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All the Solidaile team presents to you its best wishes for the year 2007 and sends to you the latest news of its project in Huancavelica.

Christmas in Huancavelica :

In the afternoon of the 24th of December, the persons in charge of the Peruvian association that we support accomodated the children and teenagers to offer the traditional hot chocolate and panetone to them (brioche with fruits).

In the evening, we spent one moment with four of the families most poor bringing a pastry.

Traditional dances, "Danza de las Tajeras", which have a very strong significance from a historical point of view in particular at the time of the Spanish conquest, were organized downtown on December 25.

New Years celebration in Huancavelica :

December 31 at the evening, the majority of people remained in family by taking care to bring a bunch of flowers in their house so that their new year is better. From midnight, detonators and fireworks spouted out in the city.

The tradition, as suprising is it, also wants as each one burns its old clothing in the street in the hope to get some better following year.

January 1, like many inhabitants of Huancavelica, we walked to the village of Chacclatacana, more than 4000m of altitude, where takes place the "Fiesta del Niño Callaucarpino". One celebrates each year there the day when a child delivered the blacks sent by Spanish to work in the mercury mines.

News of the project :

Thanks to a part of the collected funds, work (electricity, coat, painting...) was undertaken in the room of Peruvian association. As of mid-January, the programs (educational, cultural and ludic activities) in favour of the children and teenagers will proceed under good conditions.

In addition, the micro projects which were committed start to take form. The construction of the new room planned for the breeding of guinea-pigs is finished and the first occupants arrived as of January 4.

This same room could be used during the dry season, from May to September, for the chicken breeding.

After the earthwork and the installation of the ground of the room, we will be able to sow in the all next days not only the seeds for the food of the guinea-pigs but to also produce some other vegetables. La location d'un autre terrain a déjà été retenue et permettra de produire davantage.

In addition, the agronomist of Peruvian association currently makes a comparative study in order to establish the type of the most interesting breeding to generate an additional source of incomes. The decision should be made at the end of the month at the latest.

On the level of the promotion of the craft industry, a group of a dozen people was made up among the adults of Peruvian association having different knowledges. The presentation of their candidature to the CIAP (www.ciap.org) should normally take place in February. A window of their production will be installation in the room of association very soon. In the future, these craftsmen will organize workshops of formation in favour of the teenagers.

As a whole, the project proceeds well thanks to the presence, the motivation and the implication of people to various competences. We can only want to continue to support them in their projects!

Waiting to find you and to inform you of the continuation of the project, all the team thanks you for all your support.

Solidailement,

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