## La Vista

April 25, 2013 Newsletter 1st Quarter General Aid Distributions



Thanks to your generous contributions, we were able to make a difference in the lives of twelve local families this quarter. Although the average award is around \$300.00, it still offers meaningful assistance to these families, helping them with day-to-day expenses. Each recipient showed sincere appreciation and gratitude, when we contacted them, to find out how best to distribute the assistance. Please take a moment to read about how we positively impacted these members of our community:



*Tina Walters* is the mother of 4 (whose father passed away last year) with one grandchild, who asked for help to catch up with the past balance on her gas bill. We paid some of her bills and gave her a gift card to Walmart. *Susan Potts* is the reading teacher at ATT, and she asked if we could help her provide graduation awards to 25 students. We gave her a gift card to help provide awards for her graduating class.

*Michelle Poulsen* is a disabled veteran and mother of young Alexandria, a 5-yearold with Rett Syndrome, and the family subsists on disability, SSI and VA. They have fallen behind on some of their bills, so we helped them with some of their past due accounts. *Katie Jarrell* is a woman who decided, after 20 years, to go back to school. Due to injuries, loss of transportation, and lack of finances, she is struggling to stay at CNM full time. She is looking for employment, and asked for assistance with either bills, school supplies, or transportation. We helped pay some of her bills and gave her a Walmart gift card.

*Julia Chambers* is a single mother studying Level 2 Nursing at CNM, working part time at an assisted living facility. She is falling behind on bills, receives no child support, with all of her financial aid going to bills and food. She asked for help catching up on her PNM bill. We helped with some of those bills and gave her a Walmart gift card to help with basic needs.

**Debbie Williams** is a disabled woman on a very fixed income. She came to us, asking for help in paying her utilities, in order to keep them from being turned off. We paid her PNM bill and gave her a gift card to Walmart.

*Arthur Perches* is a husband and father, whose disability has kept him from working. While he is waiting for his disability income to be approved, they have been living off his wife's income, but she recently lost her job, and they are falling behind on mortgage and other bills. We paid their mortgage payment.

*Patricia Vasquez* is a mother of two, living with her oldest daughter, with her only income as ASSI. They have fallen behind on bills and asked for any help; we paid the PNM bill.

*Charity Voelker* is a single mother of one son, who recent change of jobs and living arrangements have led her to file for bankruptcy, and the subsequent attorney fees have caused her to fall behind in rent and utilities. We were able to help her with her rent.

*Eveline De Encio* is a single woman, who was recently diagnosed with Shingles, and immediately afterward, a chest tumor. She just had surgery and is currently in recovery; she has no savings and no other income. She asked for help to cover her insurance payments. We helped pay her premium.

*Luis Juarez* is a young man of 32, with colorectal cancer, who has been undergoing treatment for a year. His illness prevented him from working, and he now requires surgery. He hopes to find work as soon as he recovers from his surgery, but he has fallen behind on rent. We paid his rent for this month.

*Roxanne Andrew* is a single mother, who recently had surgery which, when she was unable to work, caused her to be laid off. She has fallen behind on bills, but is determined to get back on her feet. We paid some of her bills and gave her a gift card to Walmart.

*Antonio Brown* is a young man who lost his parents, and he now lives with his great-grandmother, whose income is very limited. His school guitar

ensemble qualified to represent NM in Washington, DC, but he needs help to pay for the travel costs. We helped pay for some of that trip.

**Daniel Quintana** is a father of five (2 of which he has full time, the others part time), who separated from his wife, and he is struggling to stay on top of bills. He recently filed for bankruptcy, and the furnace in his house is broken. We helped him by paying some of his bills.

**UPCOMING EVENT - NEXT WEEKEND!!!** 

# Sign up now, if you haven't already! 6:30 P.M. - 1:00 A.M Registration 6:00 to 8:00 Dinner from 6:30 to 8:00 ker Tourney from 8:00 till 11:00 n 11:00P.M. till 1:00 A.M. 21 + Event Dinner & Entertainment \$35.00 Suggested Donation /person

Buffet style dinner. Full service bar will be available, with drink specials; a percentage of drink proceeds goes to LODLF. Music and entertainment will be provided by a professional DJ, and a dance floor is available for the evening.

### Participation in tournament \$100.00 Suggested Donation /person

Texas Hold Em Tournament We will have 10 tables with 8 players at each table. Tables will continue to condense as players are eliminated till the final 10 players are left at the final table. Every-one eliminated has a chance for a grand prize as they will get to draw one of four aces for a prize. The four final players will all receive a grand prize valued at over \$250 dollars per prize.

100% of event donations go to Los Ojos de la Familia. 100% of LODLF donation



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Type of Charity This is a 501(c)(3) charity, so your donations are tax-deductible. Consult your tax advisor

Please visit our website www.losoiosdelafamilia.org or call 505-362-6073 to learn more about this event or how you can be a part of our organization

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And for the next several months we will be selling raffle tickets for another sweet motorcycle!!

Drawing Wil Be Held On December 21, 2013

#### **Our Purpose**

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A grassroots movement to make a difference in the New Mexico community by providing educational development and quality of life assistance.

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100% of LODLF donations go directly to the community

TICKETS

Vjos de la Familia

### \$10 dollars Per Ticket \$25 Dollars For Three Tickets

\*\*Bike pictured for design purposes only!

MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL 505.362.6073 www.losojosdelafamilia.org



For a full calendar of assistance and scholarship deadlines, visit our website www.losojosdelafamilia.org.



United Way of Central New Mexico

Los Ojos de la Familia is registered with United Way Northern New Mexico, and we encourage you to consider asking that your donations go toward our charity.

United Way Contribution Form sk your benefits administrator how you can designa

LODLF as your charity of choice.

For more information on our charity, visit our website: www.losojosdelafamilia.org or find us on Facebook.

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