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SECRETARY/TREASURER'S REPORT Joan M. Larimore (San Francisco del Valle, 1986-88)
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The bank account for Amigos de Honduras stands at a comfortable **\$2257.01**. A large number of people will be dropped from our Roster after this Newsletter. I have emailed and sent two letters regarding dues to these members. Those who have not responded will be dropped. The problem no longer rests with NPCA as they are sending monthly reports to both Loren and myself. A **reminder:** your due date always appears on your mailing label and for those of who receive your Newsletter electronically, **Brant Miller posts your due date**. Please keep Amigos updated when you change your email or move to a new address. Remember that basic membership for National Peace Corps Association is free and Amigos de Honduras **annual dues are only \$15**.



2017 DONORS TO THE GRANT FUND

Many thanks to those of you who have donated to the Amigos de Honduras Grant Fund. Your Grants Committee (Loren Hintz, Judith Whitney-Terry, Suzanne Mills and myself) continue to look at potential grants. Jorge Betancourt finally received his Grant Fund for the project he submitted after some serious back and forth messages from Western Union. Your Secretary/Treasurer began to feel like Nancy Drew, Girl Detective! **Keep donating to the Grant Fund.** We are doing a great job of funding worthwhile projects. It is very apparent from the articles we receive about the progress of the grants that our amigos in Honduras take charge and use those funds wisely. Continue to email your grant requests to Joan at amigosdehondurasjml@gmail.com

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Amigos has been producing 4 issues a year. This one is running late because I just started a long term sub job at the high school where I retired from working 4 years ago.

Check out the news about the July 2018 Reunion. We still need volunteers to manage our web presence on the NPCA site. Please contact me if interested. Check out the NPCA website. Semana Civica will be celebrated again in Olanchito, Yoro in September.

Feliz Dia de Independencia (9/15/1821). Nov. 26 Honduras will hold national elections. The current president Juan Orlando Hernández (National Party) is running for reelection. (In 2009 there was a coup against Mel Zelaya of the Liberal Party. One of the rationales for the coup is that he wanted to change the constitution to allow reelection of presidents. The current Supreme Court ruled that reelections were now allowed!) Other candidates are Luis Zelaya of the Liberal Party and an Opposition Coalition of PAC, LIBRE and PINU with Salvador Nasralla as the candidate. See for more info:

<http://theglobalamericans.org/2017/07/honduras-divided-opposition-will-likely-struggle-years-elections/>

PORTLAND, OREGON RPCV HONDURAS REUNION JULY 6-8, 2018 Phyllis Bloch Shelton (San Juan Pueblo, 1986-88)

A date has been chosen for the next big RPCV Honduras Reunion. It will be held in Portland, Oregon July 6-8, 2018. Phyllis has volunteered to coordinate it. **Please save the date** and check out the Event Facebook Page for future details.

[https://www.facebook.com/search/top/?q=2018 Honduras RPCV Reunion](https://www.facebook.com/search/top/?q=2018HondurasRPCVReunion)

Note that smaller reunions including one in Puerto Rico are also in 2018. Folks arriving early can enjoy the famous July 4 Portland Blue Grass Festival. For more information and to volunteer to help please contact Phyllis at phyllisshelton@cs.com

The November issue of Amigos will have more information about the reunion and we will also send out an email blast as we get closer to the date. Also continue to search "2018 Honduras RPCV Reunion" on Facebook and Google. (We still need someone to volunteer as for Amigos de Honduras webmaster!)

THE INTER- AMERICAN FOUNDATION: A Smart, Cost-Effective Development Approach Carolina Cardona (Rio Lindo 85- 87, PTO 05-07)

The Inter-American Foundation (IAF), an independent U.S.

government agency, was created by Congress in 1969 to channel development assistance directly to the organized poor in Latin America and the Caribbean. The IAF has carried out its mandate by responding with grant support for the most creative ideas for self-help received from grassroots groups and nongovernmental organizations. It also encourages partnerships among community organizations, business and local government directed at improving the quality of life for poor people and strengthening democratic practices. The IAF is governed by a board of directors appointed by the president of the United States and confirmed by the U.S. Senate. A president, appointed by the board, serves as the Inter-American Foundation's chief executive officer, managing a group of employees based in Washington D.C.

Mission: According to Part IV, Section 401(b) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1969, the IAF's enabling statute, "it shall be the purpose of the Foundation, primarily in cooperation with private regional and international organizations, to: Strengthen the bonds of friendship and understanding among the peoples of this hemisphere; Support self-help efforts designed to enlarge the opportunities for individual development; Stimulate and assist effective and ever wider participation of the people in the development process; Encourage the establishment and growth of democratic institutions, private and governmental, appropriate to the requirements of the individual sovereign nations of this hemisphere."

Results: Once considered experimental, the IAF's approach is increasingly recommended as the

most effective way to improve the quality of life in marginalized communities. Since 1972, the IAF has awarded about 5,100 grants valued at more than \$720 million. Grantees promote more profitable agriculture, micro businesses and community enterprises; they provide the skills training vital to well-paid employment; they offer access to water, basic utilities and adequate housing, allowing people to channel their energy into productive work.

In awarding its development grants, the IAF works to assure the participation of indigenous peoples, African descendants, persons with disabilities, and other marginalized groups, and encourages their inclusion in political and social processes. By supporting the best ideas emerging from the region, its program has strengthened a vast structure of community groups and nongovernmental organizations that has become a highly effective and transparent channel for productive foreign assistance. Together, the IAF and its partners have benefited hundreds of thousands of families in communities throughout the hemisphere. The IAF delivers development assistance in a smart and highly cost-effective manner. The IAF model maximizes the value of allocated funds, leverages resources, creates private-sector partnerships and results in sustainable solutions.

Value and Leverage: The IAF selectively funds approximately 15 percent of the proposals it receives and 100 percent of its development grant budget goes directly to civil society groups. The IAF requires all of its grantees to invest counterpart resources. This multiplies the effect of IAF funding and maximizes program returns. In 2015, grantee commitments of \$19.3 million in cash or in kind more than matched

the IAF's investment of \$15.7 million. Investing their own resources gives grantees a stake in the outcome of their projects, making them more likely to succeed and continue after IAF funding ends.

Honduras Overview:

Active grantees: 25

IAF commitment: \$5,931,921

Counterpart: \$5,057,213

Total investment: \$10,989,134

Areas of emphasis:

Agriculture/food production, corporate social investment, economic development/income generation, education/training, enterprise development, the environment, gender, rural development, tourism, and youth.

Centro de Educación Vocacional

Grupo Juvenil Dion (GJD) will improve training and employment opportunities for 400 at-risk youths from Tegucigalpa and also improve the standard of living of their parents as it works toward becoming a premier center for vocational education, job placement and enterprise development.

Asociación de Productores de Hortalizas y Frutales de Intibucá (APRHOFI)

will introduce farmers to modern techniques that increase fruit and vegetable production. It will also improve its storage and processing center and will expand its marketing program.

Cooperativa Femenina de Producción Agropecuaria Alianza Limitada (COFEPROAL)

will open and operate a multipurpose outlet in La Esperanza, the capital of the department of Intibucá, which will sell weaving supplies and other merchandise and will market indigenous crafts on a wholesale basis.

Organización para el Empoderamiento de la Juventud (OYE Adelante Jóvenes)

will develop its programs in the arts, its magazine and its radio broadcasts through equipment purchases, training and internships directed at young Hondurans at risk. It will work to make these activities self-sufficient so that they continue to benefit vulnerable young Hondurans and the community of El Progreso.

Grupo Güinopeño Ambientalista (Grupo Guia)

will provide training and related technical assistance in communities in the municipalities of Yaupe and Maraita in southern Honduras to help farmers and their families apply conservation practices, manage their water supply, plant gardens and raise small livestock for sale and household use. The work toward improving the food supply, income and the general quality of life is expected to benefit 190 Hondurans directly and another 1,300 indirectly.

Asociación de Desarrollo Pespirese (ADEPES)

will offer support to 200 rural youths who are undertaking 16 development projects and launching 16 microenterprises in the municipality of Pespire, which is located in a sparsely populated and drought-stricken region of southern Honduras where living conditions are harsh. This grantee's work is especially relevant today because it is addressing a demographic group that has been traditionally excluded from economic life and is prone to migrate. The project will benefit another 1,200 Hondurans indirectly.

Junta Administradora de Agua y Saneamiento de las Aldeas de Guayabito, Confradía, Destino, Naranjal y Jicaro Gordo (GUAYABITO)

will repair, update

and expand the local water system, develop a nursery supplying trees for continued reforestation of the watersheds and offer training in water management and sanitation to residents serving on water boards in the villages of Guayabito, Confradía, Destino, Naranjal and Jicaro Gordo. The work will benefit 1,500 Hondurans directly and another 7,500 indirectly.

Comisión de Acción Social Menonita (CASM)

will work with farmers in 15 communities in the municipality of Choloma, department of Cortes, to improve their production, processing and marketing of cacao. Toward that goal it will encourage the application of "agroecological" practices that are environmentally responsible, including safeguarding the vital local watershed. The project will benefit 450 Hondurans directly and another 2,700 indirectly.

Asociación de Consejeros para una Agricultura Sostenible, Ecológica y Humana (COSECHA)

will work in 18 communities in the municipalities of Alubarén, Cuarén and Reitoca in the southern region of the department of Francisco Morazán to encourage the use of environmentally responsible farming methods and to improve practices of water management. Forty residents will be trained as volunteer extension agents who will offer the necessary training and technical assistance. The work will benefit 350 Hondurans directly and another 1,740 indirectly.

Asociación de Desarrollo Triunfeña (ADETRIUNF)

will offer training and financial support toward the development of microenterprises by 150 young people in 10 communities in and around the municipality of El Triunfo, department of Choluteca.

Another 3,000 Hondurans will benefit indirectly.

Fundación Hondureña de Ambiente y Desarrollo Vida (FV) will work to increase the income of farmers in the drought belt of southern Honduras by encouraging the application of “agroecological” practices that include no-tillage farming and the use of wind breaks, live fences, green mulching and biological control of pests, all of which tend to protect or improve the environment. The project will directly benefit 4,390 Hondurans, including many female heads-of-household, in the municipalities of Aguanqueterique and Lauterique, departments of La Paz, and the municipalities of Aramecina and Caridad, department of Valle. It will indirectly impact at least another 10,000 residents.

Vecinos Honduras (VH) will enable coffee farmers in seven communities in the Azabache zone of the municipality of Danlí, department of El Paraíso, to reduce their dependency on a single crop, introduce the cultivation of fruits and vegetables and apply “agroecological” practices that protect their soil and water supply. Training will also help them manage their rural savings and loan associations more effectively. The work will benefit 1,060 farmers and members of their families directly and another 1,092 Hondurans indirectly.

Organización para el Desarrollo de Corquín (ODECO-Corquín) will involve 200 families and one elementary school in its effort to improve food security, including by composting organic waste and introducing children to responsible farming methods, and to develop community councils in urban areas of the municipalities of Corquín and

San Pedro de Copán. The work will benefit 1,000 Hondurans directly and 2,000 indirectly.

Asociación de Mujeres Intibucanas Renovadas (AMIR) comprised of indigenous women from rural areas of the municipalities of Intibucá and San Francisco de Opalaca, will train its members in farming methods compatible with the responsible use of the environment and in effective approaches to marketing the fruit and jam that they process and will improve its storage facilities. The result should be a more reliable food supply, better use of natural resources and improved household income. Some 300 Hondurans will benefit directly and another 3,000 indirectly.

Cooperativa Agrícola Esfuerzo Occidental Limitada (CAEOL) will work in 10 municipalities in two departments in western Honduras to help its member farmers adopt practices compatible with the responsible use of the environment, increase production and generate more income. As an organization, CAEOL will develop its administrative skills, expand its membership, find new markets and provide technical training.

Fundación Comunitaria Puca (PUCA), comprising 28 communities in the department of Lempira, will develop its members’ ability to manage the natural resources of the Refugio de Vida Silvestres Montaña de Puca in collaboration with local water and forestry boards and a volunteer corps of forest rangers. The participants will undertake advocacy on behalf of the reserve, install technologies compatible with its ecosystems, apply sanitation techniques to protect watersheds, and develop further as organizations. The work

will benefit 1,500 Hondurans directly and another 2,000 indirectly.

Cangrejal Tours, S. De R. L. (Cangrejal Tours) will develop its organizational capacity to protect environmental resources through ecotourism by raising civic awareness amongst tourists and communities about environmental issues such as the importance to not pollute local habitats. It will improve services and marketing directed at tourists, resulting in better incomes for local youths. Approximately 195 youths will benefit from project activities directly and another 1,020 residents of Las Mangas and its surrounding communities in the department of Atlántida will benefit indirectly.

Federación de Juntas Administradoras de Agua y Saneamiento de Morazán Yoro in Honduras (FEJASMY) will work to assure the sufficiency and quality of the water supply in 12 communities of Morazán, Yoro, by training their water management boards in effective management and maintenance; furthering efficient use; repairing, updating and expanding infrastructure; and developing as an organization capable of prioritizing needs, identifying sources of funds, advocating effectively on behalf of constituents and undertaking new projects. The more reliable flow of potable water should benefit 8,000 Hondurans directly and another 8,000 in nearby communities indirectly.

Cooperativa de Servicios Agropecuarios 25 de Julio in Honduras (25 de Julio), located in the municipality of Victoria, Yoro, will help its members improve their income by developing the cooperative’s administrative skills, conducting training, offering credit in partnership with a community savings-and loan-association,

increasing coffee production, pooling harvests to sell in volume and reaching new markets. The work will benefit 105 Hondurans directly and another 550 indirectly.

The Unión de Cajas Rurales del Occidente de Honduras (UCROH), an umbrella organization of rural credit unions (cajas rurales), will provide loans and training in effective management to ensure the long-term sustainability of these cooperatives. It will also increase its membership in four municipalities in the department of Intibucá. Approximately 300 people will benefit directly and another 900 indirectly.

Centro para el Desarrollo y la Cooperación LGBTI (SOMOS CDC) will provide training and access to loans, organize exchanges, and work to advance LGBTI rights in Honduras. Some 200 individuals from Tegucigalpa and Comayagüela will benefit directly and 300 indirectly.

Fundación Chorotega (FUNDACHOR) will build the capacity of five groups of predominately female shrimp producers to increase their incomes by offering training, technical assistance, materials, and exchanges, and assessing the creation of a shrimp producers' association. The grant will benefit 140 producers directly and another 500 individuals indirectly in Namasigue, in the department of Choluteca.

Centro Integral Misión de Amor (CIMA) will work to improve the quality of life and integration of youth with disabilities by improving their technical skills, raising public awareness through a campaign about the rights of people with disabilities, and providing sign language training. The project will benefit 90 people and 260 indirectly in at least four

municipalities, La Esperanza, Intibucá, Jesus de Otoro, and Yamaranguila, in the department of Intibucá, Honduras.

Asociación Solidaridad (SOLIDARIDAD)

will promote the expansion of agroecology farming systems with families in 12 communities of Opatoro municipality in the department of La Paz using a *Finca Humana* (Human Farm) approach. SOLIDARIDAD will provide training and technical assistance to diversify and improve agricultural production toward food security and establish solidarity groups and a solidarity council to improve mutual assistance, shared learning and decision-making. The project will directly benefit 270 people and 600 indirectly.

The Centro de Desarrollo Humano (CDH) will strengthen and expand networks of youth organizations for active civic participation and leadership in the prevention of social violence and promotion of the fundamental rights of youth. Grant activities include training young people on leadership and organizational development, and monitoring and promotion of public policy. CDH will also establish local youth-managed centers providing recreational, artistic and economic opportunities. The project will be carried out in six municipalities in southern Honduras and in Tegucigalpa, directly benefiting 1,200 young people and over 5,000 indirectly.

Centro de Enseñanza Aprendizaje de Agricultura Sostenible El Socorro (CEASO) will empower families in approximately 12 communities located in and near the buffer zone of the Montecillos Biological Reserve. The project will establish a more reliable food supply through

training in agroforestry and agroecological production using the *Finca Humana* (Human Farm) approach. CEASO will also help to restore natural ecosystems through the establishment of community and individual tree nurseries, benefitting 1,100 people directly and another 9,000 indirectly. **To learn more about the IAF go to: www.iaf.gov**



Carolina

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DEATH OF A FRIEND

John and Deb Kotula (Sonaguera, 2005-7) Editor note: Ten years later they did a second PC stint in Nicaragua.

John's words: Sunday, October 11, 2015. Deb and I went to the movies last night. We saw, a violent, very well made, deeply cynical movie about the war on drugs along the US-Mexican border. Coming home in the taxi, I thought about how safe I feel in Nicaragua. We got home, checked our email and Facebook, and real life violence invaded our lives. We learned that Melvin Alvarenga had been murdered in Tocoa, Honduras.

“Matan a miembro de la Cruz Roja en Tocoa, Colón: Un miembro de la Cruz Roja fue asesinado este sábado en **Tocoa, Colón, norte de Honduras.** La víctima fue identificada como Melvin Orellana Alvarenga. De momento se desconoce el móvil del crimen.” Condolences were posted on his and his sister’s Facebook pages. (Death in the age of social media.) This is the second son in the Alvarenga family that has died. Melvin’s younger brother William was killed in a motorcycle accident in 2008 or 2009. There is one surviving son and three surviving daughters.



Today would have been Melvin’s birthday. I first met Melvin early on in our Peace Corps service in Sonaguera, Honduras, sometime in 2005, when he was a teenager. Just recently Deb reminded me that we got to know Melvin because we ran into him and his father, Chema, at the Health Center. The Alvarengas are furniture makers and carpenters and Chema had cut himself badly on a saw in their workshop. He was at the Health Center to check on his stitches. This meeting led to a long friendship and work relationship that lasted far beyond our Peace Corps service in Honduras.

The Alvarenga family is very involved in community service, particularly through the Catholic

Church and the Red Cross. Melvin and his younger brother William were part of a youth group at Cruz Roja. Deb and I were invited to train the group in HIV/AIDS awareness and prevention. For the next two years, this group of young people, especially Melvin and William, were involved in much of the HIV/AIDS education that I did in Sonaguera and other locations in Honduras. We visited the family often and Melvin and William stopped by our apartment frequently. (The memory just came to me of the brothers leaving our house after a visit. Melvin started pedaling the bike with William running beside him. Then William jumped onto the crossbar and took over the steering while Melvin continued to pedal, his hands resting on his brother’s shoulders. Now they are both gone.)

After our Peace Corps service, before the military coup that deposed the president and destabilized the country, before Honduras descended into drug and political violence to become the most dangerous country in the world, Deb and I went back to visit three or four times. On one of these trips we visited William’s grave with the family. Another time we took a small group of high school students from The Met School on a two-week learn/serve trip. I arranged for Melvin and another young Honduran man to travel with this group.

Not long after we got back to the States from Honduras in 2007, I was talking to Joe Matoney, the accountant who has done my taxes for years. I told him that Deb and I were sponsoring a young Honduran man to go to medical school. It was costing us **\$2,000 a year for tuition, room and board, books, and the whole deal.** Joe said he’d be interested in doing something like

that if we knew the right kid. I immediately thought of Melvin. However, when I talked to him, he said to give it to William. He explained that he had an obligation to work on a collective farm representing his family’s share in the undertaking. Besides, he said, William was smarter. (William always understood my Spanish. No matter how garbled it came out, he knew what I was trying to say and could interpret for me with other people, including his brother.) Joe gave William a private scholarship, funneled through the Catholic Church in Sonaguera, to study engineering. When William died, Melvin took over the scholarship and spent the next four years getting a business degree. He finished his studies in the spring.

For a long time I have wondered if it was the scholarship that put William on that motorcycle in the path of a truck. Without that extra financial help would he still have been getting around on his bicycle? Now I’ll wonder if it was the scholarship that put Melvin in Tocoa, which is where he went to college. Without that extra financial help would he still have been working on the farm in Sonaguera? I’ll never know and besides nothing could make these events more heartbreaking than they already are.

I’ll also probably never know if Melvin’s death had anything to do with the general level of violence and despair in Honduras. For five or six years, I thought of Honduras as a second home, but now it is lost to me. I want to go back. I want to tell Chema, his wife, and the other kids how deeply sorry I am and how much I loved Melvin and William. I want to go to the graves with them. **Maybe I will one day, but for now I’m too afraid.**

Debby's words: John just read to me what he has written about Melvin and we cried together sharing our sadness. 22 hours before we received the news of Melvin's death, I received a message from him on Facebook, "Holaaa! Como estan?" When I saw it I thought, I will respond to him tomorrow. How typical and sweet of Melvin to communicate and check in with us. How sorry I am that I did not know it was my last chance to communicate with him.

John has captured many memories of both William and Melvin. There is only sweetness in my memories of both of them. What kind of teenage boys come to visit 60-year-old gringos and hang out for an hour or so? They must have done that a couple of times a month. We fed them and their family and they fed us. Once I made chocolate chip cookies with their sister and mother and Chema made us a couch. They were all an important part of our life and community in Sonaguera.

Melvin had some facial acne and he had heard that there were great medicines in the USA for acne. During one of our post Peace Corps visits, he asked me if I could bring him some acne medicine. I consulted with John's stepdaughter Lisa Davey Ahava who is a PA specializing in dermatology and under her guidance I twice brought Melvin a supply of over the counter cleansers and creams. He was so happy and told me they were, "Super!" Although I could see it did clear up his face, to me he was always a handsome young man.

My daughter Emily recently wrote to me that a pregnant friend of hers with a 2 year old has been diagnosed with breast cancer. I have been struggling to make sense of this news and now the realization that the

Alvarenga family has lost another son is making the world feel like a very cruel place. Melvin was a good brother, a loyal son, a dedicated community member and a great friend. **I will miss him and will puzzle for a long time about why he had to leave us so early.**

NEWS OF HONDURAS

Robert Gallardo writes about the fundraising challenge to translate and publish a Spanish edition of the **Field Guide to the Birds of Honduras**. Contributions up to \$2500 will be matched by a former Honduras PCV, "I know for a fact that more than 5,000 people had served in Peace Corps in Honduras since its inception. If only 1/4 of them would send a check for just \$5 toward the book project we would have it made. If you served in Honduras and still care about its kids, the environment, and/or its birds, please help by chipping in a bit toward this book translation project. Be sure to note on the check that it is for the Spanish edition of the Guide to the Birds of Honduras. You can send a tax-free donation to the following address: **Missouri Conservation Heritage Foundation PO Box 366 Jefferson City, MO 65102**

A Raleigh, NC woman was arrested last month in Roatan and held in jail when her "safe can" of Arizona Iced Tea had a white substance in the lining the authorities believed was cocaine. On Friday the substance tested negative for narcotics and she was released from jail. "I just want to see her get off the plane and know she's back here in Raleigh," said LaRoque's mother, Barbara Levy. She describes the ordeal as a horror story. "I still can't relax. I am still worried," Levy said. LaRoque said

she is thankful to those that helped her through her time in Honduras. "

Early the morning of August 10th, the Honduran Military Police, along with members of the COBRAS anti-riot squad and US-funded TIGRES (Intelligence and Special Security Response Force) squad, raided the two roadblock camps in Pajuiles maintained by communities organized under the banner of the **Movimiento Amplio por la Dignidad y la Justicia** known by their Spanish acronym MADJ, who are resisting the construction of a hydroelectric dam, being built with neither the proper consultation of--nor consent by--the affected communities.

On August 15th, Honduran police and military arrived in Pajuiles **for the fourth time in ten days** to evict community members holding camp at the roadblock to prevent the passage of machinery to HIDROCEP's Los Planes hydroelectric dam. **Albertina López**, leader and spokeswoman with the Movimiento Amplio (MADJ) **was arrested and is currently being detained** at a local precinct. **Concerns surrounding her safety in police custody are heightened given that Albertina is pregnant.** MADJ's [Facebook page](#) will also be posting live developments.

Las reservas golpeadas por la palma

El Parque Nacional Jeannette Kawas, Parque Nacional Punta Izopo, Refugio de Vida Silvestre Cuero y Salado (Atlántida) y la cordillera Mico Quemado (Yoro) son las reservas naturales de Honduras más golpeadas por el cultivo de la palma aceitera en el zona Norte de Honduras.



INFOGRAFÍA: LA PRENSA

Map of Honduran Parks planted in African Palm Oil Plantations.

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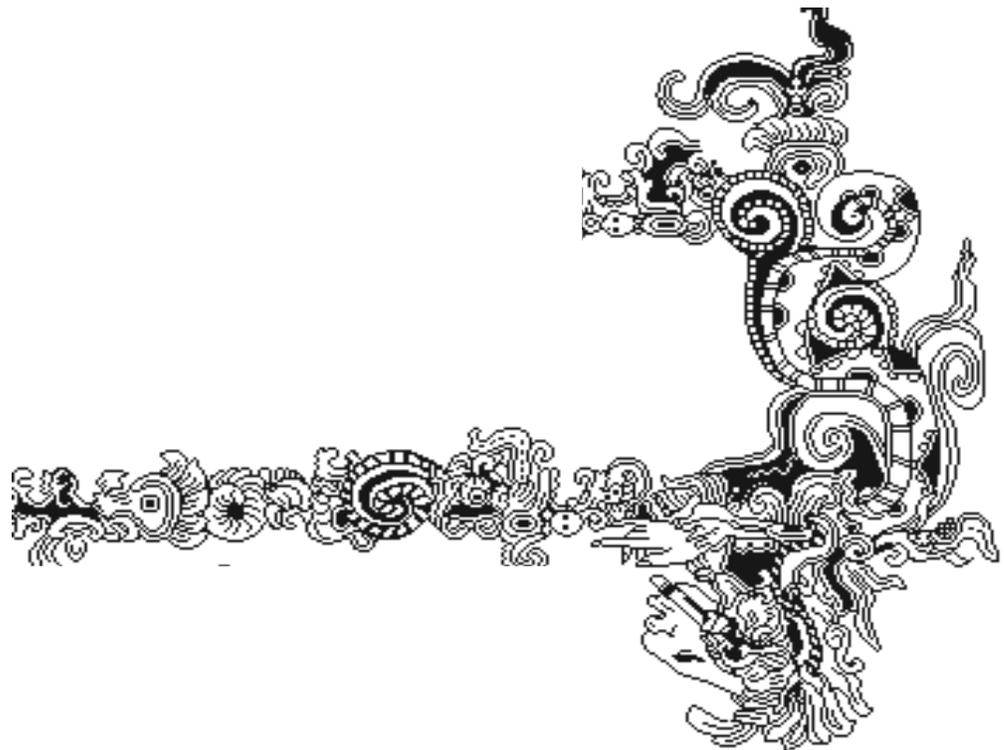
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