



Connecting and Empowering Bari Communities

Parara USA Annual Report 2016-2017

7/29/2017

Mission:

Through education, empowerment, and dialogue, PARARA-USA aims to foster connectivity among Bari people in an effort to facilitate their integration into the American society with dignity, and as responsible, productive members through love, unity, and action.

Vision:

We envision a vibrant and connected Bari community in the USA that is integral part of the American society with strong Bari culture and connection to South Sudan.

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How can you help?

- Sign up for monthly contributions (\$10, \$25, \$50 per month).
- Volunteer locally: Create your office. This is very important.
- Support our next project
- **Volunteer for our 2018 Election**
- Sign up online to our email list

1. A message from the President of the Executive Committee

Greetings with Jubek Spirit,

My beloved Bari community member I hope you and the family is doing well. Thank you for your support and commitment to our community through out 2016-2017. Your voice and support was critical in connecting our community and keeping us accountable to you.

I am happy of our contributions and I believe we can continue to rise higher than we are today. Parara USA goal is to bring the Bari community together so that we cannot lose our roots and we can empower each other to be productive members of the American society. We are volunteers, we are organized, and we help each other in time of need. Through love, unity, and action we can achieve our goals.

Our community is struggling with side effects of the civil war in South Sudan. This issue continues to consume our spiritual, mental, and physical resources. We have hope that this issue will also come to past. I encourage all to continue to support humanitarian channels to support our people back home from hunger and disease.

Humanitarian assistance: we increased our humanitarian assistance to our people by 21% compared to 2015-2016. We sent a total of \$ 8,451 including transfer fees. Thank you members for your contribution. Your donations give hope and strength for others to continue to live.

Bari Census: We have started the process to determine the actual number of Bari persons in the USA by contacting state leaders and individual members. This process help us improve organization of our community and also help us determine and engage the youth of our community. Calling individual members across the US did not work well. However, we improved our registration process during our annual conference. We will continue this improved registration process and encourage state leaders to become more active and organized.

Successful Momoret 2017: The Momoret is the most important event for Parara USA because it brings our community together. A family that talk, eat, and pray together will likely stay together. This year the Momoret was hosted by BC Wisconsin/Illinois in Milwaukee. The event connected about 86 adults and 126 children.

Bari class: I want to thank Emilio Mongu for starting the Bari class in November of 2016. This was the first online class for the Bari language. I am proud that it was started here. However, I am disappointed with enrollment number. I encourage you register in the next class to promote Bari language.

Youth and Scholarship: Parara USA offers two \$500 scholarship to students in the USA who have shown academic excellence. Last year we did not award it to anyone. We need to better advertise to the youth. I encourage all to inform others in the community. We will begin accepting applications in November 15, 2017. Selected students will be awarded during Momoret 2018.

I would like to thank all our members and sponsors for their contributions. I also would like to acknowledge the executive officers, board of directors, state leaders and volunteers for their contributions and efforts to keep up with community work.

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Thank you for your service and commitment.

Let's volunteer and donate today.

Sincerely,

Emmanuel Sokiri Pitia
President, Executive Committee
Parara USA Inc.









Momoret bring our people together so we can stay together






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2. Board of Directors and Executive Officers

Board of Directors (BD)		Executive Committee and Board Members	
	Chairman Daniel Ernesto	Emmanuel Sokiri Pitia President	
	Loku Said Deputy Chairman	Suzi Lako Vice President	
	Ermenia Poni Secretary General	Louis Ladu Secretary General	
	Alfred Lako Councilor from MN	Tombe Wani Secretary of Finance	

	Open Councilor from MN		Amato Loro Secretary of information/external affairs	
	3 Open Councilors		Sandra Tombe Deputy Secretary G.	
Executive Committee				
	Stephen Kujjo Deputy secretary of Information		Lado Lomeling Deputy secretary Finance	
	Elizabeth Lako Secretary of community development		Pellegrino Laku Finance support	

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	<p>Kajobe Na Legge</p> <p>Deputy secretary of community development</p>		<p>Rita molojang</p> <p>Finance support</p>	
	<p>Mary Wari</p> <p>Secretary of Culture and Educations</p>		<p>Tongun Morbe</p> <p>Finance support</p>	
	<p>Gabriel Wani</p> <p>Deputy secretary of Culture and Education</p>			

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3. State Leaders

State	State Name	Organized Office	Last Election	Chairman
CA	California	yes	7/2/2016	Francis Limbe
CT	Connecticut	yes	6/10/2010	Daniel Wani
KS	Kansas	yes	6/15/2014	Zahara Yekisuk
ME	Maine	yes	6/10/2010	Daniel Wani
MN	Minnesota	yes	5/10/2015	Alfred Lako
MO	Missouri	yes	6/15/2014	Zahara Yekisuk
NE	Nebraska	yes	6/10/2014	Ceasar Sule
NH	New Hampshire	yes	6/10/2010	Daniel Wani
NY	New York	Yes	1/1/2012	Marco Wani
PA	Pennsylvania	Yes	1/1/2012	Marco Wani
TN	Tennessee	yes	7/1/2010	Naponi Na Dante
VA	Virginia	yes	6/15/2014	Loro Makara
VT	Vermont	yes		
WI	Wisconsin	yes		Peter Kujjo
AK	Alaska	no	n/a	
AL	Alabama	no	n/a	
AR	Arkansas	no	n/a	
AZ	Arizona	no	n/a	
CO	Colorado	no	n/a	
DE	Delaware	no	n/a	
FL	Florida	no	n/a	
GA	Georgia	no	n/a	
HI	Hawaii	no	n/a	
IA	Iowa	no	n/a	
ID	Idaho	no	n/a	
IL	Illinois	no	n/a	
IN	Indiana	no	n/a	
KY	Kentucky	no	n/a	
LA	Louisiana	no	n/a	
MA	Massachusetts	no	n/a	
MD	Maryland	no	n/a	
MI	Michigan	no	n/a	
MS	Mississippi	no	n/a	
MT	Montana	no	n/a	
NC	North Carolina	no	n/a	
ND	North Dakota	no	n/a	
NJ	New Jersey	no	?	
NM	New Mexico	no	?	
NV	Nevada	no	n/a	

OH	Ohio	no	n/a	
OK	Oklahoma	no	n/a	
OR	Oregon	no	n/a	
RI	Rhode Island	no	6/10/2010	Daniel Wani
SC	South Carolina	no	n/a	
SD	South Dakota	no	n/a	
TX	Texas	no	?	
UT	Utah	no	?	
WA	Washington	no	n/a	
WV	West Virginia	no	6/15/2014	Loro Makara
WY	Wyoming	no	n/a	

4. Our programs

2015- 2016 Goals	Outcome
Complete a successful Momoret 2017	Done. Over 212 persons attended the conference in Milwaukee.
Support humanitarian assistance to South Sudan	Done.
Update census of Bari in the USA	Not complete yet. Momoret registration was a good initial step. More work is needed with state leaders.
Bari language class	Initiated by Emilio Mongu. However enrollment was low.
create a new Bari calendar	Done. Will be sold in coming Momoret. Some are available now.
Engage the youth by forming a youth connect program	Nothing was done. We need to do better here next time.
Parara Scholarship	two \$500 scholarship was offered. However, the timing was late. This scholarship is open for application starting in November 15 th until March 15 th . Awards are presented during annual Momoret event.

How about next year ?

2017- 2018 Goals	Description
Complete a successful Momoret 2018	
Promote and identify candidates for 2018 election	Find nominee from each active state office Promote election
Support humanitarian assistance to South Sudan	Increase by 10%
Update census of Bari in the USA	Increase the number of new info by 30%
Increase interaction with state office	Meet 4 times per year Promote election in state offices
Parara Scholarship	Identify eligible student and award in 2018
Promote youth in local offices	Youth engagement group

5. Membership

Voting members as defined by Parara USA bylaw who have paid the minimum membership requirement due of \$120 to Parara USA during the June 2016 to June 2017. Membership is for individual person above 18 years of age.

Key benefits of active membership

- Vote during general assembly meetings
- Attend meetings and participate in achieving the goals of Parara

Voting Members		
	Name	State
1	Alfonse Pitia	CA
2	Estarina Tongun	CA
3	Francis Limbe	CA
4	Gore	CA
5	Loku Tongun	CA
6	Sandra Tombe	CA
7	Dario Kasmiro	CO
8	Kajobe Na Lege	CO
9	Philip gore	FL
10	Wani Suleiman	IL
11	Noel Lako	IA
12	Elizabeth Lako	ME
13	Flora Juan Venancio	ME
14	John Donato Yanga	ME
15	Pelegirino Lako	ME
16	Thomas wani	ME
17	Emmanuel Gabriel	MN
18	Mary Lako	MN
19	Sabina Kenyi	NH
20	Najuwa Juan Pio	PA

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21	Sokiri pitia	PA
22	Chris Jada	TX
23	Christen Kenyi Lungu	TX
24	Flora Kasmiro	TX
25	Hanim Mohamed	TX
26	James Dougale	TX
27	John Jada G.	TX
28	John Paulino	TX
29	Josephine Jurkin	TX
30	Lilian Loro	TX
31	Lokirba Jada	TX
32	Mary Kenyi Lungu	TX
33	unknown members in Guffa	unknown
34	Daniel Ernesto	VA
35	Emmanuel Buri	VA
36	Lily Morbe	VA
37	Loro Makara	VA
40	Estella Tombe	WI
41	Eunice Amour	WI
42	Flora J Laku	WI
43	James Morbe/family	WI
44	Peter Kujjo	WI
45	Tom Gore/family	WI
50	Subek Besilde	PA

Active members are all who attended and paid for Momoret 2017 and many of our volunteers in 2017.

6. Financial Statments

2017-2018 Budget Target

Plan for 2017-2018 Budget		
Item	Budget	Action
Momoret 2018	\$15,000.00	Need 60 persons to register; reduce cost ; increase Momoret fee; find some sponsors
Humanitarian Fund	\$10,000.00	need 70 persons half now, half later
calendar project 300\$	\$300.00	adverstise now
Momoret T-shirts \$500	\$500.00	reserve
Parara Scholarship 2018	\$1,000.00	reserve, advertise now
Momoret deposit for hotel booking	\$1,500.00	reserve
Emergency in the USA/bank minium	\$2,000.00	reserve
Total Budget (X)	\$30,300.00	
Net Cash available as 7/29/17 (Y)	\$7,204.54	
Difference (Y-X)	-\$23,095.5	

Year to year comparison

Item	2015	2016	2017	change %
End of year, Total Liability & Net Assets	\$ 8,026.91	\$ 6,332.20	\$ 7,304.50	15%
All income (Parara + Momoret hosting state)	\$ 16,046.05	\$ 47,455.00	\$ 24,051.00	-49%
Humanitarian assistance	\$ 2,040.00	\$ 6,996.50	\$ 8,451.00	21%
Funeral Assistance	\$ -	\$ 12,190.00	\$ -	
Momoret Expenses	\$ 11,473.73	\$ 22,712.00	\$ 14,575.91	-36%
Voting members	?		47	

Statement of Financial Position

Period: June 30, 2016 to July 29, 2017 (special case)

Date: 7/29/2017

ASSETS		LIABILITY & NET ASSETS	
	Amount		Amount
Cash and equivalent	\$7,204.54	Liability	\$ -
		Net Asset	
Tool-Walk Talki (2013)	\$ 100.00	Beginning Cash	\$6,332.00
		Beginning assets	\$100.00
		Change in Net Assets	\$ 872.50
		Total Net Assets	\$7,304.50
Total Assets	\$ 7,304.5	Total Liability & Net Assets	\$ 7,304.5

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Statement of Activities			
2016-2017			
	Parara USA	Momoret Host State	Total
	Amount, \$	Amount, \$	Amount, \$
CASH RECIEVED			
Membership Dues/Donations	\$ 541.00		\$ 541.00
			\$ -
May 2017 E-fund	\$ 2,300.00		\$ 2,300.00
Monthly contributions	\$ 770.00		\$ 770.00
July 2016 E-fund	\$ 4,002.00		\$ 4,002.00
Momoret 2017 E-fund	\$ 1,834.00		\$ 1,834.00
			\$ -
Momoret 2017 member contributions	\$ 6,925.00	\$ 3,640.00	\$ 10,565.00
Momoret Door Registration + T Shirt Sales	\$ 1,740.00		\$ 1,740.00
Momoret General Fundrasing-Guffa	\$ 1,571.00		\$ 1,571.00
Momoret Last day deposits	\$ 708.00		\$ 708.00
Total Revenue	\$ 20,391.00	\$ 3,640.00	\$ 24,031.00
CASH PAID OUT			
Momoret 2017 Expenses	\$10,935.91	\$3,640.00	\$ 14,575.91
		\$0.00	\$ -
Bank transfer/deposit fees/facebook	\$43.60	\$0.00	\$ 43.60
Paypal fees	\$87.99	\$0.00	\$ 87.99
Humanitarian Assistance	\$8,451.00	\$0.00	\$ 8,451.00
Total Expense	\$19,518.50	\$ 3,640.00	\$ 23,158.50
CHANGE IN NET ASSET	\$ 872.50	\$ -	\$ 872.50
(Rev - expense)			

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7. Momoret 2017: see the complete Momoret report seperatly

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Sponsored by Parara USA and BC Wisconsin & Illinois
May 27-28th, 2017 Milwaukee, WI

2017 Momoret recommendation & next steps

- We must continue to support our people back home who are suffering due to our current tragic situation back home
- We must continue to promote unity in our community and south Sudan
- We must build our local offices and keep each other accountable

8. Thank you supporters

	Name	052917 Emergency fund	monthly deposit	Annual membershi p fee [\$120]	July 16 Human fund	May 17 Human Fund Momoret	Momoret 2017 Host
1	Alfonse Pitia	\$ 200.00			200		
2	Estarina Tongun	\$ 100.00					
3	Francis Limbe	\$ 50.00				50	
4	Gore				\$ 100.00		
5	Loku Tongun	\$ 100.00					
6	Sandra Tombe			120	100		
7	Dario Kasmiro				\$ 100.00		
8	Kajobe Na Lege	\$ 100.00		50	100		
9	philip gore	\$ 100.00					
10	Wani Suliman	\$ 100.00			200		Host
11	Noel Lako	\$ 100.00					
12	Elizabeth Lako	\$ 100.00		50	200	50	
13	Flora Juan Venancio	\$ 100.00					
14	John Donato Yanga					150	
15	Pelegrino Lako	\$ 100.00					

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16	Thomas wani	\$ 100.00					
17	Emmanuel Gabriel					100	
18	Mary Lako				\$ 300.00	100	
19	Sabina Kenyi	100					
20	Najuwa Juan Pio		200				
21	Sokiri pitia	\$ 200.00	138	120	200		
22	Chris Jada				\$ 100.00		
23	Christen Kenyi Lungu	\$ 100.00			100		
24	Flora Kasmiro				\$ 100.00		
25	Hanim Mohamed	\$ 100.00					
26	James Dougale				\$ 300.00		
27	John Jada G.				\$ 100.00		
28	John Paulino				\$ 200.00		
29	Josephine Jurkin				\$ 100.00		
30	Lilian Loro				\$ 100.00		
31	Lokirba Jada				\$ 200.00		
32	Mary Kenyi Lungu	\$ 100.00	632		100		
33	unknown members during momomret in Guffa					1330	
34	Daniel Ernesto	\$ 200.00		200			
35	Emmanuel Buri				\$ 1,000.00		
36	Lily Morbe				\$ 100.00		
37	Loro Makara	\$ 100.00					
40	Estella Tombe						Host
41	Eunice Amour						Host
42	Flora J Laku						Host
43	James Morbe/family						Host
44	Peter Kujjo	\$ 100.00					Host
45	Tom Gore/family						Host
47	Subek Besidle	100					

** transfer fee are not included

Thanks to all the contributors below and those who paid at the door. Thank you very much.

Momoret contributions before door				
#	Who	Date	Deposit	Total
	Sokiri Pitia/family	2/13/2017	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00
	Sandra Tombe	3/5/17	\$ 125.00	\$ 275.00
	Tongun Morbe/family	3/31/17	\$ 150.00	\$ 425.00
	Amato Loro/family	3/30/17	\$ 150.00	\$ 575.00
	Mary Wari	5/16/17	\$ 150.00	\$ 725.00
	Gabriel Wani/family	5/1/17	\$ 150.00	\$ 875.00
	Kajobe Na Legge	4/24/17	\$ 125.00	\$ 1,000.00
	Francis Limbe/family	3/6/2017	\$ 150.00	\$ 1,150.00

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	Alphonse Pitia/family	2/21/2017	\$ 150.00	\$ 1,300.00
	Lado Muludiang Wani/family	3/16/2017	\$ 150.00	\$ 1,450.00
	Loro Lo Asunta/family	3/24/2017	\$ 150.00	\$ 1,600.00
	Mary Kenyi Lungu/family	3/29/2017	\$ 150.00	\$ 1,750.00
	David Kenyi Lungu	3/29/2017	\$ 125.00	\$ 1,875.00
	Hanim Mohamed	3/29/2017	\$ 125.00	\$ 2,000.00
	Christin Kenyi Lungu	3/29/2017	\$ 125.00	\$ 2,125.00
	Alfred Lako/family	3/31/2017	\$ 150.00	\$ 2,275.00
	Emmanuel Gabriel/family	3/31/2017	\$ 100.00	\$ 2,375.00
	Gabriel Moja/family	4/3/2017	\$ 150.00	\$ 2,525.00
	Jubek Lowala	4/3/2017	\$ 150.00	\$ 2,675.00
	Dr. Pastore / Erika Bureng	4/3/17	\$ 150.00	\$ 2,825.00
	Zahara Yigusuk/Nora Wusong/Rose Jada	4/7/2017	\$ 300.00	\$ 3,125.00
	Vivian Gore	4/10/2017	\$ 125.00	\$ 3,250.00
	Alexander Pitia/family	4/11/2017	\$ 150.00	\$ 3,400.00
	Francis Wantu/family	4/1/2017	\$ 150.00	\$ 3,550.00
	Loro Makara/family	4/1/2017	\$ 150.00	\$ 3,700.00
	Robert Lino Swaka	4/1/2017	\$ 125.00	\$ 3,825.00
	Raphael Nyagong Wani	4/11/2017	\$ 125.00	\$ 3,950.00
	Subek Besilde/family	4/11/2017	\$ 150.00	\$ 4,100.00
	Francis Dekulung/family	4/11/2017	\$ 150.00	\$ 4,250.00
	Edward Loro family/others	4/16/2017	\$ 275.00	\$ 4,525.00
	Noel Lako/family	5/1/2017	\$ 200.00	\$ 4,725.00
	santo tombe/family	4/27/2017	\$ 150.00	\$ 4,875.00
	Cesar Sule/family	5/1/2017	\$ 150.00	\$ 5,025.00
	Domnic Jada/family	5/8/2017	\$ 150.00	\$ 5,175.00
	Samson Ladu/family	5/8/2017	\$ 150.00	\$ 5,325.00
	Tom Alphonse & Nafoni Tom/family	5/8/2017	\$ 150.00	\$ 5,475.00
	Doki Namogga	5/8/2017	\$ 125.00	\$ 5,600.00
	Grace Sokiri/family	5/8/2017	\$ 150.00	\$ 5,750.00
	Rita Lako/family	5/8/2017	\$ 150.00	\$ 5,900.00
	Nadia in TN	5/15/2017	\$ 150.00	\$ 6,050.00
	Rita Zachariah	5/15/2017	\$ 125.00	\$ 6,175.00
	John Lako	5/16/2017	\$ 175.00	\$ 6,350.00
	patrick ladu/family	5/17/2017	\$ 150.00	\$ 6,500.00
	??	5/22/2017	\$ 125.00	\$ 6,625.00
	Lako Said/Anna Modi	5/8/2017	\$ 150.00	\$ 6,775.00
	Philip Gore/family	5/24/2017	\$ 150.00	\$ 6,925.00
	Daniel Ernesto		250	

	Ladu Gubek		150	
	TBD		150	
	TBD		150	

Thank you for your support.

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