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Mission Ranch Child Of The Month

- ✦ Paulina is the apple of my eye. This is the child that I sponsor personally.
- ✦ I stumbled upon Paulina several years ago while walking through Souterre.
- ✦ She was strong yet vulnerable to the hash life of Citi Soleil. With her parents gone she was being taken care of by her blind grand father
- ✦ The ingredients to her recovery were love, fresh water and food and heaping doses of more love.
- ✦ Little Paulina has grown up into a tough but loving child. Paulina is remarkably physically strong for her size. She is nothing to mess with and has pounded more than one mouthy young man.
- ✦ She responds quickly to love and attention and is willing to please.
- ✦ She is my little girl.

Still Above Water by Mark Dreibelbis

Greetings from Mission Ranch.

We press forward enjoying small victories along the way. Mission Ranch is still doing well yet we vision for so much more for Citi Soleil. Our Mission Ranch Medical Clinic continues to be a windfall of blessing for this immense slum.

Haitian's come from other towns and cities to receive the blessing of free medical care. Our partner, Haiti Clinic based in Vero Beach Florida, has done a masterful job in running and maintain this robust clinic. As you recall, Haiti Clinic maintains an annual budget of \$9,000.00 per month to staff, run and provide medicine for this ongoing venture. Their contribution to Mission Ranch and Citi Soleil is beyond measure.

Currently the Mission Ranch Medical Clinic serves between 200-320 Haitians per week. These are good numbers for a small ghetto clinic.



Art Work from Haiti- Up and running

Dr Larry Kaplan has created an incredible original Haitian Art Work import enterprise with the skilled artist located in Citi soleil.

Recently, with the help of his two sons, Dr Kaplan has created a web site named Creativehaiti.com. This website is designated for the display, promotion and online sales of these custom made crafts. The crafts are made in locally by skilled artists



who base their fledgling studios in little sweltering shacks. Through out the day a constant banging sound permeates the air as they press forward to fulfill the orders sent down by Creativehaiti.com.

The creation of the web site will streamline accessibility to view new art coming from Haiti and allow the public to place online orders that are transferred to Mission Ranch and then messenger directly to the artists.

This remarkable new pipe line of original art is a Godsend to Citi Soleil
For a tour and presentation of the Creative Haiti collection please go to:

CreativeHaiti.com



Cite Soleil Opportunity Council (CSOC) is a nonprofit organization (501(c)(3) application pending) founded by Dr. Larry Kaplan in September, 2010 as an outgrowth of his volunteer medical services in Cite Soleil after the earthquake. While working at , he identified a number of Haitian artists creating traditional, hand-crafted tin art without benefit of a market for their remarkable artwork. Consequently, Dr. Kaplan realized that sales of the art could in turn produce income for the artists, giving them a sense of pride and purpose, and fund healthcare and other services desperately needed in the **Cite Soleil community**.

Returning to the United States, Dr. Kaplan formed a joint venture with Wellesley (MA) High School's Global Marketing Class to acquire and sell the tin art for the benefit of Cite Soleil residents. All proceeds from the sales go to 501(c)(3) public charities such as Haiti Clinic and **Famine Relief Foundation** working within the Cite Soleil Community. With minimal overhead and administrative costs, CSOC pays the artists more than other American groups, and distributes over 95% of all sales profits back to Cite Soleil. In the future, CSOC plans to provide cash grants to Haitian artists to develop additional employment opportunities in Cite Soleil.

Creative Haiti is a joint venture between **Cite Soleil Opportunity Council and Wellesley (MA) High School's Global Marketing Class**. The purpose of our organization is to purchase and sell traditional, handcrafted tin art produced by **Haitian artists in Cite Soleil, Port au Prince, Haiti**. With minimal overhead and administrative costs, Creative Haiti distributes over 95% of all sales profits to 501(c)(3) public charities such as **Haiti Clinic and Famine Relief Foundation** working within the Cite Soleil community.



UN Patrols

The security conditions in Cite Soleil have deteriorated for the last several months. Prior to the election the slum was largely ignored. No one wanted to invest time or money into something that would not reap a reward. The presidential hopefuls flooded guns and ammo into the slum to use the gangs as hired diversion and distractions to attack the other candidates campaigns. This resulted in a tremendous turf war as the gangs jockeyed for position and power in our community. Currently there are parts of the slum that we can no even longer enter. This is saddening because we have relationships all over Citi Soleil and now there are people that we visited frequently that we can not reach at this time.



Welcome back the UN Soldiers.

Although there are parts that we can no longer visit, the UN MINUSTAH has increased the patrols around Mission Ranch. Security for us has increased about 30% making Mission Ranch an unlikely place for gang members to start problems during the day. Night time is different and gangs pass by frequently.

Rest In Peace Mother

Nancy Elizabeth Jordan

October 19, 1932 – May 30, 2011

Nancy Jordan, 78 of State College, passed away May 30, 2011 of cancer at Brookline Manor. Nancy was born in Lakewood, Ohio. She is survived by her sister, Mary Jane Harris of Boston, 3 children; Mark Dreibelbis, Joan Mallet, and step son Mark Jordan, his 5 children and 8 grand children. She worked for Penn State University for 25 years before creating Jordan Associates Readership Newspaper Program and campus delivery service for USA Today, Philadelphia Inquirer & the New York Times. Visitation and Memorial service will be June 10th at Koch's funeral home from 6-8:30. Nancy delighted in sponsoring 2 children at Mission Ranch Orphanage in Haiti. We would like to continue to support these two children in her legacy. Memorial contributions can be made to Famine Relief Foundation P.O. BOX 3017 Gaithersburg, MD 20885



The LORD is my shepherd,
I shall not want.
He makes me lie down in green pastures;
He leads me beside quiet waters.
He restores my soul;
He guides me in the paths of righteousness

For His name's sake.

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I fear no evil, for You are with me;
Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.

My cup overflows.
Surely goodness and loving kindness will follow me all the days
of my life,

I will not
leave you as
orphans; I will
come to you.

John 14:18

The Adoption of Daniela

It has always been our quest to have our children adopted into US families. What a blessing it would be to take a child from the harsh life of Citi Soleil and introduce them to the abundant blessings that the US has to offer. What a blessing it would be to introduce a child to a new family of their own, a place where they could be directed and supervised loved and nurtured.

Every once in a while one man goes against all odds to rescue a child. Jim Suttles is that man. Jim stumbled across Daniela in Citi Soleil and it then it became a divine mission to get this child into his family.

Mr. Suttles has made tremendous progress in the adoption process for Daniela. At this writing Jim is down in Haiti giving Daniela all the love and support that she **could ever hope for. What a way to spend father's Day !!**

We look forward to welcoming Daniela into the US as soon as the Lord permits. Jim has been faithful and tireless in the long drawn out process of bringing his little girl home. We have tremendous respect for you Jim and celebrate your soon coming victory.



Picture Of The Month

The war lords house used to stand here. The real Lord crushed it during the earth quake and we pounded the remaining walls down flat with hammers. This is where we will build our new church.

We have received a financial blessing from the Presbyterian Women's Club of Louisville KY to build this House Of God for the people of Citi Soleil.

Photo: We pray for safety success and prosperity for our new church.

We await the Lord's permission to begin construction.



Mission Ranch Picnic



Boat Rentals



Horse Shoes



Fishing

The Famine Relief Foundation is hosting a picnic at Black Hills State Park located in Boyds MD.

When: July 31, 2011

Where: Black Hills State Park

Time: 12:00pm to 5:00pm.

Location: 20920 Lake Ridge Dr. Boyds, MD just off 270

Food: Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, and Soft Drinks

This is a fund raiser for Famine Relief to support Mission Ranch and help us cover food costs for our staff and children at the orphanage as well as payroll for our care givers and security.

The park is very large featuring a pavilion, lake, hiking trails, boat rentals, Pontoon Tour rides, fishing, horse shoes and volley ball.



Bring The Entire Family

Our picnic is very much family oriented. We anticipate 100-200 in attendance and weather permitting, this should be a wonderful time with family and friends in a beautiful setting all to support a worthy cause in lifting the children and staff at Mission Ranch Orphanage.



For more information, go to our web site at: Faminerelleffoundation.com

There is a suggested donation of \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children.

