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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

By Lou Ferrand

This year has been good. We funded \$11,244 in grants and scholarships benefitting 391 low-income Dominicans. Of these, 46 were granted to individuals, and 14 were group grants benefitting 345 people. In addition, we helped purchase books for a library book project.

Group awards included Tourism Administration training for Eco-Tourism Guides from Pedro Sanchez, El Seibo; a finance and accounting course for members of an agricultural cooperative in Cambita Garabitos, San Cristóbal; and Coral Reef Preservation training for Brigada Verde youth from Villa Clara & La Pascuala, Samaná. Individual grants funded courses in various areas including computers, English, basic accounting, wood working, broadcasting and communications, refrigeration, and sewing.

We need your assistance to help us continue providing approximately \$12,000 each year in grants and scholarships. We received \$11,640.50 in contributions this year. We need that much and more next year to continue to fund grants and scholarships at this level. However, our goal is to increase the total amount available so that many more deserving Dominicans can be helped. Please give!

I want to thank Jennifer McGowan for the tremendous work that she has done as Chair of Fondo Q's Local Committee in the DR. Her skills and leadership have been key to our ability to provide our grants and scholarships in a timely and efficient manner. Jennifer has taken a job with Peace Corps DR where she will continue to train new PCVs and where we wish her success.

Finally, mark your calendar and then plan to attend PCDR's 50th Anniversary Celebration in Santo Domingo in February, 2012, where we will also celebrate the 25th Anniversary of Fondo Q's founding.

Saludos, Lou

AN UPDATE FROM A FQ GRANTEE

By Eliseo Mancebo

In April 2007 I was graduating from high school in a small town in the Southwest and ready to move in with my parents in Santo Domingo. At that time I was a young guy with a lot of goals to accomplish but money was a huge obstacle in my desire to reach out and become a professional. Was then when I heard the opportunity of a program from a friend of mine, a Peace Corps volunteer who encouraged me to apply for FQ's grant and study English.

Having this grant helped me to get started studying English as a Second Language. Through this, I got a scholarship to go to the United States and get an Associate Degree in Management and Marketing for Small and Medium Enterprise. Cooperative Association of the State for Scholarship (CASS) was directed by Georgetown University and sponsored by USAID. The training held in Kentucky State University lasted two years in different fields of study. FQ was a step forward in my way to reach the goal of becoming a professional bilingual with skills and competencies at the workplace. I will always be thankful for the opportunity given by Fondo Quisqueya in my career.



FQ Grantee Eliseo Mancebo



FROM THE VP PERCH

BY BJ WARREN

Mark your calendars for two upcoming reunions: Peace Corps' 50th Anniversary, which will be celebrated in Washington, DC on September 21, 2011; and the celebration of 50 years of Peace Corps in the DR, which will take place in Santo Domingo beginning on February 8, 2012. The anniversary celebration in the DR will include the celebration of 25 years since the founding of Fondo Quisqueya.

We will miss Laura Sundquist as she leaves FQ's Board and joins the Local DR Committee as she has decided to return to the DR. As some of you will remember, Laura was the very successful PCV FQ coordinator. Laura, thanks for your continuing support and we wish you well!!!

If you have not made a donation this year, we have scholarship requests that are depending on you. Also, please consider adding Fondo Q as a beneficiary in your will.

Peace, BJ Warren

FQ GRANTS GIVE COMMUNITY LEADERS AN OPPORTUNITY TO TEACH IN THEIR OWN COMMUNITIES

In the past year, several FQ grants have been awarded to community leaders to give classes and trainings in their own communities. These grants give these community leaders experience in teaching and training, and they also mean that the grants reach more Dominicans—a single grant can provide training to a group of community members. Below is a summary of the impacts of three of these grants.

Painting Classes

By PCV Kacie Sis

Natanael Rosario Santos, 28, used a Fondo Quisqueya grant to teach a painting class in the small, mountain town of Las Lajas in Altamira, Puerto Plata. Natanael studied painting and works as a professional artist and commercial painter in the area of Altamira. He also has experience giving one-on-one music and art lessons, but had never taught a large class.

The painting class had far-reaching results for both Natanael and the nine students who completed the course. Natanael has been inspired to continue giving the class even without help from a grant or donor. He currently has a handful of students who would like to continue studying and many who are interested in starting. This has also turned into a reliable source of income for Natanael because while the initial course was offered for free with the support of Fondo Quisqueya, he will now offer the class with a fee to cover his costs as a teacher.

The nine students who completed the course learned basic drawing concepts, colors and color-mixing, how to build their own canvases, and how to paint using acrylic paint. The class opened their eyes to the arts when the arts are not emphasized very strongly in their regular school curriculum. While painting can be an enjoyable pastime now for these nine students, it can also be a source of income. Several students have already been asked to do paintings for community members.

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Natanael Rosario Santos giving a certificate to one of the students in his art class.

Language Classes

By PCV Marissa Emiliani

A Fondo Quisqueya grant enabled Ricardo Cabrera Cabrera to start language classes in his community of Batey 6 in Bahoruco. Ricardo used the grant money to purchase 15 English-Spanish dictionaries, 5 Italian-Spanish dictionaries, 5 French-Italian dictionaries, 10 English grammar books, and notebooks and pens. With these materials, he started two small English classes and one Italian class. Since June, 2010, he has been teaching these three classes and has a total of 14 students. He teaches each class three days a week for two hours each day.



Students in one of Ricardo Cabrera's language classes.

Ricardo enjoys languages and teaching and hopes to make a career out of it in the future. Ricardo says, "My students receive new experiences and learn new languages. It is an opportunity for them to learn how to communicate with people of different cultures, find jobs, and become translators. I play an important role in my community."

Arts and Crafts Class

By PCV Marissa Emiliani

Sobeida Sibilis Rosales used the funds received from a Fondo Quisqueya grant to teach a class aimed at empowering illiterate adults and adolescents in the communities of Batey 6 and Batey 7 in Bahoruco. Sobeida taught 10 students how to make jewelry and accessories including earrings, barrettes, bracelets, purses, pins, hair bands, and key chains, giving them new skills. This course encouraged the students to aspire to learn more and had a positive impact on their lives. The jewelry and accessories they learned to make can also give these community members a new source of income.



Students in Sobeida Sibilis Rosales' arts and crafts class.



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FONDO Q'S ANNUAL MEETING

FQ Board Members and friends gathered on June 6 at FQ's Annual Meeting and BBQ held at Tom and Sue Gittins' home in Falls Church, Virginia. The food was delicious; we had much good conversation; and we renewed and made new friendships. An update was given on FQ's latest grants and scholarships; we discussed fundraising perspectives for the coming year; and we elected several Board Members for 3-year terms and FQ's Officers for 1-year terms.

Board Members elected are: Jennifer McGowan, John Evans, Joanna Mauer, BJ Warren, Lou Ferrand, Anita Friedman, and Kirby Jones.

Officers elected are: Lou Ferrand (President), BJ Warren (Vice-President), Bill Threlkeld (Treasurer), and Anita Friedman and Anne Kopley (Co-Secretaries). Joanna Mauer will continue as Newsletter Editor, and Kirby Jones has taken over Tom Gittins' role as Events Coordinator.

We discussed Peace Corps DR's 50th Anniversary Celebration which will be held in February, 2012 in Santo Domingo where we will also celebrate Fondo Q's 25th Anniversary from its founding in Santo Domingo in 1987. All present were encouraged to attend and to encourage other former DR PCVs and Staff and their friends and families to come celebrate with us in the DR.



50TH ANNIVERSARY REUNION OF PEACE CORPS IN THE DR

The final dates for the 50th Anniversary Reunion of Peace Corps DR are **FEBRUARY 8 – 11, 2012**, in Santo Domingo. **MARK YOUR CALENDAR** and don't miss this great opportunity to celebrate Peace Corps' 50-year presence in the DR, get together with old friends, and learn about today's DR Peace Corps.

The conference will begin with registration and a reception on WEDNESDAY the 8th and continue with three full days of formal and informal activities, THURSDAY the 9th THROUGH SATURDAY the 11th. Most likely, there will be optional activities for SUNDAY the 12th. Stay tuned for updates on FQ's website at www.fondoo.org, and in FDR's Cybernews and on its website at www.fotdr.org.

FONDO Q'S GRANTS & SELECTION PROCESS

The Fondo Quisqueya Foundation, Inc. ("FQ") is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization which was formed in 1987 by former U.S. Peace Corps Volunteers and Staff who had served in the Dominican Republic ("DR") and who wanted to give something back to the DR. FQ was incorporated in Virginia in 1993.

FQ provides low-income Dominicans with scholarships and grants for both traditional and nontraditional in-country education and training to assist them in bettering their lives and to help them attain personal development, skills, and advancement. Grants may be to groups of individuals such as members of a coffee cooperative or a women's group.

FQ's grants and scholarships are made possible through donations and in-kind support from ex-PCVs and PC staff and other friends of the DR. FQ has no paid staff. Examples of courses funded include nursing school, beautician school, accounting, sustainable agriculture, sewing, driver training, electronics repair, diesel mechanics, worm composting, beekeeping, construction and cement skills, painting, and English and computer classes. Funds can be used for tuition, transportation, books and materials, and other expenses associated with the course or training.

Each applicant must be sponsored by a member of the Dominican community or by a Peace Corps DR Volunteer or staff member.

Individual grants and scholarships usually do not exceed US\$300. FQ's Local DR Committee reviews grant applications quarterly and makes recommendations to FQ's Board of Directors for selection. Funds permitting, the Board seeks to fund at least a total of US\$3,000 in scholarships each quarter, for a yearly total of at least US\$12,000. Please donate now. Help our grantees help themselves.

FONDO Q GRANTEES

Fondo Q normally awards grants and scholarships four times per year. Applicants are screened by Fondo Q's Local DR Committee. Most of the awards are for \$300 or less. Below are summaries of the grants and scholarships awarded during the spring and summer quarters of 2010, which include 6 group awards benefitting approximately 130 recipients in addition to 17 individual awards. These awards have provided funding for courses in subjects including tourism administration; art; finance and accounting; broadcasting and communications; refrigeration; English; and computers.

GROUP AWARDS

Grantees:	2 Eco-Tourism Guides
From:	Pedro Sánchez, El Seibo
For:	Tourism Administration Training
	PCV Linsey Longstreth wrote: <i>"This training will provide two eco-tourism tour coordinators with the necessary skills, knowledge and practical experience of tourism administration. This experience and knowledge is valuable for a community like Pedro Sánchez, which is currently developing itself as a community-based sustainable ecotourism site."</i>
Sponsor:	PCV Linsey Longstreth

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Grantees: 16 Youth

From: San José de Las Matas, Santiago

For: Basura Cero

PCV Alexis Martin wrote: "Después de cumplir el curso, los estudiantes caminarán casa por casa concientizando los miembros de la comunidad de los riesgos que presenta la basura, como contaminación del agua, altos niveles de insectos y ratones y altos casos de enfermedades. También les educarán de la diferencia entre la basura orgánica e inorgánica y como separarla de una manera conveniente para ellos y para el ayuntamiento. Los estudiantes de Brigada Verde aprenderán también como construir y mantener una abonera comunitaria con lombriz."

Sponsor: PCV Alexis Martin

Grantees: 9 Youth

From: Las Lajas, Altamira, Puerto Plata

For: Community Art Classes

Sponsor: PCV Kacie Sis

Grantees: 10 Youth

From: Batey 6, Bahoruco

For: Art Classes

Sponsor: PCV Marissa Emiliani

Grantees: 15 Eco-Tourism Guides

From: Yamasá, Monte Plata

For: English Training

Sponsor: PCV Phillip Waller

Grantees: 80 Members of an Agricultural Cooperative

From: Cambita Garabitos, San Cristóbal

For: Finance and Accounting Course

Sponsor: PCV Adria Schmidt

Individual Grants and Scholarships

Grantee: Deby Polanco

From: Roblegal, Bani, Peravia

For: Training to be a Co-Facilitator for Engineering Clubs

PCV Daniel Golub wrote: "Like many young adults in the Dominican Republic, Deby is a smart, educated, and motivated young man who hasn't found a good job. He has experience in operating heavy machinery, working on computers, and doing mechanical and electrical work on motorcycles and other vehicles. Teaching the 'Futuros Ingenieros' curriculum will help Deby because it will open him up to the world of education, management, and NGOs."

Sponsor: PCV Daniel Golub

Grantee: José Rafael Torres

From: El Guayabo, Santiago Rodríguez

For: Broadcasting and Communications Course

PCV Leigh Forbush wrote: "José Rafael, a current second-year university student, is majoring in counseling and in the future, hopes to work in the Dominican public school system as a guidance counselor. Broadcasting and Communication will strengthen his performance not only as a university student, but also as a future guidance counselor."

Sponsor: PCV Leigh Forbush



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Grantee: Mari Leinny Peralta
From: El Guayabo, Santiago Rodríguez
For: Broadcasting and Communications Course
 PCV Leigh Forbush wrote: *“Mari Leinny just graduated from high school and plans on enrolling in the Autonomous University of Santo Domingo this coming year to study social communication and journalism. With this course, Mari Leinny will enter the university with previous knowledge and hands-on skills. Mari Leinny is also very involved with her community in Santiago Rodriguez, principally as a youth health promoter. The communication skills she will learn in this course will help her be more successful at teaching local youth about healthy practices. Ultimately, not only Mari Leinny but also the youth she educates will benefit from this training.”*

Sponsor: PCV Leigh Forbush

Grantee: Daysi Fortuna
From: El Guayabo, Santiago Rodríguez
For: Course to Complete 10th Grade
 PCV Elias Rodriguez wrote: *“Daisy will benefit from this course because she will be one step closer to achieving her GED. Her continued education will open up more job opportunities for her and will help her with her current small business, where she sells ice cream and clothing from her home.”*

Sponsor: PCV Elias Rodriguez

Grantee: Daniela Minaya Jaquez
From: Bajabonico Arriba, Puerto Plata
For: Driver Course
 Daniela wrote: *“Soy una estudiante y llevo la responsabilidad de mi familia por lo que considero que esta ayuda me va a servir de mucho para conseguir otra fuente de empleo y así seguir colaborando a mi familia y dar término a mis estudios.”*

Sponsor: PCV Gabriel Miller

Grantee: Jeffery Eliezer Matias Duran
From: Altamira, Puerto Plata
For: Refrigeration Course
Sponsor: PCV Nichole Salinger

Grantee: Regina Jaquez Minaya
From: Bajabonico Arriba, Puerto Plata
For: Driver Course
Sponsor: PCV Nichole Salinger

Grantee: Ramón Alberto Romero Genao
From: Batey Los Guineos, Monte Plata
For: English Course
Sponsor: PCV Kenzie Kreamer

Grantee: Edelmira Rosa
From: San Francisco Vicentillo, El Seibo
For: English Course
Sponsor: PCV Alanna Hughes

Grantee: Alexander Pérez Vilorio
From: San Francisco Vicentillo, El Seibo
For: English Course
Sponsor: PCV James MacAulay

Grantee: Elaine María González Mejía
From: Ortega, Moca, Epaillat
For: English Course
Sponsor: PCV Kelly Connors

Grantee: Nelfi Altagracia García
From: Las Lajas, Altamira, Puerto Plata
For: Computer Class
Sponsor: PCV Kacie Sis

Grantee: Luz Melesia Parra
From: Bajabonico Arriba, Puerto Plata
For: Computer Course
Sponsor: PCV Nichole Salinger

Grantee: Ana Berquis Mendoza Guzman
From: Higuerito, Moca, Epaillat
For: English Course
Sponsor: PCV Kelly Connors

Grantee: Petronila Agramonte Romero
From: Los Cacaos, San Cristóbal
For: Computer Course
Sponsor: PCV Brittany Borg

Grantee: Yvelisse Castillo
From: Sánchez Ramírez
For: Sewing Class
Sponsor: PCV Meredith Camp

Grantee: Katherine Castillo
From: Sánchez Ramírez
For: Guitar Class
Sponsor: PCV Meredith Camp



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Become a fan of Fondo Quisqueya on Facebook. Just type in "Fondo Quisqueya" on the top of your Facebook page in the box that says "find people and more;" then click on the box that says "become a fan." You will receive messages about upcoming FQ events and ways you can contribute to FQ. Facebook is a great way to keep in touch with other Returned Volunteers and to stay connected to your PCDR friends.

FQ GRANT EXPOSES CHILDREN TO ART FOR THE FIRST TIME

BY PCV JENNIFER BARKER

Funds from Fondo Quisqueya were used to support an art, crafts, and creativity course for approximately 20 underprivileged kids, ages 3 to 12, in San Victor, Moca. The 6-month course gave the group of disadvantaged youth the opportunity to learn through art. The kids were able to express themselves using art as a creative outlet, which helped to improve some behavioral problems. Many of the kids involved in the program had had no exposure to arts, crafts, or other creative things before the course. For some kids, it was the first time that they used crayons to draw a picture. Many of the children experienced art anxiety at the beginning of the course, but by the end, all of the children were working independently to express themselves creatively.



Art Class for Children in San Victor, Moca

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TREASURER'S REPORT

BY BILL THRELKELD

Through September, our revenues and expenses (including slightly more than \$8,000 in grants/scholarships provided) have balanced within about \$100 or so. Thank you for keeping us financially whole this year! We just approved nearly \$1,800 in additional grants/scholarships, so we are looking forward to another successful year-end (and New Year!) giving cycle. This will ensure that the money for the rest of this year (i.e., the grants/scholarships we just gave out and our expenses for the costs of printing and mailing this newsletter) are covered.

We want to be well-positioned to fund new grantees who will be applying next January and April. So please consider giving at or above your contribution level of last year, when we met the \$10,000 challenge that I set for the final quarter of the year, and, if you haven't donated before now, please do so.

For those who are regular readers of my report, please forgive me for recycling some material from a previous edition. It bears repeating that we receive contributions in peaks and troughs. December and January are peak months, along with May and June (a smaller peak). In the intervening periods, the flow of contributions is a relative trickle. Yet FQ provides grants/scholarships four times a year, and needs about \$2,500 twice a year to pay for newsletter-related costs. So, once again, please consider a suggestion for your FQ giving this year. You might want to break up your annual giving into 2-3 checks. This will help FQ's cash flow and might allow you to give more by the year's end. For example, if you normally write a check for \$100 each year but, instead, set up an automatic payment of \$10 each month, you'll be able to give an extra \$20 each year. This may not sound like much, but if 100 contributors do it that way, the result is an extra \$2,000 in contributions for FQ's mission. And, again, only five percent of those who receive our newsletter currently make donations. If the other 95 percent (that might be YOU) gave only \$10 a year, we would have approximately \$19,000 in additional funds for our mission!



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NEW FQ BOARD MEMBER

Kirby Jones is Fondo Quisqueya's newest Board Member. He was elected at FQ's June, 2010 Annual Meeting, and will be serving as FQ's Events Chair.

Kirby was a Peace Corps Volunteer in the Dominican Republic from 1963-65. Upon his return he worked as Ecuador Desk Officer from 1965-67. In the DR, he was in the first Community Development group to work in urban areas and spent his two years in Barrio Simon Bolivar in the northern part of Santo Domingo. It was during this period that the US sent thousands of troops to Santo Domingo to stop the revolution.



New FQ Board Member Kirby Jones

Outside the Peace Corps, Kirby was on the staff of the 1968 presidential campaign of Robert Kennedy and served as Press Secretary in the McGovern '72 presidential campaign. In 1974 he visited Cuba as Special Correspondent for CBS with his partner, Frank Mankiewicz, to participate in an interview with Fidel Castro. This was the start of a 36-year career in visiting Cuba and serving as a consultant to US companies and organizations wanting to do business in Cuba. He also worked at the World Bank for 10 years and as Executive Vice President of Burson-Marsteller for five years. But he is best known—at least according to him—as a regular competitive baseball player in leagues around Washington, DC and in tournaments in other cities.

IN MEMORIAM

We have recently received sad news of the deaths of **John and Linda Neau Scott** and of **James Findlay**.

John Scott [ODC Staff 1966-1972 and PC/DR staff, 1972-78] and **Linda Neau Scott** [DR-26] died as a result of a car accident last year in August, 2009. John died instantly, and Linda died from her injuries nearly six months later.

His friends describe John as soft spoken and a respected staff member of the ODC (Oficina de Desarrollo de la Comunidad) in the 60s who joined Peace Corps staff in 1972. According to RPCV Randy Adams, John was a mentor for many. Randy describes how they would spend hours talking about community development in both theory and practice, and that they worked so much better because of John's ease in communicating Dominican ways of thinking and operating and his great patience in helping.

Linda was an outstanding musician—in flute and piano. She met John when he was Peace Corps staff and she was a family planning PCV. After Peace Corps, Linda taught and later became the Principal at St. George School in Santo Domingo while John continued to serve Peace Corps. Her friends describe Linda as generous of spirit, a positive "can do" person, a steady presence with a calm demeanor.

A memorial service was held for John in Santo Domingo in August, 2010 on the one-year anniversary of his death, and a memorial service for Linda was held in Tampa in January, 2010.

Their son, Jonathan Scott, can be reached at: 10710 Wingate Dr., Tampa, FL 33624; (813) 963-2587. Their daughter, Rebecca Scott, can be reached at 3682 River Ridge Ct, Decatur, GA, 50034; (404) 218-4520.

A memorial fund for John and Linda has been established with Girl Scouts of West Central Florida, c/o of Becky Pruitt, Chief Development Officer, 5002 West Lemon St. Tampa, FL 33609 or contact 262-697-4301.

James Findlay, (PCV DR 1966-1969) passed away on October 5, 2010 in Miami, Florida.

An exceptional art librarian and consummate professional, Jim was known nationally for his work in the research, publication and exhibition of the New Deal. As Director of the Bienes Museum of the Modern Book, he developed the collection, facilitated educational programming, and curated 39 exhibitions. He also published 5 bibliographies, many award-winning catalogues, and instituted the well-regarded Florida Artists' Book Prize.

Jim is survived by his partner of 24 years, Rafael Rodriguez, his best friend of 44 years, Janice Jorgensen; and his sister and brothers: Joanne Trombley, Richard Findlay and Gary Findlay of Michigan. Rafael Rodriguez may be reached at: 702 13th Street Apt. 305, Miami Beach, Florida 33139; rrodzfind@hotmail.com; 786-223-8904. Donations in Jim's memory may be sent to: Broward Public Library Foundation, Bienes Museum, in honor of Jim Findlay, 100 S. Andrews Ave. Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301.



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In addition to making tax deductible donations to Fondo Q by check, you can make them through **PayPal**, justgive.org, and by using the **Network for Good Giving System** (NGGS). To donate online, follow the links at the bottom of FQ's "Ways to Contribute" page at <http://www.fondoq.org/contribute>.

MILA BROOKS FUND- WOMEN IN DEVELOPMENT

If you wish to focus your FQ giving on low-income women in the Dominican Republic, please send your tax deductible donations to: FQ for the Mila Brooks Fund, c/o Fondo Quisqueya, P.O. Box 6628, Falls Church, VA 22040-6628.

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Our sister organization, FDR, like FQ, is a 501(c) (3) organization. FDR focuses on helping bring together the community of DR Returned PC Volunteers and staff in the US. It also raises money for two projects: a Program Development Fund, which supports Volunteers and PC programs with donations such as equipment and software, and a Community Challenge Fund, which provides grants for small-scale community infrastructure projects in poor communities. For more information, go to www.fotdr.org. Contributions are tax deductible and may be sent to John Evans, FDR Treasurer, 4512 Park Road, Alexandria, VA 22312.



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