

# CASA DE ANGELES FOUNDATION

## Spring Newsletter 2022

### **MEMO FROM MICKEY**

I hope this finds all of you healthy, getting all of the small tasks around your homes accomplished, and vaccinated!

Let me address your primary concern for the children first. What has been the effect of COVID19 on the orphanage?

The Sisters say everyone at the orphanage has made it through this 2 ½ years without one Covid infection! They went into “shutdown” on March 15, ‘20 and are still part of a national shutdown. The Sisters and children are currently in a good state, but tired of the quarantine!

We were able to continue our school with the Sisters and the older children teaching classes. Most classes were held outdoors. To that end, we have taken the large area that was used for drying clothes which had a clear plastic roof and enclosed it with a lattice wall that will allow air in but mitigate the wind. We have also placed a permanent clear plastic roof over the preschool play area for more class outdoor space. The regular teachers have been at home but the foundation has continued to pay them.

The major activities for the children have been school, farming (including planting avocado trees, potatoes, and the usual produce garden), and soccer.

The major change was that in addition to 7 of our young men living and working communally in Guatemala City and 1 student living at the University, there are now 4 of our young ladies who decided to “try their wings” and are living together “off campus”. They are seeking work and we will continue to support them financially until they are all working and want to try living on their own.

Meanwhile, the work goes on, and we have 75 happy and growing children “on campus” who are receiving daily care and love.

The work that Casa de Angeles is doing is only possible because of your continuing spiritual, psychological and financial support. The Board of Directors, on behalf of the children, continues to thank you for this generous support. You continue to change the future for these children.

### **DONATIONS**

More of our donors have taken advantage of transferring part or all of their annual required IRA dispersals directly to the foundation. This avoids the payment of taxes on these dispersals. Additionally, we are now receiving some donations specifically made for the orphanage endowment fund. This will help ensure the long-term funding of the children.

### **SAVE THE DATES**

The annual Bay Area fund raiser fiesta has been set for Saturday, September 10th. As usual, it will consist of a silent auction while enjoying wine and nibbles followed by dinner and a slide show highlighting the children of the orphanage. If you live in the Bay Area save that date!

The annual Corvallis fund raiser party will be postponed for another year, but look for your missive from Pete.

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