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Special Interest Articles:

- CT Scanner and second shipment off to Arusha!
- New Board Members Fuel Progress
- Kenya, Rwanda and other Tanzanian sites on deck !.

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After only weeks since inception, AHHF sends CT and Second 40' Equipment Container to Arusha!

A wonderful GE Quadralite Five Slice Computerized Axial Tomography (CAT) Scan machine was donated by Alegent Healthcare in Omaha, Nebraska and shipped by Global Health Ministries (GHM) to Intellamed's Warehouse in Saint Louis, complete with a contrast injector, technology console, related manuals and associated other equipment.

Bryan Kuczynski and his team at Intellamed, with Tom DiSalvo and Kevin Schriever crated the scanner for shipping,

which was trucked by the generosity of Couriers Inc. to Global Health Ministries (GHM) in Minneapolis. There the equipment was checked for biomedical functionality and repackaged for overseas transport to Selian Hospital, also generously funded by GHM. Special thanks go to Rick Smith (Maverick Consulting) who helped with contacts in Omaha, Kenneth Lewonn, the CIO at Alegent, and Ann Touhy of Alegent, who coordinated the process with AHHF, GE,

Intellamed and Scott Lien of GHM.

Some photographs of the equipment are included on other pages of this newsletter. The CT, along with donated supplies from Ascension Health Associates, plus nearly \$250K of new medical supplies from Cardinal Health rounded out the second container, with equipment including IV pumps, a lab analyzer and other used supplies through the kindness of BJC Healthcare and M. Larry McWhirter

Board of Directors Ratifies New Members

The Board of Directors of the African Health and Hospitals Foundation had its inaugural meeting since formation on Friday, August 17, 2007.

Executive Director, Jeff Rose, and the Founding Board of Directors:

- Chair, Jill DiSalvo
- Treasurer, Connie Buechele, and
- Director, Larry McWhirter

first added: Vicky McMonagle of Ascension Health as Board Secretary, Craig Rose, PhD. as Chief Technology Officer, Sanford Tolchin MD.,

Bazi Kanani and David Powell Esq. to the Board of Directors Craig, who has spent months of valuable time and great effort on the AHHF website (www.ahhfoundation.org), brings his artistic creativity to the Board; Dr. Tolchin, VP of Physician Relations at Ascension Health, brings connections with the Kellogg Foundation to the foundation; Bazi Kanani, Anchor and Reporter for News 9 TV, and NBC affiliate in Denver, has and family in Tanzania and brings obvious reporting skills

and public relation skills. Everyone should link to KUSA Channle 9 News and view Bazi's series on her travels in Tanzania, with special mention of our efforts (<http://www.9news.com/video/player.aspx?aid=45392&bw=>) David Powell, brings his talents as a prominent Denver Attorney with expertise in employment law to the Board.

In addition to the sale of original artwork to help create a stream of funding, Vicky is enrolled in a grant writing course. Other ideas (having frequent flier miles donated to help cover the cost of travel) were also discussed.

"To the world you may be only one person, but to one person, you may be the world."

Early Work on Technical Training Center Considered in Kenya



Saint Louis meeting with Mr. Livingstone Sane (L), Martin Oranja (M) and Mrs Sane (R), of Kenya.

Martin Oranja of Kenya has been appointed as a new Task Force leader for Medical Technical Training Development for AHHF. Martin is an Ascension Associate in the Finance Department, and his family is also from Kenya. Martin's wife's father, Mr. Livingstone Sane, is a well known highly regarded attorney with many ties to Governmental agencies and officials in Kenya, and

at a meeting of Jeff, Jill Martin, Mr. Sane and his wife, it was decided to pursue possible creation of a school to train technicians to repair and utilize donated or existing medical equipment at East African Health facilities. Potential avenues of acquiring or leasing land in Kenya Maasai Land for the housing of a such a school might also be used to temporarily warehouse equipment and provide

on-site faculty and student living while in session.

Mr. Sane has returned to Kenya and is in early stages of the investigation which is to be brought before the BOD at their next meeting. Consideration of other school affiliation, the financial feasibility of doing such work and Kenya law are all items for discussion.

Educational Task Force Established



Kelsey Evans

Kelsey Evans, has volunteered to head a task force dedicated to shipment of educational and school related supplies to Tanzania. Early ties are being established with the Secondary School for Maasai Girls in Arusha and ideas floated for adding such supplies and pencils, books, clothing and other educational aids

to medical shipments to 'fill in space' that might exist in and around the more highly valued medical equipment. Investigations and meetings of the Executive Director and CEO with members of the Senegalese and Congolese communities in Saint Louis suggest this as a strong possibility for the future, taking maximum advantage of medical supply shipments to East Africa that should be ongoing.

Kelsey is an honor student at the Ursuline Academy, and is graduating next Spring with an eye on continuing education at either Rockhurst College in Kansas City or Regis College in Denver. Kelsey has a big birthday coming up in March, and has requested of all her invited guests requested that any birthday gifts be in the form of funds donated as funds to AHHF. Thank you Kelsey! What a wonderful spirit and heart at such a young age!



*Mount Kilimanjaro from Chyulu Hills.
Picture taken from potential Maasai land site of a Medical-Technical Training site.*

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