

Harambee

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Farming Flies????

Linet Aluna of FIOH-Angelic Ark was supported by FIOH-USA to attend a conference on best farming practices. One of the suggested best practices was to farm black soldier flies! The maggots produced by the flies will be dried and used to feed chickens and pigs. This eco-friendly project will help her entire village by providing feed for the animals and fertilizer from the flies' excrement. The project will be self-sustaining by selling surplus feed and fertilizer to villagers. Your donations can help to support this project!



SAVE THE DATES

STUDENT SPONSORS

Notifications regarding tuitions due for college students will be coming to you in August.

FIRST-SUNDAY COFFEE SALES

St. Joseph University Church
3275 Main St. Buffalo, NY 14214

Fair Trade Coffee sales are held on the first Saturdays at 5:15, and first Sundays at 9:15am, 10:45, 12:15.

APPLE FESTIVAL

Join us on October 21st at 10am for a day of apples and giving back. Proceeds benefit FIOH-USA. Clarence United Methodist Church located at 10205 Greiner Rd, Clarence, NY 14031 More info to come.



NEWLY RETIRED WITH NOTHING TO DO?

PLEASE CONSIDER SHARING YOUR TIME AND TALENTS BY VOLUNTEERING AS A BOARD MEMBER OR OFFICER AND/OR AS A SUPPORTER OF OUR FUND RAISING PROJECTS. CONTACT MARY ELLEN DYE BY EMAIL AT MARYELLENDYE@ICLOUD.COM.

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Student letter from Triphina

Letter from Triphina Mazwanza, Zambian student co-sponsored by Sandy Warner and Kathy Yu

Greetings,

I hope this update finds you well. The final semester for my four years degree programme is over and the results were uploaded which I have attached. Graduation is set for 10 June so I will be travelling back to school on 5th June for preparations.

It would be an honor if you were to be part of this event. I also want to take this opportunity to express my sincerest appreciation for your unwavering support throughout my four years of university. With your generosity and commitment to my education, you have helped me achieve my goal of obtaining a degree.

Interested in becoming a student sponsor? Contact Louise Heubusch at googmerrimac151@gmail.com

As I reflect back on my journey, I am reminded of all of the challenges I faced and overcame. Yet, despite all of the obstacles, your unwavering support kept me going. I cannot express enough gratitude for your investment in my future. Not only did you provide financial support, but you also provided me with confidence and inspiration to keep pushing forward.

Thanks to your contribution, I will be graduating with a degree in Health Services Management. Your sponsorship has opened many doors for me and has given me the chance to pursue my dreams. Please know that I will carry your generosity with me throughout my life and will always hold you in the highest regard. Thank you again for everything.

Oink, Oink!!!



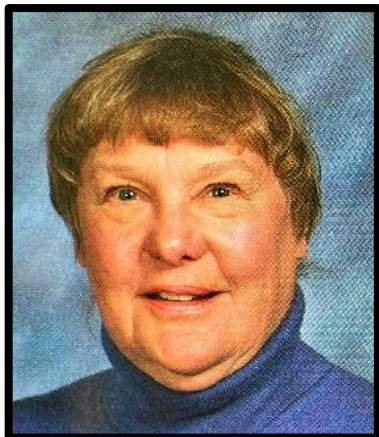
A new project developed at Angelic Ark, Kenya is to raise pigs. Because pigs will eat almost anything they are easy to feed.

In 2022, FIOH-USA funded a maize husker and chopper. There is now plenty of “food” for the pigs (and hopefully there will be chopped dried maggots to add nutritional value to these eats once the fly farm can be funded).

Congratulations to FIOH-Angelic Ark on developing this sustainable meat source.

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Sandra Warner

1942-2023

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the death of Sandra Warner, Treasurer for Future In Our Hands-USA, on May 31, 2023. Sandy is predeceased by her husband Paul and is survived by her children Lorraine Warner Casu of Sardinia, Italy and James L. Warner of Clarence, NY, and their families.

Sandy earned a BS in mathematics from Westminster College, an EdM in mathematics from SUNY at Buffalo and an MBA in finance from Canisius College. She taught mathematics, then worked at Buffalo Savings Bank, Niagara Share Corporation, and M&T Bank. She ended her career as a Principal Bank Examiner of the New York State Banking Department.

Sandy used her talents to serve as Treasurer of Clarence United Methodist Church for over 30 years and as Treasurer and Board Member of Future In Our Hands-USA for over 12 years. She also volunteered as Site Coordinator for AARP Income Tax Centers and as Treasurer for Clarence Log Cabin Quilters. In addition, she volunteered at Ten Thousand Villages and the Clarence Historical Society.

A ceremony to celebrate Sandy's life was held at Clarence United Methodist Church, 10205 Greiner Road in Clarence, NY on July 22, 2023. She will be greatly missed by all. Contributions can be made in Sandy's memory to FIOH-USA by clicking the Donate button below.



Thank you to Mary Terrana, Patrick Adymy and Sarah Lynch of Canisius University for a successful April Campaign!

Their efforts generated over \$3,000 in donations for FIOH-USA. A huge thank you to those of you who helped us celebrate April: our founding month. We are grateful for your generosity.

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MEET OUR PARTNERS

Former Sponsored Student Gives Back

The following biography is about Felix Obondo



Felix Obondo, Director of Education Department for FIOH-Kenya

Felix Obondo was sponsored by Sr. Linda Glaeser, SSJ, co-founder of FIOH-USA, for his high school and college education. He graduated from college in 2013 with a degree in Accounting. He now serves as a volunteer with FIOH-Kenya on its Board of Directors.

Felix also serves as Director of FIOH-Kenya's Education Department where he coordinates communications with students and their sponsors through letter writing. He is proud to have recently improved the quality of the students' letters to sponsors and of his communications with the schools to assure student success.

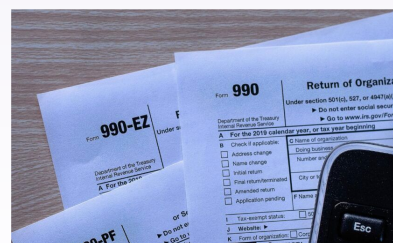
After graduation from college, Felix became a volunteer at Child Fund Kenya where he acquired the skills needed to perform his duties as Sponsor Relations Volunteer. Child Fund is an international organization that sponsors vulnerable children to support them to grow up "Healthy, Educated, Skilled and Safe". Child Fund also improves the living standards and livelihood of the sponsored households.

His now has 10 years of experience in the field of sponsorship. Felix is passionate about his volunteer work in both organizations. He states, "Supporting the students to achieve their dreams through education by these two organizations has made [me] a happy person."



Form 990 EZ Submitted to IRS

Anyone wishing to see a copy of the report submitted to the IRS can contact Mary Ellen Dye, President of FIOH-USA, maryellendye@icloud.com.



Celebration of a Life Well Lived

June 24, 2023 was a wonderful day of celebration for the co-founder and past president of FIOH-USA, Sr. Linda Glaeser, SSJ. Sr. Linda died in March 2022 and because of the pandemic, only a private funeral was held at that time.

The June service at St. Joseph University Parish in Buffalo, NY included joyous music by the contemporary choir under the direction of Tim Wells, congregate readings and remembrances by family and friends.



A happy day for Sr. Linda

The gathering of over 60 people was a true community event at which everyone shared their stories of Sr. Linda's commitment to helping others and her love of people. It was a beautiful tribute to a life well spent.

Thank you to all those who gave donations in Sr. Linda's memory.

Donations in Memory of and in Honor of

In Honor of

Sally Tower by Louise Heubusch

In Memory of

Sandra Warner by Joan Parks

Sandra Warner by Susan Puleo

Sandra Warner by Louise Heubusch

Sr. Linda Glaeser, SSJ by Thomas and Karen Harter

Sr. Linda Glaeser, SSJ by Sisters of St. Joseph Congregation

Sandra Warner by Susan Paleo

(more donations in Linda's and Sandy's memory will be acknowledged in the next Harambee)



Please consider a donation to FIOH-USA in honor of or in memory of your loved ones.

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GOT CANS? Drop them off at XTRA Dime Back



Western New York locals can bring redeemable cans and bottles to 1041 Englewood Avenue, Kenmore, New York to Xtra Dime Back and donate your returns to #67, Future in Our Hands - USA. This charitable-oriented company supports many organizations in their efforts to obtain monies for their organization. Bring your cans and bottles in now and designate #67 Future in Our Hands - USA as your donation of choice. Thank you.

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Donate by text: Text the word Give to 844-930-2628

Donate by mail: Mail donations to:
FIOH-USA
c/o Sandra Warner
5200 Bank Street
Clarence, NY 14031

*100% of your donation goes to our projects.
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Let's get social >>>



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