

## Open House

On Saturday the 07 of March, 2009, the MCL organized an open house at the Bajo del Tigre Visitor's Center, a sector of the Children's Eternal Rainforest located in Monteverde, Puntarenas. The event focused on environmental education, as well as introducing the community to the Children's Rainforest. Approximately 300 visitors participated in the event, of which 60% were children. Many activities were planned for the day, such as interactive games, documentary presentations, coloring, and guided hikes.



## Semana Santa Operative



During the past Semana Santa (Holy Week) in view of the high visitation to rural and touristic areas around the Children's Eternal Rainforest, materials and pamphlets were prepared with ecological messages and handed out to travelers in San Carlos and San Ramón. The goal of the operative was to strengthen the knowledge about the protection of wildlife locally and globally, principally focusing on the illegal purchase or extraction of forest products from the reserves (mainly wildlife). This activity was organized alongside a more intense campaign which entailed the control of illegal activities concerning wildlife.

These activities were made possible through the cooperation of many individuals and institutions, especially MINAET (Manuel Alberto Brenes Reserve), the police force of San Ramón and San Carlos (Ministry of Security), ASOVIRENAS of San Ramón, and transit inspectors (MOPT-San Ramón).

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