**Fiesta Especial®…2013 Royal Court Meet & Greet**

**When:** Saturday, March 23rd, 2013 | 5:00pm – 9:00pm

**Where:** Mi Casa Tamales |

**What:** 2013 Fiesta Especial® Royal Court Meet & Greet

The 2013 Fiesta Especial® Royal Court is made up of 9 individuals, ages 2 to 18, nominated by 5 organizations serving individuals with disabilities in the San Antonio community. Earning their spots on the court by raising over $16,500, this court will represent individuals with disabilities and the contributions they make to our community throughout the 2013 Fiesta® season.

On Saturday, March 23rd from 5:00pm – 9:00pm, Reaching Maximum Independence, Inc. will host the 2nd Annual Meet & Greet for the Fiesta Especial® Royal Court.

This is an opportunity for the San Antonio community to come out and meet each of the court members in a one-on-one setting and enjoy a kick-off to Fiesta® with complimentary face painting, Fiesta® crown making, games, activities and entertainment.

10% of food and beverage purchases between 5:00pm – 9:00pm will be donated to Fiesta Especial®. The Klocks will begin playing at 8pm.

A number of other Fiesta® Dignitaries will be present to congratulate and support the Fiesta Especial® Royal Court.

**MEET THE 2013 FIESTA ESPECIAL® ROYAL COURT:**

2013 Fiesta Especial® King & Queen

Tristan Gentry and Chelsea Figueroa

*Nominated by Clark High School Friends Having Fun*

*Tristan and Chelsea raised a total of $9,910 to benefit children and adults with disabilities in our community.*

2013 Fiesta Especial® Prince & Princess

Damian Perry and Jolene Martin

*Nominated by The Alliance for Pediatric Providers of San Antonio*

*Damian and Jolene raised a total of $1,791.08 to benefit children and adults with disabilities in our community.*

2013 Fiesta Especial® Duke & Duchess

Gabriel “Gabe” Hey and Elizabeth “Lizzy” Oveland

*Nominated by Monarch Academy at Morgan’s Wonderland*

*Gabe and Lizzy raised $2,844 to benefit children and adults with disabilities in our community.*

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Gabriela Martinez

*Nominated by Down Syndrome Association of South Texas*

*Gabriela raised a total of $1,098.78 to benefit children and adults with disabilities in our community.*

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Amir Merrill and Destiney Tavera

*Nominated by Converse Elementary Special Education*

*Amir and Destiney raised a total of $963.62 to benefit children and adults with disabilities in our community.*

50% of the funds raised by the Fiesta Especial® Royal Court candidates will go back in support of their nomination organizations serving children and adults with disabilities.  The remaining 50% will go to allow 2,500 special education students to attend Fiesta Especial® on Friday, April 19th at no cost to them or their schools.

**OTHER FIESTA ESPECIAL® ROYAL COURT APPEARANCES**

**March**
**Bark in the Park** - March 2nd (9:30am - 11:00am)
**Media Day** – March 6th (12pm – 2pm)
**Fiesta Teen Queen Reception** - March 7th
**Fiesta Medal Exhibit Opening at ITC** - March 18th (6:00pm - 8:00pm)
**Fiesta Poster Unveiling** - March 20th (6:00pm - 8:30pm)
**KABB | Fox 29 Morning Show appearance** - March 22nd (7:15am & 9am)
**Visitation Tour** - March 22nd - Tour of several schools/service providers
**Fiesta Especial Royal Court Meet & Greet** - March 23rd (5:00pm - 9pm)
**Rampage Game** - March 28th

April

**Visitation Tour** - April 5th – Tour of several schools/service providers
**Siclovia** – April 7th (10am – 3pm)

Fiesta® Teen Queen Coronation - April 7th (3pm)

Cherice Cochran Foundation Dinner – April 13th (5pm)

Fiesta® Fiesta® – April 18th

Fiesta Especial® Shoebox Float Parade – April 19th

Fiesta Especial® Parade – April 20th

Clark H.S. Fiesta Fun Day – April 21st

Taste of the Northside – April 24th

Fiesta® Pooch Parade – April 27th

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