



PROGRAMA PRO  
**niños incapacitados**  
DEL LAGO, A.C.  
PROGRAMA PRO NIÑOS INCAPACITADOS DEL LAGO, A.C.  
(PPNI, A.C.)

**MEMBERS MEETING**

HOTEL REAL de CHAPALA, 10:30 am  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2015

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Beverley Kephart, Linda Hendy, Barb Corol, Carol Antcliffe, Nicole Sergent  
Larry Wynant

**ACTION**

Absent Board members; Dave Pike, Derek Nelson, Rita Frost, Tom Gladney,  
Bill Dingwall, Donna Lillie, Mike Brown, Ron Tomlinson,

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 announcement of two new directors on the Board, Carol Antcliffe and Nicole Sergent.
2. Minutes from the General Meeting of September 10, 2015

Moved: Nicole Sergent      Seconded: Ann Heath  
That the minutes be approved as circulated.

**Motion Carried**

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

Jose Adrian Chavarria Reyes of Ajijic – age 12  
Mother – Silvia, Father Noe – a carpenter  
He was diagnosed with leukemia three years ago and the prognosis was he would not live to his 18<sup>th</sup> birthday. He was in intensive care for three months and his family lived on the streets of Guadalajara during that time. When he was released from hospital in 2013, the family came to Ninos Incapacitados for support for his ongoing treatment. He has had 96 weeks of chemotherapy and expects to finish in Jan/Feb 2016. He is on 4 pills a day. Cost of his treatment has been covered by Segura Popular. NI is providing help with transportation and medications. Support to date totals \$54,500 pesos over the 2 years. Ann Heath noted he was one of our children on the Mardi Gras float and he is a great representative of Ninos Incapacitados children. Jose thanked everyone in attendance for the support and help we have provided him and his family.

#### 4. Board Reports:

##### Treasurer's Report by Larry Wynant

The Treasurer noted that this is the time of year we carry the organization from our cash donations with our event revenue having been used over the summer months. We are in a solid cash position as a result of two bequests at the end of the summer from Shirley Fortin and Ed Levinson.

##### Communications Report by Carol Antcliffe

Carol notified the members that an event calendar fridge magnet would be ready this month and will be distributed at the next meeting. Business cards for Board members who need them are also on schedule for receipt this month.

Members were informed that our live auction donor who purchased the Jeffery Straker concert, is holding a by invitation event on December 2<sup>nd</sup> and donating 50% of the net proceeds to Ninos Incapacitados and 50% to the LCS education fund. Ticket price is \$500 p.

Website updating is still being done by Jeanne Treloar but it is anticipated several people will be trained by year end to deal with the ongoing need for updates.

Translation is started for the Spanish portion of the website.

The monthly newsletter deadline for copy is the 20<sup>th</sup> of every month.

Our printer DOT Graphics is donating all materials for our events on the basis we are purchasing our general advertising materials, business cards and decals.

Items will be available for the November 7<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary volunteer organizations event being held at the LCS.

##### Clinic Reports:

Ajjic – presented by Nicole Sergent

September– 15 families - \$26,796 disbursed

Gloria Cardoza is assuming responsibility for the Ajijic clinic however both she and Nicole Sergent attend Ajijic and Chapala clinics.

Chapala – presented by Nicole Sergent

Note these numbers represent 2 clinics per month

September – 72 families disbursing \$99,145 pesos

1 new child accepted in September with Spina Bifida.  
13 new children accepted since May.  
Gloria and Nicole each are seeing children to try and reduce wait times.

other notices.

Jocotepec – presented by Barb Corol

September – 57 families and disbursed \$53,516 pesos

Four new children accepted between August and September.

Barb noted that she has 8 children confined to wheelchairs.

She also advised that Pablo Rafael the 2yr old with Downs Syndrome passed away through a drowning accident while at the baby sitters. He was child of the month for June 2014.

The new DIF administration is in place and they are very enthusiastic about working the Ninos Incapacitados. They are providing dedicated space for future clinics. They have a copy of our Spanish DVD and will be using it to train staff on the services provided.

Larry Wynant noted that we have 144 active children and are spending on average \$180,000 pesos a month for all clinics. That is up 20% over last year.

Fundraising presented by Linda Hendy

The Annual appeal letter will be sent in early November.

Fashion Show is our first event on Thursday, October 29<sup>th</sup>. For tickets see Bev Kephart.

Other Event dates for 2016:

Tuesday, January 12	Trivia
Monday, January 25	Robbie Burns Dinner
Tuesday, February 9	Mardi Gras Parade
Friday, February 26-	Chili Cook Off
Sunday, February 28,	<a href="http://www.mexicannationalchilicookoff.com/">http://www.mexicannationalchilicookoff.com/</a>
Thursday, March 10	Diamonds and Denim Ball

Ginger Gonazles noted that Lee Jeans is a new sponsor for the Ball through the efforts of Marsha Lavender and Kari Higgins. Lee Jeans are also donating jeans for all our children prior to Christmas.

Kari Higgins requested that any sponsors emails should be sent to her attention to ensure they are on our mailing list for the newsletter and

Volunteers – presented by Lynda Deriger and Kari Higgins

Volunteers are in place for the Fashion Show scheduled for October 29<sup>th</sup> and the Kermes on Sunday, November 8<sup>th</sup>.

Bev Kephart noted that everyone can clear their closets and contact her for items for the Bazaar at the kermes.

Other business:

Ann Heath and Kari Higgins provided new bottles for the coin collection. It was recommended we see about acquiring a counter for Ann Heath to prepare coins.

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

Linda Hendy noted she will be away November 20 – December 4

Meeting adjourned at 11:35 am.

**Next Meeting December 10, 2015**