Nyamira Youth Workshop Series - Objective

These workshops provide a forum for learning, information sharing and reflection required to empower youth to challenge their potential. Whether playing the role of leader of today or tomorrow, Kenyan youth need knowledge and skills that tap into their potential in order to maximize gain for them and Kenyan society. Education, both within and outside the classroom, would inform choices today youth make as investment for tomorrow’s harvest. So also is entrepreneurship that allows for conversion of ideas into goods and services that create employment opportunities while providing gain for the entrepreneur.

These workshops target youth that have attained grade twelve education and are planning future careers, be it pursuing higher education, obtaining employment or embarking on their own businesses.

Three workshops are slated for December 2009 and will be run at Borabu Inn, Nyamira Town, and have seen put together, courtesy of Dr Matunda Nyanchama whose own example demonstrates what investment in education and life-long learning can attain.

Location: Borabu Inn, Nyamira Town, Kenya

Proposed dates: December 22, 2009

Who should attend

This course is recommended for youth candidates who have accepted upon submitting a letter of interest to learn and gain skills in leadership.

A maximum of 100 youth from the Greater Nyamira Area will be accommodated.

Prerequisites

These workshops are designed for the students with little or no experience, extra-curricula activities, an outstanding interest in community development and personal growth (in education and business) is a desirable and a definite asset.

Sponsors:

There are benefits for sponsors, which include exposure to a youthful audience of more than 100 people. These young people stand to be future customers and employees; in general, consumers of services provided by sponsors.

So far the following have committed their sponsorship

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<td>Nsemia Inc. Publishers</td>
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1 These workshops have been developed in consultation with Shem Ogamba Bundi, Geoffrey Nyambaka, Enock Obuba, Inganga Mbinji, Nyandusi O’Motanya, Obuba Nyong’a and Osumo Nyanchama.
### 2009 Nyamira Youth Leadership Workshop Series

**December 2009 Outline**

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<td><strong>Youth Leadership workshop</strong></td>
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<td>Objective: Youth Leadership course will introduce youths (you) into acquiring skills and develop characteristics needed for effective leadership, especially within the community and nation. While the course will be grounded in traditional and contemporary youth leadership philosophies and practices, it will emphasize leadership development relevant to the Kenyan environment and its realities. Youths (you) will use skills learned in the workshop to enhance their (you) own leadership behaviors through practical application of leadership principles and concepts.</td>
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<td><strong>Youth Entrepreneurship workshop</strong></td>
<td>Nyandusi O’Motanya</td>
<td>Objective: This course introduces youths (you) to &quot;innovation &amp; opportunities,&quot; on entrepreneurship innovation, youths (you) will learn to place and rank innovations according to their usefulness and impact locally, regionally and nationally. While on entrepreneurship possibilities, you will be thought how learn to understand the community resources available and how you can identify these resources (government as well). You will learn how to recognize opportunities and act on them. You will learn the relationship between innovation and opportunities. It aims to help you measure your expectations with practical aspects of running a business, and then formulate a step by step approach for conceiving and launching a sustainable venture despite difficult times. You will learn skills, information, attitudes, and rewards of entrepreneurship</td>
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<td><strong>Youth Education workshop</strong> – Beyond the Classroom</td>
<td>Enock Obuba</td>
<td>Objective: The concept of education is intriguing not only in Kenya but globally. Due to a growing number of educated unemployed in Kenya, many youths are opting out of college with assumption that education is meaningless. This course will examine the value of education, contrary to the notion that once you have education, is a pre-requisite for job employment. There are many advantages for education and students must see the broader picture instead of focusing that employment depends on education. Education plays a critical role in one’s life; this course will introduce students to understand the distinction</td>
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between purposes and functions of education. Each student will be asked to state the mission statement of their school or schools in which they attended and then they would apply what those mission statement means to their community and their neighbours and in their lives. Students would be asked about literacy and a good example would be given to late Kimani Ng’ang’a “the World’s oldest pupil” who went to school at age of 80years old. Did he go to school to get a job or to learn? This debate would explore the meaning of Education and how it can relate to Youth Leadership and Youth Entrepreneurship.

PROCEDURES FOR ACCOMPLISHING THESE OBJECTIVES²

These courses are a hands-on and interactive module that uses real life scenarios, class discussion to develop practical leadership/entrepreneurship skills. These courses will be an introductory programs covering 2–3 hours, the basis of which can be applied to advanced youth leadership courses.

1st hour/session: Lecture. (Theory presentation); 2nd hour/session: discussion, project activity to reflect on the lecture and case analysis. (Practical presentation)

² This will apply to all courses (Education, Youth Leadership and Youth Entrepreneurship)