



LOS MEDICOS VOLADORES (The Flying Doctors)

June 2009

Elections

Chapter board member and officer elections are this month at our regular chapter meetings. The candidates for South Bay are the same as served last year. If you want change, come to the meeting and vote.



LMV Folsom Team at lunch

LMV Attire

Colleena McHugh sez, "If you want to be chic at a party or in Mexico, make sure you choose the proper LMV attire from the website, www.flyingdocs.org." There are hundreds of choices that should fit your every need.

South Baja Imposes New Rules

The state of South Baja has new requirements, which we must comply with in order to continue to serve the people of South Baja. From now on, we must have a copy of the original manufacturers label on each container of medicines we take into South Baja. We also must have on file in La Paz documentation on each medical professional we take in before we enter South Baja. See page 6 for, Judi Foy's, our Corporate Trip Coordinator, instructions.

Folsom Prison Tour an Emotional Experience

The team that entered Folsom Prison last month learned more then it expected. The eyeglass measuring and labeling project is only one of the many projects the prisoners are engaged in to help others, while at the same time learning a trade for when they re-enter the outside world. See page 4 for Colleena McHugh's vivid description of the experience.

SAN PEDRO DE LA CUEVA

A very successful dental and eye care clinic was held in this pueblo in April. See page 3 for Jax's detailed report.



Some of the 17 LMV members at Folsom Prison

Photos by various LMV members

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LMV 2009 Trip Dates

June 11-14; South Bay; MX, Sam Bishop, pilot; awaiting participants, call trip coordinator

July 9-12 MX, South Bay; Victoria Angelo, RN; call trip coordinator

August 1-9; Central America; Lake Atitlan, Guatemala. Dental trip, need 4-6 Dental Teams. Call Marian Stahl at marianstahl@comcast.net or Ed Weiss at eweiss1211@sbcglobal.net; or Milt Camp at miltcamp@aol.com or 209-743-2667.

August 13-16; Mexico, September 9-12 Call your trip coordinator

October 15-18, Mexico, Dr. James Watson, DDS;

November 12-15; December 10-13; Call your trip coordinator

South Bay Meeting

The following are items discussed at the May 6 Board meeting:

SAN PEDRO DE LA CUEVA

April 16th-20th

by Jacqué (Jax) Conci



From left to right: Judi Foy, VeNae Crabtree, Dick Smith, Denny Freidig, Bob Hecoeks, Ginny Blankinship, Diane Miessler, Jax Conci

It was a clear, crisp, Thursday morning when the team of Dick Smith (Dentist), Judi Foy (Dental Assistant/Trip Coordinator), Ginny Blankinship (Interpreter), met with Pilot, Denny Freidig, (Eye Clinic) at Auburn Airport for a departure time of 7:30 a.m. In the meantime, a second team, VeNae Crabtree, R.N. (Blood Pressure & Glucose Testing), Diane Miessler, R.N. (Eye Clinic), and I (Jax Conci, Volunteer) gathered at Alta Sierra Airport to meet with pilot Bob Hecoeks, for "Chocks Away" at 8 a.m. We were headed to Mexicali and then across to San Pedro de la Cueva, Mexico, to conduct a free dental clinic, dispense eye glasses, and provide blood pressure and glucose testing.

Dick and Kari Freidig were in charge of obtaining the eye glasses. Kari picked them up from Folsom Prison.

The eyeglasses were collected by the Auburn Lions Club, and donated to the prison, where a team of inmates repaired, cleaned and labeled them with their prescription. The inmates then donate the glasses around the world and also provide them to Los Médicos Voladores to distribute on medical missions.

We arrived in San Pedro de la Cueva without incident after a relaxed and smooth flight, thanks to our pilots, Bob and Denny. The flight was made more interesting by the rendezvous of our two teams at 10,000 feet for some photo ops. As soon as pictures of aircraft and passengers were taken, we proceeded on our way. Customs were particularly gracious to us at all times and our paperwork was completed smoothly and with full expediency.

Arriving in San Pedro de la Cueva in the afternoon, we were met by a couple of flatbed trucks which delivered us to the clinic. Here we met with Dr. Hector and were informed at this time, the Mayor of San Pedro de la Cueva had generously donated hotel rooms, meals and a truck for the duration of our stay.

Dr. Dick, Denny, Judi, and Ginny set up the stations in the rooms, organizing where we would have eye testing and dispensing of eye glasses, the blood pressure and glucose testing area, a dental clinic and an instrument sterilization room. Educational videos (Denny) were also set up in the reception area for patients waiting for the clinics.

After unpacking and deciding where we would sleep in the three rooms allocated to eight of us, (the guys finally got a fourth room), we met across the road at The Maria's for a delicious meal. The menu consisted of Fish Tacos, Chile Rellénos, Tilapia, Salad, Beans, Rice and French Fries and the largest, almost paper thin Tortillas, imaginable. Tired after a full day, we turned in around 8 o'clock. The teams were eager to get an early start on the next day, which promised to be busy.

The first morning, we were able to see nine patients in the dental clinic. Fifty seven pairs of glasses were dispensed by the eye clinic team. Blood pressure and glucose tests were made by VeNae. Ginny buzzed from one area to another, translating instructions and answering the many questions arising from patients. The afternoon proved to be even busier than the morning and patients were given appointments to come back the following day. Saturday proved to be as full as Friday.

The total number of people seen by Dr. Dick and his assistant, Judi, were forty- five. Congratulations on an outstanding job! Your hard work was appreciated by the many handshakes given by grateful patients. Free toothbrushes, toothpaste and some sugarless gum, mainly for the children, were dispensed to all patients.

The eye clinic workers were able to accommodate patients with over one hundred and twenty pairs of glasses and more than one hundred pairs of sunglasses in the short time we were there. The sunglasses would help prevent cataracts, especially for the fisherman of the village. It was extremely rewarding to see people leaving with smiles on their faces having gone from a fuzzy outlook on life to now being able see, thanks to the donation of a simple pair of reading glasses. It gave them hope and a new perspective on life. As Judi said "They will be able to read and sew again."

During the Saturday clinics, a Certificate of Adoption, as well as the Lion's International Colors, were presented by Gold Country President Dr. Dick Smith to Sonoran Presidente C. Bias Silvas Figueroa. (*See photo in the article below.*) The Auburn Lions chapter has for two years running "adopted" one of Los Médicos Voladores' pueblos; this year it was San Pedro de la Cueva. The Gold Country Lions Club generously donated funds enabling us to purchase toothpaste, brushes and incidentals. To learn more about this venture, please see the article and picture following by Dennis Freidig.

Something would be amiss if I failed to mention a few of the little events that occurred during this trip. For example, happily riding in the flatbed of the trucks back and forth to the clinics and airstrips; seeing the caballeros, regally riding their horses through town, sometimes towing a small child on another horse, sometimes loaded down with bales of hay but always accompanied by at least two dogs; meeting 93-year-old Elise, sitting in the sun outside her pueblo, her pale blue eyes, obviously blind and letting her feel my face so she could 'see' me through her fingertips; watching the elderly couple, with new sunglasses donned, waltzing around our clinic reception area (I'm sure they felt like they were in Hollywood); and relaxing after the clinics, tired but satisfied, on the upper balcony of our hotel, discussing the events of the day.

The huge stack of pancakes Ginny had "The Maria's" fix for us our last day in San Pedro de la Cueva. Going for a short walk, enjoying the beautiful, mountainous terrain. Flying to Bahia de los Angeles for R & R and being met at the landing strip by hosts Roger and Donna with a cooler of ice cold drinks. Finding a huge bowl of guacamole, chips, cheese and meats, waiting for us at our rustic hotel, along with a host of animals. Relaxing by the ocean in the evening under a domed sky so filled with stars it felt like you could touch them. The night lit only by the stars, our team members sang ballads, some harmonizing, some singing in Spanish which added to the magic of the moment. Standing outside on our patio at 3 a.m. in the morning with my roommates, Diane and VeNae, in awe of the night. (Sorry for waking you!) Shooing cats off the dining room table before breakfast at our R & R hotel and stepping

over many very large but friendly dogs. One looking more like a polar bear than a dog. Being met at various airports by the militia, as Diane put it "Heavily armed, fourteen years olds!" Finding a forest of cacti and watching the guys delight in taking pictures of these enormous, ageless and majestic succulents. Looking for Blue heron and finding a slew of miniature crabs in the Baja marsh. Getting up early on the last day to watch the tranquil, colorful sunrise over the Sea of Cortez. Picking up a "dead" stingray by its tail to show friends and discovering that it wasn't so 'dead'. As I dropped it back in the ocean, its tail hooked menacingly before it swam off to a rock.

So many things that are etched permanently in our hearts and minds but most of all, knowing that there is a corner of the world where a few less people are suffering thanks to our dental crew. Many people will again be able to enjoy seeing things clearly they thought they would never see again. Getting patients into Dr. Hector for a consultation and treatment after discovering their blood pressure or glucose levels were too high.

Kudos to each and everyone on the team, the Lions Club and those incarcerated, for their generous hearts and for helping to make this a fruitful event. Special thanks to our organizer, Judi Foy, for her hard work in coordinating and ensuring this humanitarian effort ran smoothly.

Jacqué

Folsom Prison Tour

By Colleen McHugh

On Wednesday, May 20th, Ed Kneller and I met in San Jose at Reid Hillview Airport and hopped onto Bill Rush's Cessna Skylane II for the hour-long trip to Auburn. A much-anticipated trip, we were on our way to Folsom Prison, where Dennis Freidig set up a tour of the Project for the Visually Impaired. Denny's invitation explained, "Thanks in large part to the efforts of Gold Country's Dr. Tom Brenner, LMV has established a strong relationship with the Folsom Prison Project for the Visually Impaired. As a result, our flight crews are now able to carry all the reading glasses and sunglasses necessary to provide the 12 villages (pueblos) we serve." After a perfect flight we set down and joined members from the other chapters at the entrance to the old prison. After a rundown of our CDL's, a female guard ran down some rules, "This is a state penitentiary, so the men you are about to meet have committed some very serious crimes. Because of this, we have a strict 'no negotiation' policy, meaning, that if you are taken hostage, we let them keep you, but this hasn't happened in two years." We were then handed a hall pass and walked to a turret separating two very high granite walls. Officer Peet explained that the wall extended as deep into the ground as it was tall and that whole prison was built from granite mined from where it sits.

We went through two sets of locked doors before emerging into a large courtyard, and our first glimpse of the prisoners. Officer Peet guided us through a garden filled with lovely heirloom roses and most beautifully perfect scents

imaginable, and among the blooms were four young men tending them. Their blue uniforms betrayed them as no ordinary landscapers, and we hurriedly shuffled by. We came upon another set of double gates, handed the operator our CDL's and passes, and were permitted to enter. Up two flights of stairs, past the psychiatric ward to a long white hall with offices at one end and cells at the other. Men of all ages wearing blue shirts and what looked like blue cotton running pants filled the rooms, all hard at work.

While LMV is familiar with the eyeglass processing, the Folsom Project for the Visually Impaired also has a complete Braille, closed captioning, books on tape, computer assistive technologies, and an optical character recognition facility. Project Officer, Mike Peet, explained that there are 19 inmates in the program, who work full time, making \$.95 an hour; \$1,500. per year. Many are so passionate; they bring their work "home" with them afterwork. So coveted are these positions, one third of the prison is on the waiting list!



Folsom Prison

We were then led, as a group, into each of the large rooms, where a project leader gave a brief talk about their work. The first room was the largest, and had about ten work stations around the perimeter, all consisting of a DVD and a VHS player, a computer, keyboard, flat screen, and a lot of other electronics. Marty, the team leader, explained that in 1989 the local Lyons Club contacted them to create books on tape, and eight inmates took on that project. The U.S. and California State Constitution were also recorded and presented to the California legislative library. Since then, the project has branched out from books on tape, to Braille, closed captioning, and eyeglass cleaning and measuring. "The Folsom facility has become the best Braille Center in the country, with a good percentage of the certified operators in the world," Marty boasts, "We have a higher accuracy of interpretation than commercial standard." There were about 6 other young men, all eager to explain to us the complicated systems they had been trained to use.

We then spoke to Terry, who works with the Department of Education translating many of California's textbooks into Braille. More than 30 percent of all Braille schoolbooks are produced here each year and provided to

approximately 2,000 K-8th grade unsighted school children. Certified math translators are few and far between, and one of Terry's recent jobs was translating a theoretical physics textbook, "I don't understand it, I just translate it!" The program also has the distinction of having the first music Braille certified inmate in the country. Terry brought us to one of the prison cells he uses as an office. His computer, table, and chair were crammed at the back of a 4'x6' room, and, while he talked about how he can concentrate in there, a man walked by. Terry introduced Alan, who had been incarcerated 29 years ago and was getting out next month. A certified math translator, he was offered a job with a good wage and accepted quickly, explaining, "they will give me a Braille machine and I can work from home. I've been here most of my life, and this way I can transition back into society at my own pace." Terry pointed out that there are many rehabilitation programs at the prison, designed to give the men a vocation when they get out. This was just the most unique.

The 10 by 20 foot Optical room was manned by Frank and Dale, who process around 100,000 pairs of donated eyeglasses per year. *Just the two of them!* They get the glasses, clean them, measure them, box them up, and then put them in the hall until someone needs them. A few years ago, the New Orleans disaster victims needed them. Inmates and guards are also provided processed eyeglasses, free of charge. Since its inception by the Lyons club in 1989, the Optical Department has processed about one million pairs of eyeglasses.

Next we met Kent who ran the Computer Assistive Technologies department. A computer scientist pre-incarceration, he explained that 30 percent of the world's population is fundamentally disabled from using the web. The primary objective is to provide these services to government agencies so they fully meet ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) requirements. He is currently working to make the Internet more accessible by using software that guides the user through the intricate web maze by using verbal cues.

Finally, we entered a nice office and met with Mark, the Chief of the Financial Office and Manager/ Administrator for non-profit endeavors. Mark explained the inner workings of the program, and figures that they provide the community about \$3 million worth of service per year. All of the equipment seen in the various lab areas was donated or accrued with money provided by grants. "For a small investment in capitol and trust by the Lyons Club, we have seen an incredible dividend for the State of California." He pointed out that as a resounding success, the Folsom Project for the Visually Impaired has a zero percent recidivism rate. All inmates paroled from the program are entering society with skills that allow them to become productive, successful members of our communities. In an effort to provide more services, the program is expanding on July 1 and will move into a 2400 square foot facility, about 3 times larger than their present headquarters.

We said goodbye and thank you to everyone we met, and were led back through the double gates, through the roses, and another set of gates, where we surrendered our "Get out of Jail Free" cards to the female guard behind the bank teller window. We walked slowly to our cars, grateful to be let out, and pondering the fate of the hardworking men we left behind.

Thank you so much to Dennis and wife Kati for their hospitality, Officer Peet for his protection and friendliness, and the inmates of Folsom prison for a very educational visit.

The whole day, start to finish, was videotaped by a civilian media team, and a few of us were also interviewed by a lovely woman named Michelle. The video will be featured on the CA Dept. of Correction and Rehabilitations web site, their YouTube channel, and the local PBS station some time in the coming weeks.

Calteena

Synopsis of South Bay May Board Meeting

Liz sez he chapter is financially viable.

Karen Brown's team is working on a teen pregnancy education DVD, a survey of villages, copies of currently owned videos are being made, and we are getting meditation for pain DVDs as well. Looking into others for hearing and Detox for teens and adults, and a children's Gold's gym DVD,

Ed Kneller is working on guidelines for a women's health clinic, including maternal childcare, pregnancy, general health care, menopause, breast check, and other routine women's healthcare issues.

Liz Schrick reports 6 storage units are filling up with donated items. New truck shipment to Mexico needed soon.

Election on June 3. Nominees are last years servers.

Ramon said we have 12 Sat Phones ready to be distributed to our pilots.

The next Corporate board meeting will be held at Truckee at June 27th.

Clem reported no trips scheduled by South Bay.

Liz discussed corporate's new effort for fund raising for an executive director.

Newsletter Green Distribution

About 77% of our newsletter distribution is now by e-mail! This is an incredible cost saving for our organization; it costs about \$2 per copy per month to print and mail a newsletter by US Post Office. If you have not sent me your e-mail address, please do so ASAP so that the next newsletter will go to you via e-mail and will result in \$2 going to our medicines, equipment and supplies budget every month!

Remember, you get the newsletter 3 days sooner and in full color when you receive it by e-mail!

And if you know anyone who might be interested in our efforts, interested enough to donate to our cause, join our organization, promote our organization or in any way help us, send me their e-mail address and we can keep them informed about our efforts.

And finally, I am pleased with the continueing input of e-mail addresses of members and medical professional addresses that our members have supplied.

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New Requirements by Baja Sur

Dear Chapter Presidents/ Trip Coordinators

From Judi Foy

As you probably know, Tom Palmer and a delegation recently went to La Paz to meet with Mexican officials. In the past we were required to send doctor's documents prior to each trip to Baja Sur (Tortugas, Bahia Asuncion, San Ignacio and Abreojos). After the recent meeting it was decided that Hank Frohlich, from Reno chapter, would put together a binder with our doctor's documents and send this via courier to La Paz. After that, each trip coordinator can simply email the designated official in La Paz (see below), to notify her of our trip and mention that the doctor's paperwork is on file.

Required documents for each doctor (physician, optometrist, dentist) to be mailed to Hank Frohlich ASAP:

Copy of Doctor's License

Copy of Diploma

Curriculum vitae

Copy of Passport

Once your trip coordinator has collected the above documentation for ALL of your chapter's doctors send papers to:

Hank Frohlich

2650 Roseto Circle

Sparks, Nevada 89434

Our contact in La Paz is no longer Ana Gualarte. We should now address our email's to the Chief of State Health Regulations, Dr. Ethna K. Quiroz Leon at eklebsiella@hotmail.com.

Lastly, the issue of medications needing to be in original packages was addressed. It is my understanding that we can now put meds (analgesics and antibiotics) in plastic bags or other containers provided we put a copy of the original label inside the bag or on container.

This is what I know at this point. Since I was not present at the meeting in La Paz it is probably best if you direct any questions to Hank Frohlich (interpreter) or Tom Palmer, who were both in attendance.

Take care my friends. I know that getting all these papers together is a pain and that it will take time. Do what you can.

Fondly,

Judi Foy

Corporate Trip Coordinator

Editor Note: How we comply with these new requirements for copies of the original label on medicines is still under discussion. Before any flights leave for **South Baja**, the pilot must make sure that the new requirement for medicine labeling is complied with and that the documentation by the medical professionals has been transmitted as per Jodi direction.

Make a Difference in their Lives

Your contribution will help LMV purchase supplies, equipment, and medicines, upgrade and maintain clinics in remote Mexican, California and Central American villages. We will bring back hugs for you from our neighbors and friends from the South.

LMV sends two to four teams of volunteers to Mexico each month.. Each team normally consists of four to five volunteers that share in the cost of the flight, lodging and meals. In addition, we have 30 to 50 members travel to Central America twice each year and to Southern California twice each year. We depend on donations for supplies, medicines and equipment. Here are some estimates of costs:



Oasis Patients

Medicines or dental supplies per patient	\$10	Adopt a Pueblo	\$1000
Education Material per team trip	\$15	Audiometer	\$1000
Angel subsidy for a volunteer without funds	\$100	Portable x-ray Machine	\$6000
Medicines or dental supplies per team day	\$250	Medical Office Upgrades	1000 to \$20000
Subsidy per Medical Resident per trip	\$300	Dental Office, Minimum equipment	5000
Dental supplies per team per trip	\$500	Auto refractor for measuring eyes	3000
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		Complete Clinic equipment	150,000

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The South Bay membership consists of over 150 members and the other chapters are each approximately 100 members. Our members have very diversified backgrounds including Medical Doctors, Dentists, Optometrists, Audiologists, Chiropractors, Nurses, Pilots, Interpreters and general volunteers. What all of our members share is compassion to help those with needs for medical care.

The administrative arm of Los Medicos Voladores mission is to support our medical and pilot professionals so the volunteers can be effective, efficient, productive, safe and happy. We negotiate with the foreign governments the criteria for service, we arrange the flights into remote areas, we raise money for medicines and supplies, and we help put teams together.

We have no paid staff. All of our members are volunteers and pay their own way on trips, whether they are pilots, nurses, volunteers or interpreters.



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