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Our Mission

Casa de los Angeles is a community of caring people who gather to nurture children, serving the needs of the less fortunate, treating each person with dignity and respect as they work to make a better life for themselves. It is located in San Miguel de Allende, Guanajuato, Mexico, and was founded on September



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Rocking with the Angels a Success

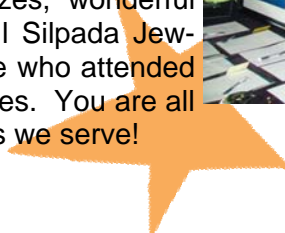


Our second annual furniture auction, which we call Rocking with the Angels, can easily be called a success. We are most grateful to all of the artists who participated in our functional furniture auction. Their creative genius transformed simple wooden pieces into true works of art. We especially want to acknowledge **Rosemarie Garay of Fabrica la Aurora** for hosting our auction. We are eternally grateful to our dear friends **Tuna Tradicional** who have so willingly performed at numerous Casa de los Angeles events. We thank **Anado McLaughin** for serving as our auctioneer for the evening; **Atención San Miguel** for their support with publicity; **Lee Virgilio** for coordinating help in the galleries; and **Esther Kolko** for making sure we were well fed. Most especially we thank **Kay Miller** for her willingness to take on this event for a second year. She carefully and enthusiastically brought **Rocking with the Angels** to a reality as she contacted artists, gathered functional art, wrote Atención articles and shared her brilliant ideas for the good of the families served by Casa de los Angeles. You can go to our website www.casadelosangeles.org to see all of the beautiful, creative functional art.



U.S. Board Sponsors May Events

During the month of May, the U.S. board of Directors of Casa de los Angeles sponsored a week long marathon of events. We started the week at Nonno Pino's Italian Kitchen in Chicago and closed the week at Riccardo's Restaurant in Schaumburg, Illinois . . . with a mid-week stop in St. Louis, Missouri. The seven days were filled with good food, great raffle prizes, wonderful silent auction items and beautiful Silpada Jewelry. We are grateful to everyone who attended and supported Casa de los Angeles. You are all angels to the children and families we serve!



Meet Susana and Emmanuel

by Maggie Davis



Susana Gomez Molina is 27 and lives with her three year old son, José Emmanuel Fernández Gómez, in Rancho el Carmen Congregación los Rodriguez Emmanuel is a happy active boy who stands taller than all the other kids in his class. He greets everyone with a big smile. When at home, he likes to dance, sing and play with instruments especially a little toy piano. He loves the daycare center and cries on the weekend when he can't go. He enjoys going to Mass with his mom on Sunday mornings.

Susana graduated from primary school and then started work as a cosmetologist. She met her husband when she was 23, but he left for the states when Emmanuel was six months old. He then broke off contact with them. Susanna found it hard to work with her new baby but joined the daycare when Emanuel was one and a half. It allowed her to return to school and study dermatology.

Susanna is very thankful for Casa de los Angeles as it has given her a happier life, allowing her to return to school and reducing the anxiety of providing daycare for her son. She also feels that at the daycare people understand her and her experience. She really enjoys doing her hour of service which is working with the babies twice a week. Susanna's main goal for the future is to teach her son good morals and provide him with the things that she didn't have growing up, most importantly the opportunity to complete one's education.

Join Our Team!

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UNDER THE PEPPER TREE:

Stories of Casa de los Angeles
By Donna Quathamer

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