



Iranda Primary students hard at work....Thanks to your help!

# Jambo Rafiki !!!

We hope you have enjoyed this incredibly hot summer!

While the weather has been sizzling here, projects in Kenya and Tanzania have been on our front burner and moving forward with great progress.

### <u>Lufumbo Primary School in Butere Kenya</u>

To date Joining Hearts and Hands has built latrines, a kitchen, three classrooms and a 40,000 liter water harvesting tank at Lufumbo Primary School. This summer we have undertaken our largest project to date at Lufumbo. Under construction is a structure that has two classrooms, a library, a teacher's workroom and offices for the Headmaster and Deputy Headmaster. A significant portion of the funding for this project has been provided by fundraising by Brooks Hill Elementary School in Fairport. Many thanks to Marty Cardona, all the teachers, parents and students who have participated in faculty basketball games, talent shows and camp outs for our kids in Africa!!



Lufumbo Classrooms, Library, Teachers' Workroom and Offices

## **Scholarships**

Our scholarship students are now in their final school semester of the year. We are very pleased with their scholastic performance. This November (the end of the school year) we will have a full graduating class of 24 students!! Below is the class of 2010. If you are a sponsor of one of these beautiful children....Thank you on their behalf for giving them hope and a future!

Joshua Odongo Ambongo Faith Keya Mukolwe Catherine Awinja Aswani Leah Andesa Induswe Pauline Awino Olango Selina Malala Omukulo Lydiah Ambetsa Abuko Jane Andika Ongoma Victor Akello Sewe George Odhiambo Otieno Caroline Asigo Atieno Lydiah Akoth Nyaiga Henry Omondi Oyola Wycliffe Ouma Odero Stephen Adhola Ochieng' JanetAkinyi Okang'o Tropister Eglay Adhiambo Susan Muyia Bonface Omusitia Likuyi Phoebe Majengo Inyangala Dominick Odhiambo Otieno Martha Nyakure Awino Everlyne Adeny Akinyi Mildred Nechesa

Scholarships save lives!!! For \$400 per year, a student in Kenya gets a quality education, room, board and security. Most of our scholarship students are orphans and without your help would have absolutely no chance of attending school.

Now is a great time to commit to a scholarship for an African child. To do so, e-mail us at wcala@rochester.rr.com or jcala@rochester.rr.com.



2010 Graduate Wycliffe Ouma Odero



2010 Graduate Janet Akinyi Okang'o



Bill and Joanne Cala with scholarship students

#### Construction Completed at Usambara Girls School in Tanzania

We are happy to report that the construction of the three-classroom Form III classroom block is now complete and ready to accept the Junior class of 130 girls in January of 2011.

We are seeking funding and donations to begin construction of the Form IV block to house the Senior class of 2012. Wouldn't this make a great goal for a fundraising project??

Please call or e-mail us with your ideas!!



Three-Classrooms just finished by Joining Hearts and Hands At Usambara Girls School in Kurogwe, Tanzania

## **Electrification Project at Kongasis**

Kongasis Primary school is located in Kacece, Kenya. Our past projects include building a modern school kitchen and starting a tailoring micro-business with widowed women from the school community. Our most recent project was to bring solar power to the school campus. What a difference electricity makes!! Next.....computers!



Solar Panels being installed at Kongasis

### **Next African Expeditions**

We will be leaving for Kenya and Tanzania in October. We will be sending you updates and reports from Africa to keep you abreast of our progress

In February there are tentative plans for the **RIT Women in Business** to travel with us to Kenya and work with our women's groups operating micro-business in Lufumbo, Kenya. The group is also raising funds to build a classroom at **Hannah's Hope**.

We are working on plans to bring the **University of Rochester Yellow Jackets** men's a cappella singing group to Africa in May. The U of R group would perform with Kenyan National Choir champions. Recordings will be made and CDs will be sold as a fundraiser for African children

# Many Thanks to Our Faithful Donors

Without you, none of what you see in this newsletter would be possible. Thanks to all of the individuals, small businesses, schools and organizations who have been so generous with their support. The past two years have been very difficult for organizations depending on donations to help the poor in developing countries. Ours is no exception. Imagine how the people of the third world and developing countries have suffered during this economic downturn. Your open hands and generous hearts are greatly appreciated.



Monroe Community College Resident Life student Daisy Luma-Haddison - a Resident Assistant for Alexander Hall tending the table for a JHH fundraiser at MCC

Thanks for all you do for the children of Africa!

Please keep us on your list of important charities. All of the money donated to Joining Hearts and Hands goes to the benefit of the children and communities in need in Africa. There are no salaries, benefits or payments whatsoever.

When you give to Joining Hearts and Hands, you are assured that all of your donation goes directly to those needing help in Africa.

Peace,

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