

Anambra Family Association of Memphis

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Picture

**Donation of Computers to High Schools in
Anambra State of Nigeria in partnership with
Anambra State Ministry of Education.**



May 22, 2014

**Dr. Peter Azogini—President, Anambra Family Association of Memphis USA Inc.
Prof. Kate Azuka Omenugha, Anambra State Commissioner for Education**

EVENT LOCATION



MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
**COMMUNITY EDUCATION
RESOURCE CENTRE**
(ETF PROJECT 2002)

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ANAMBRA STATE.

AFAM COMPUTER PROJECT HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE

The Committee discussed the theme to focus the launching on, and came up with “Providing Computers to Secondary Schools in ten communities in Anambra State”. The communities will be a reflection of AFAM member’s home town. The idea was accepted by the house.

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Inaugural
LAUNCHING & FUND-RAISING
TO BENEFIT SCHOOLS
IN ANAMBRA STATE, NIGERIA
June 23 2012 6:00 pm

THE GREAT HALL & CONFERENCE CENTER
1900 South Germantown Road
Germantown, TN 38138 USA

Dr. Peter Azogini Mrs. Sandra Madubonwu Chief Gibson Ekwudobi

AFAM LAUNCHING & COMPUTER PROJECT FUNDRAISING EVENT

June 23, 2012

Business

PHILANTHROPY

Nonprofit donates computers to Nigeria

Locals 'give back' to high schoolers in their homeland

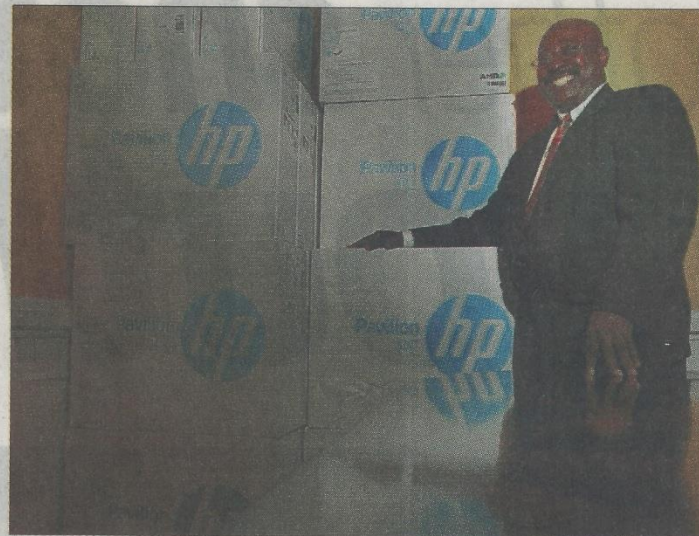
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Dr. Peter Azogini lives a comfortable lifestyle in Collierville, but still remembers what it was like growing up in Anambra State, Nigeria.

Because of that, Azogini, 52, wanted to apply a lesson he learned over 20 years living in the U.S. — how to give back.

Azogini, the president of Anambra Family Association of Memphis, and members of the nonprofit group composed of more than 20 families from the state who now live in the Mid-South, will ship 25 HP computers for high school students to Anambra State later this month.

"In Nigeria, we don't have a lot of computers, especially in high schools," Azogini said. "It's almost zero. To us, it's a big deal for those kids, just to help them get online and see the World Wide Web,



Dr. Peter Azogini, president of Anambra Family Association of Memphis, shows off 25 HP computers the organization will ship to the Nigerian state of Anambra for high school students there. "This country (the U.S.) taught us how to give back," he said.

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but also learn how to use computers."

AFAM began raising money for the computers nearly two years ago when it held its inaugural launching and fundraising event to benefit schools in Anambra State. Money came from members, donations and fundraisers.

"Back in the day, we didn't have the Internet and cellphones and all of that," said Gibson Egwudobi, 54, an AFAM member. "Now, younger folks have access to the Internet, so the community is getting a little smaller. Knowledge is power."

Azogini said high school students in Nigeria often must learn on their own.

"It gives us the ability to study," he said. "It gives you an opportunity to have what I call good study habits."

AFAM, which was formed in 2006 and received nonprofit status in 2008, has made donations to local organiza-

tions like the Alpha-Omega Veteran Association, the Dorothy Day House of Hospitality, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital and the American Red Cross of Jackson, Tenn.

Azogini said 95 percent of AFAM members are physicians, and about half went to the University of Nigeria, where they received a free education. Because of that, they felt it was necessary to give back to their country.

"This country (the U.S.) taught us how to give back," he said. "People back home can make money, but they don't know how to freely give without expecting something in return. I learned that here, giving back to the community."

"Our mission is to pay our country back. It's not a huge gift, but it's a start."

In the future, Azogini said AFAM may look into giving to other Nigerian states.

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Community Education Resource Center, AWKA



CROSS SECTION OF STUDENTS, TEACHERS AND PRINCIPALS



EVENT MC



HEAD TABLE



Dr. Peter Azogini

"Today, we have come home to our beloved Anambra State to give back. Anambra State is the light of the nation and there is no better way to keep this light shining than through education. So Hon. Commissioner, members of AFAM are committed to educating our children and we are demonstrating this through our small goodwill donation today."



Dr. Peter Azogini

“We are impressed with infrastructure improvements in schools as well as the expansion of information technology which is available to our school children now and in future. Just a few weeks ago Anambra emerged the overall best in the West African School Certificate Examination last year”.



(Punch Newspaper April 20, 2014)

Hon. Dr. V.V.I. Okoye

“We are not here to show off, but to show support”.



Prof. Kate Omenugha, Anambra State Commissioner for Education

“The donation of computers to high schools in Anambra State is an example of Public Private Partnership”.



Prof. Kate Omenugha, Anambra State Commissioner for Education

“It is not about the quantity of computers donated by AFAM, but the heart”.



Prof. Kate Omenugha, Anambra State Commissioner for Education

"Anambra State
Ministry of Education
operates on ten
shares values one of
which is -
Making a positive
impact on the
students, and that is
what AFAM has
done".



Prof. Kate Omenugha, Anambra State Commissioner for Education

“We want to bring back passion into education. That goes for the administrators, teachers, students, parents and partners. It is passion that brought AFAM here today”.



COMPUTERS IN AWKA



OFFICAL PRESENTATION OF COMPUTERS



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Part II

Honoring our

Patron

Dr. V.V.I. Okoye

PRESENTATION OF PATRON AWARD TO HON. DR. V.V.I. OKOYE



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Part III

Conclusion

BENEFICIARY TOWNS & SCHOOLS

AGULU:	Agulu Boys Secondary School – 2 computers
AWKA:	St. John's Secondary School – 2 computers
*IHIALA:	Abbott Boys Secondary School – 2 computers Abbott Girls Secondary School - 2 computers Government Technical College - 1 computer
NKPOR:	Nkpor Technical School – 2 computers
NNEWI:	Nnewi High School – 2 computers
NTEJE:	Nteje Girls Secondary School – 2 computers
NRI:	Nri Boys Secondary School – 2 computers
OBA:	Merchant of Light – 2 computers
OBOSI:	Obosi Community Sec. School – 2 computers
ORAFITE:	Oraifite Boys Secondary School – 2 computers
UMUOJI	Mater Amabilis Secondary School– 2 computers

**Member paid for extra 3 computers to be donated to Ihiala schools*