



WISCONSIN/NICARAGUA *Partners of the Americas, Inc.*

LEARNING CENTER Program

July 28, 2018

The monthly meeting in July was held on Saturday, July 28, at the offices of the Wisconsin Nicaragua Partners of the Americas, attended by 46 people representing 23 Learning Centers.



The activity begins with a prayer giving thanks to God for the good things of life and for being able to participate in the meeting.

Each person made a self-presentation indicating names, where they come from and which center they belong to. The purpose of the presentation is so that they know each other and know which classes are developed in each community. Among the participants was the leader Brenda who comes from San José de Cusmapa, Department of Madriz. This place is very famous because there they make pine baskets.

Brenda explained that she traveled 253 km a day earlier to be in Managua and participate in the meeting for the first time.



Mirna shared a message of appreciation from Wisconsin, thanking the women for their leadership.



The class was taught by Ana Julia, she explained to us how to make a craft with foamy. The whole group was very enthusiastic and all cut the pieces supported by Karla and Josefina, then the teacher gave the corresponding pieces to each participant to put together a flower similar to a sunflower.



Brenda, Centro Catalunya Solidaria

Chepita, Centro Gracias a Dios



Leonor, Centro Bob Nellis





Estela, Centro San Benito y Karla, Centro Gloria Chavarria



Doctora Irela, Centro Brazos de Amor



Emilia, Centro San Antonio



Luz Marina, Centro San Gabriel



Ana Julia, Centro San Judas Tadeo



Fanny, Grupo Fanny



Eugenia Isabel, Centro Buena Vista



Haydee, Centro Mujeres Costeñas
Puerto Cabezas

Each participant elaborated their manual and then we went to the recommendations that they are asked to make their statistical chart to keep the information updated of all the training carried out in the learning centers, the quarterly reports must be delivered, they must be true, accurate information and with few photos it would be enough and finally the payment of the membership that is once a year.

Evaluación



In the evaluation Brenda, said that this was the first time participating and that she felt very satisfied and was thankful for the support that Wisconsin has provided with the machines and materials. They have a group of eight women making different items, selling them in places in the community, which makes them very enthusiastic. They also thanked Dr. Joan Llauro Guller of Spanish nationality who also supports the center.

Estela, I add that they are working well. There are people who think that working with children with disabilities cannot be done, but she affirms that it can, since they are taught gradually, they are cooperative and learn.

Erayda, from the Hossana center, brought two students to learn about the organization and they shared that they are very happy to have participated. At this time they are learning sewing and feel grateful for everything they learn in their community.

Erayda y her
students from
Hossana Learning
Center





Soyla, share that they are doing sewing and weaving. They also think about making a project, a soup kitchen for people with scarce resources, she is happy to be able to support her community.

Dr. Irela, Brazos de Amor center says they are improving with the craft classes, as well as in the library.

Elizabeth, commented that she had two centers in Ocotal but because they had no teachers they were forced to close. Now she receives classes at the June Lemke center and what she has learned has been very helpful since she now makes bags to sell

Eugenia Isabel, Buena Vista center reported that they had been mistreated by criminals who stoned her house, now she is calmer and they are teaching sewing classes.

Chepita from Centro Cedro Galán comments that she has loved the class and how she will always support her community in this way. Unfortunately due to the situation of the country there will be no promotion this year until the next.

Mirna explains to them once again that the W/N Organization is apolitical and does not distinguish itself from religion, race or political party and that in this way it is possible to work in harmony and for the most needy. Recommend tolerance and be more generous.



Leonor awarded several items to the winners among the participants and also congratulated the eight centers that had up-to-date statistics since this information was needed to send to Wisconsin and thanks to the fact that they sent the information in time it could be achieved.

Mirna delivered packages with hospital clothes so that they can be used for lining bags or can make garments in their centers.



The packages delivered with hospital clothes will be used to make other garments and in that way be useful in each locality to give the sewing classes.



The participation to the meetings is already normalizing, the leaders are very happy to share and learn from their partners.

After sharing the snack, the meeting was adjourned. They are invited to participate in the next meeting that will take place on August 25, always at the office premises.