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Passover Greetings from **Arlène Madar Abitan**, CMDA National President



It is with a heavy heart that we hear the news every day since October 7th. Already six months under sounds of sirens and relentless attacks. Too many precious lives have been lost. Too

many horrific moments that will scar the people of Israel and the Jewish people forever.

Magen David Adom's paramedics and EMTs worked tirelessly, attended to casualties under threat of shooters and rocket attacks. They were all sent on assignments in an instant. They didn't stop to ask themselves "Wait, what does this mean?", but rather, they said, "The country needs us!" They stood for whomever needed them.

While hoping the good and quiet days will return soon, we pray for the safety and wellbeing of the people of Israel. We pray for the safe return of all the hostages who remain in Hamas captivity, of the brave soldiers fighting on the frontlines, and the national team of Magen David Adom first-responders in Israel.

In May and June, CMDA's Montreal and Calgary annual evenings will pray tribute to the heroes who lost their lives and the ones continuously responding, serving the country 24/7. I look forward to everyone's presence as we highlight the resilience, strength and devotion that drives their reality.

We Jews have a very strong sense of memory. This Passover, like every Passover, we will remember our ancestors who could not eat bread, by going through their struggles, but celebrating Passover 5784/2024 will be like no other, knowing Israel is still at war. Jewish tradition recognizes that there is no "full cup" of joy, nor one of unmitigated sadness.

I extend a Chag Pessah Sameah to you and your loved ones!

Let my people go!
Never again!
Am Israël Chai!

Vœux pour Pâque **Arlène Madar Abitan**, Présidente nationale CMDA

C'est avec le cœur lourd que nous écoutons les nouvelles tous les jours depuis le 7 octobre. Déjà six mois se sont écoulés sous le son des sirènes et des attaques incessantes. Un trop grand nombre de vies précieuses ont été perdues. Un trop grand nombre de moments horribles marqueront profondément le peuple d'Israël et le peuple juif à tout jamais.

Les ambulanciers paramédicaux et les techniciens d'urgence médicale de Magen David Adom ont travaillé sans relâche, ont assisté les victimes sous la menace des tireurs et des attaques de roquettes. Ils ont tous été envoyés en mission à l'instant même. Mais au lieu de s'arrêter et de se demander ce que tout cela veut dire, ils se sont plutôt dit « Le pays a besoin de nous! », et ils ont défendu quiconque avait besoin d'eux.

Tout en espérant que de belles journées sereines reviendront bientôt, nous prions pour la sécurité et le bien-être du peuple d'Israël. Nous prions pour le retour en toute sécurité de tous les otages qui demeurent aux mains du Hamas, des braves soldats qui luttent en première ligne, et pour l'équipe nationale des premiers répondants de Magen David Adom en Israël.

En mai et en juin, les soirées annuelles de Montréal et de Calgary de CMDA rendront hommage aux héros qui ont perdu leur vie et à ceux qui interviennent continuellement, en servant le pays

24 heures sur 24, 7 jours sur 7. J'espère la présence de tous alors que nous mettrons en lumière la résilience, la force et la dévotion qui dictent leur réalité.

Nous, Juifs, avons un sens très fort de la mémoire. Lors de ces fêtes de Pâque, comme à chaque Pâque, nous nous souviendrons de nos ancêtres qui ne pouvaient manger de pain, tout en traversant leurs difficultés, mais les célébrations de la Pâque 5784/2024 ne ressembleront nullement à celles d'aucune autre fête de Pâque, en sachant qu'Israël est encore en guerre. La tradition juive reconnaît qu'il n'y a ni « pleine coupe » de joie, ni de tristesse absolue.

Je vous souhaite à tous, ainsi qu'à vos proches, Chag Pessah Sameah!

Laisse aller mon peuple!

Plus jamais!

m Israël Chai!

Arlène Madar Abitan,
National President / Présidente nationale

Boxing Champion Floyd Mayweather Makes Historic Visit to Magen David Adom

ISRAEL

Israel | March 13, 2024

World boxing champion Floyd Mayweather just dedicated ten emergency Medi-cycles during a historic visit at Magen David Adom last March. The life-saving vehicles were donated in his honour on the occasion of the visit.



Mayweather is an international boxer and world boxing champion. Since October 7, he has shown incredible solidarity and generosity toward the people of Israel. His recent visit included a tour of MDA's new National Blood Services Centre in Ramle.

"Since the beginning of the war, Mr. Mayweather has shown huge sup-



MDA Director General Eli Bin and World Boxing Champion Floyd Mayweather.

port to Israel, and not only from a distance, but he even made a special visit to Magen David Adom to show solidarity, to meet the life-saving teams on the frontlines, as well as the staff who process the blood

donations" said MDA Director General Eli Bin. "I am deeply grateful for the visit and for this huge support of Israel."

The boxing champion was given a comprehensive overview of MDA's

Blood Bank and Milk Bank and witnessed the vital work carried out to deliver life-saving blood units to the sick and injured all across Israel.

He listened to the horrific accounts of MDA frontline paramedics and EMTs who fought tirelessly to save lives on October 7. He also met some of the teams currently operating night and day in the northern and southern regions to ensure the safety and wellbeing of Israelis.

During the visit, Mayweather also witnessed the devotion and professionalism of MDA's emergency dispatchers responding to emergency calls. MDA's call centres respond to emergency calls in less than three seconds, no matter where or when the call arrives. He was also shown a variety of MDA emergency vehicles used to save lives, including the ambulances, mobile intensive care units, Medi-cycles, and the Unimog, a shielded all-terrain ambulance that was used to evacuate victims from battle-zones on October 7.



Boxing world champion Floyd Mayweather visits Magen David Adom. March 13, 2024.

National training seminar and community events provided eye-opening testimonials of the October 7th attacks and ongoing conflict

Two of MDA's leading senior paramedics visit Canada



Raphael Herbst, International Relations Deputy Director



TORONTO

Between March 14th and 22nd, Canadian Magen David Adom Toronto and Montreal Regions had the pleasure of hosting Raphael Herbst, MDA Deputy Director of International Relations, and Felix Lotan, MDA's Head of Emergency Preparedness Department, Operations Division

communities were honoured to have these heroes speak and present at various events.

In Toronto, they spent many hours meeting and thanking the many donors that have come to the forefront for CMDA since the outbreak of the ongoing war. On Thursday March 14th, the Glina-Tessler Family graciously provided its home for a special evening of information and

inspiration to dedicated Israel advocates from across the Greater Toronto Area.

On Friday March 15th, Felix and Raphael delivered a special demonstration to four Toronto Jewish schools, including Netivot HaTorah's 6th to 8th grades, senior High School students at Yeshivat Or Chaim, Ulpanat Orot and the Community Hebrew Academy of Toronto.



Felix Lotan, Head of Emergency Preparedness Department, Operations Division





The events continued on Saturday evening and Sunday. CMDA is proud to host its first ever inaugural National Training Seminar for physicians and medical professionals

in conjunction with Hatzolah Toronto at the Beth Avraham Yoseph Synagogue (BAYT). With more than forty in attendance, the all-day session was an incredible eye-



opening and informative program that prepared these medical professionals for emergency rescue situations in Israel.

visit, Felix Lotan and Raphael Herbst carried out a special first-aid emergency training at Toronto's Israeli Consulate for the entire consular team.

Closing out the Toronto portion of the

Raphael and Felix's journey continues in Montreal

MONTREAL

On Tuesday, March 19th, Felix and Raphael travelled to Montreal for a series of events. On Tuesday evening, the two MDA senior paramedics delivered emotional and unforgettable testimonials of the October 7th attacks to a crowd of more than 100 at Federation CJA. Both Felix and Raphael gave exclusive insights on the unprecedented emergency response of Magen David Adom and the incredible sacrifices made by brave paramedics and EMTs.

On Wednesday, CMDA invited the members of its leadership for an intimate breakfast with the two MDA leaders where they got to ask important questions and learn more about MDA's vital role in the conflict.

Before returning to Israel, Felix and Raphael were hosted by Tamara and Arieh Rossdeutscher for an intimate and informative evening in the Rossdeutscher home. With friends and family in attendance, it was an opportunity to further sensitize young professionals to the important work being done by Magen David Adom to keep Israelis safe and to save lives.



Benefit Concert for Magen David Adom



MONTREAL

A big thank you to Rabbi Sirota and Mrs. Sirota for organizing a most memorable concert on in their beautiful hall at the Jewish Russian Community Center of Montreal on February 25th, benefiting Magen David Adom in Israel. A big thank you also goes out to Pinchas Antal & Kayla Hirsh Antal for producing the evening and to all the artists who graciously performed in solidarity with Israel.

The amazing performances by young professional musicians were met with lengthy applause and standing ovations. The orchestra was conducted by Pavel Feldman. Pinchas Antal delivered a brilliant performance on piano and concluded the evening with an emotional rendition of Hatikvah together with the synagogue cantor Joshua Haimovich.

MONTREAL



**Donald Berman Maimonides Foundation
Donates \$18,000 to Magen David Adom**

[L. - R.] Samuel Moyal, CMDA Eastern Region Director, Karen Flam, Foundation Director, Donald Berman Maimonides, Arlene Madar Abitan, CMDA National President, Randi Gitnick, Maimonides Foundation President, Sidney Benizri, CMDA National Executive Director.



CMDA is at Federation CJA West Island Winter Carnival





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MONTREAL

Israeli Consul General in Montreal Paul Hirschson Meets with CMDA Leadership



[L. - R.] Sidney Benizri, CMDA National Executive Director, Arlene Madar Abitan, CMDA National President, Paul Hirschson, Israeli Consul General in Montreal, Arieh Rossdeutscher, CMDA National Vice-President.



Wolf Bronet's 100th birthday

14th Magen David Adom ambulance in honour of Wolf



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Donate towards Wolf's 14th ambulance

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Join Us in Saving Lives: CPR AED Training Level – C

CALGARY

Dear Members of the CMDA Community in Calgary,

Today marks a pivotal moment in our ongoing commitment to saving lives within our community. The inaugural CPR AED Training Level - C course, held on February 11th, was a resounding success, with ten enthusiastic participants taking a crucial step towards becoming life-saving responders.

Led by Dawid Karczewski with the help of Tomasz Karczewski, two dedicated members of our synagogue Kehilat Shalom who work as an Advanced Practice Nurse and a Family Physician respectively in SE Calgary, and facilitated by CMDA's Sharon Fraiman, alongside Rabbi Leonard Cohen of Kehilat Shalom, the event provided invaluable training that empowers individuals to act swiftly and effectively in times of emergency.

Hosted at synagogue Beth Tzedec, this monthly event presents an opportunity for us to come together and acquire life-saving skills that can make a profound difference in our community.

Participation in the course comes with a cost of \$100 per person, a modest investment considering the invaluable knowledge gained. Furthermore, the certificate obtained is valid for two years, ensuring ongoing preparedness



and readiness to respond to emergencies as they arise.

This is why it is so important to support Magen David Adom (MDA) because MDA is the National EMS service of Israel and the money sent to them is utilized to purchase medical equipment in order to save lives in Israel.

It's important to note that all proceeds from the course fees go directly to Canadian Magen David Adom (CMDA) and are sent to support critical lifesaving efforts in Israel. By participating in this course, not only do you fulfill a mitzvah, but you also contribute to a cause that transcends borders and saves lives globally.

In conclusion, let us remember the wisdom imparted by the Talmud: "Whoever saves a life, saves an entire world." Each of us has the power to make a difference, and by joining us in this



endeavor, you become an integral part of our collective commitment to preserving life and ensuring the well-being of our community.

Together, let's continue to uphold the values of compassion and solidarity that define us as a community. We look forward to seeing you at the upcoming CPR AED Training Level - C course.

MDA is at Rotary Club of Calgary Chinook

CALGARY

"This is a story about the girl who always wanted to be a humanitarian".

Sharon told us about growing up in Israel with a loving family who taught her how to share, respect and always show kindness. One of her grandfathers was a prisoner of war in Egypt, and the other was a holocaust survivor who also became a soldier.

She's a proud granddaughter to two brave fighters. Sharon's son (Sazar), was with the IDF in Israel, but is now a sheriff with the Alberta Sheriffs Branch here in Calgary. Her daughter (Roni) is a manager at Earl's downtown, and is studying Psychology and Biological Anthropology.

Sharon's first career was as a teacher for 25 years in Israel. She specialized as a special needs teacher to kids with disabilities. She received an award from the Ministry of Educa-



CMDA Western Region Director Sharon Fraiman and Senior Paramedic Don Sharpe.

tion for writing the special needs curriculum, which is still in use today.

Sharon emigrated to Canada eight years ago and after considering her career options, she decided that she wanted to save lives in Israel

and elsewhere, and that the most effective way to do this was to become a fundraiser for CMDA.

Sharon highlights that as the war continues, the MDA is in desperate need of additional ambulances, medical equipment other supplies. She asks us to consider providing financial support to MDA and that we share this information with friends, family and colleagues.

Sharon then introduced her friend, Don Sharpe, who is a retired ambulance driver and paramedic from Alberta after forty years on the job. Don had been raised in a Jewish community and when the opportunity arose, he volunteered in Israel with their MDA volunteer medical system. He expressed a great deal of respect for the completely volunteer mobile medical system in Israel. He felt it would be good if we could attract more volunteers into the Canadian medical system. Don is awaiting another request to volunteer in Israel and supports CMDA in Canada.

“Calgarians for Israel” Fundraiser

CALGARY

On Sunday, January 21, a community fundraiser was organized at the renowned Regency Palace Restaurant in Calgary’s Chinatown in support of Canadian Magen David Adom. The Organizing Committee was championed by CMDA Western Region Director Sharon Fraiman with the support of many passionate community leaders and supporters, including Board Member Shael Gelfand and Chinese Community representative Danny Ng.

Former MLA Richard Gotfried, the son of a Shanghai Jew and long-time friend of Calgary’s Chinese community after 20 years as Western Canadian representative for Hong Kong-based Cathay Pacific Airways, championed the theme and concept to build upon the long-term affinity and shared histories of the Jewish and Chinese communities in Canada. Beyond the shared history of exclusion and discrimination, many of our readers may be familiar with the story of Vienna-based Chinese Consular official, Ho Feng Shan, whose unauthorized issuance of visas in the late 1930’s provided refuge to an estimated 20,000 Austrian Jews, and the subsequent creation of the “Shanghai Ghetto” by the occupying Japanese forces. The majority of these grateful refugees survived the Holocaust when so many others perished.

Thanks to the hard work and persistence of the organizing committee, and the tireless work of Sharon Fraiman in attracting 350 attendees, spirited live and silent auctions and



topped by a 10 course “kosherized” banquet (pork and shellfish free!) with a strict kosher option, a great time was had by all in broadly raising awareness across supporters from all walks of life in Calgary, as well as much-needed funds for CMDA.

Entertainment was provided by the Calgary Chinese Orchestra and violinist Steven Klevsky, while a traditional Lion Dance marked the lead up to next month’s Chinese New Year...which some suggested might just be the “Year of the Jewish Dragon”! Rabbi Leonard Cohen from Kehilat Shalom Calgary sang O’ Canada and Hatikvah, and provided the Mi’Shebeirach prayer for the hostages, injured, and soldiers.

MC Richard Gotfried and Sharon Fraiman ensured that encouraging words were brought to the event by CMDA National Executive Director Sidney Benizri, while Jewish community champion and self-avowed Zionist MP Shuvaloy Majumdar

brought greetings from the House of Commons and shared his insights, perspective and observations from his recent visit to Israel.

Attendees included Lenny Shapiro, long-time CMDA supporter and past Chair of the Calgary CMDA Chapter, MLA Eric Bouchard (Calgary Lougheed), Calgary City Councillors Dan McLean, Terry Wong and Sean Chu, Chief Lee Crowchild – Former Chief Tsuut’ina Nation, CMDA Supporter Bobby Libin, Dan Balaban and Jordan Balaban, leaders from Greengate Energy and long-time CMDA supporters, Sam Fishman, President of Kehilat Shalom, Former MLA Whitney Issik, Former City Councillor Jeff Davidson, Ron Wolfson, Past President Calgary Chinook Rotary Club, Dr Dave Verkh, CMDA volunteer and Senior Paramedic Don Sharpe and other notable guests. The Chinese Community was represented by member of the Board of the Sien Lok Society and other community leaders. Other significant

supporters and donors included Gordon Hoffman and Michael Dorchik of Hoffman Dorchik LLP, Jeff Tonken of Birchcliff Energy, David Tonken, and Bobby Libin from Balmon Holdings Ltd.

CMDA is proud to work with all communities across Calgary in support of the humanitarian work of CMDA, and the organizing committee is strongly considering the establishment of this unique new initiative as an annual fundraising and awareness raising event!

Thank you.

Richard Gotfried
Former MLA Calgary-Fish Creek

Richard Gotfried is the son of a Shanghai Jew, an Albertan of proud Jewish heritage, and was the co-sponsor and proponent of Motion 504, unanimously passed in the Alberta Legislature in 2023, affirming and reinforcing the adoption of the IHRA definition of antisemitism.





Am Israel Chai

CMDA appreciation event to the donors, supporters and MDA workers & volunteers

Sunday June 2, 2024

**The Carriage House Hotel
& Conference Center**

Cocktail Reception 6:00 p.m. | Main Event 7:00 p.m.

Kosher dinner reception | Semi-formal/business attire

CMDA special dinner event to say thank-you to donors and supporters

CALGARY

An evening filled with the taste and freshness of an Israeli Mediterranean Kosher dinner, combined with the stories from a frontline MDA paramedic, and fantastic Israeli and local entertainment, await guests at the CMDA “Am Israel Chai” donor and supporter appreciation event on Sunday June 2.

Sharon Fraiman, the dynamic CMDA Western Region Director, and her dynamo team of volunteers are busy planning a fantastic evening at the Carriage House Hotel and Conference Centre. While the event will be everything guests have come to expect from Sharon’s CMDA events, there’s a very serious side to the event this year. “Just imagine the pressure and



Dor Shimon
Israeli musical sensation

demands on MDA since October 7.” says Fraiman, “There are so many heroes, including the MDA team who continue to put themselves in harm’s way to save lives. That’s what this event is about: saving lives through our support.” Keynote speaker Raphael Herbst, senior paramedic and deputy director with MDA’s international relations department, will give his account on the attacks of October 7th.

The Am Israel Chai dinner features a menu of Israeli and Mediterranean dishes, each one selected by Sharon. Guests will be treated to the song stylings of Israeli musical sensation Dor Shimon, a runner-up on the TV series Rising Star to Eurovision, and the popular local violinist Steven Klevsky,

who always entertains with his upbeat on all the traditional favorites.

“We are so grateful to our donors and supporters,” says Fraiman.

“Am Israel Chai!”

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TICKETS:

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- Table for ten: \$1,250

For tickets and more information please contact, Sharon Fraiman, CMDA Western Region Director at sfraiman@cnda.org or 587-435-5808.



Raphael Herbst
Senior Paramedic and Deputy Director,
international relations department



**Violinist
Steven Klevsky**

CMDA Winnipeg – A Night of Appreciation

WINNIPEG

The Winnipeg Chapter of CMDA is gearing up for its inaugural event to honour Manitobans that have chosen to uphold MDA's borrowed slogan of "Whoever saves a life, it is as though he had saved the entire world." and have supported MDA financially.

Join us for an extraordinary evening of gratitude, celebration, and laughter at "A Night of Appreciation" as we come together to honour the incredible generosity of Ida Alpern, Saul Alpern z"l and Larry and Tovah Vickar. These remarkable individuals have made a profound impact on the health and well-being of the citizens of Israel through their selfless donations towards purchasing life-saving vehicles and equipment.

Mark your calendars for this special occasion on May 7th, 2024 at the Centro Caboto Centre. Tickets will be \$180 and the evening will include a delicious kosher meal, entertainment and a silent auction that will include original art by Yoram East z"l.

Speaking of entertainment, get ready to laugh because we've lined up an evening with NYC comedian, Talia Reese! With a knack for humor that's as sharp as her wit, Talia was voted the funniest in her high school class before embarking on a comedy career. From humble beginnings in bar basements to headlining at the hottest comedy clubs in NYC, Talia's sets are known for their high energy and fast-paced delivery. Drawing from her experiences as an Orthodox Jewish wife and mom, Talia's comedy is relatable and hilarious. And as an added treat for our local crowd, Talia, who is related to the Winnipeg Reiss/Alpern family, promises to include some witty local references in her routine.

But that's not all. As we express our appreciation for Ida, Saul, Larry, and Tovah, we also pay tribute to the memory of Yoram East z"l. We're proud to announce that we're raising funds to purchase an ambulance in his honor, continuing his legacy of compassion and service to others.

Join us as we celebrate our honorees, our community, and the incredible impact we can make when we come together for a common cause. Let's show our appreciation and support for a job well done!


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May 7, 2024 | 6:30 P.M.

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PRESENTS

We will continue to celebrate

AN EVENING OF APPRECIATION

Thursday November 21



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of Fun, Food and Inspiration to pay
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Magen David Adom Heroes



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The Bubbies-Mummies and Daughters of Toronto



TORONTO

Shortly after the outbreak of the October 7th tragedy that befell Israel, five incredible women in Toronto got together to help Israel, and more specifically, to assist Magen David Adom in attaining a very special vehicle.

The Bubbies-Mummies and Daughters of Toronto is led by Judi Gottlieb, Heshy Altbaum, Zippy Orland and Estelle Richmond. The Dream Team jumped into action and worked tirelessly to secure a \$436,000 Special Mobile Intensive Care Unit that will save lives every day.

This special MICU is equipped with advanced medication and cutting-edge resuscitation equipment to be used for treatment of complicated and life-threatening illnesses and injuries.

Canadian Magen David Adom and Magen David Adom Israel are sincerely appreciative to the Dream Team and all of their respective contacts and donors for their generous gift towards the purchase of this vehicle. You are all invited to come see it when it will be out on the road in Israel on your next visit.



Necessity is the Mother of Invention



Special space expansion allows the Bloodmobile to host up to 16 people.

TORONTO

Magen David Adom and Canadian Magen David Adom are both saddened and proud to announce the upcoming dedication of the World's Largest Bloodmobile donation.

Three Canadian families, Sigmund and Linda Soudack, The Granovsky Families and the Ganz Family have secured this incredible life-saving vehicle in memory of family members, but also in memory of all of the Magen David heroes that

were murdered by terrorists on October 7th and the following days of the war.

As the State of Israel's population grows, it will need to collect more blood to maintain a self-sufficient and viable blood supply. Especially after what the world witnessed on October 7th, and the subsequent lineups around the nation to donate blood, this could not be more evident. Hence, Magen David Adom, in partnership with the Gnod

Group, created this vehicle as not only a Blood-Mobile but a full tractor-trailer that will fulfill the needs of MDA to collect blood for the entire nation.

Previous MDA Bloodmobiles could take blood donations from 3-4 individuals at once. This incredible vehicle can take up to sixteen! It will be outfitted with all of the latest equipment, including blood freezer storage units, specialized arm-chairs for blood and plasma

donations, multi-purpose accessibility and storage areas to maximize the space of this essential medical vehicle. It also has a kitchen, bathroom and even a shower.

A very special dedication ceremony will be held in Israel in the next few months' time to honour the donors and the heroes that sacrificed their lives to save others. May all of their memories be for a blessing.

PEACE OF MIND

Expressing solidarity with Israel through Creativity and Mindfulness



All proceeds from this event will be donated to Magen David Adom



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Sunday, February 11
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
7 Doncrest Drive, Thornhill

Peace of Mind Workshop for Israel

TORONTO

By Dr. Debra Danilewitz R.S.W. & Lee Davis

The motivation for this group was collecting funds for the October 7th victims of the brutal attacks on Israel. Debra Danilewitz and Lee Davis felt that it was important to create a supportive environment where a group of people could come together to connect and make a meaningful contribution to a worthy cause in support of Israel.

We named the event "Peace of Mind" with the main focus of the two events being a 'Mindfulness and Yoga' workshop retreat, where people were able to connect with others in the group. Participants were very supportive of one another, were able to uplift each other and hear about family members fighting with the IDF in Gaza. Participants also made jewelry incorporating the Hamsa and the Magen David, with 100% of the donations collected going to Canadian Magen David Adom.

We were all proud to learn that donated proceeds were allocated towards the purchase of two life-saving defibrillator units for the People of Israel

VISITS TO ISRAEL

We thank all our donors and friends who recently visited MDA facilities in Israel

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