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100% = 100%

Remember: 100% of your donation goes directly to the projects OFI serves, thanks to a special group of donors that includes our board members. You can even name the project you want your money to support.

HAITI WATER PROJECT COMPLETED!

Good planning, generous donors and quick action have resulted in plentiful water for sixty-six orphaned Haitian children, the staff and families who look after them and the community in which they are housed.

"It must have been meant to be," stated OFI Vice-President Pat Winkley. "The At Risk Children's Foundation first contacted OFI in March of this year, seeking urgent support to build a water cistern to catch and hold water for the orphanage and the surrounding community. The urgency was due to the fact that the rainy season begins in late April of each year and ends in mid-August. If there was to be water, OFI had to move quickly. Fortunately, our donors came through once again and today the cistern is complete and the water for the year ahead captured."

In early March Andrew Kernan, a supporter of ARCF, contacted OFI asking for assistance in building the cistern. A formal proposal was submitted to OFI, whereby OFI would donate US\$9000 and the Haitians involved with the orphanage



"Merci, OFI!" Children and Staff at July 2, 2006 Dedication of Water Cistern

would provide the design of the cistern and the labor to build it.

"We immediately sent out a request to our regular donors and the response was most gratifying. Confident we would meet the deadline to raise the money, we approved the proposal and work began immediately on clearing the property and building the large, cement container for water to be captured from rain falling on the roof of

the school building next door. On July 2nd the dedication was held there in Haiti. ARCF Director, Marlene Mathurin sent OFI an email on July 7th, expressing the organization's appreciation as follows: "On behalf of the community and the children we thank OFI for this water project. It will serve 30 families in the surrounding area." OFI passes that thanks on to you, our donors.

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African Pianist Donates Time and Talent for Sudan Benefit

The old adage, "One good deed deserves another," rings particularly true for OFI these days.

Readers may remember that OFI was able to respond to a request for financial support for a family of Katrina evacuees last fall. Support had been sought from William Chapman Nyaho, a world renowned pianist, for the family which was housed in the small apartment in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. A member of the family was a student at LSU and his small apartment was the only available refuge for the 12 relatives who fled New Orleans. OFI had just received donations from Steve and Shannon Rivera of Silver City, New Mexico and Patrick and Daniella Simpson of Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. Each couple had donated US\$1000 and OFI sent the entire \$2000 to the financially strapped family.

In appreciation, Nyaho offered to perform a benefit concert for OFI, waiving his usual fee.

His generous offer came to fruition July 29, 2006, in Silver City, when he performed a brilliant program of Bach, Mozart and five selections written by African composers.

The proceeds of the concert were split evenly between OFI and the Mimbres Region Arts Council (MRAC), a local arts

non-profit that handled the details for the performance and the arrangements for Nyaho.

Nyaho is a native of Ghana, West Africa, and now lives in the USA. He has studied at Achimota School in Ghana, Oxford in the UK, the Conservatoire de Musique de Genieve, Switzerland, and the Eastman School of Music. He has his Doctor of Music from the University of Texas at Austin. His performance experience includes recitals in Europe, Africa, the Caribbean and numerous cities across the USA. In thanking Nyaho for his generous performance, Faye McCalmont, CEO MRAC, said, "Dear, Sweet, Kind, Generous, Nyaho,

I cannot thank you enough for the magnificent music you brought to my community on behalf of One Family International and the Mimbres Region Arts Council. Listening to your moving performance was incredible enough, but I couldn't take my eyes off of you! - you became so much a part of the music that the two seemed inseparable.

It was truly a memorable experience for me and for those who attended. Thank you so much for giving of yourself and your talent to support the arts in rural New Mexico and the humanitarian effort of OFI in Sudan. It is my fervent hope that your act of



William Chapman Nyaho at his Piano

generosity will come back upon you many fold.

I will be attending the first meeting of the New Mexico Presenters Alliance in October and will be bringing your material to present to the group as well. I will certainly tell them what a wonderful performance you gave and have them check out your website to contact your agent.

May you prosper in all things and I hope to see you again in the not too distant future!
Faye"

The total raised at the concert was US\$1364.09, of which OFI received one-half or US\$682.04, all of which will go to the OFI project in Sudan. On behalf of the Sudanese refugees who will benefit from the water project being supported there, OFI joins Faye and the MRAC in thanking Nyaho.

Readers are encouraged to visit Nyaho's website at <http://www.nyaho.com/rep.cfm>.

OFI thanks the following who have donated since the last newsletter:

- David and Sandy Winkley
- The Trading Post
- Lena Simpson
- Alice Winkley
- Rick Winkley
- Eric & Lindsey McCully
- Ginnie Thompkins

DONORS THANKED!

- Cathy Winkley & Molly Lujan
- Ray & Libby Simpson
- John and Gail Podhaisky
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- Derald & Betty Bauhs
- Larry Campbell
- Patrick & Daniella Simpson
- Rosemary, Matt and Jacob Lara
- Bill Winkley & Stan Coleman
- Mark Winkley
- Shakespeare Benefit directed by Dr. Stanley Coleman
- Piano Concert Benefit performed by William Chapman Nyaho

To our many regular donors, we thank you for sticking with us. Your constant support enables the board to accept new projects with confidence. We earnestly hope we will continue to merit your generous support.

To our new donors, we want to welcome you to the "family" and urge you to stay with us. Our 100% guarantee to all donors is that 100% of your support will go directly to the projects we serve. We are excited about your donations and send you our sincere appreciation.

To all donors, we send our best wishes and warm thanks.



I am only one; but still I am one. I cannot do everything, but still I can do something; I will not refuse to do something I can do.

Edward Everett Hale

Bauhs at leisure at home

MORE OF THE WISDOM OF ALBERT EINSTEIN

A human being is part of the whole we call the "Universe," a part limited in time and space. He experiences himself, his thoughts, and feelings, as something separate from the rest— a kind of optical delusion of his consciousness. This delusion is a kind of prison for us, restricting us to our personal desires and to affection to a few persons nearest to us.

Our task must be to free ourselves from this prison by widening our circle of compassion to embrace all living creatures and the whole of nature in its beauty.

Nobody is able to achieve this completely, but the striving for such achievement is in itself a part of the liberation and a foundation for inner security.

OFI STAR: DERALD BAUHS!

Derald Bauhs and his wife Betty are part of the reason OFI is able to make our "100%+100%" commitment to donors meaning that 100% of their contributions go directly to the projects we serve. Because Derald donates his time and talent to serve as OFI's accountant, producing our annual financial report and IRS submittals at no cost, we are able to save the thousands of dollars such valuable and necessary services would cost, were we paying for them. And, Derald has been assisting OFI in this manner for over ten years! "Derald's donation of his work and skills have saved OFI tens of thousands of dollars," stated OFI Treasurer/Secretary Libby Simpson recently. "His great capacity for overseeing our finances, advising us on financial recordings and transactions and insuring our

proper IRS reporting make my job as treasurer so much simpler. Knowing our IRS submittals are submitted on time and done correctly saves me a lot of work and worry. Derald is a true OFI Star! On behalf of the other board members, I thank him for his continued commitment and hard work."

In addition to his work for OFI, Derald and Betty are regular financial donors.

At 82 years of age, Bauhs has been an accountant for 50 years. He and Betty reside in Bryan, Texas, and have raised five children, who in turn have given them thirteen grandchildren. These grandchildren have produced twenty-three great grandchildren.

A big OFI salute to Derald Bauhs, an OFI Star!



Teda Neill celebrates her 94th birthday with children, her lifelong passion

Casa Hogar in Mexico Enjoys Fruits of Work of West Texans

OFI's voluntary CEO, Bill Winkley, sits on the board of directors of Casa Hogar Orphanage, Inc., a 501C3 based in West Texas and dedicated exclusively to raising support for Casa Hogar, a residential program for children at-risk in Ojinaga, Mexico. Casa Hogar was one of OFI's early projects, identified by OFI volunteer Teda Neill and OFI board members Raymond Simpson and Patrick Winkley. Several years ago, Neill elected to establish a separate USA-based non-profit to assist the Casa Hogar board in raising support. Since then, tens of thou-

sands of dollars have been raised and the program in Ojinaga has benefited significantly. Currently a complete upgrading, remodeling and expansion of the facilities are being completed, with half of the required funds having been raised by Casa Hogar Orphanage, Inc.

A joint board meeting was held at the Ojinaga facility the 22nd of July, 2006, which also was the occasion of an elaborate celebration of Neill's 94th birthday. The party and meeting were hosted by the Casa Hogar Board. In attendance were the 33 children in residence at Casa Hogar, the Casa Hogar Board, the Casa Hogar Orphanage Board and other invited guests.

In addition to an elaborate meal of

You are not here merely to make a living. You are here to enable the world to live more amply, with greater vision, and with a finer spirit of hope and achievement. You are here to enrich the world. You impoverish yourself if you forget this errand.

Woodrow Wilson
28th President of US
1856-1924

especially prepared Mexican food, a large birthday cake was shared among the group, which sang both Happy Birthday and Las Mananitas to honor Neill.

"This event was a fitting tribute to our great friend and visionary, Teda Neill," stated Bill Winkley. "I have had the privilege of working with Teda since 1968, when she was the child welfare worker for several counties of far West Texas. Her devotion to children and her capacity to make their lives richer and happier are remarkable. By surrounding herself with capable and dedicated fellow board members like Wes and Victoria Bannister, she has promoted the expansion and improvement of Casa Hogar. OFI is always proud to be a friend of Teda Neill," Winkley concluded.

Proceeds of Benefits by Stanley Coleman Distributed to Six Charities

Stanley R. Coleman, Professor of Theatre at Nicholls State University, in Thibodaux, Louisiana, performed his one-man show, *Paul Robeson*, during the summer of 2001, and then directed *The Complete Works of Wm. Shakespeare, Abridged*, the following summer of

2002. Coleman donated his time and talent for the two performances, the \$3200 proceeds from the first show having been divided among six charities: One Family International, Border Area Mental Health Services, El Refugio Domestic Violence Shelter,

LifeQuest, a program for developmentally disabled persons, the Cobre Consolidated School District, and the Mimbres Region Arts Council. The US\$4000 raised by the second show was distributed last month equally among the six agencies by MRAC recently. MRAC has held the funds in trust since the performance. OFI thanks Coleman for his generous contribution of time and talent and MRAC for handling the funds on behalf of the six agencies.

PROJECTS CURRENTLY SERVED BY *ONE FAMILY INTERNATIONAL*:

- Hill Country Senior Prom for Nursing Home and Disability Program Residents, USA
- Shelters for Homeless of Central Texas, USA
- Tutor and Ellis Veterans Home of Temple, Texas, USA
- Bangladesh Welfare Program for Persons with Disabilities (BPKS), Bangladesh
- Uhai Wa Mazingira Na Watu (UMAWA, A Water Project for Settlement Dwellers), Tanzania
- Vision Juarez (A program to prevent blindness and serve incurably blind persons) Juarez, Chihuahua, Mexico
- At Risk Children's Foundation in Haiti
- In January, 2007, Sudan Open Learning Organization (SOLO)

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