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A S.T.A.N.D. UPDATE Be Informed

Meetings Every Tuesday 20:30 G.K.G.3

The World Promised Never Again...So What About Right Now?

S.T.A.N.D. AT JCU

ST.A.N.D. is proud to present an awareness event on April 10th that showcases the stories of the journey of refugees that members have collected from volunteering.

All donations will go towards purchasing shoes for distribution at the Joel Nafuma Refugee Center.

Free entrance.



APRIL 10TH @ CORSINI ROOMS @ 7-9 PM

Thok is a member of the Dinka tribe from South Sudan. After his village was attacked he took refuge in the brush near his home for numerous days. Next he began a long five to seven day journey to Egypt. He started from the city of Uwayl in the south, walking to the capital of Khartoum. From Khartoum he took a train to the northern city of Halfa. Traveling farther north by ferry he began his new life in Egypt upon the shore of Aswan-tain. He then began the next leg of his long journey by taking a train to Cairo where he lived for two years. In Cairo he attended a Catholic school for refugees where he began his formal education. After lots of hard work he was able to receive a scholarship to attend high school in the United States. After three years of high school in Florida he was accepted to Duke University on a full scholarship studying Philosophy. Thok has remained active in speaking about his experiences as a Sudanese refugee. Today he is trying to raise money to build a school in the newly liberated South Sudan.

Over the year, JCU STAND has continued to volunteer and donate to causes that further the mission of JCU STAND.

- Joel Nafuma Refugee Center € 1400 Donated (<http://www.stpaulsrome.it/english/jnrc/jnrc.html>)
- Strathmore Scholarship Fund \$ 450 Donated
- Funds went to sponsor 3 Kenyan teachers in a continuing education program for classroom management skills. (<http://www.strathmore.edu/News.php?NewsID=707>)
- ACODO € 300 Donated
- Funds went to build new structure for the Cambodian orphanage after major flood.
- To Be Donated € 300
- New funds are going to build a farm near the orphanage. (www.acodo.org/)
- Darfur Stoves Project € 600 Donated
- Funds to provide Darfur with low-cost efficient stoves. (<http://www.darfurstoves.org>)
- SELSudan TBD
- An organization that is building schools in South Sudan. (<http://www.selfsudan.org/>)
- SORREASY € 500 Donated
- Funds went to support JCU alumni raising funds for Mission Lazarus in Honduras.

Board: Baylen Campbell, Vanessa Landetta, Caroline Furuvald, Micayla Burrows.



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KONY 2012

CONFLICT IN THE D.R CONGO

The Democratic Republic of the Congo ranks one of the lowest on the UN Human Development Index, but is also one of the most mineral rich areas in the world.

Governments and armed militia groups have been fighting for power and access to the minerals for several decades, using rape and murder to intimidate civilians.

Since 1996 over 5.4 million people have been killed, making it the deadliest conflict since WW II. The conflict minerals being extracted from Eastern Congo- gold, tin, tantalum, and tungsten- are found in most consumer electronics products.

<http://www.raisehopeforcongo.org/>

www.hrw.org

<https://www.freetheslaves.net/>

<http://www.enoughproject.org/>

STAND volunteers every Friday at the Joel Nafuma Refugee Center. Join us!

We meet at the H Bus stop at 9:00 am in Piazza Belli.

STAND, the student-led division of the Genocide Intervention Network, envisions a world in which the international community protects civilians from genocidal violence and elected officials are held accountable for their actions, or inaction, in the face of genocide.

Born out of the fight to stop the genocide in Darfur, Sudan, STAND is devoted to creating a sustainable student network that actively fights genocide wherever it may occur.

The mission of JCU STAND is to provide individuals and communities with a comprehensive understanding of the nature, limits and characteristics of genocide. We focus on community outreach and development and are particularly dedicated to providing aid to the refugees in Rome.

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COUNTRIES ON GENOCIDE WATCH 2012: South Sudan, Sudan, Myanmar, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Libya, Syria, Yemen, Ethiopia, Somalia, Afghanistan, Pakistan, North Korea, Nigeria, Central African Republic, Chad, Equatorial Guinea, Columbia, China, Iraq, Iran, Zimbabwe, Uzbekistan, Egypt, Cote d'Ivoire, Rwanda, Burundi, Angola, Algeria, Philippines, Lebanon, India, Indonesia, South Africa, Russia, Israel/Palestine

CONFLICT IN SOUTH SUDAN

On July 9, 2011, the Republic of South Sudan declared its independence from Sudan. Apart from border conflicts with Sudan, South Sudan is in the midst of a civil war among its numerous tribal groups. The Nuer White Army has stated it wished to "wipe out the entire Murle tribe on the face of the earth," as the only solution to guarantee long-term security of Nuer's cattle. Most recently an attack in the Jonglei region has led to at least 223 confirmed deaths and hundreds more wounded or missing. Young men from the Murle ethnic group stormed several camps, where the rival Nuer community had taken their cattle. Cattle are a main resource for wealth and pride within the South Sudan and cattle raids like this are common warfare practice.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-africa-17338139>

