

## Foundation for the Education of the Children in Uganda

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**This year's luncheon on May 26<sup>th</sup> was definitely a successful event again! We had fine sponsors supporting the event and donating to the FECU.**

**Twelve students have been added to the number of the FECU sponsored students in St. Pontiano Ngondwe Secondary School.**

The students in the picture (right) were selected by our FECU Board of Trustees in Uganda. So we have now a total of 32 students: 10 in the 10<sup>th</sup> grade, 10 in the 9<sup>th</sup> grade, and 12 new ones in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade.



Thanks to all the kind volunteers: Enrico and Pina Insogna, owner of the La Villetta restaurant, in Ville St-Laurent, who cooked the meal; Maria Jarosz, Victoria Milewski and Ron Olivieri who served in the kitchen, the 8 students from Loyola High School. Nada Wanner, the owner of Dynamic Entertainment, and her assistant AJ, who provided the music, and Mark Bouthot, the lively MC; the Ihozo Rwandaise Dance Group who gave a super wonderful show; Daniella Birlain captivated the guests with her lovely voice, with Sebastian Molena at the keyboard; and, last but not least, Peter Nwafor, the photographer.

Deacon Donat Davatz, who lived and worked for 6 years in Africa, was once again the main speaker at this event. He warmed up the crowd with his passionate speech to each and everyone present at this event to consider the

FECU as their own. All should feel good and proud for being involved in this organization, and share the presence of this program with their family, friends and coworkers so that they too have a chance to take part in this worthwhile program. Most importantly, we should bring to their attention the fact that all their support to the FECU goes directly to children in Uganda, and this, we believe, is what makes this program strong. His passion and love for Africa convinced the people about the necessity of the support. He stressed that the students we are supporting will be the future of Uganda who will lead Ugandans to a better life.

The St. John Fisher parish hall was decorated with the colours of Uganda; the tables and the centerpieces looked as though set for a festival, thanks to Le Crystal, who lent us their beautiful table cloths. We prepared tables the day before the event and decorated the hall

with articles from Uganda. The tables were filled with a total of 108 guests. The students from Loyola, dressed in dark pants and white shirts, waited on the tables and did a wonderful job serving the entire meal as well as cleaning up at the end. We would like to thank the members of St. John Fisher parish, who provided the place for this wonderful event to take place.

Thanks to all the volunteers and donors we were able to host this event, and find 6 new sponsors out of 12 students. We are still waiting for 6 more sponsors who could contribute \$25 per month (Electronic Fund Transfer, which deducts \$25 per month automatically or 12 post-dated cheques) or \$300 per year. This amount covers the tuition and boarding fees of the child.

For more information on this, please contact Fr. David.

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*Thank You for the Wonderful Gifts!*

The Luncheon was such a pleasant event thanks to the support of the sponsors, who donated articles for prizes and raffle. Therefore our sincere thanks go to:

*Special Thanks to ALL Our Volunteers!*



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