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Akron physicians' work in Kenya to be featured on special edition of NewsNight Akron

Akron's Dr. Bonyo Bonyo, Dr. Sandra Deveny and Dr. Barry Greenberg talk about Care Kenya on PBS 45 & 49 NewsMaker Akron special

KENT, Ohio — June 28, 2007 — The extraordinary story of an Akron physician's efforts to provide medical care to a Kenyan village will be featured on a special PBS 45 & 49 **NewsMaker Akron** program. Jody Miller, **NewsNight Akron** panelist, interviews Dr. Bonyo Bonyo and two of his colleagues about Care Kenya on the special, which airs Friday, July 6 at 9 p.m. on PBS 45 & 49 and repeats on Saturday, July 7 at 5 a.m.

This is a touching story of how Dr. Bonyo, as a child, walked across the hills for two days to go to a new school; how his sister's death from dehydration inspired him to become a doctor; and how returning to his village has helped to save and change lives. Joining Dr. Bonyo are fellow Akron physicians Dr. Barry Greenberg and Dr. Sandra Deveny, who have joined him in his efforts to build a medical clinic and found Care Kenya Inc., a nonprofit organization dedicated to improving the lives and health care of the citizens of Western Kenya.

The medical clinic, named in honor of Dr. Bonyo's mother, is now ready to be staffed year-round, to provide health care and education to those who need it most. This is the story of Akronites reaching out and touching people half a world away.

About NewsNight Akron

NewsNight Akron airs every Friday night at 9 p.m. on PBS 45 & 49 and offers spontaneous, lively, indepth discussions about issues that affect the lives of people in greater Akron. Hosted by Eric Mansfield, Akron-Canton news anchor for WKYC-TV3, NewsNight Akron features a roundtable discussion with a panel of local journalists that covers both breaking news stories on topics such as education, the community and local business, as well as ongoing subjects including elections and major news stories. Serving as regular panelists on the show are Steve Hoffman, political writer at the Akron Beacon Journal; Jody Miller, editor and publisher of Bath Country Journal; and Ed Esposito, Joe Jastzremski and Larry States, all of whom are members of the Rubber City Radio Group news staff.

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