*** Cambiando Vidas ***

Spring 2013 …

NEWSLETTER!

ThankYou VOLUNTEERS

Scholarship …

Citizenship …

Friendship…

WE ABSOLUTELY, UNEQUIVICALLY, TOTALLY & INDISPUTABLY COUNT ON …

… YOU!

2012 was a banner year in all the ways that matter; record academic progress across all grades, record graduations from Secondaria, Prepa and Post-Prepa schools … record activities, outings, events and supplemental leadership training, a record fund raising year w/record efficiency …

… & unparalleled VOLUNTEER support!

We & the students simply must try to thank you all …

Regina Manz **…** ***is providing essential teaching support at our Chacala Tele-Secondaria, teaching English as a second language.***

Marcy Swan… ***is baking cookies with students one week, then "calling" Bingo (in English) for the same students each alternate week.***

Joy Watson & Serena Laskin **…** ***long time student sponsors teaching our young ones the "Joy" of Sculpture. Joy regularly opens her wonderful Cultural Center to CV events!***

Peter & Zan Merrill **…** ***created astounding & comprehensive local Chacala bird identification charts for students in all 3 Chacala schools.***

Barbra Friedman **…** ***is teaching our kids how to make things the Origami way.***

Garrett Olney: ***Many CV students (not just those he personally sponsors) speak English as a result of Garrett's tireless efforts to help those who sign up … year after year.***

Shannon Rio **…** ***is teaching our kids stretching, yoga, & dance.***

Maxine Montague **…** ***launched "Mission Possible" to help find & coordinate new volunteers. She also teaches English as a second language with Jill and Regina on a regular basis.***

Aisha Connor & Florencio Reyes Vargas **…** ***(Certified bilingual teachers) traveled from Chico CA just to help us out! They volunteered every day this past summer at the primary school, secondary school and the kindergarten. They literally created a "summer School" and attendance was high … and happy!***

Jim Rintleman **…** ***developed Scopes-of-Work for our Primary Kitchen upgrade and Outdoor classroom.***

Casey Connors, ***Susana's son, helped us by designing our Dir. fundraising Business card & CV web site.***

Nancy Lehocky • ***and her friends enthusiastically sponsor students and provide an annual "Spring Cleaning" for the Primary School Library. Nancy's advocacy & sponsorship of her students more aptly resembles a devoted mother's unswerving love … her taking a local child through the impossible gauntlet is beyond compare!***

. H U U L - L P $ Y H U U • ***donated and transported yards & yards of new rain awning material from their Sprung Industries … space-age-membrane-fabric … to replace the tattered one at the Learning Center.***

& K U L V W L D Q & R X U U U H U • ***faithfully documents many CV events with his generous & talented photographer's eye!***

Caveats!!!

1. ***This THANK YOU is not comprehensive. It is meant this time to single-out only the "Hands-On" Volunteers during the past year. In later Newsletters we will THANK …***
   a. ***… the unbelievably faithful and generous financial contributors & student sponsors without whom the program is also not possible.***
   b. ***… the distinguished & consistant roll-call of Rotary Clubs and their many-many members & projects without whom the program would not be possible.***
   c. ***… the roster of jokingly underpaid stipend recipients who fill essential rolls in the daily and necessary ways that keep the program functioning.***
   d. ***… the parents of students many of whom are indispensible to the cause of all the students education with tangible support & gratitude for the program.***
   e. ***… and one last time ... again we humbly ask your forgiveness if somehow we overlooked YOU. Please drop us a note so we may rectify our errors.***

COMING NEXT: Our next Cambiando Vidas Newsletter will pay tribute to the amazing role of Rotary Clubs in the long maturing history of Cambiando Vidas. No newsletter of ours will ever forget the devotion of Rotary Clubs from all over. Their continuing struggle to provide basic human services to the less fortunate children of poorly served communities like ours is legendary.

Ways to Donate …

- **PayPal via link on the website:**
  www.cambiandovidasmexico.org

- **Direct deposit at the banks below, by transfer or wire:**

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Wells Fargo Bank	Bancomer Bank
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ABA for Wiring 121000248	Clave 012568001860554351
c/o Cambiando Vidas	c/o Suanne Connors Escobido

- **Mail your check directly to:**

  Cambiando Vidas

  245 Mt. Hermon Rd.
  PMB 312
  Scotts Valley, CA 95066
  EIN: 73-1668982

Susana with her hearts content …

Karla & "BK" building a better world …

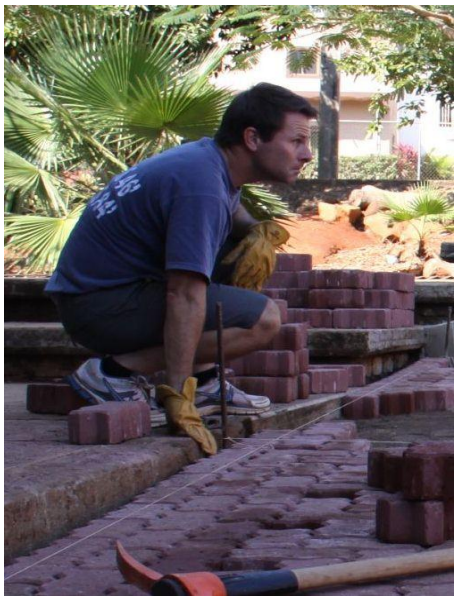
Linda & Betty remodeling & decorating the Library

Out with the dirty old eyesore mud pit trash heap …

… In with … … BK's Rotary friends Jim, Karen & Nadine & our NEW Outdoor Classroom/Theatre

Barbara's labor-of-love orgami with captivated after-school charges …

…Wilf, Ben & Rod (Tres Caballeros) assembling a blurtsfinklegrabber???



"Jim" setting the stones of hope"…

… Mary Jane inspiring (everyone!) …

… Student Hector a true future Leader-For-Life!

Have you ever seen a room full of 75 students so excited to learn?

Wilf, Betty & Linda decorating the lives & memories of all who pass this way …

Thanks to all for so much wonderful help and our happy school.

In Memory of Gordon … a great supporter!

The kids & we are sooo grateful … and you are all sooooo priceless!!!