



PROGRAMA PRO
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DEL LAGO, A.C.
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(PPNI, A.C.)

MEMBERS MEETING

HOTEL REAL de CHAPALA, 10:30 am
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2015

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Beverley Kephart, Dave Pike, Linda Hendy, Carol Antcliffe, Nicole Sergent,
Donna Lillie, Mike Brown, Tom Gladney, Bill Dingwall,

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Absent Board members; Larry Wynant, Rita Frost, Derek Nelson, Ron Tomlinson, Barb Corol,

Recording Secretary: Linda Hendy

Bev Kephart convened the meeting at 10:30 am.

1. President Bev Kephart welcomed those in attendance. She opened the meeting with the introductions of first time guests.
2. Minutes from the General Meeting of October 8, 2015.

Moved: Nicole Sergent Seconded: Mike Brown
That the minutes be approved as circulated.

Motion Carried

3. **CHILD OF THE MONTH** – presented by Nicole Sergent

Maria Margarita M.G. of Chapala – age 10

Mother – Margarita, Father – Rafael – a gardener

There are 2 other children in the family.

Maria first came to us in 2012 for 2 years and then was reactivated in August 2015 when it was known she would need heart surgery.

Maria had open heart surgery on October 5th. She had been waiting since August for a date.

She was back at school on October 17th and everything is going extremely well.

NI has helped with transportation for all her tests and a portion of the surgery costs. She had her surgery through IMSS. Our total support since 2012 has been \$14,844 p and our support for the surgery was approx. \$6,500 pesos.

Both Maria and Margarita were able to attend the Kermes on November 8th.

The family expressed their deep appreciation for the support and caring shown by NI.

4. Board Reports:

Treasurer's Report by Dave Pike in the absence of the Treasurer

Dave noted that our costs have increased year over year but we have also served a greater number of children. We had 140 children in 2014 and as of October 153 had used our services. Our average monthly cost in 2014 was \$14,000 pesos approx. and it is currently running approximately \$177,000 pesos monthly and our estimate to year end is an average of \$180,000 pesos a month for 2015.

Our first event for fall 2015 the Fashion Show netted \$28,000 pesos and the fall Kermes netted \$27,500 pesos including \$6,600 pesos in donations collected by families we service.

Communications Report by Carol Antcliffe

Carol was able to distribute the Events calendar fridge magnets to the members in attendance as well as window static decals to those who had not yet received that item.

She reported that the materials were prepared for our events Trivia and Robbie Burns coming up in January and the Gala will follow shortly thereafter.

Ojo del Lago articles are appearing every month along with regular articles and notices in the Guadalajara Reporter.

The brochure translation to Spanish is now complete and it has gone for layout and then will be printed.

Carol put out an appeal for a volunteer(s) to do website updating and a new guest, Jacky Richard kindly volunteered to get involved.

Carol also noted that Brenda Douglas of DOT Graphics has provided a large majority of our materials for free this year. If any of our members has printing needs we would highly recommend contacting them –

Website: <http://www.dotgrafics.com/> or call in GDL 333-796-1403.

Their work is of high quality.

Clinic Reports:

Barb Corol sent her regrets for not being at the meeting but she was preparing for the Flower Show and her report would be done by Nicole Sergent.

Ajjic – presented by Nicole Sergent

October – 13 families disbursing \$22,311 pesos
One new child was accepted a 2 yr old with a malignant lung tumor.

Chapala – presented by Nicole Sergent

Note these numbers represent 2 clinics per month

October – 78 families disbursing \$113,998 pesos

6 new children were accepted ranging from kidney issues,
cerebral palsy and spina bifida
1 child was referred to the Shrine.

Jocotepec – presented by Nicole Sergent

October – 57 families and disbursed \$70,800 pesos

It was reported that the new DIF administration was extremely
supported and have now dedicated an office to NI for their
exclusive use.

There is one new referral to Shrine for assessment.

It was reported that the donation of 200 pairs of LEE JEANS
line of clothing was received and distributed to the clinics for
distribution in December.

Two requests were made for the clinics:

More volunteers to help with siblings at the December clinics
and the donation of any old IPADS or TABLETS that might be
adapted for use with learning games.

Members Note

Fundraising presented by Linda Hendy

The Annual appeal letter email distribution will be out before November
26th. It is being distributed to past cash donors.

Other Event dates for 2016:

Tuesday, January 12	Trivia - Lorna – 766-2793 -2pm - \$250.00p and 6:30 pm - \$300 p
Monday, January 25	Robbie Burns Dinner – Anne – 766-1609 5 pm - \$375 p
Tuesday, February 9	Mardi Gras Parade
Friday, February 26-	Chili Cook Off
Sunday, February 28,	http://www.mexicannationalchilicookoff.com/
Thursday, March 10	Diamonds and Denim Ball – Sue – 766-0487 – 5 – 10:30 pm \$450

Bev Kephart advised people that there was a showing of a film created
by Alejandro Gratton, Monday, November 16 at 1pm at the Cinema del
Lago. Proceeds will go to NI. Tickets are \$100p and Bev has tickets

at the meeting along with those that had been previously ordered.

Volunteers – presented by Lynda Deriger

Lynda noted that a few volunteers are still needed for Trivia on January 12th if anyone is interested in helping for the runners and possible bar ticket sales.

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Nominations – Bev Kephart noted that three people are due to leave the Board in April and she is looking for people, ideally who are full time residents, to fill positions. Please contact Bev at 766-3940.

Other business:

Ann Heath reminded people to collect their centavos and had bottles available. She also noted that if you are shopping and see products that are supporting Telethon, please buy them as a portion of the sale will go to support that organization. Telethon funds CRIT Occidente in Guadalajara (one of 23 centers in Mexico) where many of our children attend for very special therapies.

It was also noted that other organizations to support that support our children:

Shriner's through their hospitals
School for Special Children - Jocotepec

An appeal for 2+ drawer lockable files cabinets was made for use at the clinics and in the storage bodega for papers. Rob Parker noted he had one he could donate. Other donations please contact Bev Kephart – 766- 3940 or Linda Hendy 106-1281

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Bev Kephart noted that she will be out of the country November 19 – January 1 and Dave Pike will be acting President.

Barb Corol noted she will be away December 11 – January 26

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 am.

Next Meeting December 10, 2015.