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DATES TO SAVE

Xela AID Summer Trips Information Session, Catalina Island Saturday, November 2nd 1:30-3:30pm Metropole Meeting Room. info@xelaaid.org

Sociodrama Leadership Training January 24-26, 2014 Catalina Island Cost: \$280* RSVP here! For more information, contact: leslie@xelaaid.org

*10 person minimum. Boat transportation (\$65 RT) and lodging not included; Shared lodging will be available.



BE THE CHANGE on an upcoming Xela AID service trip to Guatemala

Application for volunteer trips now available here!

Dulce Graduated: And You Can Make it Possible for Others During This Season of Thanksgiving



Dear ,

Can you imagine what it would be like if you couldn't read or write?

When Xela AID arrived in San Martín, Guatemala, 21 years ago, we found a village where more than 75% of children and adults were illiterate! We are proud that with the help of supporters like you, we have been able to change that. Because of the Work-Study Scholarships (WSS) we've been able to provide, and the good example we've set, MOST children in the village are now in school and becoming self reliant!



We are proud of the young people like Dulce de León (left) who, after a decade of hard work in our WSS program, graduated just this week! Special thanks to Dulce's long-time sponsor Marisa Grimes for making her success possible. Dulce will pursue a career giving back to others focused on early

childhood development.

Xela AID also learned early on that a child who is sick

2014 Trip Schedule*



March 14-23

(late-night departure)
"10-Days, 3-Volcanos"
CLIMB the progressively
tougher volcanoes of
Antigua, Xela, and Lago
de Atitlan to benefit Xela
AID. This trip is for the
especially fit and their
cheering section!
Contact trip leader Cliff
Hague cliff rider@mac.com



June 13-22

(late-night departure)
"Dignified Housing &
Other Projects TBD with
Intensive Spanish Study
Option." Includes Atitlan,
Antigua and Tikal option.
Contact leslie@xelaaid.org



June 27-July 6

(late-night departure)
"Education Programs with
Intensive Spanish Study
Option." Includes Atitlan
and Antigua. Contact trip
leader Sue Rikalo at:

cannot thrive in school; and families that are not well cannot participate and support their child's education. Because of this, we founded the **Xela AID June Russel Glennon Clinic** where children in our education programs and their families receive life-saving care.

This is the time of the year that **we ask for your support in funding our clinic operations which are central to making our educational programs function**. Xela AID receives no governmental funding, and relies on the generosity of people like you!

We all have so much to be thankful for! During our Annual Fund drive this Fall and Winter, every gift counts. We thank you ahead of time for whatever you're able to share with those less fortunate during this season of Thanksgiving.

Donate NOW

Most sincerely yours,

Leslie Baer Dinkel, Executive Director, and

The Xela AID Board of Directors, Advisors and Staff:

DIRECTORS - Mel Dinkel - Carlos de la Rosa - Luis Enrique de León - Kathy Logan - Frank Long - Sue Rikalo

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August 1-10
(late-night departure)
"Literacy, Art Therapy, &
Special Projects at Las
Nubes." Contact
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*A 12-person minimum applies
to all trips which otherwise may
be canceled or combined. Thank
you for your understanding.

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AID on Facebook so you'll
get updates from our
travels in Guatemala and
other messages from the
field! If you haven't
already, it's easy. Do it
NOW

