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Dear Friends of Africa,

Happy first days of summer! There has been a lot of activity both here in the states and in Africa for Joining Hearts and Hands over the last few months.

Hearts for Hannah

Once again, Linda Lawrence of Bella Bead Jewelry has opened her heart by creating beautiful heart pendants in honor of Hannah Congdon and the Fairport Angels. Proceeds will go towards Hannah's Hope. Here is the link to this great opportunity: http://www.bellabeadjewelrybylinda.blogspot.com/ Check out her beautiful work below!!



Sweetheart at Hannah's Hope



Hearts for Hannah by Linda Lawrence

Trip to Kenya!!



Have you had a burning desire to travel to Kenya to see the children and schools of Joining Hearts and Hands? Would you like to see the amazing animals Kenya has to offer AND support Joining Hearts and Hands at the same time? Well here is a great opportunity. Dave and Terry Paddock have put together another great expedition. The excursion will be November 1st through the 8th. For more information contact: Dave Paddock 585-261-5027 or dpaddock23@gmail.com

It's Scholarship Time!

Now is the time to think about sponsoring an orphan for high school for the 2012 school year. As we have often said, without your sponsorship, these children would never see the inside of a high school classroom. Your support through a scholarship literally saves the life of a child. Without an education, there is no hope. Education is opportunity in Kenya. Scholarships are \$400 per year for 4 years of high

school. This includes room and board. It's an amazing value. For more information, go to http://www.joiningheartsandhands.org/scholarships.php



Joining Hearts and Hands Scholarship Students from Butere Pose for us Last week!

Donate NOW!! It's Easy! 100% of Network For Good Donations go to Joining Hearts and Hands

Did you know that you can donate to Joining Hearts and Hands on-line? Go to this safe and secure link and click on Network for Good

http://www.joiningheartsandhands.org/donating.php

Amazing Book Drive

This spring we conducted a book drive to help stock the new library we built at Lufumbo Primary School in Butere, Kenya. Over 20,000 books were collected from the Fairport Elementary Schools, Shaker Road Elementary School in Albany and the Webster Thomas Key Club. The books were shipped to New York City by Ward's Science (Thank You so much!!). We are sharing a container with friends in Shoreham, Long Island (Thanks Kevin Mann!) It is very costly to ship a container to Africa. Any help is greatly appreciated. We expect to ship in September.

Building Project Update

Usambara Girls School

We are just completing our third three-classroom block at Usambara Girls School in Korogwe, Tanzania. This latest project will provide classroom space for next year's Form IV students (compare this to our senior year in high school).



Usambara Form IV Classroom Block Under Construction

<u>Jefferson High School Rotary Interact</u>

The Rotary Interact Club of Jefferson High School recently raised \$500 for Joining Hearts and Hands' Hannah's Hope. Terry Congdon was there with Bill and Joanne to talk to the students and receive the check. Students in the group come from Tanzania, Burma, Kenya and Vietnam. With the help of Rotary members, they grow vegetables, herbs and flowers at the school greenhouse. They sell their goods at the Rochester Public Market and donate the profits to a charity of their choice. Thanks so much!!



Terry Congdon, Bill and Joanne and the Jefferson High Rotary Interact Club

International Citizens Award

Bill and Joanne received the International Citizens Award from the Rochester International Council on May 1. Thanks so much for your kind recognition!!



International Citizens Award Dinner. Lorraine and Daan Braveman, Dr. Nowak, Josie Perini, Mohamed Shafiq, George Eisen and Joanne Cala (photographer, Bill Cala)

That's all for now!

Thanks for all you do for the children of Africa!

Peace,

Bill and Joanne Cala

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