



May 2012

Chicxulub Food Bank Program

This month there were 5 new families that came for their despensas. The group was their usual pleasant and courteous selves with their smiles and "de nadas."

The day was not as hot as it could have been with the skies being gray and overcast but that suited everyone just fine.

The vitamin lady was kept busy handing out the pills and liquids for the kids while everyone was treated to a sucker to enjoy.



This was the beautiful sunset that ended the day...a true work of art!



Albergue de San Joaquin

The exercise group continues with new volunteers who enjoy the time with the seniors. You can tell from these photos that all is well.



Here are our students that are at the home for 3 months who seem to be enjoying



it.

Casa Cristiandad Soup Kitchen

Well organized and busy project.

Cookbook Project

The submission deadline of June 30th is fast approaching and we still have room for more recipes and anecdotal comments. Please participate in this project to make it a success. In case you are not aware this is a fundraising initiative suggested by one of our supporters and will contain both recipes, where to find the ingredients and some stories about the adventure of crating some of these tasty recipes.

Send your recipes and interesting information to: chixcookbook@gmail.com.

Adopt-A-Family Program

As you know the success of the food despensas relies on your donation of \$75 to cover the cost for one year. As your donation comes in you are assigned a family. If there is anyone who wants to know about your adopted family please feel free to ask the question and I will send you a photo and summary. FYI: the program's fiscal year is from November to October.

Items required:

- Wool;
- Toiletries;
- Knitted slippers and toques

- Any leads on buying a Canon projector or microphone.
- Please save the pop-tops for a fundraising initiative. There is a woman in Chicxulub who is crocheting bags similar to my black one for next season and we need lots of the tops...gracias
- Crayons and colouring books

Here is some local news to keep you up to date:

- Super Willy's has changed their location in Chicxulub. The outlet has moved into a bigger space across the road from Bamboo Beach where the Super Oso used to be. The plan is to expand their product base.
- For all those here in late June, there will be a Canada Day-4th of July celebration on June 26th and you are invited. It will be at the Casa de Malecon from 5-7PM. Watch local business areas for more information.
- Progreso received a visit from a naval sailing training ship from Venezuela called Simon Bolivar and while it was in port it was open to the public for 2 days. It was an interesting and exciting event and I have an appreciation and respect for those men and women who have chosen to protect our countries at sea and with tongue in cheek the characters like Jack Sparrow and his Black Pearl and those unsavory pirates of old.



New Service of the Month

How many times have you dreamt of a good steak? But where do you find one in this neck of the woods? Your dream can come true right here in Progreso. A wide range of cuts such as T-bone, rib eye, sirloin and porterhouse are featured at **Carnes & Cortes** on calle 70 between 33 and 31 in Progreso.

The owners are Wilberth Gonzalo Martinez Ordaz and Yiremi Zarate Burgos.
To order, call 99 91 11 80 33 or 99 95 93 26 08 or visit them at

Tax Donation Process

The process for making donations to the Canadian Food for Children organization who will send you a tax receipt has been working very well. Comments to me indicate they are efficient and prompt. I receive notification from their office when funds are transferred to the Food Bank account.

Here is how you do it.

All you need to do is write the cheque to:

Canadian Food for Children

40 King George's Road

TO Ontario

M8X 1L3

Attention Mary Reid.

Include my name and Chix Food Bank project and they will issue the receipt and deposit the money into the Food Bank account here in Mexico.

Ensure you add your email address on the back of the cheque so you can receive the monthly newsletter.

Please advise me if you are making your donation in this manner so I can keep the records straight for the Adopt A Family program.

The families of Chicxulub thank you for your caring and warm support.

Sharon Helgason