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The Newsletter of  
**Building Hope in Kids – Uganda**



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## Founder's Corner

Dear benefactors, sponsors, donors and friends of BHIKU and St. Patrick Primary School in Uganda,



Greetings from Uganda and St. Patrick Primary School.

A big THANK YOU to all those who sent me birthday cards, gifts and donations to BHIKU in my honor as I celebrated my 50th birthday. I had a great time and am sincerely grateful for the gifts and your prayers.

We closed our first term successfully and during the three week break of the students (May 4 to May 27) we started construction of dormitories because we anticipate an increase of students next academic year.

We are putting up both boys' and girls' dormitories at the same time. We shall do ground floor and two upper floors for each dormitory and there will be 3 large rooms for students on each floor with a capacity of about 50 double bunk beds per floor.

We opened second term on May 27th and the students were excited to be back. Most of them were very eager to return and when I asked parents about the excitement some responded "Our children tell us they eat very well at school and have electricity all the time." Improving children's nutrition was one of our goals and I am glad we are achieving it. We also have a batch of students receiving their first Holy Communion on June 30. This is another milestone as we groom our students to grow in their faith.

Most of the teachers were also excited to be back. We have about four of our teachers who study during holidays to upgrade their certificates but the rest joined their families during the three week break.

I am also happy to share with you that on July 28th we will have the official inauguration of our school. I will be also celebrating my 21 years as a Priest. I'm looking forward to the visit in July from the U.S. group who will be part of this celebration.

Please keep our school in your prayers and once again thank you for your generosity that has turned OUR DREAM INTO A REALITY.

I wish all of you choice blessings.

Sincerely,

*Fr. Julius*

Fr. Julius Turyatoranwa (PhD)  
Founder of BHIKU.

## Calendar Notes

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 10, 2019

7:30 am Monthly meeting of BHIK-U Board of Directors- St. Pat's office meeting room

### SATURDAY, JULY 13, 2019

6:35 pm Peoria Chiefs game fundraiser – see pg.3 for more information.

### MONDAY, JULY 22, 2019

4:00 pm Group of 8 departs from ORD for mission trip to Uganda

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 3, 2019

2:10 pm Group of 8 arrives at ORD and heads back to Central Illinois

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14, 2019

7:30 am Monthly meeting of BHIK-U Board of Directors- St. Pat's office meeting room

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# Your Donations At Work!



Work on the 2 dormitories began with foundation work at the beginning of May, 2019, while the students were home for their 3-week break after the first 13-week term. These photos show the progress after approximately 6 weeks.

Two construction crews are at work, on the boys' and the girls' dormitories. The photo above shows a wee bit of the view from the school campus - - what an absolutely beautiful country!



Closeup pictures of the maxpans onto which the cement (that will be both the top of the ground level & floor of the second level) is poured & smoothed. This is accomplished without any big cement mixers!!

To complete all 3 levels of both dorms will require that we raise an additional \$140,000. The goal is to have them built by December 2019, so they're finished and ready for the start of classes in February 2020.





**Have you bought your Chiefs game tickets yet?!**

Building Hope in Kids - Uganda presents



# PEORIA CHIEFS BASEBALL



**Saturday, July 13 – 6:35pm**

Great Lakes Loons vs Peoria Chiefs

**LET'S GO TO BAT FOR FATHER JULIUS!**



**ADVANCE TICKETS ARE \$15**

\$7 of each advance ticket will go to

St. Patrick Nursery & Primary Boarding School in Uganda.

IT'S *Margaritaville* NIGHT AT THE PARK:

An evening of Jimmy Buffett music, drinks, food, and beach clothes!

**Bucket Hat GIVEAWAY**

Free bucket hat to first 1,000 fans (age 13+)



★ **After-game festivities:**



**TENNIS BALL TOSS** onto field for prizes!

We will be selling the tennis balls at the gate & throughout the game.

The Chiefs will **donate 50%** of money earned from the tennis ball toss to

St. Patrick Boarding Primary School in Uganda.

Stay for the **FIREWORKS SHOW!**



**ORDER YOUR ADVANCE TICKETS TODAY!**



Make checks payable to:

Adolph Arnold

111 Regent Ct.

East Peoria, IL 61611

**Tickets must be purchased in advance through Adolph Arnold  
in order to get the donation for Fr. Julius.**

Any questions? Call 309-264-7221 or email: [adolph.arnold@comcast.net](mailto:adolph.arnold@comcast.net)



# ATTENTION: GOLFERS!

## 2<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL GOLF OUTING to Benefit Building Hope In Kids – Uganda

### SATURDAY, SEPT. 14

➔ **QUAIL MEADOWS GOLF COURSE** ➔

**4 PLAYER  
SCRAMBLE**

**PRIZES  
GALORE!**

**\$75/PLAYER**

Includes Greens fee, cart,  
& dinner at Quail Meadows  
Serving at 6:00 pm  
(catered by Avanti's)

**SHOTGUN  
START**

*Make check payable to:*  
**Adolph Arnold**  
**111 Regent Ct.**  
**East Peoria, 61611**

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264-7221**



You'll SCORE a big  
THUMBS-UP from this  
class at the **NEW**  
**Boarding School** we're  
building in Uganda!

## DEADLINE TO REGISTER: AUG. 30

# DONOR OPPORTUNITIES



## STUDENT SPONSORSHIPS

Tuition, Room & Board \$ 600 per child per year (or \$50/month)

## NAMING RIGHTS

### Classroom Block

Classrooms (23)  
Library (1)  
Staff Room (1)  
Artist's Mural on front (1)

### *St. Monica Hall*

\$ 3,000 plaque  
\$ 5,000 room naming rights  
\$ 3,000 plaque  
\$ 3,000 plaque

### Admin Offices

Director (1)  
Managers (3)  
Staff (4)

### *Ferguson Hall*

\$ 3,000 plaque  
\$ 1,500 plaque  
\$ 1,000 plaque

### Dining Hall

Guest Suite (1)  
Principal's Apt (1)  
Cook's Rooms (2)

### *Sikora Hall*

\$ 4,000 plaque  
\$ 3,000 plaque  
\$ 500 plaque

### Kitchen Complex

Cook's Rooms (2)

### *Marion & Merrill Gardner Hall*

\$ 500 plaque

### Playgrounds

Soccer Field  
Hand Game Playground  
Nursery School Playground

### *McTaggart Field*

\$ 3,000 naming rights  
\$ 3,000 naming rights

### Dormitory – Boys

Bedrooms (9)  
Teacher Housing (3)

### *Dan Meehan Hall*

\$ 1,500 plaque  
\$ 2,000 plaque

### Dormitory - Girls

Bedrooms (9)  
Teacher Housing (3)

### *\$25,000 building naming rights*

\$ 1,500 plaque  
\$ 2,000 plaque

### Teachers' House (Phase 3)

Individual Rooms (TBD)

### *\$25,000 building naming rights*

\$ 2,000 plaque

## "PARTNERS IN EXCELLENCE" (Donor Recognition Levels)

- Founder's Club \$100,000
- Cornerstone Member \$ 50,000
- Diamond \$ 25,000
- Platinum \$ 10,000
- Gold \$ 5,000
- Silver \$ 2,500
- Bronze \$ 1,000

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## From the President's Desk



As noted in the last newsletter, we met our \$200,000 Challenge Grant goal and then received the matching \$200,000 from the Meehan Family Foundation. Collectively, these funds have allowed us to complete Phase 1 construction and procure the many furnishings and materials needed for the initial start-up of the school. A portion of the funds is also being used, as specified by donors, to sponsor over 100 needy children. We have been incredibly blessed by the generosity of so many donors.

As Fr. Julius noted, dormitories are now under construction as Phase 2 of the school project. These dormitories will support increased enrollment for the 2020 school year due to the addition of a grade level (Primary 7) and more students in current grade levels. We will move boarding students out of their temporary quarters in the classroom building to free up classroom space and to provide for additional housing capacity. Each dormitory will also provide on-site accommodations for 3 teachers.

Total cost is nearly \$500,000 for this Phase 2 construction, of which \$140,000 must still be raised to complete this phase.

A number of "Donor Opportunities" have been identified to allow donors to be forever recognized for their contributions to the school's success. A listing of these Donor Opportunities is included on the previous page in this newsletter and on our website. An overview:

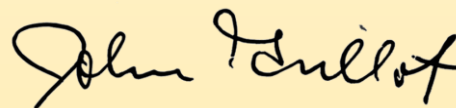
- **"Naming Rights"** applies to selected rooms, sites and buildings. In some cases, a building or site can be named. In other cases, a plaque will be placed commemorating a donor's contribution to a particular room within the school.

- **"Partners In Excellence"** will recognize a donor's overall financial contributions to the school project. A recognition board will be placed in a prominent area that identifies donors at several levels from \$1,000 to \$100,000.

We ask that you consider making a generous donation at this time to help us to complete the dormitories. We invite you to review the various Donor Opportunities and choose one (or more) of the items to help the school and also to forever memorialize your support for this project or to honor a loved one.

I will be visiting Uganda in late July along with seven other travelers on a Mission Trip. We will participate in the official School Dedication ceremonies, will visit with students, staff, and construction-related personnel, and will discuss key project-related topics with Fr. Julius and his board. We look forward to providing all of you first-hand reports and pictures of our trip.

As always, we ask for your continued prayers, encouragement and financial support. While much has been accomplished, even more remains to be done. Your generosity truly is making a difference in the world!



John Grillot

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**PLEASE NOTE: Building Hope in Kids – Uganda is a 501(c)(3) organization.**

**Our 2018 financial audit was prepared by Wolf, Tesar and Company, P.C. To request that audit information, please email Board President John Grillot (above) or [info@buildinghopeinkids.org](mailto:info@buildinghopeinkids.org).**