

Pre-Trip Newsletter April 2008



← How are these 2 pix related? →
 The Malinguans have stole yet another heart ♥. **Sytske of Holland** volunteered in July '07, raised a wheelbarrow load of euros, wired it to me along with a list of school supplies to purchase (more than 4 large tubs worth).

Serendipity Rules! One of our team (Brett – our Aussie cook who has been working in Peru) has lured Tina, a Brit who is a special needs teacher that speaks Spanish and to join us on this trip. So all of these amazing materials will immediately be put to GREAT use!



For the 3rd consecutive year, the **First Philadelphia Charter School**

dedicated their fall donation drive to Malingua Pamba (pencils, paper, scissors, crayons, etc.) as well as 40 Spanish readers compliments of Jim Stanton and his **Pittsburgh Rotary Club**. Well, not to be too gluttony, we have shared 5 boxes of supplies with a newly formed non-profit school in the jungle of Ecuador called **Friends of Ecuador Schools**. Coordinators, Jim & Nancy helped out in M.P. last Nov., 2007. www.friendsofecuadorschools.com/



← Special thanks to McGuckin's and Doc for the 3rd (or 4th) discount on tools plus t-shirts to use as rewards! You are SO FINE! Honorable mention to Waldy & Kara who opened up their tool trailer → hence, we have 3 tubs of tools AND an overhead projector – Who would have thunk it?



Without the tireless effort, passion and energy of Brad (3rd visit!) who has designed and orchestrated tank forms plus a LOT more, in addition to Debbie - incredible **EWBers**, the Water Project would only be trickling. →

This will be the 4th visit of **Engineers Without Borders** – 5 of the 7 are repeat volunteers! We are going to continue to work on the Potable Water project. Our motto: “a tap near every home”! Of course, none of this would be possible with the financial help of MANY: Notably: **Esperance Family Foundation, Rotary Clubs (esp. Boulder Flatirons and Smoky Hill)** AND more than space permits to mention.



← Without the fantastic help of **William of Airline Ambassadors**, we would not have been able to get all of the above supplies & tools & tank form (58 boxes in all).

There are more to thank, but no more room. You know who you are! We thank all of you for your support and invite you to join us next fall! **Abracitos**, pam gilbert, CEO/Founder www.escuelaminga.org
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