



Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

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TO ALL MEMBERS

This is the last Newsletter for 2006. We wish all members, their family and friends a *Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!*

In this Newsletter we'll tell you about the children's painting on the wall around the school, and the masquerade party for the end of the semester, and you'll see a lot of great pictures. Sadly, we'll not have enough space to talk about the new school building, but we'll do that in a Newsletter at the beginning of 2007.

THE "WALL- PROJECT"

This is a pretty big project and we got done "only" half of the wall, about 90 beautiful paintings are now decorating the new school in Huamachuco! When we arrived at *Marcelino* in mid-September the wall was still not finished, but the builders started working on it. They had many other things to do (finish the roof, the kitchen, mount doors and windows ...) and it took some time before the wall was ready for us. Then the painter should come to prepare the wall, but he did not come for almost a week, so we decided to get started ourselves: and thanks to **Ilaria's** and **Giuseppe's** (Italian volunteers) help, we did it in a few days. So the wall was ready for the children! After three weeks of work almost 40 metres of wall had been painted, and we're all very happy and proud. Also the locals came to us with positive comments, and many of the children who walked by with their parents were saying "I want to go to this school too, it is so nice!" :o)

Our concept was simple: the kids made a sketch on paper, then they painted the drawing on the wall. Beside their drawing the kids have written their name and left their hand-print. We used only two colours, light blue and red, to obtain a uniform graphic result and to "stick out" from the other schools, who normally use Disney-like drawings on their walls. Also, by using only two colours, the project was cheaper to realize, avoiding to have many "left over colours".



Luciano



Moises



Zulma



Roly



Fidelina



Tina drawing the new logo



Rafael



Jean Marco



Pancho (Francesco)



Bledis



Hectic work!



Deyvis



The light blue represent hope and purity, it's the colour of the sky, the red is passion and the main colour of Peru. The children were very excited about the project and they could not wait to draw on the wall and to leave their name and hand-print, to be part of the school's history. It was incredible to see how much energy they still had after a long and hard day with school and work. Many of them were exhausted but they still gave their best with the painting.

We feel we've been lucky to work with those kids and to see their smiles when they were looking at their works. When we left Huamachuco some of the children were not done, but luckily Ilaria was going to be there 3 more weeks and she helped them finish the wall. *Thanks Ilaria!*

All teachers and volunteers made a drawing as well, and we all left name and hand-print beside our pieces. The teachers at *Marcelino* already have so much to do, so we'll finish the rest of the wall (with 90 more children) the next time we'll go back to Peru ... unless some of you wants to go there and put your hand on the wall...



This is the wall with the children's paintings: the results is great and we're so proud! In the picture at bottom-right Ilaria and Giuseppe are working hard to prepare the wall for the kids. Tina and Luca painted the new logo of the *Proyecto Amigo – Casa Marcelino* above the two entrances and on the corner of the block.



Luis



Yordan and Elkin



Ilaria and Pacheco



Proyecto Amigo



Lusmila and Robert



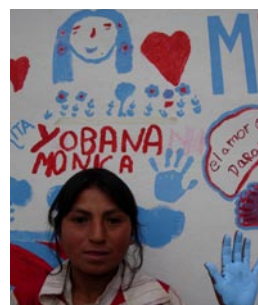
Yolanda



Luca



Glady leaving her hand-print



Yobana Monica



Samuel



THE MASQUERADE PARTY

For the last day of school we arranged a big party, for 300 kids. Also, in these days were both Halloween and the traditional Creollo-day, so we decided to make masks for everybody. We bought rice, "chicha morada" (the traditional "black-corn-drink"), cookies and candies for all 300 kids and we used about 25€ ... the same amount we would use for a few beers back home ...

The children were doing their own masks with the left overs from the workshop, but we had not enough material for all of them. So the kids went through the rubbish bin and found paper boxes and plastic sheets and made more masks: one more lesson from these little guys!

We also made 40 masks of the founders of the school, Nury and Mario, and it was great fun to see so many "mini-Nury" and "mini-Mario" dancing, jumping and running around. Two of the youngest and most needing kids of the school got the "best mask prize": a free ticket to the big barbeque party of the village.

Marcelino is the only school having a two weeks holiday this time of the year and that's because early november is the harvesting period, and the children need to help their families, in order to make some money. So the school's staff has decided to adapt the educational program to the children's need.



2007 MEMBERSHIP

If you still want to support *Marcelino Norge*, or even give a membership as a Christmas present to somebody you know, you can use our bank account nr. 0539 36 94183 (SWIFT code / BIC address: DNBANOKKXXX).

The price is still the same: 25€ for adults and 12€ for children.

Remember to write "2007 membership" and your e-mail address.

We hope you'll still be with us in 2007.



Big was the response for the art exhibition of Malin Marie, Anna, Anniken, Malin Elise and Hedda (top left). Krittuset AS, where mum Gro works, printed nice posters of the artworks and they were all sold. Here you can see pictures from the exhibition and of Gro with the girls (bottom right).

A SPECIAL ART EXHIBITION TO SUPPORT MARCELINO NORGE

The 25th of November five norwegian girls from Fredrikstad organized their own art exhibitions. The girls, between 5 and 11 years old, are: **Anniken Lykke Englund Børresen, Anna van der Hagen, Malin Elise Nereng, Malin Marie Englund Børresen and Hedda van der Hagen.** They sold their art and they gave more than 500€ (!) to help the children in Peru!

In autumn Gro Børresen, Anniken's and Malin Marie's mum, arranged an art course with the theme "Andy Warhol – popart": the result were several beautiful paintings that were exhibited in Fredrikstad and that did not have trouble to find buyers. We think it is fantastic that five girls decide to help other children from the other side of the world, and we'll send this Newsletter to Huamachuco, to show the children at *Marcelino* that they have many friends in Norway as well.

IN THE 2007-NEWSLETTERS

... we'll write about our visits to the children's homes and jobs, we'll introduce all the teachers at *Marcelino*, we'll show you the new school building, the plans for the new projects, the new informative flyers, the working situation in the mines where children and adults work (and die) and much more. The first 2007 Newsletter will come in January.

If you do have questions or suggestions, please write to us.

Thanks a lot!

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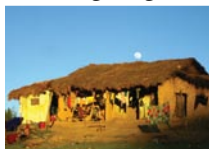
2007 CALENDAR AND CARDS

We remind you that we also sell calendars and cards. Calendar: € 7,50 Cards: € 1,50

PACKAGE (1 calendar + 5 cards): € 12,50

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All incomes from the sale of calendars and cards will go to the children at *Marcelino* in Peru.