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A belated Happy New Year & Happy Groundhog's Day. Over the past two months Amigos de Honduras has been working on a new website. Please check it out https://www.amigosdehonduras.or g/and read more about it this issue. Also read reports of two recent visits to Honduras by Paul Dulin and Anthony Ives and 1966 memories of first Peace Corps days by Ron **Reafs.** As mentioned in the last issue we are trying to raise more funds for our Amigos Grant Fund. A special shout out Scott Berg for donating proceeds from sales of his book. I gave a copy of his Letters from Peace Corps Honduras to my son for Christmas. Also you will find more news about Honduras and perhaps Spanish lesson. а Remember if you don't hear from us, please email us again. I find it harder and harder to keep track of email and papers.... The news from the border about the difficulties remains grim. I know people working in Ciudad Juarez with migrants. Can anyone write an article for us?

TREASURER REPORT

Anthony Ives (La Ceiba, 2003-5) 707-227-9932. PO Box 91, Bremerton WA 98337 anthony2.ives@gmail.com **Beginning balance** Sept. 30, 2022 \$3,027.19

Ending balance Dec. 31. 2022 **\$2,589.77**

Total deposits (dues and donations) and transfers from NPCA: Oct \$ 165.00; Nov \$1,150.00; Dec \$ 195.00

Total withdrawals fees, and projects funded: Oct \$ 3.00; Nov \$ 711.15; Dec \$1,233.27

Withdrawals include Registration State of Washington Secretary of State office. new website development fees, website hosting for fees three years, and administrative expenses (postage, paper). We did fund in January 2023 the reinstallation water distribution system project (Junta de Agua, Jayacaya, San Marcos de Colon, Choluteca.) However, like it happens sometimes, the wire was returned once (Banco Occidente), then I resent it out about a week ago and waiting confirmation. See the future May Amigos issue for details of this new project. Also due to rising costs the Siguatepeque project ambulance has been postponed and the funds we donated last year are in the process of being returned.

Amigos de Honduras (Friends of Honduras) is a 501-3c approved organization. All contributions are tax deductible.

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Thanks to all of you who have paid your membership dues. We currently have a total of 170 members. I totally understand how time flies by and the many demands on your time. I give members a two year grace period, after which I give you a reminder. Those receiving paper copies can find their expiration date next to their address. For those receiving emailed newsletters I send you an email reminding you of your expiration date. After that you go on my Not-Active List. Just a reminder that your membership dues are \$15.00 per year or \$50.00 for 5 years. Your membership entitles you to a subscription of our Amigos de Honduras newsletter that is printed August February, May, and November.

The back page of the newsletter, Membership Info, is how you can keep us updated. If you wish to change how you receive your newsletter, please let me know. I've another added step to my communication with members. Currently, when you send your membership to Tony; 1) he sends me a copy, 2) I record your information on my spread sheets (mail or PDF) 3) I then send you an email letting you know we received your check your new membership and expiration date. 4) In addition, if you

sent a donation, I include that in my email to you as well as including it in my secretary's report to be put in the newsletter. <u>What's new</u>: In addition to the aforementioned, I will also send you, by mail, a thank you letter that you can use for tax purposes. I've sent letters to all members who have donated in 2022. While it is still cold here, Daffodils and Snow Drops peeking up through the soil say that Spring is coming!

Editor Note: You can also join/renew on line at our new web site. A receipt will be automatically emailed to you. Of course, there is a processing fee. https://www.amigosdehonduras.org/

AMIGOSDEHONDURAS.O RG WEBSITE Loren Hintz, Olanchito 1980-2. OJO! Click on our new amigos de Honduras website and explore. https://www.amigosdehonduras.or g/

For the last 3 years I created and managed a free weebly web site for Amigos de Honduras. It lacked an option for paying on line and limited file size. A number of RPCVs requested an option for joining Amigos on line and for doing online donations to the Grant Fund. Our Treasurer Tony Ives hired **Arber Metuku and Amanda Myftarago** to design and create a modern website. Brenda, Fred, Tony and I provided content and ideas.

First a few reminders or requests. The website is housed under Wix.com. We use DonorBox and Stripe for processing payments. You can still mail paper checks and send emails or letters directly to us. The Website is in both **English EN** and **Spanish ES** but the Spanish has been created by Google Translate and has not yet been checked by us for accuracy. Please **volunteer** to provide future content and to help edit. We are in the process of trouble shooting mistakes. Remember Amigos de Honduras is a volunteer effort. Be patient. Gracias.

WHAT YOU WILL FIND ON THE NEW WEBSITE

- The Best of Amigos de Honduras. Collection of newsletter articles from 1999-2013 compiled by former editor Alan Waugh, SPS 1973-5. <u>https://www.amigosdehond</u> <u>uras.org/news</u>
- Dropbox photos of PCVs in Honduras in each decade. 1960s to the 20teens. Also collection of reunion pictures and old documents. Compiled and hosted by Steve Phelan, Tegucigalpa 1973-4. https://www.amigosdehond uras.org/rpcv-reunions
- Memorial section of RPCVs who have died since Peace Corps service. Compiled by Fred Corvi, Choluteca 1978-80. https://www.amigosdehond uras.org/in-memoriam
- 4. Description of Peace Corps Partnership Grants and Amigos de Honduras Grants compiled by **Treasurer Tony Ives and newsletter editors Alan and Loren**. Forms to apply for grants (in both Spanish and English)
- 5. Photos and News of prior Peace Corps Honduras reunions and info on new reunions (if you share it with us.)
- 6. History of Amigos de Honduras and the Orden de Salva Vida awards.
- 7. Copies of old Amigos de Honduras newsletters from 2014 to 2022. Compiled by Editor Loren Hintz
- 8. Subscription link to share your email and receive

INFREQUENT notifications from Amigos de Honduras.

- Donor link to transfer money for the Amigos de Honduras Grant Fund. Please complete all parts of the form. <u>https://www.amigosdehond</u> <u>uras.org/donate-now</u>
- 10. Membership link to join as a member of Amigos de Honduras. Please complete all parts of the form.
- 11. Reminder of physical address to mail membership forms, checks and donations. (Use the addresses in this newsletter.)
- 12. Reminders to help write articles for the newsletter and volunteer with our organization.
- 13. Links to other organizations such as the **National Peace Corps Association** and US and Honduran NGOs you may visit or donate to. <u>https://www.amigosdehondura</u> <u>s.org/what-we-do</u>
- 14. Random blog articles about Amigos de Honduras, Peace Corps and Honduras.
- 15. You will NOT find the mega excel file of Honduran RPCVs and Staff compiled by Fred, Steve and the search committee over the past decades nor the old RPCV directories that were published in the past. Please contact Fred Corvi if you need specific contact info to organize reunions or to contact your old group.
- 16. Please contact me, Loren Hintz ldhintz@bellsouth.net, if you have any interest in helping to manage the new website. Note that we have created a amigos Gmail permanent account that can be used by future volunteers of Amigos de Honduras. This sends receipts. amigosdehondurasRPCV@gma il.com. Please use our specific email in the newsletter if you have a question or comment for

us as the new Gmail address is not checked as often.

So check out our new website https://www.amigosdehonduras.or g/ and also here are the old links. https://amigosdehondurasrpcv.wee bly.com/ Check out and post at FACEBOOK HONDURAS PEACE CORPS https://www.facebook.com/groups /2209604190

PEACE CORPS: THE BEGINNING OF AN ADVENTURE Ron Reafs 1966-68

After reading of the Amigos Newsletter, I recall that at the 50th PC Reunion I realized that at the time of my group's training and service many at our table had not even been born! Wow! After graduation in the summer of 1966 with a degree in Journalism (University of Nevada, Reno) my first wife and I joined the Peace Corps. (Even after our return many had never heard of the Peace Corps or Honduras.) So, off we went to St. Louis for training for an assignment in Honduras. St. Louis? Seemed odd and odd it was. There were strikes and weather problems and after delay after delay we finally got on the Greyhound eastward. There were no plane or train seats available for more than a week. Two days later we arrived in Denver and cobbled together flights onward to St. Louis. Turned out to be good experience for our travels in Central and South America.

Yes, we were late arriving. And yes, our tales of travel woes were dismissed out of hand. From day one it was clear that the thrust of this group was nurses (she is) and that it was unclear as to what do about or do with spouses. Clearly fifth wheels; excess baggage. The nurses got great tropical medicine training at the University and special language training. The group attrition was high. The selection out process was baffling.

After training and a few brief days back home, those of us who remained, gathered in Miami for our trip to Honduras. More attrition and delay. The flight was uneventful but then the pilot decided, as he was about to land, that his plane was too large to land at Toncontin and thus flew us instead to San Salvador which had no navigational aids due to a recent severe earthquake. As no one had visas for El Salvador, leaving the airport for a bus to Honduras was out of the question. So there we stood in the Central American heat to which were as yet unaccustomed. The airport was in ruins. There was no place to sit down. From somewhere, somehow a smaller plane was located and we arrived in Honduras later that same day, exhausted. We were lodged in a pension where the Sra. cooked over an open fire. No privacy. No hot water (when there was water). Everyone used the same bathroom. We were in for the adventure of a lifetime. And it was.

REBUILDING THE BRIDGE at Guanábano, Francisco Morazán: A return to Honduras Paul Dulin 1977-79.

I met Kenny Stevens when I was distributing Peace Corps calendars in late 2021 in Las Cruces, New Mexico and we started talking about Peace Corps experiences. He was a Volunteer in Ecuador from 1984 to 1988 and I told him that I was a Volunteer in Honduras from 1977 to 1979, where I did several watershed management projects. He got all excited and said that he was taking students from New Mexico State University (NMSU) under the *Aggies Without Limits* program to Honduras in late July of 2022 to rebuild a pedestrian bridge that was destroyed by Hurricane Iota just 1.5 years before. He said that they needed a watershed manager. So, I said: "What the hell....I'll go!"

It had been around 19 years since I was in Honduras, so I did not know what to expect. I knew that Peace Corps had closed down the program there a decade ago due to increased violence and lawlessness. I still had contact with my counterpart from a project that I worked on in the Choluteca River Watershed for the period of 1983-1986. We had kept up with each other over the years and I made arrangements to spend some time with him and his wife. And Tegucigalpa now has new highways and periféricos, and various skyscrapers that rise to 20 stories, and every chain restaurant from the US. I hardly recognized it!

So, I flew to Palmerola Airport in Comayagua, now the main airport for Tegucigalpa (also known as Soto Cano Airbase that was used by US military back in the mid-1980s). It was July 26, 2022 and I joined some 20 students and Kenny Stevens, a civil engineering professor at NMSU with 15 years coordinating *Aggies Without Limits*, at 3:30 AM for the flight to Honduras. We finally arrived at our destination, the rural village of Guanábano, at around 3:00 PM local time.

We stayed at an evangelical church called Casa de Diamantes in the village of Guanábano and pitched tents inside and outside the building. We were fed very well by our hosts at the church and got down to the business of reconstructing the

bridge.



Before Reconstruction: This is how we found the bridge at the beginning. Once, it was covered with scraped wood, all of which was stripped off by Hurricane Iota. People had to walk down and up the embankments, crossing water in the creek that was sometimes waist-high. Sometimes the water was too high to cross.

To be honest, I did not know how this group was going to rebuild the bridge and improve access to it in just three weeks. If it was the government responsible for its reconstruction, it would take a minimum of a year!

But the group, half young men of 19-24 years old and half young women of the same age, started their chores. They were led by two of the students—one who was charged with the technical aspects of construction and another who dealt with all other logistics of a large group living at the church and making daily purchases of food and supplies—and assigned each of us to activity teams each morning.

Several local volunteers joined the students, but I wish that more local folks had been involved, as it is they who have to perform maintenance on the bridge. **The local residents** originally pooled their money and labor and built the bridge in 2013, but poor maintenance and the hurricane destroyed its utility. The bridge was used by some 200 people each day and connected the different sectors of the village. It was important to all and the local culture and economy.

For me, it was like going back in time to my days in the Peace Corps. The rural community had very few basic human services, water came and went, we had to take bucket showers with cold water, and flush the toilets with pails of water. Several of the students came down with stomach aches and diarrhea (that was how I stayed so slim in Peace Corps!). I had a knee replacement some four months before, so I could not carry 125-pound sacks of concrete down the ravine to the bridge for mixing in wheelbarrows. Instead, I cut and drilled most of the planks for the bridge, and then painted them with motor oil as a preservative, and helped install the cyclone fence.

Somehow, we did it! The bridge was inaugurated on Thursday, August 11 in the pouring rain! The bridge is now complete with a cyclone fence on each side for safety and solar lights at each end for use at night. I told the group of studentsmany of them in a developing country for the first time-that they were definitely Peace Corps material. I told them that I was so very proud to be with them and be part of the effort. And at the inauguration, I told the crowd that I was proud to be a part of the project to benefit the community, this after coming to Honduras for the first time over 45 years ago!



After Reconstruction: The finished bridge was inaugurated on August 11, 2022. It now is covered with preserved wooden planks, a cyclone fence for safety, concrete mini-bridges and gully lining in the ravine, and solar motion-activated lights for nighttime use.

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MARCALA IN 2023 Anthony Ives (La Ceiba, 2003-5)

I flew from SeaTac into the new airport in Comayagua. The airport is nice, new, easy, and just all around Moreover, it great. was so convenient to go to Marcala, La Paz where the coffee foundation is located; normally, after flying into San Pedro Sula, it could take up to five hours! My friend Adoni Cubas, a marine biologist from the north coast outside of La Ceiba drove all the way to pick me up and we headed up the treacherous and foggy road through La Paz up to Marcala. Though I did not serve in Marcala, I have spent much time there. As we all know, Honduras is a very small place. So a cousin or sister of someone in El Paraiso could very easily be a family member with the mayor in Santa Barbara. That is how I ended up being involved with COMSA, SA (look it up please). But that is a story for another day.

Originally this trip was going to be a week. Due to work issues, I needed to return so I spent 3 ¹/₂ days in Honduras. Still it was worth it. We drank coffee like water, ate lots of food. But the food in this region is not like what you find in La Ceiba. **Por ejemplo**, it is rare to find tejadas; the plantains are cooked differently. And good luck finding fish or Sopa de Caracol. Still it was wonderful, I saw lots of friends, many that I call my family.

COMSA has an international school, two distribution warehouses, and a really great hotelito in the rain forest where the birds give you a symphony that slowly crescendos starting at 4.00 am. It is truly amazing. I did bring back 100 1bs of great coffee freshly roasted. Next time, we are trying to get the new USAID director to come up as USAID is involved with the region, and of course some of the old folks like Peter Hearns, still work there. **Saludas a todas y espero que les vayan bien!**



FIRST HONDURAN REACHES MT. EVEREST latinarepublic.com June 13, 2022 Soledad Quartucci News shared by Ann Mauer Bauer Dulce Nombre de Culmi, 1987-9

Ronald Quintero became the first Honduran to climb to the top of one of the highest points in the world, Mount Everest. This news filled Honduras with pride, since for the first time the Honduran flag can be seen waving in this world-renowned place. Quintero is a *catracho* mountaineer, who a few years ago set out to climb the seven highest peaks in the world, including Mount Everest, tells **Honduras Tips**. Last January, Quintero announced that this was his next feat. On May 12th, 2022, Ronald Quintero became the first Honduran to climb Mount Everest, and the second Central American to accomplish this feat on the first attempt.

Ronald Quintero is a native from Honduras who has made a name for himself in alpine mountaineering. His <u>biography</u> tells that he has explored all fourteen peaks in the Eastern Sierras of California. His passion in mountaineering took off on 8.16.12 when he first climbed the Mt. Whitney summit. Ever since then, he has taken on the challenge of climbing the tallest peaks.

The Honduran is an endurance athlete, a CrossFit Coach, and a father to 2 year-old Amelie. He has a passion for training and learning new modalities for reaching high altitudes. His biggest dream became reality on 5.12.22, when he became the first Honduran mountaineer to climb Mount Everest, and the first Central American to complete the Everest-Lhotse Double. He is now just 2 summits shy of completing the Seven Summits of the World.

Quintero grew up in a small rural town of Intibucá, where Honduras borders with El Salvador. "I grew up in a very unprivileged environment but I never saw it as an obstacle, I never knew what it was like to have any modern toys so it only took for my imagination to go outside and play with the outdoors climbing trees and exploring river streams," shares Quintero. His mother, in pursuit of a better opportunity, moved to U.S when he was very young. Ronald was two years old when his mother left to the U.S and so he was left at the care of his grandmother and uncles. In 1998 at age 25 he finally reconnected and met his mother when he moved to Berkeley, California.

The **Catracho Mountaineer** has a long history of climbing mountains At 49 years old, he continues to practice this extreme sport and trains to be ready for the next challenge. Ronald Quintero has climbed: El Aconcagua, Argentina with an altitude of 6,961 meters. Mount Denali, United States with 6,190 meters. Mount Kilimanjaro in Africa with an altitude of 5,895 meters. Mount Elbrus in Russia with 5,642 meters high. And most recently, Mount Everest with an altitude of 8,800 meters in altitude.

Upon his return to Honduras, Quintero spoke at the UNAH, the Universidad Nacional Autónoma of Honduras where he shared details of the climb with the audience. "The first challenge we had was to take a helicopter flight from the city of Kamandu to the small town of Lukla, where there is a very dangerous airport with around 500 meters of landing," said the climber. The extraordinary high mountain feat began on April 6, when Quintero traveled to the villages of Nepal. From that moment on, he set out to climb more than 4,000 meters of altitude and traveled for eight days to reach the base camp.

Following a spiritual ritual, known as Puja, honoring the mountain, he trained from April 21 to May 2 in ice falls, climbing peaks of six thousand meters: "These practices are super important and require the use of devices configured to ascend using fixed ropes. This part of the training is super important in the Khumbo Icefall. They are giant towers with sharp edges, and crossing these terrains involves a risk," Quintero commented. Between May 8 and 14, 2022, the final ascent was undertaken to reach the summit.

"One crucial point where I had the biggest mental shock of my life... happened when we found the deceased with the green boots and at

that moment it destroyed my mind because I was so focused applying the necessary techniques to keep myself feeling safe and when I get to this point it shows you another perspective," recalled the climber when he was about 170 meters away from completing the journey.

He added that "going up the hill, I faced a second shock encountering a body that is wrapped in the Canadian flag, again after focusing on concentration, it destabilizes you, because I am about 100 meters away, like a pioneer, I am excited because already I'm going to plant the Honduran flag, but [those sightings] put you in perspective; this is the other result that you see there -death-, and again you rebalance your feelings and emotions and we refocus." Psychological training was of the utmost importance to achieve this challenge, and not faint or withdraw. "There were exhausted days of excessive fatigue and before entering any dark area, I repeated to myself: I trained for this."

Upon reaching the summit of Mount Everest, his feelings were difficult to express. "You live an avalanche of emotions, you shed a couple of tears, you tell yourself that you made it and you start to relive the emotions of the sacrifice of years of training, the messages and prayers that were invested in me, and I just say; it was worth it and that's why I delivered the satellite message that I had reached the summit. And the same time you remember, this is the half way point because you have to go down. It is a peak experience, you have to live it to understand it, I cannot describe it," he explained.

In this expedition Quintero set a double record, completing the socalled "impossible journey," which consists of ascending Everest, descending to camp four and immediately setting out to find the fourth highest summit in the world, Mount Lhotse. Climbing to the highest peak in the world is not everything for Quintero, he will soon continue with the development of an expedition to Antarctica to search for the summits that he still has to climb. "This was for you, Honduras, and because of you, together we made it. **This phrase for me is a philosophy: Everything seems impossible until it is done.**" he pointed out.

"There are many emotions that you feel at that moment, but you only remember that you carry the responsibility and determination to achieve it for the almost 10 million Hondurans." highlighted the Catracho warrior for La Prensa. "We survived by means of artificial oxygen as we reached the death zone and immediately charged the ascent to the summit. On several occasions the fear was perceived, the low temperatures almost froze both little fingers of my hands. I don't know yet what it is to give up. At times like this, you have to face the challenge and be brave."

Ronald Quintero is the first Honduran to climb Everest. Image Source:@ronaldquinerohn.



February 2023 NEWS OF HONDURAS Compiled by Loren Hintz

Rueters.12.18.22 For the rest of the world the Super Bowl was December 18. Honduras did not make the World Cup competitions. They lost to Curacao 1-2; beat Canada 2-1 and Guatemala 2-1 but lost to Argentina 3-0. All of Latin America celebrated when Argentina defeated an Old World Power France 4-2 in penalty goals after overtime 3-3 tie.



Reuters.12.3.22 Gustavo Palencia. The government of Honduras announced on Saturday that it will suspend some constitutional rights in areas of two main cities controlled by criminal groups. The rights would be suspended under a national security emergency that would last for 30 days and be implemented on Tuesday in some of the poorest areas of the capital, Tegucigalpa, and the northern city of San Pedro Sula. "The partial state of exception will enter into force on Tuesday, December 6 at 6pm for thirty days, to promote the gradual activity of economic development, investment, commerce and in public spaces," the country's security secretariat said in a statement.

The cities have been struggling with a so-called "war tax", in which gangs offer protection or say that those who pay up will not be killed. The gangs have torched buses and killed drivers who did not pay the fee, prompting businesses and people to pay out of fear. The measure, which is expected to be endorsed by the council of ministers, is part of President Xiomara Castro's plan to deal with violent gangs.

The plan follows pressure from businessmen, truck, bus and taxi

drivers. residents and nongovernmental organizations (NGOs) who say extortion - largely by the Mara Salvatrucha MS-13 and Mara Barrio 18 gangs - has worsened in recent months. This extortion generates annual profits equivalent to \$737 million for the gangs, nearly 3% of the country's gross domestic product, according to the Association for a More Just Society, a security-focused NGO.

Reuters. 1.10.23 Luc Cohen term Former two Honduran President Juan Orlando Hernandez remains in US prison after being extradited from Honduras April of 2022. A lawyer for Juan Orlando Hernandez, the former Honduran president who is facing U.S. drugs and weapons charges, on Tuesday accused the Central American country's current government of setting up obstacles to his defense. In a hearing on Hernandez's case in Manhattan federal court, defense lawyer Raymond Colon said individuals in Honduras he was hoping to speak with were "being intimidated," without providing evidence. Colon said he had identified a Honduran military officer who was willing to testify at trial on a "very important" issue that would cast doubt on the prosecution's version of events. But he said that individual, whom he did not identify, later told a family member he needed approval from a judge in Honduras before continuing to speak with Colon.

Gerardo Torres, Honduras' deputy foreign minister, denied Colon's claims. "I don't know where that accusation against the government of Honduras comes from," Torres told Reuters. "The Honduran state and government are interested in a swift conclusion of the trial." Elinor Tarlow, a prosecutor, said she had not been aware of the problem before Tuesday. U.S. District Judge Kevin Castel, who oversees the case, instructed both sides to confer before he took any action.

Federal prosecutors in Manhattan say he received millions of dollars from drug traffickers in exchange for protecting them from arrest. Hernandez has pleaded not guilty and long portrayed himself as a fierce opponent of drug cartels, arguing traffickers have implicated him in court as part of an effort to lessen their own sentences. Judge Castel on Tuesday also rescheduled Hernandez's trial for Sept. 18, 2023. It had been set for April 24.

SOCCER RULES via Facebook Remembranzas Del Ayer.

(1) Los dos mejores no podían estar en el mismo equipo, cada uno para un lado y eligen los equipos.

(2) Ser elegido al último era una gran humillación.

(3) Un equipo jugaba sin camisa.

(4) El peor de cada equipo iba en el arco, a menos que alguien por voluntad propia eligiera ser el arquero.

(5) Si nadie acepta ser golero, se adoptaba una rotación, un gol cada uno (algunos se dejaban hacer para salir del arco)

(6) El dueño de la pelota jugaba en el mismo equipo que el mejor jugador.

(7) No había juez.

(8) Las faltas eran marcadas con el grito, tenías que gritar como si se hubiera quebrado una pierna para tenerla

(9) Las lesiones como separar el dedo gordo del pie, rallar la rodilla, sangrar la nariz y otras eran normales.

(10) Quien la tiraba lejos tenía que ir a buscarla.

(11) El partido terminaba cuando todos están cansados, cuando llega la noche o cuando la madre del dueño de la pelota le decía que se vayan a casa.

(12) Incluso si es 15 x 0, el partido terminaba con "quien hace el último gol gana".

13) Por ningún motivo había que tratar mal al dueño de la pelota, pues, se podía enojar e irse para la casa con pelota y todo

ESTO SUCEDIÓ EN GRACIAS, LEMPIRA ESTE FIN DE SEMANA: Shared by Aida Quesada

El Cura preguntó si alguien tenía algo que decir concerniente a la unión de los novios. Era el momento de levantarse y hablar, o callar para siempre. El momento de profundo silencio fue interrumpido por una joven y hermosa mujer que llevaba cargada una criatura. Ella comenzó a caminar lentamente hacia el frente. Todo era un silencio sepulcral y solo se escuchaba el eco el taconeo lento de la bella mujer. Todo se transformó rápidamente en un caos. La novia abofeteó al novio, la madre del novio se desmayó, los padres de la novia estaban furiosos, los invitados cuchicheaban, los testigos de la boda se echaban miradas angustiadas pensando cómo podían avudar a resolver la situación. El Sacerdote, con cierto nerviosismo le preguntó a la mujer, "Nos puede decir por qué ha venido usted al frente? Qué es lo que tiene que decir?" Y la mujer, un poco cohibida respondió: "Es que allá atrás no se escucha lo que dicen"

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