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Rotary International Funds Milestone Water and Sanitation Project at LLC

Through a partnership with the Rotary Clubs of Wainwright, Alberta; Revelstoke, British Columbia; and Tamale, Ghana; PAMBE Ghana has received a \$49,000 USD grant from Rotary International to fund significant water and sanitation work at La'Angum Learning Center (LLC).

This milestone achievement for PAMBE Ghana fulfills Executive Director Alice Iddi-Gubbel's long term dream to implement biogas generation at LLC, but it is among the largest single grants that PAMBE Ghana has received and is a significant step toward its goals of increasing health and sanitation and reducing deforestation around LLC.



Current village water well

The project, once completed, will:

Increase the supply of clean drinking water.

- Build a rainwater harvesting system on the roof of a recently completed building, including collection, storage and distribution.

Construct two environmentally-friendly 4-cubicle low-flush bio toilets with a bio digester, hand-washing points and grey water recycling system.

- Build a new 4-cubicle toilet building for girls and female adults.
- Remodel (as the new toilet above) of the existing pit latrine for boys and male adults.
- Install a biogas digester to digest human and other waste materials.
- Install a system to capture and use the biogas in the kitchen for the school lunches.
- Build a rainwater harvesting system for the toilet building roofs, including collection, storage, and distribution.
- Construct a grey water recycling system for flushing the toilet, including a solar-run water pump.
- Implement a solar energy system for pumping the water and lighting the buildings.

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Independence Day 2019

Britain colonized the country in 1874. Since the area was known for an abundance of gold, the colonizers named the country “Gold Coast.” After independence in 1957, the name “Republic of Ghana” was chosen. LLC students celebrate March 6 Independence Day with marches, tug of war matches between the boys and girls, sack races, and other activities.



Construction of the new latrines began early this year (left).
Polytanks arrive (right). These tanks will be used for water storage .

(Rotary Grant, cont.)

The significant benefits to the community will include: more water capture and storage, increased sanitation with functional toilets and hand washing, biogas generation, reduced deforestation, and reduced burden on women and girls to carry water and collect wood.

PASEO ARTS FESTIVAL

The global market returns to the PASEO Arts Festival in Oklahoma City's historic arts district located at NW 30th and N. Walker.

Peruse the fabulous fair trade finds and beat the heat at PAMBE Ghana's space in Rainbow Fleet's air conditioned office space at 3024 Paseo Drive.

May 25, 26 & 27



*And don't forget – there is always a fair trade mini-market at **learning tree** toy store. 7638 N. Western Avenue—Oklahoma City- 10-6, Monday-Saturday*

Welcoming New Board Member Harbour Winn

Harbour Winn is new to the PAMBE Ghana Board but has been a friend from the beginning. PAMBE Ghana's founder Alice Iddi-Gubbels was Harbour's student when she obtained her MEd in Early Childhood Montessori, then taught with him at Westminster School in Oklahoma City. Through Alice's work in a class entitled Psychological Bases of Learning in Childhood, Harbour was one of the first to learn of her dream to bring the Montessori methodology to her home country of Ghana. Harbour was drawn to the Board by his deep knowledge in Montessori, belief in the rights of children, experience and love for cross cultural learning, and of course, his experiences gained in teaching, then teaching alongside Alice.

Among other accomplishments, Harbour is a Professor Emeritus in the English Department of Oklahoma City University, where he also directed the Center for Interpersonal Studies through Film and Literature for its first 19 years. He received a Ph.D. in English from the University of Oregon, and teaches courses in Literature, Film Studies, Montessori Theory, and child development.



For seventeen years, he taught as a Montessori teacher at Westminster School and as an adjunct at OCU in the Master of Liberal Arts Program and the Montessori Early Childhood Program.

Please join PAMBE Ghana in welcoming Harbour Winn to the Board.



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Eager Students in the 4th Grade Classroom

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