

Medical Missions to Make a Difference

- 2023 Update -



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Fidalgo Island Rotary Club
International Committee
Volunteer Medical Teams

LaConner Rotary Club
December 4, 2023





Healing the Children

OREGON AND
WESTERN WASHINGTON

Changing the World... ...One Child at a Time

Dr. Don van Nimwegan







Guatemala City: 1999, 2000; 2003, 2004

Fundacion Pediatrica Guatemalteca



Medical/Surgical Missions - SJM

Missions Accomplished

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- ▶ **Vietnam: My Tho - 2005, Hanoi – 2007**
- ▶ **Nepal: 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012 + 2013 (2)**
- ▶ **Nepal: (& 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019)**
- ▶ **Ecuador: Riobamba - 2010**
- ▶ **Indonesia: Ungaran (Java) - 2011**
- ▶ **El Salvador: San Salvador – 2012**
- ▶ **Guatemala: San Lucas Toliman (SLT) - 2011**
- ▶ **2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2023 (March 2024)**
- ▶ **Honduras: Comayagua – 2018 – 11 trips**
- ▶ **2019, 2020, 2021, 2122, 2023 (Jan. 2024)**

My Inspirations



Bojan Kuure, RN
1942 - 2017

"All I can wish for is for you to try and do something that makes you happy, leaves a legacy and makes yourself UNFORGETTABLE."



Medical Missions

My Inspirations

San Lucas Toliman

Guatemala

2019, 2020



From:
LaConner Rotary Club



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2006 - A Calling

Dr. Will & Diane Boegel
Seattle, WA



20 yrs at Virginia-Mason
Dept. of Orthopedics

New home in Guatemala





CONSULTA PODIÁTRICA

DR. WILLIAM BOEGEL
TRAUMATOLOGO PODIÁTRICO



RECOMENDACIONES

- ✓ Debe presentarse antes de la hora indicada para obtener su número.
- ✓ Para el registro, debe traer su DPI. En caso de ser menor de edad, debe venir acompañado por un adulto y traer una fotocopia de la Fe de Edad.
- ✓ Se les sugiere a los pacientes permanecer cerca del Consultorio No.3 hasta ser atendidos.
- ✓ Si ha recibido tratamiento por otro médico en el pasado, debe traer los exámenes que haya realizado.



HORARIO DE
ATENCIÓN:

DÍAS LUNES
↳ 7:30am a 12:00pm



Para más información llamar a los
teléfonos: 7722 0097 / 7722 0898



Town = San Lucas Toliman

Harriett Schrontz Montessori School



Third Addition

100 students



Medical Missions

San Lucas Toliman
Guatemala

2012, 2013, 2014, 2015,
2016, 2017, 2018, 2019,
2020, 2023



Sponsor:
Fidalgo Island Rotary Club



Opal House



San Lucas Toliman, Guatemala & Opal House – 2012-2023

www.opalhouse.org



Hospital Obras Sociales de Monsignor Gregorio Schaffer

2018 - Expansion



Serves a City of 35,000 people + Local Rural Villages

Volunteers: Our Backbone



- ▶ Physicians
- ▶ Surgeons
- ▶ Nurses
- ▶ IT Specialists
- ▶ Logistics
- ▶ Construction
- ▶ Fund Raising
- ▶ Translators

With Much
Gratitude





Bryan Hennessy
RC of Ferndale
"The Miracle of Ester"

Guatemala

San Lucas Toliman
Lake Atitlan
2011 - 2023

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de Monsignor Gregorio Schaffer
(HOSMOGRESCH)





Ester:

All healed from
her surgeries –
time for new
shoes.



Statistics – 2012 to 2019

San Lucas Toliman, Guatemala



	Children Screened	Surgical Cases	No. of Procedures	Clubfoot Surgeries	Ponseti Castings
2012	48	22	33	3	1
2013	60	25	59	0	2
2014	60	35	64	7	1
2015	62	33	63	7	1
2016	60	27	41	5	1
2017	68	34	65	9	3
2018	85	51	85	13	2
2019	90	50	104	13	2
TOTAL	533	277	514	57	14



Networking

Working Together:

- ❖ Raise Funds
- ❖ Raise Awareness
- ❖ Recruiting
- ❖ Volunteer Time
- ❖ Volunteer Skills
- ❖ Donate Supplies
- ❖ Connect Partners
- ❖ Corporate Support



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Fidalgo Island
Rotary Club



Anacortes
Rotary Club

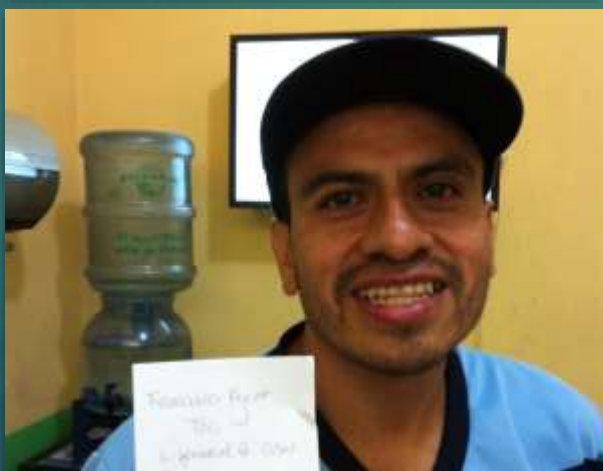


Francesco – 2016-2018



Dr. Libby Weber

- ▶ Trauma Surgeon
- ▶ Pediatric Orthopedic Surgeon
- ▶ Gillette Children's Hospital
- ▶ Joined mission team in 2013
- ▶ Specialist in treating cerebral palsy patients





Dr. Constantine Kokenes
Anesthesiologist



What do Our Teams Treat?

- ▶ Pediatric Clubfoot
- ▶ Neglected Clubfoot
- ▶ Polydactyly (extra toes/fingers)
- ▶ Post Polio problems
- ▶ Fractures
- ▶ Fracture complications
- ▶ Cerebral Palsy complications
- ▶ Other foot, ankle and leg problems and follow up
- ▶ Prepare patients for Prostheses



Samuel 12 yo



Dick Rutgers – One Man NGO

Another Inspiration





Filling the Need for
Prostheses



Orthotics & Prosthetics Workstation





THANK-YOU ROTARY

Dr. Carl Kihm



Leaders -Teamwork

HONDURAS





CENTRO MÉDICO SAN BENITO JOSÉ
SAN BENITO JOSE MEDICAL CENTER
ST. BENEDICT JOSEPH MEDICAL CENTER

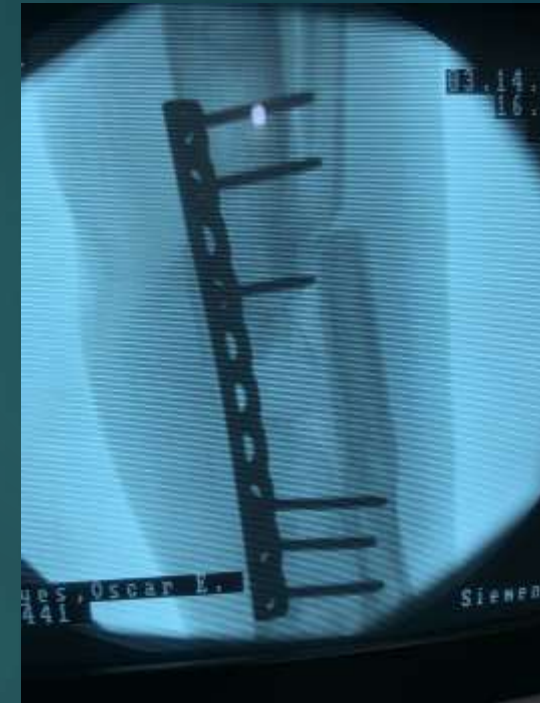
Machine = \$25,993
Shipping = 1,247
TOTAL = **\$27,240**

FIRC = \$2,000



Honduras
Comayagua
2018-23

Expanding Our Surgical Capabilities



Eleven (11) Medical Mission Trips 2018 - 2023



Podiatry Chair for Minor Surgeries



Shipping:
\$950.69

Anesthesia Machines Made It

Donated – Dr. Kokenes

- ▶ Eight (8) Anesthesia Machines
- ▶ GE Aestiva 5
- ▶ Refurbished on site by Atlanta-based volunteer biomedical technicians





Global Grant # GG1988687
Mobile Health Clinic
\$74,050

Honduras

CLUB ROTARIO Comayagua
2020

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"SBJ"



APPROVED

Global Grant # GG1988687

Rural Medical Mission Outreach with Mobile Health Clinic

1. Visit each house in each village – collect medical data.
2. Empower the local people – education + Village Health Facilitator (Promotore de Salud)
3. Provide basic medical/dental care
4. Projects for the prevention of disease - smokeless stoves, latrines and clean water.

Budget (Over 2 Years): \$74,050
First Year = 10 Villages
Second Year = 9 Villages



Got
Through
Customs

April - 2021



November - 2021



Mobile Health Clinic

Hector – Project Manager



4WD Pickup



New Doctors

Sustainability – Succession



Aloha MM - January - Podiatry Team



Operation Hope - May - Podiatry Team



Solanus MM - September - Podiatry Team



Solanus MM - September - Podiatry

Dr. Francois Harton - Calgary, Alberta



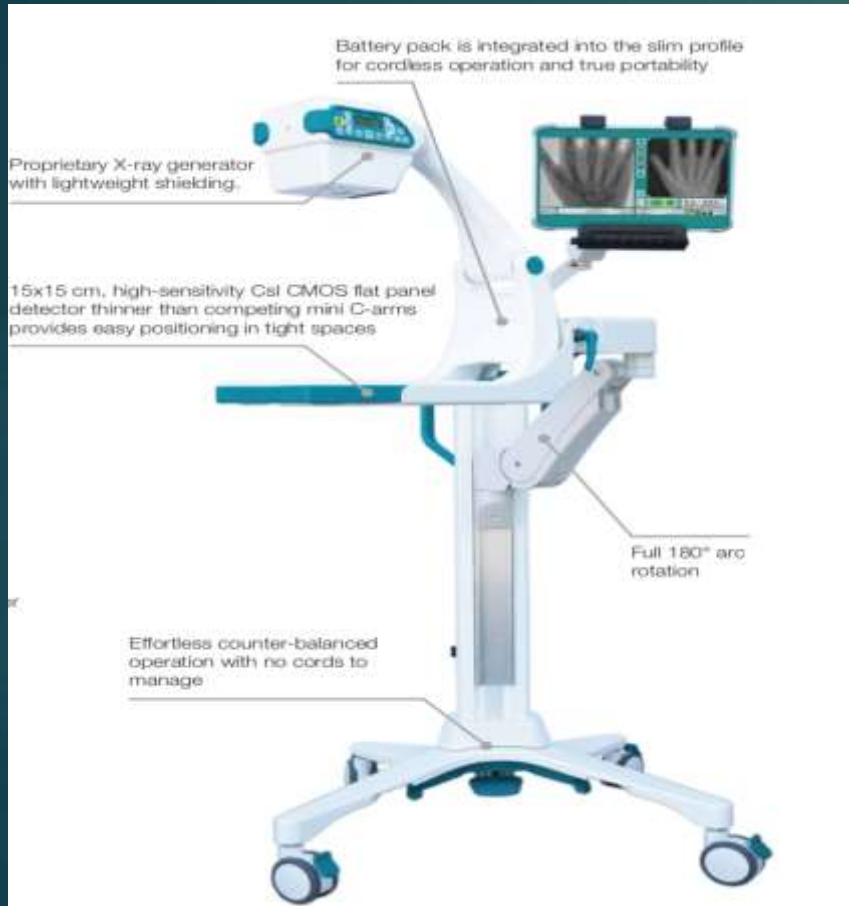
Portable Handheld X-ray Machine

Honduras & Guatemala - \$30,000 each



Smart-C Fluoroscopy X-ray Machine

Battery Operated - \$66,000



Turner Smart-C
Mini C-arm
Sold By
Televere



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We All Thank You