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SECRETARY/TREASURER'S REPORT Joan M. Larimore (San Francisco del Valle, 1986-88)
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Who would have dreamed it would take so long to get something as simple as dues straightened out? But it seems that National now has their act together and I'm receiving notice for those of you who pay through NPCA. The members who have fallen two years behind in dues will be removed from our membership roster for this issue of the Newsletter. Each of these people have received at least three "heads Up" regarding dues. But as one member who notified me that she was quitting said, "Peace Corps is just too far behind me now!" Nothing goes on forever!

Brant Miller continues as our pdf guy and helps me keep track of dues for those of you who receive your newsletter electronically. His assistance is much appreciated. Many of you insert a note with your dues commenting on the truly excellent Newsletters our Editor Loren Hintz puts out every three months. Muchas gracias, Loren, and thanks for a job well done!



2017 DONORS TO THE GRANT FUND

Because so many of you have added Grant Funds to your membership, we now have sufficient funds for another grant! If you or anyone you know has a project they want funded, have them send it to Joan via email or correo postal. Your Grants Committee (Loren Hintz, Judith Whitney-Terry, Suzanne Mills and Joan Larimore) continue to look at potential grants. The longer PC is out of Honduras, the smaller our chances to fund good projects. Continue to email your grant requests to Joan at amigosdehondurasjml@gmail.com

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This issue I grabbed some news from PC Honduras Facebook since few folks sent in articles. I hear rumors of various PC reunions. Please share any photos or news from your reunion. **OJO: the 2018 reunion now has a web site** and the Peace Corps Honduras Facebook has a lot of activity too. Two issues ago I mentioned our trip to DC and my impression that Republicans and the Trump administration would support DACA. (A program to allow kids who entered the US without papers to remain.) Well I was wrong and Trump announced he was ending the program. Also his administration is ending the special refugee program for kids with gang death threats in Central America. According to the BBC about 10,000 kids applied and 1000 were granted special status to come to the US. (This was an attempt to end the dangerous flight by land of children from Honduras etc. to the US border.) On Nov. 26 Honduras will have her national election. For the next issue please share any of your observations and comments.

With many holidays coming up and the tax season to soon begin, RPCVs may be thinking about donations.

Don't forget to give to the Amigos de Honduras Grant Program. There are lots of other good causes. CAMO (health) <http://www.camo.org/> ; SHI (agriculture) <http://www.sustainableharvest.org/> ; USLEAP (labor) <https://www.laborrights.org/programs/usleap> are three with Honduran connections. Check them out. Share with **Amigos** your favorite organization.

My son Carl Hintz is a senior at North Carolina State University and I promised I would promote his effort next spring to help refugees in the US. Please check out their GoFundMe site. (Not tax deductible) <https://www.gofundme.com/immigration-legal-aid-service-trip> Carl writes: "Family detention centers have been under much legal scrutiny for holding women and their children, most of whom are eligible for asylum. A group of 15 NC State students, from Raleigh, North Carolina, are volunteering for a week in Dilley, Texas with the CARA Family Detention Pro Bono Project. We will be interviewing women in the detention center in order to support their credible fear interviews, which is the first step in the asylum process and will help the women and their children to be released. The purpose of the funding is to support the travel and lodging costs of the volunteers, who will be working long hours doing both interviews and country research to support the asylum cases."



PORTLAND, OREGON RPCV HONDURAS REUNION UPDATE

Phyllis Bloch Shelton (San Juan Pueblo, 1986-88)

Here are further details for the July 6-9, 2018 reunion. The next big RPCV Honduras Reunion will be held in Portland, Oregon. Phyllis has volunteered to coordinate it. **Please save the date** and check out <https://www.facebook.com/search/top/?q=2018%20Honduras%20RPCV%20Reunion> for more details.

If you have comments or questions or are interested in serving on a committee to help make this happen, please send email to: **Phyllisshelton@cs.com**

Location: 2018 RPCV Honduras Conference in Portland, Oregon

Date: July 6-9 (most activities happening on July 7-8)

Activities: 1. Country updates featuring NGOs still on the ground in country and in Central America
2. NPCA Updates by President Glenn Blumhorst

3. Committee for a Museum of the Peace Corps Experience - Update on their activities. Workshops and tips on how to preserve the stories and artifacts that we have. What have Honduras RPCVs contributed, what do we need to share?

4. RPCV Groups Helping Refugees Honduras connection - does it exist or can we do something?

5. Amigos de Honduras Grants Program Update

6. Honduran dinner and dancing, Saturday night

Can you name all 18 departments - bonus points for alphabetical order! Sharpen your Honduran knowledge before you get here and compete in our Honduran Trivia contest!

7. Special addition will be a Happy Hour hosted by Guatemala RPCVs Possible screening of Honduran video or movies.

Here are just some of the activities we think visitors might enjoy outside of the conference, and are happy to work on coordinating optional outings: Portlandia Tour; Waterfront Blues Festival (finale on July 4th, come early to enjoy this local gem); Wine Tasting Tour in one of Oregon's renowned AVAs; Hiking in local forests; Explore the Oregon Coast excursion; Birders, check out orbirds.org to see what you might find while you are here; Lunch at Food carts (it really is a thing here!); Shopping at Portland Saturday Market or The Portland Farmer's Market (both outstanding examples of local artists and farms). Let us know what you want to see when you are here!

BIRDS, BOOKS AND ECOTOURISM (PART I)

Loren Hintz (Olancho, 1980-82)

One of my pasatiempos while I was a volunteer was hiking and birdwatching. Unfortunately the first time I explored the Aguan Valley I was bit by so many garapatas (ticks) that I itched for days and didn't go hiking for weeks. Later I found out the ranchers would pour DDT in their boots to keep out the ticks. I found it helpful to get powered sulfur from the local pharmacy and put that on my clothes. Honduras had almost no good nature books. I used a book on tropical trees I purchased in San Salvador and two bird books my dad gave me (**Mexican Birds** 1973 by Peterson/Chalif; **A Field Guide to the Birds of Mexico** 1972 by E.P. Edwards.) A cool tropical bird in the area was the **motmot** (locally known as "toravoz" or "dragon"). One species of motmot is the national bird of El Salvador. (Honduras's

national bird is the **Scarlet Macaw** of the Mosquitia and Copan Ruins.) Another species Momotus momota (Blue-crowned Motmot) is found at higher elevations than Olanchito and ranges from Mexico to South America.



And now for the book part of the story: biologists studying birds' DNA, feathers and behavior especially its voice (owl like "hoot-hoot") have split this motmot into a number of new species changing its common English and scientific name. The species found in Honduras is now known as Lesson's Motmot, Momotus lessonii. This means that the older bird field guides are out of date! Thus RPCV Robert Gallardo's 2014 **Guide to the Birds of Honduras** needs to be revised and even the 2016 **Peterson Field Guide to the Birds of Northern Central America** was out of date almost as soon as it was printed. Bird field guides are traditionally organized in taxonomic order based upon evolutionary relationships and in 2017 ornithologists published a new sequence of bird families and even created new families. (By the way our human family is called Hominidae if you forgot your high school biology.)

Publishers love it when their books are out of date and you need to buy a new version. Often it is too expensive to revise and publish new editions. Here I have combed the internet for recent taxonomic changes and tell you the page number or plate number where you can write the new name in pencil since it may change again. **So buy the Honduras Bird Book, fly to Honduras and do some ecotourism.** Don't forget Robert is in the process of translating his book into Spanish so it can be made available to Hondurans. Please send your tax deductible donations to **Missouri Conservation Heritage Foundation.**

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Corrections to Robert Gallardo's 2014 **Guide to the Birds of Honduras** 1. **New genera:** Pp.28-32, pl.4. Snow Goose is Anser; American Widgeon, Mareca; Blue-winged Teal, Cinnamon Teal, Northern Shoveler, Spatula; p.107,pl.18 Yellow-breasted Crake is Hapalocrex; p.157,pl.26 White-faced Quail-Dove is Zentrygon; pp. 176-79, pl.32 Spot-tailed Nightjar is Hydropsalis, Chuck-will's-widow, Yucatan Nightjar, Buff-collared Nightjar, Eastern and Mexican Whip-poor-will are all Antrostomus; pp.243-5,pl.27 Red-throated, Pacific, Crimson-fronted Parakeet are Psittacara & Olive-throated, Orange-fronted Parakeet are Eupsittula; p.258,pl.47 Dusky Antbird is Cercomacroides; p.274,pl.44 Ruddy Foliage-Gleaner is Clibanornis; p.310,pl.53 Red-capped Manakin is Ceratopipra; p.322,pl.54 Tawny-crowned Greenlet is Tunchiornis; p.404,pl.69 Thick-billed Seed-finch is Sporophila.

2. **Common name changes:** pp.90-1, pl.10,13 Black Hawk not Black-Hawk; pp.104-5, pl.18 Mangrove Rail not Clapper, Rufous-naped Wood-Rail not Gray-necked (now A. albiventris); p.190, pl.35 Mexican Violet-Ear not Green; p.192,pl.36. Rivoli's Hummingbird not Magnificent; p.202,pl.36 Crowned Woodnymph not Violet-; pp.223-4,pl.41 Emerald Toucanet is Northern Emerald-Toucanet & Yellow-throated Toucan not Black-mandibled; p.342,pl.59 Cabani's Wren not Plain, pp.408-10,pl.70 Brushfinch not Brush-Finch; p.412,pl.70 White-faced Ground-Sparrow not Prevost's; p.447,pl.69 Scaly-breasted Munia not Nutmeg Mannikin. 3. **Corrected scientific names:** p.243,pl.27 Red-throated Parakeet is P. rubritorquis; p.260,pl.47 Bicolored Antbird is Gymnopithys bicolor; p.313,pl.52 Northern Schiffornis is Schiffornis veraepacis; p.322,pl.54 Lesser Greenlet is Pachysylvia decarta. 4. **New orders and families:** pp.72-3,pl.9 Cathartiformes is the new order for Vultures; p.390,pl.64 Yellow-breasted Chat is now in its unique Icteridae family; p.408,pl.70 the new family is Passerellidae (no longer Emberizidae) for New World Sparrows and Brushfinches.

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faced Ground-Sparrow, not Prevost's. **3. Corrected scientific names:** p. 232 Bicolored Antbird is Gymnopithys bicolor; p. 306 Stripe-breasted Wren is Cantorchilus thoracicus; p. 370 Variable Seedeater is Sporophila corvina. **4. New orders and families:** p. 152 Cathartiformes is the new order for Vultures; p. 352 Yellow-breasted Chat is now in the unique Icteriidae family; p. 374 the new family is Passerellidae (no longer Emberizidae) for New World Sparrows, Juncos and Brushfinches.

A TRUE STORY Casey Young (San Luis, Santa Barbara 2003-05)

Here's a true story that happened after the Peace Corps but in Honduras nonetheless. Quite a few years ago I went to Honduras with a church group to build a new place of worship in Veracruz, Copán. Before the group went down, I went on a logistical trip with another parishioner named Steve. I became aware of this community because the pastor of the Catholic Church in my Peace Corps town, Efrain Romero, had kept in touch with me and told me of a great need in this community. It just so happened that a guy from Ames, Iowa, John Donaghy, was working alongside Efrain. I figured it was destiny that we try to help the people of Veracruz.

Around this time (2009) the president of Honduras, Mel Zelaya, had been removed from power by a coup d'état. Efrain had a weekly radio show and was very vocal about his position on the whole ordeal. I wasn't aware of all of this until after Steve, John and I were passengers in Efrain's truck and we started talking about it while driving the back roads

to Veracruz to meet with the townsfolk.

The trip was filled with conversation about the coup and what were the needs of the people of Veracruz. We were about an hour and a half into our two hour trip when we went around a long curve. After coming out of the curve we suddenly came head on with a stopped police truck. No big deal, they were probably just broken down. As soon as we commented about how weird it was that they were in the exact middle of the road, and facing us, all 4 doors of the vehicle swung open. Four officers exited, all armed with AK-47s and shotguns.

The silence in the cab of Efrain's truck was immediate. The tension was thick. Very thick. Nobody was breathing. I silently thought they recognized Efrain's truck and were going to kill him because of his views. I also thought that it could have been a rogue group of narcos. Could have been a group that just wanted to kill. We all knew how easy the cops could be bought, especially in rural Honduras.

The four officers slowly approached our truck with guns drawn, and all I could think was that they were just going to fill the cab with lead. I was certain that I was going to die right then and there. There was a weird sense of calmness that came over me, not a panic like I had imagined would. As they got beside the cab they didn't even acknowledge us. They kept on going to the back of the truck. Now it was just weird. HOW were they going to kill us??? WHEN were they going to kill us?

They kept on going and eventually headed down into the ditch. A minute later they emerged holding on to some guy that looked like he'd been sleeping there for a while. The

cops asked us to go on ahead and go around their truck while they finish with this guy they just plucked out the bushes like a tick. They told us they had received a call about some drunk causing problems in town and were eventually able to find him there.



Once we pulled around the police vehicle I snapped a photo. We all broke out into nervous laughter and were just amazed that we were still alive. We all thought that was the end. It was crazy. Everyone admitted that they thought they were going to die. We talked about nothing else but that incident for the remainder of the car ride. We even tried to convince Efrain to give up the radio show.

PCV COMMENTS: WAR AND PEACE (Ed. Note: as I mentioned earlier there have not been too many submissions; here are a number of comments posted in response to this Facebook photo. I found them interesting and suspect you will too.)

Graffiti on the home of PCVs in La Esperanza, during a week in July, 1969.



TI: This was during the war with El Salvador.

SW: I went to El Salvador in 1972 with some CARE nurses for a vacation. When I got back to Choluteca, the next day there was a knock on my door. It was the Honduran head of military intelligence. I offered him the film in my camera and told him to check what I told him with the nurses. He said he just came from there and everything checks out. He was a friend of ours and knew us well, and he warned us that El Salvador was off limits.

BM: I wanted a map of my site and immediate area and went to the office in Tegucigalpa- the National geographical office or something. I was told the maps along the border with El Salvador were not publicly available per order of the military.

TI: In July 1969, after the war was officially over, a PCV, Bob Lilly and a companion of his visited the war zone, only to find out that the Salvadoran army was still in the area. Both Bob and his Honduran friend were arrested and jailed in San Salvador for a few days. The story made the newspapers and Bob was a local hero.

SW: I heard about Lilly. The PC office thought the world of him. They called him a "super volunteer," and told us we should be like him. Seriously, that's what they said.

TI: I've always wondered what happened to the Honduran national that was arrested with him.

CM: At the time, there was a high official in the government that thought having PCV's act as spies was a good idea. I guess word got out and this may be the result.

BM: I'm not sure about the late 60's, but CIA director William Casey under Reagan made a similar comment about PCV's. This was 1980. I served 80-82, but never saw

graffiti like this or heard of a PCV being harassed or accused.

CM: You are right, it was William Casey. What a terrible idea.

TI: Not to mention the history of US interference in Latin America that is well known. After Honduras was invaded by El Salvador in July of 1969, people were angry and confused, and feelings were running high. Most of the news about the war that reached places like Otoro was via government radio propaganda, or maybe the Voice of Havana. Many residents of Otoro at the time were from El Salvador. The CES rounded up known "illegals," and transported them via flat-bed truck to the prison in La Esperanza. Lots of stuff going on.

TI: My wife and I served in Jesús de Otoro from 1968 - 1970. The town of Otoro itself had a population of some 3000. From my perspective, what surprised and saddened me was how quickly neighbors became enemies once war was declared. There was no fighting in Otoro, but people were freaked-out.

BM: The towns which bordered El Salvador were especially affected I would imagine. My site was Agua Fria, Nacaome, Valle which was only a few miles from El Salvador. My friends remembered the Soccer War. Of course in my time there the civil war was just starting and Negroponte had been made ambassador to Honduras. Things got ugly pretty quickly, but my site was rural and agriculturally based. Most of the animosity, if any, was in the larger towns. Sad times after reading the history and revelations now. And the transplanting of gangs from the US to that region, which was a direct result of the wars.

MZ: I was in Otoro from '83-'85--I heard rumors from locals that PCVs were CIA so I spent a bit of our time dispelling that. My tenure was during

the US build-up of Troops at Honduran Military Bases including Comayagua. They did Humanitarian work as well including vaccinations and medical visits to Otoro and small aldeas leading to La Esperanza and beyond. I recall them coming to Otoro and I purposefully would not go see them or interact--I just tried to distance myself from the US military as much as possible. I recall a Senator and his team landed in the airfield (I don't recall why they were there) and requested to see the PCV in town--but I wouldn't go. During this time, I did one visit to a refugee camp on the border of El Salvador--accompanying a friendly, very young Canadian couple who were medical volunteers. I recall hearing bombing in the distance--we only stayed one night.

JG: Served at the tail end of Contra War and I was accused of being a CIA agent more than once. Can't think of a worse cover for a spook: we were the only gringos in our pueblo so everyone knew exactly where we were at all times, what we were doing, whom we had visited, what we had talked about and what flavor of licuado we'd been served.

JG: Had PCV pals in Otoro and we visited frequently when the road was open. Frequent landslides wiped it out; I recall buses from Sigua would trundle up to the landslide, everyone would disembark...

BM: Kudos for not giving the Senator a publicity stunt. Those were dark times for Honduras and Central America in general. Honestly, if I had known what I know now about our country's involvement, I would have had reservations about serving. Honduran people are so deserving of a bright future.

JG: no pics I can recall from Otoro. The before/after I've seen here are jaw dropping, it looked like 1969 (or

1869) when we were there in the late 80s. Dirt roads, tile roofs, bahareque construction, no electricity. I really liked Otoro.

JG: My wife and I specifically requested Honduras over other country offers in order to offset in some small way our country's long term and recent abuse of that country and its wondrous, generous, hospitable people.

BM: You're probably right John, but the assassination of Romero, the nuns and the Contra war. Battalion 314 and the ever present corruption. I fulfilled the first 2 goals, but the 3rd goal gets a little cloudy.

TI: When my wife & wife were in Mexico City in 1969, we travelled with a young Canadian lady who told us the reason she wore a Canadian flag pin was to make sure people wouldn't mistake her for an American.

DP: Yep, got the CIA comment several times, all from drunks on the bus. My response was that I wasn't a carpenter, don't make chairs! After a few rounds the drunks would go away.

NY/HELP JULY 2017

TRIP Gordon F Comstock, MD

The NY/HELP July 2017 trip to Honduras was a success. Jeff Dorfman and Dr. Gordon Comstock spent 8 days working with the people of the indigenous tribe of Mataderos, located around NY/HELP's medical clinic in La Laguna, in the mountains of Yoro. Our NY/HELP coordinator Joel Ramirez, our clinic nurse Mirtila Garcia, and sewing instructor Aracely Garcia all made huge contributions to the success of this trip. We arrived in San Pedro Sula, Honduras, at noon on July 18, and were met by our regular taxi-driver

Mario, who took us to the bus station for the 4-hour bus trip to Yoro. The next day, we shopped for supplies, and bought some new drum heads (to replace broken ones) for the Centro Básico school band. Shopping completed, we went to La Laguna with Osman in his pickup truck, stopping to visit CEVER, the vocational school where the carpentry class has been making tables and chairs for a kindergarten we are aiding.



(CEVER is affiliated with our sister E&R church in Honduras, and many kids from the tribe have studied there.) We found that now there was a short stretch of pavement on the old logging road going up the mountain – the tribal council had put about 50 feet of concrete down over a particularly bad stretch! July 20 was Lempira Day, the "Day of the Indians," celebrating the legendary cacique who, five centuries ago, fought the invading Spanish conquistadores to a standstill. We traversed 5 miles with a 1200-foot descent to La Kiloma, where 5 primary schools participated in a program with costumes and a parade. Jeff and Joel walked both ways, but Gordon got to ride a mule (and only fell off once!).

Joel Ramirez organized volunteers from several villages to clear brush from the clinic grounds in preparation for a coffee-planting project. We hope this will raise funds to support the work of the clinic. In appreciation of their efforts, we

shared lunches together, cooked by Ondina Dominguez and Mayra Garcia.

Gordon saw about 85 patients in the clinic, including a woman pregnant with twins, a poor lady with an ischemic ulcer who will have to go to the hospital for treatment, and many musculoskeletal complaints and respiratory illnesses. We brought some medicines that are not available in Honduras; NY/HELP also subsidizes the expenses for the medicines that are bought locally. Another activity is helping pay expenses for patients that need to go to the big city for consultations or surgery. When a doctor is not there, nurse Mirtila Garcia takes care of many of these problems.

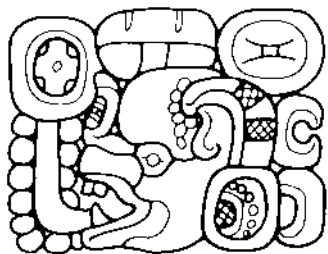
The July 2017 NY/HELP group met with the sewing classes, which started when the last group was there in January. Since February, our local instructor, Aracely Garcia, has been teaching two groups each week. Each group consists of 6 women; the Monday-Tuesday group is from the villages on the higher elevations of the tribe, and the Thursday-Friday group represents the villages down in the lower valley. When they complete their courses in November, they will then be the teachers for other women in their own villages.

When Jeff and Gordon spoke with the women, they were unanimously enthusiastic about Aracely's skills as a teacher, and very proud of the work they were doing. Currently, they are learning to make patterns for shirts and dresses. Aracely has been putting a lot of time and effort into these classes, since they started in February 2017. While we were in La Laguna, Jeff and Joel discussed appropriate

support with her, and recommended a stipend of 3200 lempiras (US \$137.00) a month. (The July group left 1600 lempiras as a partial payment of her stipend; the rest was sent by MoneyGram for the past 5-1/2 months' worth, and a final payment for 5 months will be due when the classes end in November.)

A final note about one of NY/HELP's major projects: EDUCATION. Schools were out for the Lempira Day holiday when we arrived, but we did get to see some of the students that you are supporting with scholarships. This support enables the students to continue their education past 6th grade primary school. Without your aid, many students would not be able to afford supplies, school fees or uniforms.

The next morning, Mario took us to the airport for our trip back home, hopefully a bit wiser with another mission trip under our belts. NY/HELP's mission is to "show our faith by our actions", working together with the people of Honduras. Your prayers and donations support NY/HELP programs in this indigenous community.

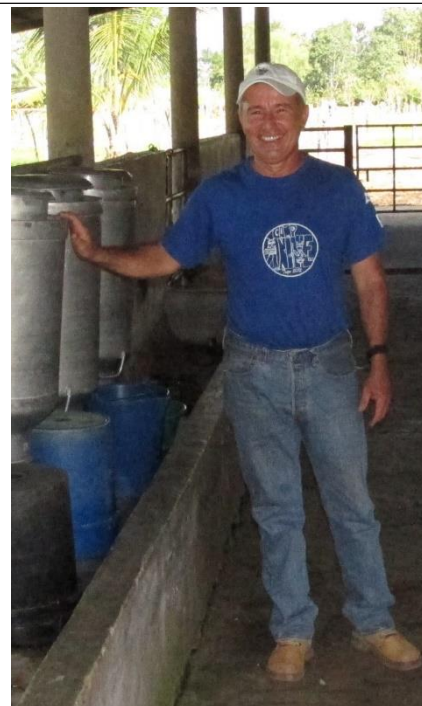


HONDURAN NEWS

compiled by Loren Hintz (Olancho, 1980-82.) According to the 11/9/17 **Washington Post** article by Nick Miroff, the acting secretary of the Dept. of Homeland Security, Elaine Duke, was pressured to change her decision to extend TPS Temporary Protected Status for 57,000 Hondurans. "Congress created the TPS designation in 1990 to refrain from deporting foreign nationals to nations too unstable to receive them following natural disasters, civil strife or a health crisis." Duke stuck to her original decision. There are "300,000 TPS recipients who will lose their legal status and face deportation if their residency is not renewed. Their families include an estimated 275,000 US born children."

On **November 26, 2017** national elections will take place in Honduras. Honduran human rights and grass roots organizations have asked for international accompaniment to defend human rights during the election because of the increased risk for people in communities and organizations in resistance at this time. La Voz de los de Abajo Chicago and Code Pink delegation Nov. 23 to Dec. 1 will focus on human rights observation in consultation with the human rights defenders, campesino, indigenous and people's movements. See Honduras Solidarity Network: www.hondurassolidarity.org

Tocoa News reported that after the recent flooding in the Aguan valley donated supplies in the local warehouse is only being given to members of the Nationalist Party. This fall the camera man Carlos Lara was murdered in Copan. Since 2003 73 members of the media have been murdered in Honduras.



HCN **Chilo Cardona**, friend to many, and husband of Carolina Arvani Cardona (Rio Lindo 85-87, PTO 05-07) passed away this fall after an illness. Chilo studied agriculture at North Carolina State University and worked around the world with Carolina. In El Salvador, he managed multiple rebuilding projects for the Salvation Army: the construction of hundreds of earthquake-resistant homes and also the development of water systems.

In Honduras he continued to manage the construction of homes for flood victims. He invested in Honduras and was a model farmer and rancher. He frequently boasted about his vaquitas. More recently he supervised the construction of schools in northern Honduras. He was an Anti-Corruption Party (PAC) candidate for vice-mayor. Unfortunately he was always too busy to write **Amigos** an article about his experiences. He and his wife were great hosts and friends when we were able to visit. Their son Chris is RPCV China. **Gracias por todo!**

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