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# August 2022 Update

## MARIANNE AND JEREMY RUSK LIBRARY

We're pleased to introduce you to **The Marianne and Jeremy Rusk Library** at REACH for Uganda's second partner school - Matuwa Junior School in Namisindwa district. The library was made possible by the children of Marianne and Jeremy Rusk and their families in honor of their parents Marianne and Jeremy Rusk. Jeremy was a college professor and administrator. He retired from Harvard University as an Assistant Dean. His wife Marianne worked for many years at Tufts University in Boston where she was the first woman Vice President. She also worked at the Getty Museum in Los Angeles.



The library will serve students at Matuwa Junior School and others in the surrounding Community in Namisindwa district. We are grateful to the Rusk family for their generous donations that have allowed us to complete the building and provide furniture. Their

parents legacy will be felt for generations to come in this community. Efforts are now underway to stock the library. We're in need of computers, Internet access for our computer lab, solar panels for lighting and books for all levels. We have received many donations of books from our partner schools in the US that we would like to ship to Uganda. If you know of any shipping partners that can help us send these books, [please email us](#) . If you would like to give specifically towards any of the pending items on the Marianne and Jeremy Rusk Library, [please donate here](#) and indicate so. Thank you for being a change agent in the lives of many children in this community of Matuwa and

surrounding villages.

## Second term holidays for our students

Both Arlington Junior School and Matuwa Junior Schools have closed second term holidays till September 15. The candidate classes will return to school a little early to prepare for the third term and the year-end Primary Leaving Examinations. Our secondary school students are also on a three-week break. Secondary students are required to do some community service work at AAH or near the community they come from. Tertiary student have a different school calendar so they are still in school at this time.

## Reminder - Please send us a letter for your student by September 4th



Please send your letter to your sponsored student by Friday, September 4th. Your student will be delighted to hear from you. A few lines of encouragement is a good way of staying connected with your student.

### Here are some options to help with your digital letters:

- Please type your letter in a Word document and save as a pdf. Save the name of your student and their grade level as the file name (Example: Sally Smith P1). Email your file to [letters@reachforuganda.org](mailto:letters@reachforuganda.org) by September 4th.
- If you wish to handwrite a letter, please scan the document and save as a pdf. Save the name of your student and their grade level as the file name (Example: Sally Smith P1). Email your file to [letters@reachforuganda.org](mailto:letters@reachforuganda.org) by September 4th.
- If you do not have access to a scanner or computer, please mail your letter by August 29th. Please send your letter to: REACH for Uganda | Attn: Sponsorship Committee | P.O. Box 101383 |Arlington, VA 22210.

Thank you so much for taking your time to write to your student as they prepare to conclude the year.

## Annual Gala Coming up Oct 7th- Watch out for an invitation in your mailbox or email Soon.

**When:** Friday, October 7th from 6 to 10pm.

**Where:** Arlington Golf and Country Club, 3017 N Glebe Road, Arlington, VA

We hope you can join us. Ticket sale will begin soon at the REACH website: [www.REACHforuganda.org](http://www.REACHforuganda.org)



## Sponsor our Gala Event on Oct 7th!

Our annual gala is our biggest fundraiser of the year. We're still looking for sponsors. If your Company or business can sponsor, please email us for details.

## Thank you to all who attended our recent events

Its always wonderful when we are able to bring our supporters and donors together. We had a successful summer picnic in July at Lyon Park Community

Center and we just concluded our Interaction with many of our donors who live in the DMV area and visited us at Arlington County Fair at our booth. We thank all those who volunteered to cover a shift and those who just stopped by to visit or sponsored a student. Thank you. Our next event will be the gala on Oct 7th.

## A new way of interacting with us

Are you a child sponsor or a donor with REACH? If so, please login to access [your Donor Portal here](#). You will be able to update your contact information, renew your sponsorship make changes to recurring donations and have a chance to see your student's picture and more. We shall be sharing more updates next month.

## Welcome Our Co-founder



We are pleased to announce that our Co-founder Joyce Wanda has joined the REACH for Uganda staff. John and Joyce are the inspiration behind our work at REACH for Uganda. After two decades working in the Cooperate HR world while volunteering with REACH, Joyce will be transitioning to lead our team as a staff member . We are very excited to welcome her to the team. We are appreciative of the time Amy Hanson spent with REACH and the impact she had on our students and donors alike. We wish her well as she moves on to other opportunities. Amy remains a committed supporter and child sponsor.

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