

Tres Islas Orphanage Fund
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February 1, 2019

Hello Spring Mission Week Volunteers,

The dates are 3/9/19 to 3/16/19 which is ONLY 5 (FIVE) weeks away. If you haven't made your reservations, I strongly suggest that you do so.

Phyllis and Bruce are not able to coordinate the mission week this year so I will do my best to follow in their footsteps. I have sent letters to the various children's homes asking for input as to the projects that we may be able to complete. I have not heard back from everyone, but I will give you an update as soon as information is passed on to me.

Some mention was made last year about a couple of the homes coming up with "busy work," and not really worthwhile projects. [Terry and I were not there so I cannot comment on that with first-hand knowledge.] It may mean that we do not have projects scheduled for all five days. How do you feel about that?

We are once again planning to have the **Fiesta** for all 135+ children plus directors from all the homes we serve at Ciudad de los Niños on Sunday, 3/10/19. Along with games/activities, we will serve hamburgers, hot dogs, chips, pop, cake, and ice cream. It's a good time! When we know how many volunteers are attending, we may ask you to bring a # of washed, white t-shirts for painting by the kids. They love it. I have some suggestions for activities; if someone can volunteer to be in charge of the games, I could use the help. The previous game organizers, Deb & Bill Ayers, will not be attending this year.

We also plan to have lunch together at the homes where we have projects. The lunches last year were an average of \$150/each. We have tried to keep the cost down. If you are willing to help with the lunch expense, please designate on your donation. We will meet for dinner as a group (voluntarily) several of the nights. Restaurants to be announced later. Our socializing is definitely one of the pluses of SMW as we get to know each other

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A few items to forward to me soon: 1.) where you are staying 2.) how many in your party 3.) telephone contact # 4.) if you are arriving other than 3/9, please let me know.

We will use the red pickup taxis again for transportation to and from the homes and divide the cost between the volunteers. It seems to work well. Our meeting and pick up location each day will be at Pueblo Bonito Mazatlan as it has been in the past. Times to be announced later.

Terry and I will not be available 2/24/19 to 3/2/19. We will arrive in Mazatlán on March 2. Therefore it is very important for me to have most all plans - including our daily SMW schedule - in order before 2/24/19. I appreciate your help.

Terry and I will be staying a Pueblo Bonito Mazatlan. Connie's cell: 208-651-7897

We look forward to seeing all of you!

Please help me out by asking any questions that you may have.

Most sincerely,

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