



## NEWSLETTER # 6, AUGUST 2011

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Best wishes to you all! This is a long overdue newsletter but felt it was time to make the effort to send something out. I am currently on my recent trip to Malawi and that is what motivated me to put something down on paper to share. The last newsletter was October of last year, so that means almost a year of updates!!

I want to take this opportunity to thank all of our supporters in this past year from friends to family to those whom we have never met! We continue to reach for our goal and fulfill our mission because of this support. Our deepest thanks go out to you all.

Below is the most recent photo of our classroom block project which is in its final stages:



We have attended more craft fairs, held a Reiki massage day, and had several concerts to raise money for this project. We are very close and continue to schedule fundraisers, so check the website frequently for updates to events.

My best wishes to you all!

Karen Hardy, President, Educate Malawi, Inc.

We continue to participate in various craft fairs and bazaars as fundraising efforts. Please visit the website for all upcoming events. We have some new items for sale. Here is a picture of some new paintings!



We held our annual bike-a-thon again this year and had another great day; enthusiastic riders and superb volunteers. We raised a good amount of money toward our project and we are grateful for all the support!



The Cavanaugh's and Company!

This year, in addition to that bike ride, I am riding 500 miles through 5 New England states to raise money for the organization. You can follow my progress on my blog at

[www.educate-malawi.blogspot.com!](http://www.educate-malawi.blogspot.com)

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Our scholarship program began in this past year. We have collaborated with the University of Malawi, Chancellor College in Zomba. We awarded 2 scholarships which were supported by 2 wonderful organizations. We received donations from Zonta International and the Calvary Episcopal Church in Stonington, CT. The scholarships were awarded based on submissions by applicants via email and were reviewed by a committee. Below is a photo of the 2 women who received the scholarships: Fortune Chapomba (L) and Norma Kachali (R)



The women completed an application that asked them about their course of study, their year of study, what their needs are and what they intend to do upon the completion of their studies.

View a video of their responses at [www.malawiphotos.shutterfly.com](http://www.malawiphotos.shutterfly.com) .

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The other successful program we have continued over the past 2 years has been the pen pal program. There have been exchanges of letters between 2 different organizations/institutions: Sunderland elementary school in Sunderland, MA and Journey House at Natchaug hospital in Mansfield, CT. Below is a picture of one of the children at Namitsitsi primary school in Zomba.



The children at Sunderland elementary school have participated in 2 rounds of letters and also did some fundraising to help raise funds that contributed to the building of this classroom block. They also donated educational supplies like notebooks and pens and pencils that were given to the school. Journey House has participated in pen pal exchanges in addition to fundraising and school supply donations.

If you have not visited our website recently, please do so. We have updated it as well as our logo; the logo was created by Susan LaPointe, Turning Leaf Designs. Thanks Susan!!  
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