

# CASTAWAY KIDS CORNER

Working today for a brighter and better tomorrow

## Sun, Sand, and Good Vibes

San Carlos is so fortunate to have such an incredible music scene. Not only do our local bands keep us moving and grooving, but they also have very big hearts and show our music students how to make music a life long passion.

A huge thank you to the following bands who donated their time at the Castaway Kids' Beach Party this year:

Assterisko, The Dudes, Bad Rumors, Los Country Boys, Sector 7, Country Hits, Manuelito y Sus Guerreros, Son Desierto, Sayonara, Sensanova, Yambé Jazz, Utopia, and Mar Caribbean.

We also want to thank our incredible Music Department: Michelle, Alejandro, Gaby, Gabriel, and our very own LOS CHICOS DE SAN CARLOS. They put so much time and effort into planning a rocking and rolling day on the beach.



Thank you to everyone who helped us with the Beach Party by selling event tickets, raffle tickets, 50/50 tickets, and/or sharing our story. **We appreciate you!**

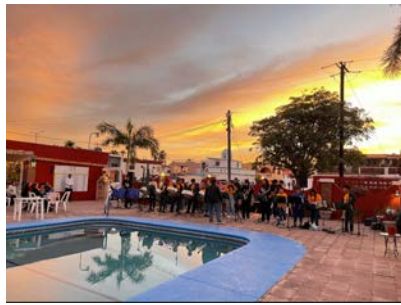


## Beach Party Returns After Three Year Hiatus

Wow! Thank you to our San Carlos Community. 400 Beach Party tickets were sold for our celebration! Lack of tickets even inspired the scammers to try and sell fakes through our Facebook page. This was a first for us, and we appreciate your patience as we tried to delete, report, and find real tickets at the last minute for everyone. We have already had some thoughts about how we can offer more tickets the next time.

Sunset Bar and Grill was such a gracious host. Frank, Lisa, and the Sunset staff were amazing collaborative partners. Waiters were on top of it all day, keeping the snacks and drinks coming. Dancing makes one very thirsty and very hungry!





### Treasures at Tecalai

We would like to recognize the Tecalai Neighborhood for its support of our programs this year.

In February, Tecalai invited Los Chicos de San Carlos for a special Valentine's Day performance. The children were served a "romantic" hot dog and ice cream dinner before the performance.

The neighborhood showed its support again in February/ March as it became a collection site for Adelante Mujeres' Kilómetro de Apoyo/ Kilometer of Support in recognition of the International Day of the Woman. A special thank you to Judy Nagel (pictured below) and her husband, John, for spearheading the collection effort.

We hope our new friendship continues for many years to come.



### Adelante Mujeres Second Kilómetro de Apoyo Supports Families in Need

The women of Adelante Mujeres have formed very meaningful ties with one another. While building supportive relationships and empowering one another are two objectives of the group, they also believe in the importance of service.

In recognition of the International Day of the Woman, Adelante Mujeres set a goal to collect one kilometer of non-perishable food, cleaning supplies, and personal hygiene items. They manned a table at Santa Rosa almost daily near the end of February and early March, juggling their workloads and childcare in order to give back to the community.

The group was a little short of its goal this year, but you would never know it by the smiles on the faces of the vulnerable families, elderly, and single mothers who received despensas in San Carlos, Santa Clara, and Fatima.

The women celebrated their success on March 8 by lining up and measuring the donations, receiving certificates of recognition, and attending a special presentation on self esteem by psychologist Blanca Delia Jaramillo at the Castaway Kids Education Center.

Adelante Mujeres meets every Tuesday at 6:00 upstairs in the Center. All women are welcome!

