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AMPATH Recognized by World Food Program

After a series of awards and media stories recognizing the program's success, the IU-Kenya Partnership is rapidly losing its status as a well kept secret:

■ In November, Dr. Bob Einterz traveled to Washington to accept for AMPATH (Academic Model for Prevention and Treatment of HIV/AIDS) an award from the Friends of the World Food Program. The award recognizes our efforts feeding 30,000 people every week in western Kenya and incorporating nutrition in HIV/AIDS care. "With help from WFP, AMPATH has demonstrated that the barriers to comprehensive food support for impoverished HIV infected patients and their dependents can be overcome," Dr. Einterz said at the ceremony, where Senator Saxby Chambliss and *Marie Claire* magazine were also honored for their anti-hunger work.

■ Also in November, *The Indianapolis Star* featured the IU-Kenya Partnership in a package of articles that included columns by our own Dr. Einterz and Dr. Joe Mamlin.



Dr. Einterz accepting award from the Friends of the World Food Program Executive Director and Board President. From left to right: Karen Sendelback, Bob Einterz and Marshall Matz.

■ In December, World AIDS Day media coverage included mentions of the IU-Kenya Partnership in an *Indianapolis Star* editorial, "Grim AIDS Day Picture, Indiana-Hued Hope" and in syndicated NPR and *Sound Medicine* reports from Barbara Lewis, who recently visited Eldoret and Mosoriot with an IU School of Medicine alumni group. Lewis also hosted a four-part *Sound Medicine* series on the Kenya program which

aired in February and can still be heard on the program's website: soundmedicine.iu.edu.

■ "The Power of One in Kenya: Into the Heart of Hope," a documentary featuring the IU-Kenya Partnership which has been aired on several PBS stations, won a 2006 regional Emmy award. Congratulations to the volunteers from St. Luke's United Methodist Church who produced this film.

■ The World Health Organization featured AMPATH in a website photo essay by *New York Times* photographer Evelyn Hockstein. Hockstein documented the electronic record-keeping system that WHO says "has revolutionized HIV care in western Kenya with timely medical tests and treatment for 40,000 patients."

■ Look for the IU-Kenya Partnership to be featured in upcoming issues of *Indiana Alumni* magazine and *The Wall Street Journal*.





Indiana University's partnership with Moi University began in 1989 with the purpose of developing leaders in health for the United States and Africa. The magnitude of the HIV/AIDS pandemic spurred our partnership to respond to this health care crisis and become one of the world's largest and most comprehensive HIV/AIDS control programs, while still maintaining our initial focus of leadership development.

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Cardiac Treadmill Donation

We would like to thank the Krannert Institute of cardiology for donating a cardiac treadmill to Moi Teaching and Referral Hospital. With this donation, the cardiologists at Moi will be able to properly diagnose and save many people's lives.

New Outlets for Imani goods

Imani Workshops is now featured in crafts shops and galleries in five states! Please visit our newly launched website at: www.imaniworkshops.org. For inquiries, please contact Becca Atkins at (317) 630-8596 or rmatkins@iupui.edu.

Kenya Card Cooperative

Anyone interested in helping in the effort to create greeting cards for the IU-Kenya gala please contact Kathy Champ at (317) 630-6770 or kchamp@iupui.edu.

New CT Scanner is Life-Saving Gift

In the spring of 2006, during their first-ever visit to Eldoret, Andy Gladstein and his son Drew were being guided through Moi Teaching and Referral Hospital (MTRH) when Dr. Joe Mamlin pointed out a woman patient who was likely suffering from a tumor in her brain. However, there was no way to confirm the existence of a tumor or to pinpoint its location for surgery.

"There are so many people we could save if we had a CT scanner in this hospital," Dr. Mamlin said. "But we can't afford one."

Gladstein, whose family had already donated generously to the IU-Kenya Partnership, returned home and told his wife Marylynn what he saw. Together, they decided to make a major donation for the purchase of a scanner for the hospital.

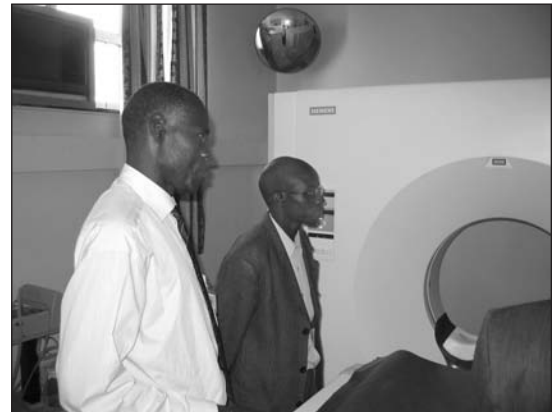
Gladstein says that seeing the Kenyan patients whose lives were at risk made the decision an easy one. "You know that when the scanner gets there and starts working, there will be a real tangible benefit from it," he says.

The Gladstein gift was combined with support from Indiana radiologists to purchase a scanner, which Ken Kopecky, MD, a radiologist with Community Hospitals, was able to see in action when he worked at MTRH for four weeks in the summer of 2006.

"The new scanner has made a huge difference in patient care at the hospital," Kopecky says. "The hospital had been without a CT scanner for several years when the old one broke down and could not be repaired. This left the hospital, one of only two national referral hospitals in the country – and the referral hospital for 15 million people – without a CT scanner.

"Fortunately, due to these generous donations from the United States, MTRH again has a scanner," Kopecky says. "The CT scanner is used principally for diagnosing diseases of the central nervous system, i.e. the brain and spinal cord. It is helpful in distinguishing stroke from brain tumor or infection. It helps decide who needs surgery, and it helps guide the surgeon to the proper location."

For the Gladstein family, this kind of philanthropy fits perfectly with their goal to have their donations make an immediate difference. "We know right where our money went, and 100% of it goes to treating sick and otherwise dying people," Andy Gladstein says. "That is just a wonderful feeling."



MTRH Radiology Administrative Director (left) and Lead CT Technologist (right) with new CT Scanner

IU-Kenya Gala Update
 Just another reminder that the IU-Kenya gala will be held on October 13th, 2007 at the Downtown Marriott in Indianapolis. As in years past, the silent auction promises to bring some little (and big) treasures to your fingertips! More details to follow...



Marty Moore: Founding Donor of The IU-Kenya Partnership

When Marty Moore gave the first-ever donation to the fledgling effort that would become the IU-Kenya Partnership, the gift was consistent with his family foundation's preference for supporting new and creative ideas. "I want to enable smaller programs to be able to expand based upon the dreams of their leaders," Moore says. "This is where smaller grants can really accomplish a great deal."

But even he did not see the full potential for the \$25,000 grant the Moore Foundation made in 1988. The gift allowed Indiana University School of Medicine professors and physicians Bob Einterz, Joe Mamlin, Charlie Kelley and Dave Van Reken to visit medical schools in developing countries and evaluate them as potential partners.

After touring schools in Nepal, Ghana and Kenya, the four physicians chose to pair IU with the fledgling medical school at Moi University in Eldoret. It was the first step in creating the partnership that has become one of the world's largest and most comprehensive HIV/AIDS control programs and a model of U.S.-Africa institutional cooperation.

"I had no idea where this could go," Moore says. "I just thought it was an interesting experiment, so we would see what could happen with it."

Moore's path to being the founding donor of the IU-Kenya Partnership began in a classroom at North Central High School in Indianapolis. One day in the late 1980s, Moore, who taught social studies at North Central for 28 years, was struck by the compelling letters from Africa that one of his students read out loud in class.

The student was the younger sister



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of Bob Einterz, now director of the IU-Kenya Partnership, and Ellen Einterz, the author of the letters and a physician then living and treating patients in Nigeria. Moore ended up speaking with Bob Einterz about creating a partnership between a U.S. medical school and a sister school from a developing country.

"Marty deserves the credit for getting this whole thing started," says Bob Einterz, who notes that Moore continues to provide guidance and support as the program has grown to treat over 40,000 patients and feed 30,000 persons throughout western Kenya. "We needed someone to give this idea the spark to get going, and he was the one who stepped up for us."

Moore remembers that in the early days of the IU-Moi partnership, it was hard to envision that the program would one day grow to be the effort

that was recently referred to as an "academic miracle" by the U.S. Ambassador to Kenya. "It all started quite slowly," Moore says. "It took weeks just to open a bank account, and Bob and Lea Anne (Einterz) and their kids were living in an Eldoret hotel with a broken elevator."

Shortly after making his founding gift, Moore and his wife Sue, a former teacher at Shortridge Middle School, visited Kenya and fell in love with the country. They returned in 1991, and again in 2001, to live and teach at the Staraha Boys' Center in Nairobi.

Meanwhile, the IU-Moi program took root in Kenya and Indiana, and began combining forces with other North American institutions. "One of the bigger thrills I got was when they started adding other medical schools to this partnership," Moore, says, referring to Brown University, University of Utah and others joining the ASANTE Consortium. "That to me is a real springboard, because it may mean that other medical schools will start programs like this in other countries."

The IU-Kenya Partnership's recent rapid scale-up in response to the HIV/AIDS pandemic in Africa was enabled by its strong foundation, Moore says. "It is not a coincidence that this medical school partnership was already established when this area of Africa started seeing the effects of the pandemic," he says. "In my view, the fact that the right people were at the right place at the right time is providential."

Clearly, Marty Moore was one of those right people who came along at the right time for both Kenya and Indiana.

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Dr. John Sidle Named “Health Care Hero”

In a ceremony in downtown Indianapolis on March 9, Dr. John Sidle, co-field director for research for the IU-Kenya Partnership, was named an *Indianapolis Business Journal* “Health Care Hero.”

Sidle was recognized for treating both the homeless in Indianapolis and HIV-positive patients in Kenya. Sidle also developed an HIV-prevention program in Kenya that confronts the risks posed by alcohol abuse and the commercial sex trade.

“John has been the doctor to many citizens of Indianapolis who barely know where their next meal is coming from,” wrote Bill Tierney, M.D., IU-Kenya Partnership director for research, in his letter nominating Sidle for the award. “Yet John treats each and every patient with dignity, respect, energy and intelligence.”

While serving as team leader of the IU-Kenya Partnership from 1998-2000, Sidle witnessed the tragedy of the first waves of the brutal HIV-AIDS pandemic, when dozens of patients died each week of untreated AIDS in the small Moi Teaching and Referral Hospital in Eldoret. He returned to Kenya, beginning in 2003, to help establish an electronic medical record system which was the first of its kind in Africa. IU-Kenya Partnership leaders credit Sidle with creating the infrastructure for research that sustains the HIV-AIDS treatment that has saved thousands of lives.

Carter Wolf, executive director of the Indianapolis homeless service center Horizon House, says Sidle shows the same dedication to the poor when he practices medicine in the U.S. “John has consistently provided medical care to the homeless with remarkable dedication and commitment,” Wolf wrote in recommending Sidle for the award.

Congratulations to John on this well deserved recognition. As the *Indianapolis Business Journal* wrote in its profile of John for its March 12 edition, “Through Sidle’s efforts over the years, hope is being delivered to countless people both here and in Africa.”



Dr. John Sidle

