



The Haitian Sports Foundation (HSF) Bulletin

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Our Objective is to Serve and Transform Lives

President's Letter

It has been three years since I visited Haiti. Initially, I was wondering how we would support the program, encourage the staff and communicate with members of the foundation with a spirit of excellence remotely. Fortunately, just like the rest of the world, ZOOM came to the rescue.

Throughout our history, HSF has faced many challenges, but we've stood strong, faced the challenges and overcame many of them, and that's because of your generous support. Our students continue to demonstrate the same spirit of resilience during personal, societal, security and hunger challenges.

With your generous support, HSF continues to prepare students for career readiness and offer a safe environment where they can grow away from gangs and radicalism to succeed in their country. Apart from some minor hiccups, we were able to accomplish the following:

- 1) Sustain our academic programs by conducting all operational meetings virtually.
- 2) Finish most of the trade school, with the remaining issues waiting for completion due to supply chain and security difficulties.
- 3) Maintain bi-weekly English classes with the children.
- 4) Upgraded the computer room by installing a new server to keep our students on the cutting edge of technology where they can do their homework via the internet.
- 5) Provide free healthcare and medication to members of the community.
- 6) Conduct a literacy program to encourage youngsters to read.

Your continuous support will help HSF to fulfill its mission in Sports, Education and Health, giving hope to the community, regardless of the challenges they face, transforming lives and creating leaders of tomorrow.

A heartfelt thanks to our Donors, the Atlanta and New York Volunteer Teams, HSF Haiti Volunteers, and the youth of Anse-à-Veau. Together We Have, We Can, and We Will continue to do this!

Happy New Year

Turnier Esperance



Vice President/Treasurer's Letter

I have not visited Haiti since 2018, due to pandemic and many other local challenges. However, through the generosity of our donors we were able to maintain and improve our capital projects for 2022. Through on-line media, and due to the competency of our Haiti team we were able to remotely

observe and manage the progress of our projects.

The support of the scholarship program has grown and many of you have contributed to assist families towards full tuition for their children. The number of beneficiaries grew from 8 to 12 and with your help, we hope to increase the number of beneficiaries to 20 for the next calendar school year.

The sport program continues to grow and plays a major role in instilling discipline, control, respect, and honesty amongst the students. Our dance program is also evolving, and it gives the youngsters a way to showcase their talent and culture for which they are proud of. The basketball program gained a great deal of interest whereby young girls for the first time in the town were sparked with enthusiasm after the Ottawa Women Basketball visit in Haiti. **HSF recently formed its first Female Basketball Team in the area with a great deal of hope and enthusiasm.** This sport is now widely played by both men and women with inter school competition amongst young boys. With your help, we hope to **expand** our current basketball court to another 8 feet to meet national and international standards.

Special Thanks to The Duane Davis Foundation, our monthly donors, our academic sponsors, our friends from Pfizer and others who have contributed in one way or another to help change the lives of so many talented children. **The HSF volunteers/board members receive no compensation and 100% of your donation is utilized for the programs and projects which are designed to help change the lives of the Haitian Youths.**

Wishing you and your family a safe, healthy, and prosperous new year.

Georges Aschkar Jr.

HSF Atlanta Year in Review



It's been a heartbreaking 4 years since we have had the opportunity to see the children of Haiti Face to Face. Although we have not been able to hug them, physically, they are forever stitched into our hearts and mind. Thank God for Zoom where we've been able to witness so much of their growth and talents!

On September 24th , 2022, Atlanta hosted HSF 2nd annual Gala, "A Red & Blue Affair - Feeling the Nation of Haiti". Thank you to the Atlanta Team of Volunteers and to everyone that attended, contributing to the cause of keeping our kids in Haiti healthy and educated.

HSF Health Update



HSF provided **free monthly medical services** to both young children and the elderly. In 2022 our medical staff consulted close to **300 patients** and supplied free medication and lab services as necessary. We continue to perform minor surgeries and lab testing onsite which expedites diagnoses and helps the medical team treat patients without delays.

HSF Women Basketball

Introducing the First Women Basketball Team in Anse-à-Veau, inspired by the Ottawa Women Basketball Team.



HSF Men Basketball Team



HSF celebrated its second year of Inter School Basketball competition. A tournament was held in Anse-à-Veau, May-June, 2022. Four schools continue to participate in the program: (1) Ecole Nationale Primaire Mixte, (2) Ecole Nationale Des Anges, (3) Ecole Saint Joseph Educateur and (4) College Saint Anne Primaire Mixte. Ecole National Des Anges was rewarded as the Team Champions and Second Place went to Ecole Nationale Des Saints Anges.

Judges During a Basketball Competition & Community Supporters



Help Us expand our basketball court to another 8 feet, to meet National Standards.



HSF Karate Results

Sports build character. Congratulations to the Karatekas who took their recent promotion test. The following students were promoted:

Promoted to Yellow Belt

Mondesir Franterson; Dorvil Imaesley ; Clémond Isaac; Pierre Wilins ;Dorvil Jovens;
Laurent Hansley; Belizaire Luckenson ; Castor Schnayder ; Mikenley Dorafils
Pierre Jephthé.

Promoted to Orange Belt:

Baudrun Wood-Maël ; Joseph Shmide Ardoin; Toyo Locharma Woobens; Lafontan Lherisse ;
Thessier Sergeley; Duval Gilberto; Brunette Jn Kenley ;Saint-Cyr Jean Woodson; Vilmond Wood
Ischa; Norbilus Rose-Sayendy ; Joseph Djeina Sterline; Charles Neslo ; André Yves Shoulder;
Cassamajor Makervens



HSF Local Radio Station – LANESS 94.1FM

HSF introduced its first radio station, **LANESS 94.1FM**, to enhance communication with the people especially in times of natural disasters. Our members/broadcasters are trained in Communication and networking classes by Mr Dugue Dumont, PDG of Radio Tele Cosmopolite. Pictured below: Mr Diegue Blendel (left), well known Bertrice Victorin (center) who leads the Compas music program including Wendy Saladin (right) on console.



Art Borin Jr. Professional & Cultural Center

We have been working very hard to provide an equipped trade school for our young adults in the Nippes region where they can study solar energy, refrigeration, mechanics and electricity. Due to the supply chains and infrastructure security challenges we were unable to finish the building within the time frame agreed upon. Currently, most major capital disbursements have been spent and we are waiting for deliveries of electrical supplies, toilet equipment and floor mosaics. Our accomplishments and work in process is summarized below:

Accomplishments

25 Windows With Steel Gates

12 Doors With Steel Gates

Second Floor

Two Full Bathrooms

One Full Dining Room

A Radio Station

First Floor

Two Bathrooms

Two Classrooms: Capacity 50 students each

Conference Room: Capacity up to 100

A Technical Laboratory

Delays of deliveries due to supply roadblocks/Security:

Expectation Q1 2023

Mosaic installation

Wiring electrical cord

Bathroom accessories

Furniture

Future

Solar Energy

Painting

Art Borin Jr. Professional & Cultural Center

Exterior View & Stairway Leading to Second Floor



Hallway View With Steel Doors & Windows



Dedicated Classrooms / Conference Room



2023 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

12 students received full scholarships for the current school year exercise. Both kids and parents agree to do their utmost to work hard and follow the progress of the child. In addition to learning English, the beneficiaries will have regular remote meetings with their sponsors whereby children will enhance their English skills and teach their sponsors our beautiful creole language.

Meet Our Volunteer Board Members

HSF 2022/23 Executive Board

Turnier Esperance - President

Georges Aschkar Jr. - Vice-President/Treasurer

Karen Baker - Atlanta Lead/Entertainment Coordinator

Huberte Esperance - Camp Administrator

Natasha Sawh - HSF Project Coordinator

Diegue Blendell - Project Leader/ Instructor, Haiti

President Emeritus - Mario Arthur

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