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A Letter of Thanks

August 2008

Hello,

1 am so blessed to say thank you for your heart and love you extended towards my studies. I could not have come this far I have come if you could not have come in and payed my fees. I had lost all hope but thank God for hytes. Please know that I am happy my fees this year was paid in full, mine is to study and prove I can make it. Please I have made good improvements this year, and promise to work extra hard. We are on half term that is why I have used this time to say THANK YOU.

I treasure you all, you are a good soul.

Josphat (Kenya)

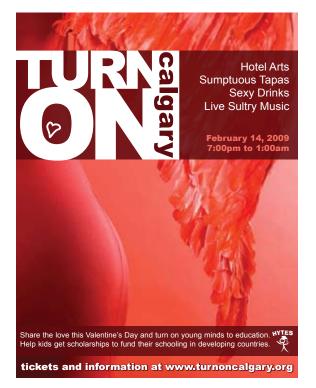
Turn On Calgary - A Valentine's Day HYTES Fundraiser

February 14, 2009 at Hotel Arts

bv Kate Tavender

urn On Calgary is about **L** sharing the love this Valentine's Day. Romance is in the air at this one of kind fundraising event being held February 14, 2009 at Hotel Arts starting at 7:00pm. Enjoy sumptuous tapas, sexy drinks, sultry live music as well as lavish silent auction in support of HYTES.

Our goal is to "turn on" young minds in the developing world to education. This fundraiser will help us provide scholarships for secondary students in Guatemala, Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda and Zambia. We're hoping to raise \$30,000 at this sexy



Valentine's Day event which will cover school fees for 85 students.

Hotel Arts is designing a Valentine's Day themed tapas menu with chef attended stations for your indulgence. The decadence continues through dessert with romantic creations by renowned Hotel Arts Pastry Chef Karine Moulina using fair trade organic Cocoa Camino chocolate donated by La Siembra Co-operative, a fair trade certified organization.

'Round Midnight will be providing sultry jazz music, and in between sets, be prepared for a few surprise entertainers who promise to turn on the heat.

Book your tickets now to this exclusive event and please help us by spreading the word! Go to www.turnoncalgary.org to purchase tickets online or use the form at the end of this newsletter to pay by cheque.

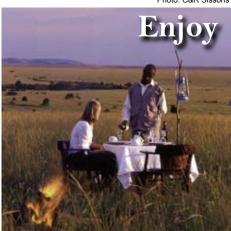
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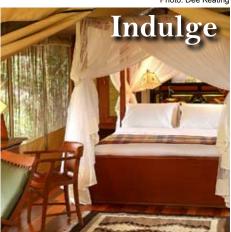


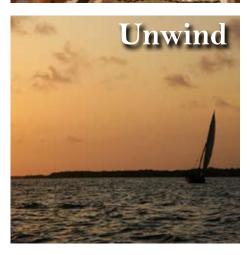
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Language and Culture Feature: Love and Friendship

by Mona Csada, Grace Boido, and Pam Amalaku reprinted from The Habari Times Volume 3 Number 6

Valentine's Day is coming soon and we'd still like to share with you some tidbits about how love is expressed in some of our countries of operation.

In Guatemala, Valentine's Day does not exist, but they do celebrate Girlfriend's Day, or Día de la novia. This occurs on the first Sunday in April.

Although Valentine's Day is not a local tradition in Kenya, Western influence in recent years has popularized the concept. It is now common to buy elaborate greeting cards for one's sweetheart. They are sold on every street corner in February, often decorated to the hilt with ribbons, flowers, and hearts. Some even play music when opened!

Below is a sampling of words and phrases related to love and friendship translated into both Spanish and Swahili. Perhaps you can surprise your Valentine with an international-style expression of affection!

English	Swahili	Spanish
to like (v) to love (v) I love you friend boyfriend girlfriend husband wife to kiss (v) to hug (v) wedding heart romance flowers chocolate anniversary	kupenda kupenda Nakupenda rafiki mpenzi mpenzi mume mke kubusu kumbatia herusi moyo mahaba maua chokleti maadhimisho	gustar amar Te amo or te quiero amigo / amiga novio novia esposo esposa besar abrazar boda or casamiento corazon romance flores chocolate aniversario

Thanks again to the Wild Rose Foundation

by Harold Pliszka

leven months ago, through a matching grant program the Wild Rose Foundation provided \$25,000 to HYTES bumping our total scholarship number to 150 for the 2008 school year. We are planning to replace that funding this year at our Valentine's Day Fundraiser, Turn On Calgary.





Thank You Letter from Kenya

February 2008

Dear all our sponsors,

I am so sorry to have taken long to reply, I have been busy with class work and did not want anything to hinder my studies. I joined girls foot ball here and I am so blessed being the best. My experience here in school is wonderful, though right now it is so cold where the school is situated but I do still focus for my good results. I have made lot of friends here who are ready to study and change kenya in the near future.

We have good teachers, and well disciplined students, these help us to gain good grades. I am looking forward working hard and be the best this year. Sometimes as an orphan, I pray for you, god will give you long life so you can help more other students in need

"Remember your labor in the lord is not in vein" -- 1 Corinthians 15:58b

We cherish your good soul,

Mary Atieno Agessa

Vote of Thanks

by Harold Pliszka

special thank you to all of the Wonderful people who donated their time, talent, and silent auction donations to make HYTES' Fourth Annual Summer Fun Fundraiser a huge success! The event was held in Calgary on August 10, 2008.

Our heartfelt thanks goes out in appreciation to the following sponsors and silent auction donors (in random order):

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