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A project that started in March 2006 as a jewelry sale to raise some funds for a Marianist school in Nairobi, Kenya, has to date raised more than \$12,500 and supported students with uniforms, meals and supplies.

The project, known as Beady Eyes, is the charitable brainchild of jewelry designer Chris McCann, a records auditor in the registrar's office, and colleague Rosey Terzian, a registration systems operator.

Proceeds benefit Our Lady of Nazareth School in Nairobi, Kenya, which is led by Marianist missionary Marty Solma, S.M., a childhood friend of McCann. The school serves 1,500 students ages 5 to 14

UD alumna Amy Kappeler Powers '92, daughter of registrar's office colleague Kathy Kappeler, was providing production and finishing assistance with the bead and gemstone jewelry but "retired" earlier this year, McCann said. Mary Beth Miller, an administrative secretary in the UD School of Law, has taken over Powers' work, enlisting volunteer assistance from two sisters, Lois Fisher and Connie Brooks, and a sister-in-law, Amy Happensack.

"When we lost Amy, I informed God that he was going to have to find a replacement," McCann said. "He found four. It's just another gentle reminder that we cannot outgive God."

Members of the Theta Phi Alpha sorority, which has taken Solma's school as a philanthropic project, will be selling Beady Eyes jewelry on the Kennedy Union Plaza from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Wednesday, Oct. 20-22, and from 3 to 6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 25, in front of Marianist Hall.

To arrange a lunchtime show, contact Terzian at [rterzian@notes.udayton.edu](mailto:rterzian@notes.udayton.edu). For additional details, contact McCann via e-mail (url: [mailto:Christina.McCann@notes.udayton.edu?subject=Beady Eyes inquiry](mailto:Christina.McCann@notes.udayton.edu?subject=Beady%20Eyes%20inquiry)) .