

For \$5, Rotarians can Help Girls Stay in School!

THE PROBLEM: Far too many girls drop out of school when they reach puberty for lack of a secure way of handling their menstrual flow. When a girl can't complete her education, she will likely marry extremely young, have a dozen children, without ever having the means to support her family or educate her children. The last thing our planet needs is an overpopulation of poverty stricken communities.

THE SOLUTION: Rotarians in upstate NY have witnessed the sheer joy of girls who have received a free MoonCatcher kit from the [MoonCatcher Project](#). Each kit includes 3 pads. Each kit includes a small waterproof bag to wash the pads with a cup of precious water. The pads unfold to squares, so they can be dried in the sterilizing sun without embarrassment. The kits are also unique in that they can be worn by girls who can't afford underwear! The accompanying health curriculum dispels myths and unhealthy practices. Got a minute? Watch this: [video](#); (YouTube Rlee0DIN2hQ).

"WE ARE ALL PEOPLE OF ACTION": The Rotary Clubs of Scotia NY and Namugongo Uganda plan to provide 10,000 girls with free MoonCatcher kits via Global Grant GG1872625. ***Wanna help? Simply forward this to your District Governor and to your Club President for discussion at their respective Foundation Board meetings.*** Districts would then email their DDF pledges to Rotarian Helen Penna (518-858-1333) at helen_penna@yahoo.com. Clubs and Individuals would mail checks to Phil Falconer at 7 Via Maria Drive; Scotia, NY 12302. You don't need to give a lot; every \$5 changes a girl's life. Contributions are matched 50% and receive Paul Harris Recognition Points and credit towards Major Donor Level.

TWO PROJECT IDEAS: The MoonCatcher Project is always looking for Tyvek®, the rip-proof material used in overnight mailers. So consider placing a Tyvek® collection bin in an office building. Or, for a hands-on project, we can mail a box of materials for a handful of sewists to hold a "MOONBEE" to assemble 25 MoonCatcher kits. It's fun and gratifying. Contact inventor and founder Ellie von Wellsheim who, like Jonas Salk, is ***giving her design to the world***, at ellie@MoonCatcher.org or (518) 859-5114.

Visit The MoonCatcher Project on [Facebook](#) or [Instagram](#).

THUMBNAILS of the ATTACHED PHOTOS



_1-Ellie von Wellsheim w MoonCatcher



_2a-MoonCatcher MoonBee



_4a-Girls w MoonCatcher kits