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Music Project San Ildefonso Primary School Potosí



Pupils of the San Ildefonso primary school in Potosí have enjoyed making music with their music teacher Luis in the past half year. Luis practiced with his group every week after school. At the end of the schoolyear in December, they dazzled their audience with a first great concert! Everyone played their instruments with zest and danced and sang their hearts out.

*Check for yourself at our homepage.
A joy for everyone!*

What 's next?

Twenty of the most talented pupils would love to continue their musical training. Luis developed the programme for the next half year, including learning to read musical notation. He does so using participatory and motivating methods. This follow-up course (10 months, 3 hours a week after school) requires a small contribution of the family and needs an additional funding of € 1250.

Like to support us in this great project?

Cycling to Marrakesh for Potosí



flyer design: www.da-mar.nl

Father and son van Lier will start on their cycling tour to Marrakesh from Groningen, the Netherlands on July 19th. Ger (60) and Paul (27) are both tennis instructors at the Van Starckenborgh Tennis Club in Groningen and after finishing a cycling

tour of 3000 km 10 years ago they agreed that they would cycle to Africa at some future occasion. That occasion is nearly there! This summer they will start on their 3500 km tour which passes through Paris and Madrid. They will face a beautiful but tough tour with many challenges, not the least of them the heat...

Why a sponsored tour for Amigos de Potosí?

Ger and Paul: "We like the challenge of cycling long distances. But the attention we will get, we'd like to donate to a good cause. We know the persons involved in the Foundation of Amigos de Potosí, they are very much involved in the projects and work in a transparent way. We have a lot of sympathy for their aims and methods: the ideas for local projects come from the people themselves. And Bolivians participate in them, that always works best. We know that the money will be spent wisely and the projects have been effective for more than twenty years now!"

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Paul en Ger

Which project do you support?

“The money goes to the after-school care centre Caracoles on the Cerro Rico mountain: this is an important facility for the miners’ children. They have their meals and homework supervision in the centre and are encouraged to continue with their schooling instead of starting work in the mines. We think this is a good cause. The water supply and the toilets of the centre need improvement urgently.” (more information on this project, click for: [watersupply Caracoles](#)).

How do we sponsor you?

“With 1 cent per kilometre – or more, of course... You may sponsor one of us or both. For signing up as a sponsor please send an e-mail to: fietstochtpaulenger@hotmail.com mentioning the sum you wish to donate.

Special offer:

if you donate € 40 or more, you will receive a colourful birthday calendar!”



How do we follow you?

“Through our (Dutch) special Facebook page: [Fietsen-naar-Marrakech-voor-Potosi](#). Our progress can also be followed through our foundation’s Facebook page and our website.

Good luck on your adventure, Amigos!

News from Winabago para Amigos de Potosí



At the Liberation Festival, May 5th in Assen (the Netherlands) Wina Kruithof and Adam Bock had their own cheerful and colourful stand! Look for yourself. Wina makes beautiful bags, plant hangers and bbq aprons in original designs from flags (Tour de France), canvas, surfing sails and so on. Wina and Adam raised € 250 for the project *Centro Comunitario Lajas Tambo*.

New: Special for Father’s Day: bbq aprons and placemats! To be ordered through Winabago’s Facebook page.

Thanks very much, Wina and Adam for your work!

Other new facts

www.Rickshawtravel.com, an interested British travel organisation promotes our foundation on their website and offers travellers the opportunity supporting us a gift. *Thanks a lot!*



Winabago AdP-stand at the Liberationfestival in Assen

Disturbing article in the Volkskrant: Cerro Rico about to cave in!

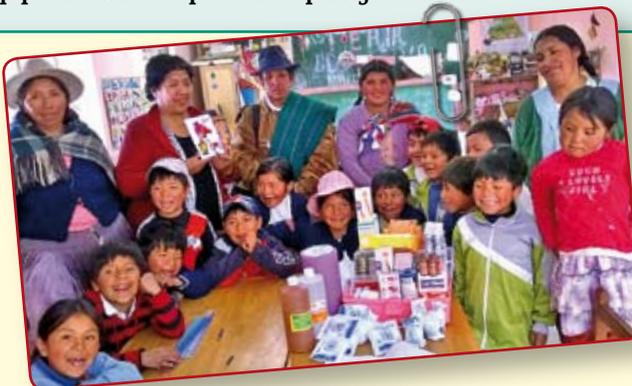
‘The mountain that eats people’. The Cerro Rico mountain is about to cave in and UNESCO fears that the city of Potosí will be buried under the rubble. The government however takes no action. Tens of thousands of people are in danger daily. Not only in the mines, but also in the city itself. The national daily newspaper De Volkskrant featured a disturbing article on February 15, with striking photo’s. The article is accessible (in Dutch) through our hompagelink: www.amigosdepotosi.nl, News section or available in Spanish upon request.

How can you help?

Through a general contribution or support of a specific project:

The **First Aid Kit** of San Ildefonso Primary School has reached the end of its supplies. Director Marta notified us that the medication and bandages are all out. The most simple medicines may save lives, but most parents cannot afford them or don't have easy access to them.

A donation of € 150 will ensure supplies for a whole year!



Music Project San Ildefonso: as related earlier in the Newsletter: the follow-up of this project needs € 1250 for the musical training by Luis of 20 pupils 10 months 3 times a week after school.

A wonderful project!

Lajas Tambo Although the fundraising for Centro comunitario for Lajas Tambo, which will especially benefit the mothers of this community is coming along nicely, it has not fully been realized yet! Fund raising for this project has taken almost a year now and will be supported by *Wild Geese Foundation* until July. This means that we will receive a 50% bonus on all gifts for *Lajas Tambo*! We'd like to draw your attention to this wonderful project and give us your support!

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 PROJECTS THAT MAKE A DIFFERENCE



Clean water and toilets for after-school care centre Caracoles:

We made a head start with the donations we received last year from *Jumbo/Maripaan*, *Werkgroep Een Aarde*, *Van Genuchten family* and from *Willy Kamphuis' Tips for Potosí Campaign* in Gargellen, Austria. *Ger and Paul* aim to raise the rest by cycling.

Will you give your support?

Please make your donation payable to BIC: RABONL2U IBAN NL28 RABO 01622.37.871, or through Pay Pal (www.amigosdepotosi.com/donate) to: Foundation Amigos de Potosí, mentioning the name of the project: *First Aid Kit*, *Music*, *Lajas Tambo* or *Caracoles*. Any contribution is welcome! Thanks for your gift and participation!

If the amount necessary for a project has been reached, we will make your contribution available for another one of our projects.