

BUSIADA SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION THANKS HALALA USA

A grateful Mrs. Grando PT Oprong, principal of Busiada Girls High school alongside a group of teachers and the Board of governors were on hand to warmly receive Halala USA representative Mrs. Alice Kirambi on the 27th of January 2009. Flanking Mrs. Kirambi were Rose Mutiva, a social worker and Mrs. Susan Mululya (a retired UN staff) as she visited the school with the objective of presenting the school with a \$ 1000 check



aimed at aiding the previously storm ravaged school.

Heavy rainstorm in the month of November 2008 had rendered the school nearly inhabitable as some student dorms and teacher's quarters alike had experienced severe structural damage some having their roof tops completely blown off by strong winds that hurled at them accompanied by torrent rainfall.

Having heard the cry for help Halala USA conducted a spontaneous funds drive at a thanksgiving dinner that yielded the \$1000. On arrival at the schools Mrs. Kirambi was informed that the school had in actuality dipped into its PTA kitty and financed the structural repairs that needed to be performed. While applauding the efforts of the school administration, B.O.G as well as the Nambale Catholic Diocese who happen to sponsor the school, Mrs. Kirambi stressed that the funds from Halala ought not to go towards the replenishing of the PTA kitty but be re-directed towards the building and equipping of a library for the students.

If this be the case Halala USA would commit towards this cause, overseeing it from start to finish.

In conclusion, Mrs. Kirambi informed them of the forthcoming Halala conference to be held in Kakamega in December 2009 in which various interest groups, NGO's and stakeholders including political leadership from Western Province will be invited to take part. She also went ahead to inform those present of Halala's prime project at the moment which is the launching of a mobile clinic that would provide health care to rural western province. The project is stipulated to run over 5 years and on the fifth year yield a self sustainable and fully functional solution to disease and otherwise preventable mortality in the province.

In appreciating the Halala USA Group, the B.O.G representatives present welcomed the idea of involving the political leaders in the conference hoping to bring unity among the Luhya leaders and the Luhya community at large. They were categorical about the lack of unity among Luhya political leaders thus stating that, this unity has been wanting for a long time.

At this hour Halala would like to thank Mrs. Alice Kirambi, founder and C.E.O of Christian Partners Development Agency, a champion for the cause of the needy and one whose self less approach to leadership has brought many quality living and

alleviated poverty not just in Western Kenya but all through the nation and has even reached parts of Uganda, Tanzania and Malawi.
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