



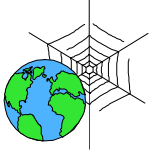
Casa del Nino News



HISTORY OF OUR PROJECT: The great need of the 25 young boys who live at the Casa del Nino orphanage in San Pedro Sula, Honduras, became apparent when a local team went to Honduras in the wake of Hurricane Mitch in 1998. A committee at St. Michael's parish organized a program to help with some of the extras that the orphanage was unable to afford: books, school supplies, tuition, treats, items such as new bedding, and so on. Since the project began in August, 1999, sponsors have donated roughly \$6000 a year, all of which is given to the orphanage for these needs. It is our hope that the boys will have a better quality of life now and a better hope for the future through our help.



THE LIBRARY PROJECT: Education has always been a priority for us. In an effort to create an environment conducive to learning, our committee has been busy designing a library for the new Casa which is being built. The project goal is to provide the boys with literary resources from all genres. With the collection design completed, the committee has begun phase II of the project in order to raise \$10,000 to purchase Spanish library materials. Once this goal is met, the committee members will catalog the books in Spanish, ship the materials to Honduras, set up the new library at the orphanage and train their staff members on how to maintain the new library.

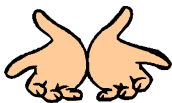


OUR NEW WEBSITE: Go to www.casadelnino honduras.org for information about the orphanage and our library project.



PLANNED FUNDRAISERS:

- **BOOK PURCHASE FOR THE LIBRARY WITH A DEDICATION LABEL:** We will be selling these labels so that books can be dedicated in honor or in memory of someone you love.
- **SIDEWALK SALE ON JULY 29TH:** We will have a booth selling Honduran crafts, bookmarks, booklights, gift baskets, cards, etc.
- **WINDMILL SALE ON AUGUST 19TH:** We will be selling used books along with the items mentioned above.
- **USED BOOK SALE AT OLOL PARISHES IN LATE AUGUST OR EARLY SEPTEMBER**
- **GIFT BASKET RAFFLES**
- **BOWLING TOURNAMENT:** This is a possibility we are considering but have no firm plans as yet.



HELPING HANDS NEEDED: We are a very small committee and this project is a very ambitious one. We definitely need help and would be very grateful for any time, no matter how little, you could give.

- Help selling used books and other items at our churches after Masses
- Suggest some good fundraising ideas
- Help staff our booths at the Sidewalk Sale and the Windmill sale
- Donate 5 good quality used books for our Windmill and parishes sales
- Help with the organizing of the bowling tournament
- Donations of any amount will be very much appreciated
- Continue praying for the boys at the Casa and for the success of our library project