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## March 2012 Service Trip to Nicaragua

### **Reminders!**

Please make sure that you have submitted the Yale indemnity form for each participant (enclosed) to Joao or he will be required to use his valuable time to track these down!!

### **Flights**

We also want to encourage you to send us your flight information so we can know when to expect you and meet you upon arrival. We will send emergency phone numbers in a future Newsletter so you can call one of us if your flight is delayed or changed.



Connie



Joao

### **Photos**

One more request is to get a current photo of you for the Face Book. This trip will create bonds between many people but we are a large group and the Face Book with a photo is a great way to help remember each other and keep in touch. If you have been on a previous YASC trip we have your picture already – it is just the new people we need!

All forms, pictures and information can be faxed, mailed or emailed to:

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### **Acknowledgements**

We would also like to acknowledge and thank various individuals and groups here in the US who have donated invaluable products or special services to date for our trip:

**Remedy** - who has donated medical supplies for our clinical work. It is a non-profit started by William Rosenblatt MD, Professor of Anesthesiology at Yale University School of Medicine, that provides international medical relief while reducing solid medical waste from US hospitals. Check out their web page below!  
[http://www.remedyinc.org/Content/Who\\_We\\_Are.asp](http://www.remedyinc.org/Content/Who_We_Are.asp)

**MAP** – who organizes and supplies medical supplies at reduced rates for volunteer efforts around the world. They are wonderful support for organizations like ours trying to make a difference in the world.  
<http://www.map.org>

**Selby Jacobs** - who has coordinated recent donations for scholarship and contributed enormously as leader of YASC.

**Crystal Astrachan** – who has organized the SuperBoleteria event to raise money for supplies and has organized a lunch get together for all the volunteers in the NYC area who will be coming to Nicaragua! Don't miss it- Feb 25<sup>th</sup> - more information to follow!

**Scholarships donators** - we have had some extraordinary donations for scholarships this year and as a result we have been able to assist 11 scholarship candidates to join us on our trip through these generous individuals.



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**Project donators** - we thank all of you who gave additional donations to supplement the materials for our projects – it is much appreciated!

Don't forget to bring along a couple books for the library – Spanish or English for elementary school age children.

Speaking of supplies, many of us will be bringing items with us that are needed for our projects since we cannot purchase these in Nicaragua. I have listed below a recent baggage and fee information schedule for international air carriers so you will know what to expect. Usually your bag has to be less than 50lb to qualify for the schedule below before there are overweight charges. You should check with your airline before your flight in case there have been changes.

Carrier	Checked 1st bag	Checked 2nd bag
<a href="#">AeroMexico</a>	No fee	\$15
<a href="#">Air Canada</a>	No fee	\$30–\$50
<a href="#">Air France</a>	No fee	\$0–\$55
<a href="#">Alaska Airlines</a>	\$20	\$20
<a href="#">American Airlines</a>	\$0–\$25	\$30–\$50
<a href="#">British Airways</a>	No fee	\$50–\$60
<a href="#">Continental Airlines</a>	No fee	\$0–\$50
<a href="#">Delta</a>	No fee	\$0–\$50
<a href="#">Frontier</a>	No fee	No fee
<a href="#">JetBlue Airways</a>	No fee	\$30
<a href="#">Lufthansa</a>	No fee	No fee
<a href="#">United Airlines</a>	No fee	\$30–\$50
<a href="#">US Airways</a>	No fee	\$55

Fees are per flight unless otherwise noted. Thank you and let us know if you need anything to make this a great experience!!

### Blog

Don't forget to check out our YASC blog!! The link is below:

<http://yalealumniservicecorps.blogspot.com/>



A central park in Matagalpa



The village of El Castillo

*Constance Spencer 82' March  
Nicaragua Producer*