, physical therapy, and emotional support in addition to a clean place to live, healthy food to eat, and an outstanding education to enable them to succeed in life. These children need someone to care for them, and CCOC has become their family.

That evening, we reflected upon what CCOC has done over the years, how the children have thrived, and how much more we can accomplish with your support. Please help us continue to make a difference in the lives of these children who need our help.



The Silhouettes from America's Got Talent impress the crowd with their interpretation of how "time flies".



Liev Schreiber accepts the Children at Heart Award.



Founding Board Member Nancy Spielberg with Master of Ceremonies Jon Voight and fashion designer, Alexandra Guttman.

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New Leadership Prepares for Annual Purim Benefit Bash

The Seventh Annual Purim Benefit Bash is set to take place on Thursday, March 13, 2014. Hosted by CCOC's New Leadership division, the



attracts nearly 500 young professionals from

the New York-Metropolitan area.

The theme of this year's fundraiser is #tbt (Throwback Thursday). Since the event is being held on a Thursday evening, guests are asked to come dressed in accordance with the theme selected by that this year's creative Host Committee who have worked hard to ensure that CCOC's events are unique and appealing to all.

Last year's event raised over \$25,000

and the Host Committee hopes to raise even more this year via ticket sales and sponsorships. If you or your company is interested in sponsoring this year's Purim Benefit Bash or making a contribution to help meet our goals, please contact Rachel at **rfertel@ccoc.net** or call (212) 681-7800. Tickets to the event can be purchased at www.ccoc.net.

CCOC would like to thank Lagunitas Brewing Company and Joshua Chaitovsky for their ongoing generosity and support.



CCOC's Fourth Annual Super Bowl Fundraiser



Thank you to our participants who helped CCOC with this fundraiser. Congratulations to the winners of CCOC's 2014 Super Bowl pool!

1st Quarter: \$150

Amanda Bryk
(Seahawks 8, Broncos 0)

2nd Quarter (Halftime): \$250 **Marlene Kroll** (Seahawks 22, Broncos 0)

3rd Quarter: \$150 **Lindsey Mingelgreen** (Seahawks 36, Broncos 8)

4th Quarter (Final Score): \$350 IZZY Kramer (Seahawks 43, Broncos 8)

CCOC Supporters Host Fundraisers of Their Own



A number of CCOC supporters have taken the initiative to host fundraisers for the organization. Mickey Penzer and Lindsey Mingelgreen (pictured left) hosted a Birthday Brunch at which they asked their friends to donate to CCOC in lieu of free admission to the party. Other New Leadership members assisted in the planning and execution which helped raise funds for CCOC as part of the recently-launched

Birthday Club Campaign.

In addition, Chabad of Port Washington has selected CCOC to be the charity of choice for its upcoming Mitzvah Day. On May 4, 2014 over 1,500 families from six synagogues in the area will come together to perform various mitzvah projects to benefit CCOC. Students will also take home CCOC tzedakah boxes which will be returned once they are full. Many thanks to our creative and generous supporters!



Dedicate your birthday to charity!

Is your birthday coming up? Join CCOC's Birthday Club and ask your friends to make a donation in honor of your special day. Saving a child's life is the best gift of all!

To sign up visit www.ccoc.net or call (212) 681-7800



To contribute and save a child: call (888) 888-1999 or visit www.ccoc.net

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