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THE EDITOR'S NOTE

Hello our esteemed readers, are you still there? If you could know how draining, how difficult and how interesting it is always to come back to you as Rubirizi Edition Magazine annual publication! We bring you our 2025 publication and which is our 4th issue.

The years 2024/25 we have been more engaging in our Rubirizi Edition Newsletter initiative and have at least a little bit more regularly tackled a number of topics necessary at that particular time. AI-free stories, real and intelligently crafted news articles. There is when, knowing how brain-consuming it has been to write these articles to you that I decided to sell a 7-pages PDF document to you at only UGX 5000 weekly Ha Ha Ha! This was not business enough and again put off the cost. But I want people to understand that news is a commodity that must be purchased.

And maintaining such a voluntary establishment that is not for profit has become one of the most hardest efforts I have voluntarily served.

And at some extent, the Rubirizi Edition Magazine initiative seemed conflicting with the person of myself. That came at time I declared to contest as the Chairperson of Rubirizi District in the NRM primaries and some people selfishly thought and also demanded that the magazine must be independent of the pursuits of Fredrick Beinomugisha. And to clarify more, presently, Rubirizi Edition Magazine is Fredrick Beinomugisha and vice versa. I am fully accountable of every action of this establishment and there is no way if this status still stands, I can differentiate myself from it. It will always suffer conflict of my person biases and individual opinion.

Talking about this specific edition, issue 4, I intend to bring this initiative to the common person. At first the elite had been the number one target audience but this time round I want the local people to read more about themselves than before and if my wishes allow, we could also start publishing such every quarter. Strategically putting this engagement as the mouth-piece of the Rubirizi community. Showing you your common society and the things and issues you know and see / hear every day and you never thought they could attract our attention.

What I pray for this magazine: That this establishment can grow beyond me, that whether I am available or not, there is no or very little condition that it will fail to publish regularly as it is ought to do. That level of sustainability is what I really dream for this magazine.

Lastly, I appreciate you good people that acknowledge our class and the efforts we invest in to come to you. And the people, that despite our inefficiencies, continue to understand and believe in this initiative.

And if you have before yourself this magazine, in your house library, in your office, business etc – you are a real person and big up.



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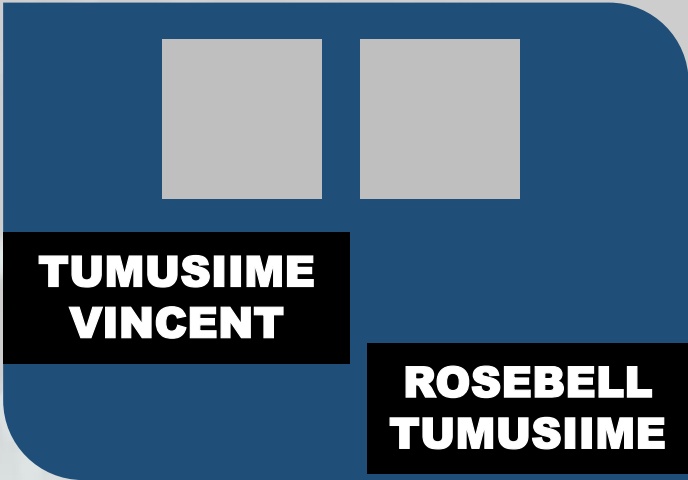
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THE INSTRUMENTAL INDIVIDUALS OF 2025 WHO IN ONE WAY OR ANOTHER IMPACTED THE GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT OF RUBIRIZI DISTRICT.

The year of 2025 in Rubirizi has been probably a great one. Congested with a lot of politics, and to be specific, new faces in the game. But also, beyond politics there have been a lot of points to note of great achievements, notable events, inspiring efforts and growing experiences in the world of sports, economics and social formation



NALONGO JENIVA A



TUMUSIIME VINCENT

ROSEBELL TUMUSIIME



AGABA OBED BYAKUREKA

**HON. CADET
BENJAMIN**

For putting up a
very aggressive
political campaign
in the NRM
primary elections
and overcoming
the 2-term reign
of Honorable
Twesigye John



**MERCY LYDIA
NATUKUNDA**

Representing
the young
women
resilience and
enterprise
development
for sustainable
livelihoods





One of the key points that amplified the campaign of Chairman Agubanshongerera and his easy entry into office in 2016 at Rubirizi District was the pursuit for servant leadership with zero tolerance to corruption.

Chairman Kitembo David Kabega who had been the interim district Chairperson and then the first elected, was being discredited with some allegations at the district and other related claims and so this made it easy for Chairman Agubanshongerera to convincingly win the seat and by the end of his first term in 2020, a lot of good work was very visible towards cleaning the mess at the administrative hill and people appreciated him for being bold against corruption.

And only 25 incumbent LC5 Chairpersons in the country managed to win a consecutive term in the 2021-2026 elections.

THE END OF THE REIGN OF GOVERNOR AGUBA AND THE ATTEMPT TO RUN INDEPENDENTLY

Though, today the story is different, following Governor Agubanshongerera's defeat in the NRM primary elections, and as his 2-term reign comes very close to its end with a few months remaining, there is a very visible indicator that he is no longer the favorite with new love for the young man Obed Byakurerka. He had tried to resist the wave and registered to come back for the 2026 general election on independent ticket which didn't last long when he suddenly denounced his candidature, leaving his supporters confused.

When Deputy Speaker Thomas Tayebwa had come to Rubirizi for a mobilization meeting with NRM supporters that was hosted in the district hall, in his own words Governor Aguba is quoted saying that he was pulled away from the main table and showed to sit somewhere and he painfully cried out to some confidant, *"I didn't know that such a time would come and I am treated like this when I am still here as the sitting Chairman."* *"And when Tayebwa sat me down to convince me to get out of the race, I confessed to him before he said anything that I was already pulling down because of this humiliation that has just happened to me."*

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THE LEGACY OF CHAIRMAN AGUBA THAT MAY NOT COME TO BE EASILY SURPASSED

Chairman Agubanshongorera during the NRM party primary elections was very loud on why amongst other reasons the people of Rubirizi should re-elect him back so that he could have a little comfort in his administrative building and joking that some candidates that were challenging him only got the thought when they visited his office and realized the comfort of its seats and other luxury.

He is disappointed that when he came to contest for this office, the District Chairperson position was not attractive to the elites of Rubirizi until he made it look good and attractive and which was the mere reason they were now in high gear to unseat him.

And Chairman Aguba argues that the people of Rubirizi directly contributed to the construction of Bushenyi Nyaruju and is happy that he didn't mandatory solicit any money from the people of Rubirizi to construct this great construction.

“The people of Rubirizi directly contributed to the construction of Bushenyi Nyaruju and Chairman Aguba is happy that he didn't mandatory solicit any money from the people of Rubirizi to construct this great construction.”



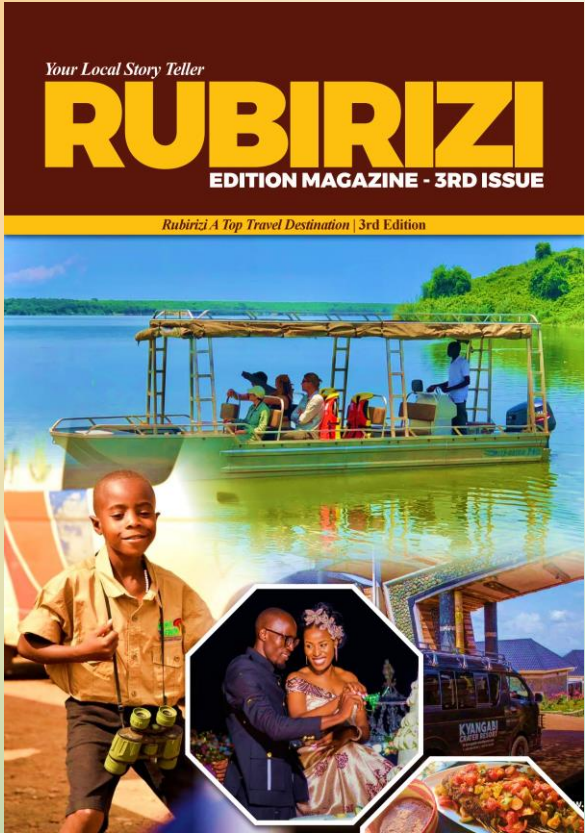
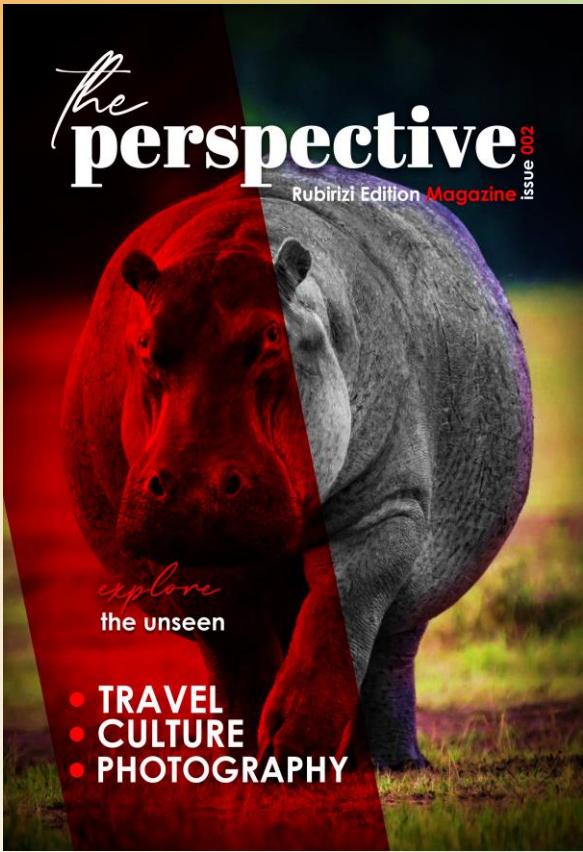
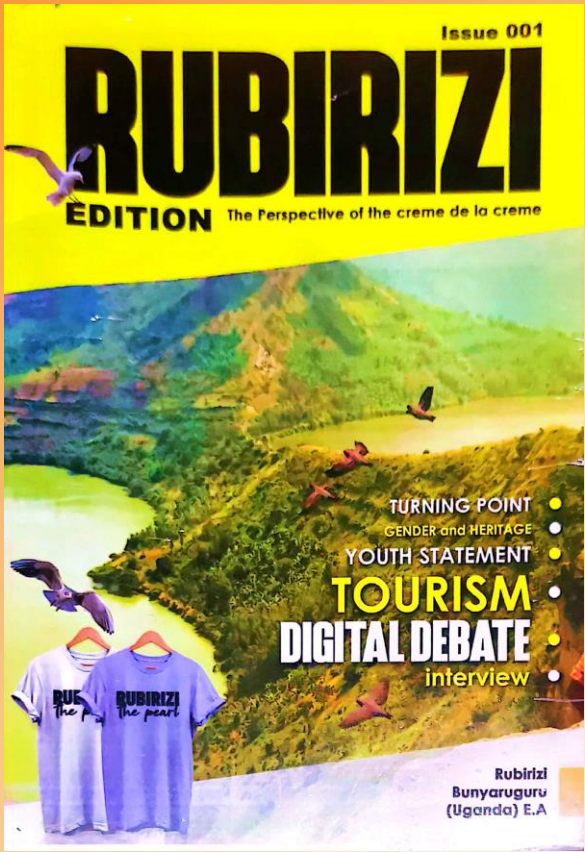
BURURUMA ROAD-SIDE MARKET. On the roadside, Kasese-Ishaka highway, just after Ndekye town center and then after Omukidandali (Rugyenda), is the Bururuma Bogoya (Yellow Banana) market. A big number of women vendor on this roadside business of the Bogoya product that has been specialized.

These women have been bread-winners for thsir families and most of them have attained great deal of achievements including taking their children to good schools in the area and also improving their house structures.

This is a great example of women resilience in Rubirizi where a number of husbands have come to turn into and be known as real drunkards who leave home in the morning to enter bars so early and wait to come back in the late night if they have not managed to stay out.

This is a great example of women resilience in Rubirizi where they are bread-winners in several households.





- *93% of illiterate people live in rural areas.*
- *80% of youth are unemployed*
- *60% of households live below poverty line*
- *Only 5% or less of youth are able to access formal vocational training*
- *Only 8% of students continue to pursue post-secondary education.*

Students of Bunyaruguru Voc College



Rubirizi District, a rural society with about 70% of its people hailing from households that do not have permanent wealth and sustainable sources of livelihoods, has struggled successfully to educate its children. In fact, education has been the biggest investment option with about 60% of the total households each having at least a member who has completed senior six and relative number that managed to attend a tertiary institution beyond that.

And all these people still look for employment from professional educational careers that have been characterized by lack of jobs and underemployment, plus many other associated ills, creating a very characteristically rich society but poor people.

Equipping the people with marketable and sustainable skills is very wonderful. You will have given the people a trap (irobo) to catch fish any time they feel like eating fish instead of giving them fish, and impossibly, not every time they would feel like eating it.

All the young people who dropped out of school at any of the many stages, no longer find livelihood options in formal-schools-solutions.

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION TRAINING – THE NEED FOR PROVIDING FOR OUT-OF-FORMAL SCHOOLS SOLUTIONS

These people are struggling with rudimentary agriculture, they are struggling with informal laboring and the biggest percentage running to labor externalization and therefore need alternative sources of earning that are in line of their status.

It is high time societies and the government plan at offering these vocational education training solutions nearer to our communities and swifter than the cash money that comes through some projects like PDM which are not sustainable.

And while there have been some private establishments of vocational training institutions in Rubirizi, the example of Bunyaruguru Vocational College, Spice Institute and others, it is very necessary for a government aided vocational training institution that would provide a variety of courses / skills training options and necessary equipment and infrastructure.

In Rubirizi, subsistence farming dominates in a society that does not have a unique and specialized cash crop.

To improve the socio-economic well-being of youth, vocational education must be made accessible, to equip them with market-driven skills training, to enhance employability, and foster entrepreneurship, thereby reducing poverty and inequality among the people.

The growing rate of unemployment in the community is creating a lot of bias against the formal education path in poor societies that painfully invest in children but do not immediately bring returns. These communities can be encouraged to find a comforting alternative in vocational training because a young person who has been trained with a skill, has been given a lasting solution to create own enterprise for self-employment.



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Rubirizi, like any other districts in Uganda, has a big number of young people in composition. And young people continue to struggle to find sustainable occupations for stable livelihoods including graduates as unemployment continues to hit.

The struggle for survival has clogged young people into business and about 50% of them who are out of school are engaged in at least a business venture or have at some point tried to startup.

However, the survival of these businesses has been questionable as about 80% of them have always not seen their first birthday due to high costs of doing business in the country and other associated challenges.

The Rubirizi District Youth Development Plan 2026-2031 authored by Fredrick Beinomugisha advocates for a youth SACCO that would provide youth-based financial services.

EXPLORE THE BEAUTY OF RUBIRIZI

DISTRICT

**RUBIRIZI
DISTRICT
IS THE
PEARL OF
UGANDA**

HOW THE MUSIC INDUSTRY IN RUBIRIZI IS GROWING WITH MORE YOUNG PEOPLE COMING UP

Katerera County leading in producing more young people to join the industry – concentrated in the Ghetto-like centers

Rasta Charz a legendary artist in western Uganda has been the inspiration to the younger generation and helped to dismiss the stereotypes that existed in the community about the industry especially when it involved plaiting hair among males which seemed like an abomination in greater Bunyaruguru.

Rasta Charz who initially was married to Sister Charity both topped the musical charts in Western Uganda and also crossed beyond the region with their top songs like, grade, kawini, and others. Rasta Charz added other hit songs like Mama Rita and also mimicking the Reggae style of the late Lucky Duby.

The traditional Kinyaruguru, Entuwa song of Rasta Charz is still a common hit playing on traditional ceremonies and also a strong representation of the Kinyaruguru culture.

And it has been a struggle to produce another stronger artist in Bunyaruguru to fill the weight and in the shoes of Rasta Charz.

However, more artists have come up though still struggling to sprout out with breakthrough hit songs. And amongst them include the self-proclaimed Private Lecturer, an environmental conservationist who is advocating for natural conservation, tourism promotion and discovery.

In Katerera, you will realize, that there are more younger people growing into the industry. The concentration of upcoming artists should be an indicator on its own as most of the coming artists have come to be known and likened with specific unpleasing conditions that most times include abuse of substance and drugs and creating a situation of Ghetto communities where such crimes are committed from.

The cropping up of more artists among young people especially in such a rural community is mostly attributed to lack of better occupation alternatives for them.

There has also been a coincidence that Rubirizi district has also invested in establishment of private radio stations which has provided near and quick air-play opportunities for such young people.



THE ROAD TO 2026 GENERAL ELECTIONS

Is it the
time for
the new
faces in
the politics
of Ruirízi?

Following Honorable Cadet's landslide victory in the NRM Party primary elections of 2025, he is likely to get a second opportunity to Parliament if he continues to win the 2026 general election and which is very likely. A chance no former legislator in Rubirizi District had ever got.

At a young age of 32 years, Honorable was elected into Uganda's Parliament after defeating Honorable Gaudioso in the general elections of 2011 following the futile attempt in the NRM party primary elections of 2010. And this opportunity just slipped away when Honorable Cadet was later defeated by Honorable Twesigye John Ntamuhira in 2016 and what Cadet thinks was an unfair competition right away from the involvement of the church in influencing the election that brought in Honorable John who was at the time the Chairperson of the Parish Council at Rugazi Catholic Church.

And from then, Cadet has been unsuccessfully trying to win back from John who broke the record for re-election in Bunyaruguru, ruling two consecutive terms until just recently when Honorable Cadet won in the NRM party primary election for the first time – putting in mind that when he first entered parliament he was on independent ticket.

Honorable John on his defeat in the primaries didn't come back to participate in the general elections of 2026 and this presents a very ripe opportunity for Honorable Cadet's second coming. Holding together the camp through two unsuccessful attempts and winning at last.





THE REIGN OF HONOURABLE JOHN TWESIGYE – TWO CONSECUTIVE TERMS RECORD

Honorable John had attempted at politics in 2006 but when he came back in 2016 to dislodge Honorable Cadet, he was more prepared. Established the infamous youth group (NRM Volunteers), women basket-making projects, and investment in sports including engagement of the university students. Honorable also benched on his religious influence for his politics and he tried to maintain all this through for his re-election which was record-breaking as Bunyaruguru had never given a second term to its politicians and this created the John-Cadet political camps rivalry for about 15 years.

Honorable John has had a successful political life of two terms including chairing the Education and Sports parliamentary committee that saw several seed schools coming to Bunyaruguru in s short space.



MR. AGABA OBED BYAKUREKA – THE REAL DEFINITION OF POLITICAL MIRACLE ON HIS LC5 VICTORY IN PRIMARIES.

The 2025 NRM party primary election that registered more young people challenging the two terms reign of Chairman Agubanshongorera saw a miraculous win of a young man called Obed Byakureka. A race that involved another senior leader Honorable Gaudioso Kabondo alongside Governor Aguba allo got defeated by Obed. And now following Chairman Aguba denouncing his independent run, Obed is very likely the next district Chairperson.

THE CHANGE OF ORDER – WHAT WAS MEANT TO BE FOR JUDITH FROM GRACE

Honorable Kesande Grace Bataringaya has had a very deep-rooted run of 10 years as Woman MP for Rubirizi district and this round which was thought as a very ripe chance for the immediate rival Honorable Judith Amanyamba having slightly missed last time, this opportunity was hijacked by someone we would call a new-comer both in the politics of Rubirizi and in that specific race. Nalongo Jeniva. She is currently running unopposed.

A photograph of two women, Honorable Kesande Grace Bataringaya and Honorable Judith Amanyamba, standing side-by-side. Kesande is on the left wearing a red and yellow patterned top, and Judith is on the right wearing a red and white patterned top.



AMANYA JULIAN RAISES THE YOUTH FLAG HIGH WITH HER CONTEST FOR WESTERN YOUTH MP

Had not been anywhere in the community politics and Julian surprisingly contested for youth MP Western region. No young person in Rubirizi had ever showed interest in running in that capacity and it was a good move for the community. However, she now got the challenge to fit into the local politics and probably chase the Woman MP role.

ASHABAHEEBWA TIMOTHY – COULD HE BREAK-THROUGH TO CONTINUE THE LEGACY?

Timothy is a son to Honorable John Tweisgye Ntamuhiira, and a direct hope for furthering the father's political legacy. It is very reasonable that Honorable was defeated by a long time rival, Honorable Cadet, when he was still strong and popular having had a very successful last term but it is doubtful about his re-emergence to claim back the seat and this chance can possibly be counted in Timothy. Whether the son is himself interested in politics is unconfirmed but he holds an upper advantage among the generation.



NICHOLAS THE HONORABLE COUNCILOR AND PLU COORDINATOR RUBIRIZI DISTRICT

Nicholas Twinamatsiko is the male youth Councilor for Rubirizi district and a strong follower of the PLU movement. He has been an ardent supporter of Honorable Cadet and he claims political power among his generation.

**The young people in
Rubirizi participation in
politics is improving –
Reported in the Rubirizi
youth development plan
2026-2031**



THE PROVOKING POLITICAL ATTEMPT OF FREDRICK

Beinomugisha, self-proclaimed as the Chairman of Abantu Bahansi surprised the community with his running for LC5 chairperson position. And if he maintains the interest in politics, he is likely another challenger.



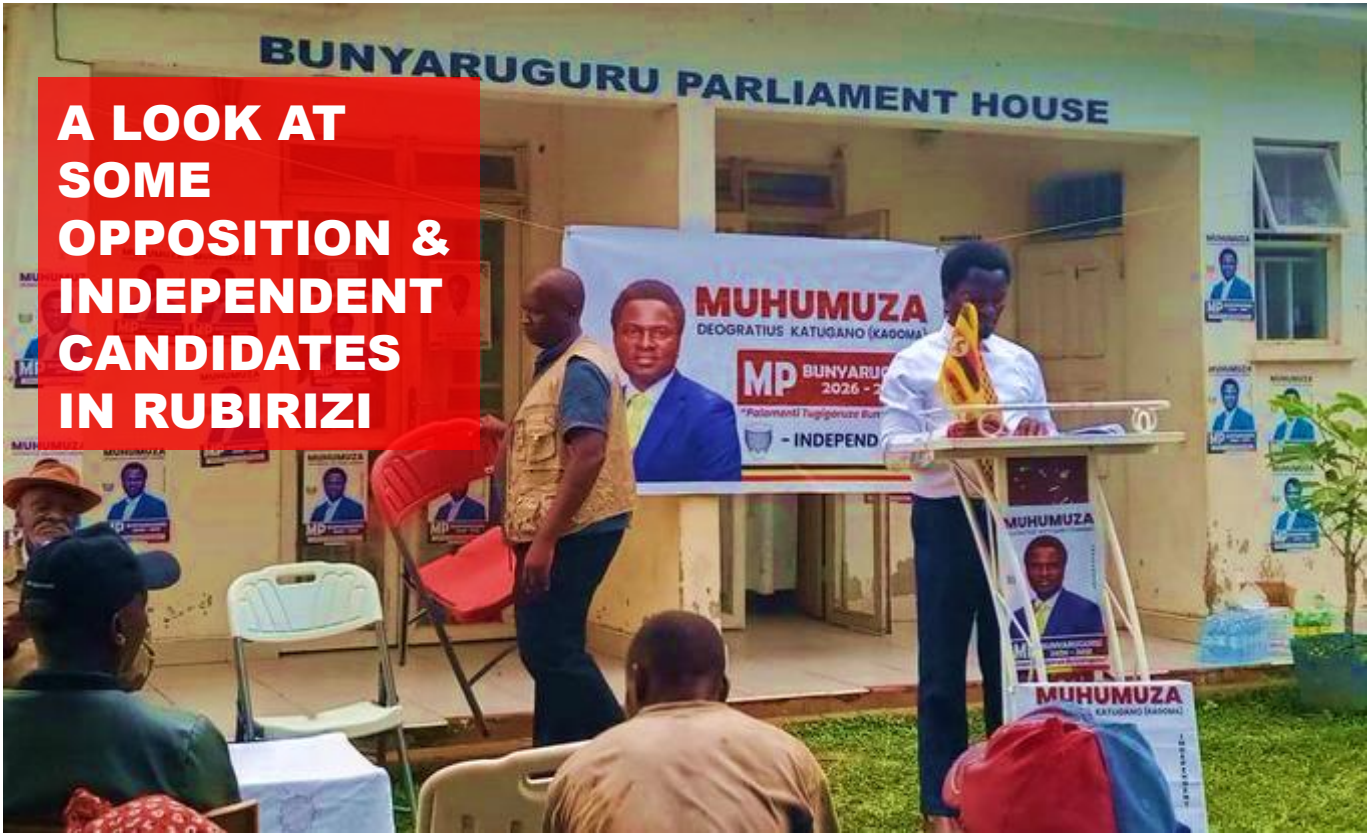
NALONGO GIVES NRM A SURE WIN AS SHE EMERGES UNOPPOSED – THE LUCKY JENIVA

Honorable Nalongo Jeniva Arinaitwe is among the very few candidates that the NRM party already counts into parliament 2026-2031 on its ticket. This is really magical remembering how she came into the race that had the incumbent (Honorable Kesande Grace Bataringaya) still deeply planted in the rural communities and her long time challenger (Honorable Judith Amanywa) very ripe for winning over.

The chap-chap victory of Nalongo Jeniva from two strong ladies is likely going to burden her to maintain it.



UN^{OPPOSED}
ARINAITWE JENIVA NALONGO
RUBIRIZI DISTRICT **WOMAN MP 2026 | 2031**



**A LOOK AT
SOME
OPPOSITION &
INDEPENDENT
CANDIDATES
IN RUBIRIZI**



**CAN BOAZ END
THE KATO-KATOTO
KATERERA RULE**

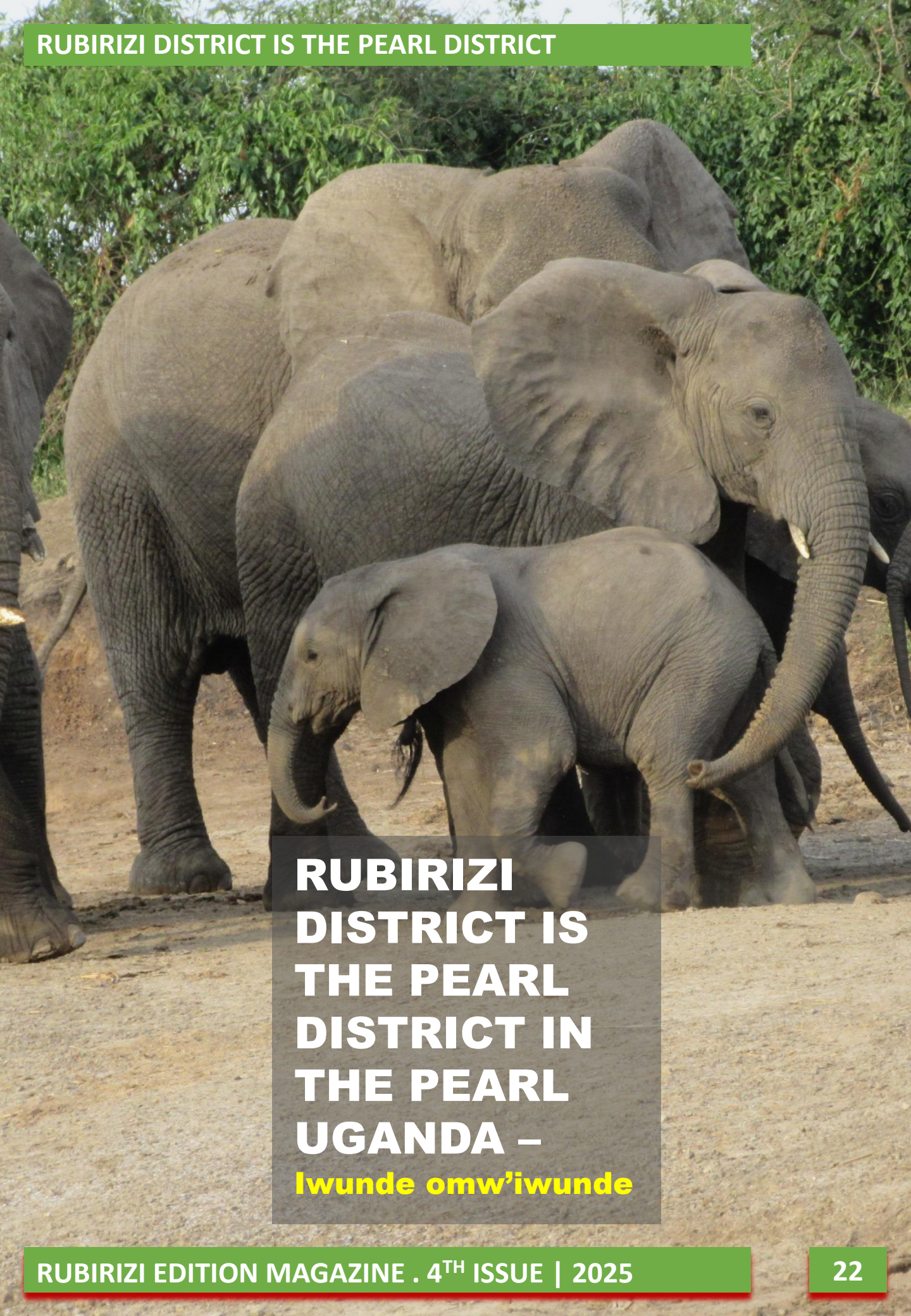
Following Hon Kato surprise reelection in NRM primaries, emerged Boaz, who is contesting as an independent candidate and feared for likely causing an end to the brothers' monopoly of politics in Katerera

**MUHUMUZA BENCHES
ON HIS EXPERIENCE IN
CULTURAL FORMATION
ENVIRONMENT AND
TOURISM TO CALL FOR
VALUE-BASED CHANGE**



**AS NUP
PENETRATES
MORE IN RUBIRIZI**

In the election of 2021, NUP had 13% of total votes in Rubirizi and it is likely to improve as it eats deeper with planting more candidates in the district. Benjamin is for Bunyaruguru

A photograph of a herd of elephants in a savanna setting. In the foreground, a young elephant calf is walking towards the left. Behind it, several adult elephants are standing. One adult elephant is prominently visible in the center, facing right. The background is filled with lush green trees and foliage. The ground is dry and dusty.

**RUBIRIZI
DISTRICT IS
THE PEARL
DISTRICT IN
THE PEARL
UGANDA –
Iwunde omw’iwunde**



RIPA's self-perpetuating animal bank has distributed goats and cows to local farmers...



DEMONSTRATION
AND
SKILLING CENTER

NATIONAL OFFICE

**BREAKING
THE CYCLE
OF
POVERTY
IN RUBIRIZI
DISTRICT:
RIPA'S
TRANSFOR
MATIVE
IMPACT**

Rural Initiatives for Poverty Alleviation (RIPA) is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) with the aim of achieving the common goal of uplifting the livelihoods of rural communities in Uganda.

And focuses at empowering rural communities to sustainably alleviate poverty and improve house-hold incomes in Rural Communities of Rubirizi

In rural Rubirizi, where subsistence farming has long stifled economic growth, Rural Initiatives for Poverty Alleviation (RIPA) is revolutionizing lives. Founded by Mr. Tumusiime Vincent Bamugaya and his wife, Madam Kwesiga Rosebel Akiki, RIPA has empowered families transforming their livelihoods through sustainable agriculture and livestock management.

Before RIPA's intervention, farmers in Rubirizi struggled to produce

enough for consumption, let alone surplus for sale. However, through RIPA's innovative approaches, farmers have seen their productivity increase and some farmers reporting a rise in income.

RIPA's self-perpetuating animal bank has distributed goats and cows to local farmers, providing a sustainable source of income and nutrition. Training sessions conducted in partnership with Dairy Development

Authority, have equipped farmers with essential skills on dairy farm management, leading to increase in milk production.

The impact of RIPA's work is evident in the lives of its beneficiaries. RIPA's commitment to sustainable development has also led to environmental benefits, with farmers adopting zero-grazing practices and crop residue management, reducing soil erosion and increasing fertility.





Mercy is a young lady from Rubirizi district, who interestingly refers herself as a single mother to amplify the impact the Youth Inclusive Dairy Market Systems project implemented by RIPA and supported by Ripple Effect has done to uplift her life into a changing journey.

Using the financial training she received and her local savings and internal Lending Communities group, Mercy invested in equipment and expanded her yoghurt production business from 60 to 1,000 liters a week.

She now runs a registered dairy business, in the names of Merlyna Enterprises, creates jobs and mentors young people.

Mercy has setup an incubation center, a production room, packaging room, and yoghurt bar and has opened a store and another selling point locally.

Mercy now also employs a team of 14 young people, sends her children to school and provides a stable future for her family.

MERCY TELLS A STORY OF RESILIENCE AND SUCCESS

Mercy trains young people in yoghurt production, hosts interns, and even sponsors a weekly radio program called youth chart where she and other project participants discuss youth employment and wellbeing. This helps to both empower others and also promote her business.

The Ripple Effect Youth Inclusive Dairy Market Systems project is empowering 50,000 young women and men (aged 18 – 35) with skills, knowledge and opportunities they need to build sustainable careers in Uganda's rapidly growing farming sector.

Thanks to RIPA and support from Ripple Effect, the young people are learning how to improve farming practices, increase milk production and strengthen their food security.

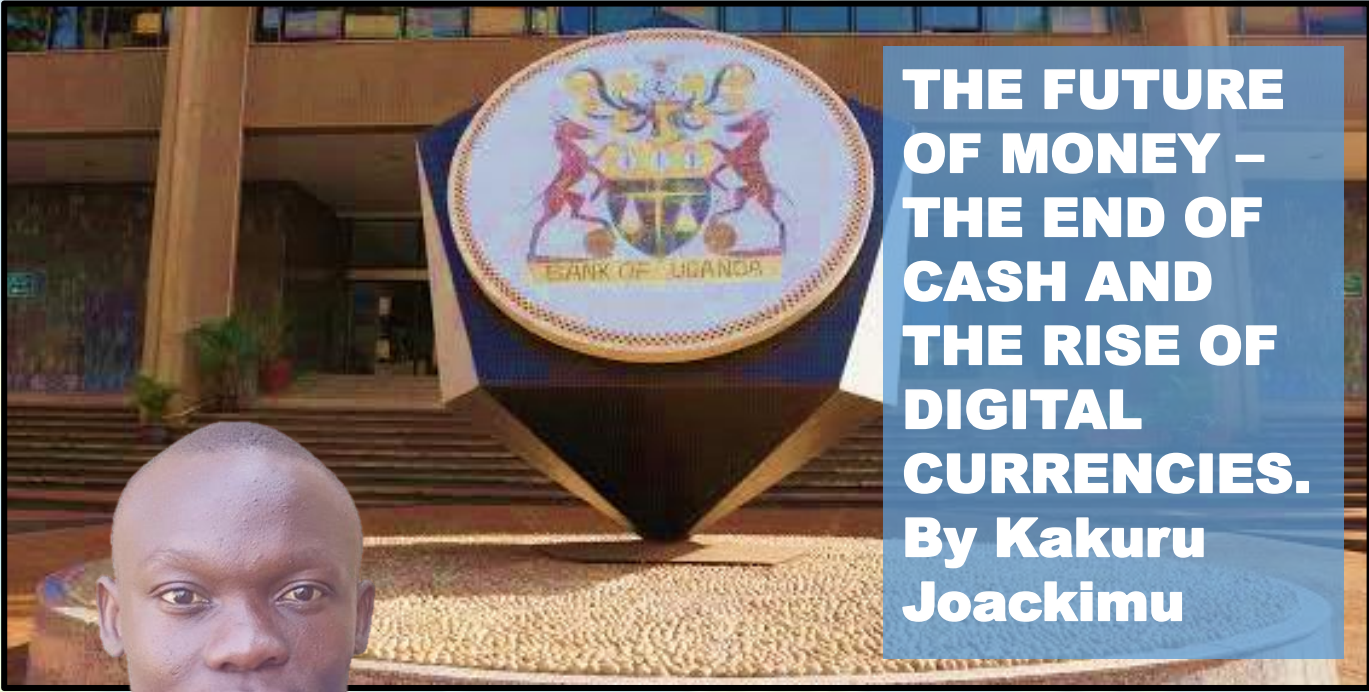
And by opening up access to quality dairy education and creating pathways to jobs and entrepreneurship, the project is not only

supporting individual livelihoods, but also helping entire communities thrive.



- ☐ ***Employs 14 young people***
- ☐ ***Produces about 1000 liters of yoghurt weekly***
- ☐ ***Sends her children to school and provides a stable future for her family.***





THE FUTURE OF MONEY – THE END OF CASH AND THE RISE OF DIGITAL CURRENCIES.
By Kakuru Joackimu

Are we heading for a cashless future? Credit card and cell phone payments have disrupted the physical cash market already, but the real driving force will be central banks—as new crypto currencies continue to emerge and their popularity expands, central banks will react by developing their own more stable forms.

Global money is getting divided into two rival spheres led by the US and China, and where gold and Bit coin are complementary, not competing, assets that will be central to this new order.

The world is approaching a tipping point where cash phases out and digital currencies reign supreme. This will have far-reaching implications for individuals, businesses, banks, and governments: improved efficiency, increased flexibility, and improved market access, particularly for the unbanked. But the risks include market instability, minimal accountability, and decreased privacy.

A century of US dollar dominance is being challenged by China, which is building a rival settlement system backed by strategic gold reserves to boost the Yuan’s credibility. And in response, the US is fortifying the dollar through digital innovation (e.g., tokenized treasuries, stable coins)

And the concern should now be on the government’s role in managing and regulating digital currencies, maximizing benefits, and minimizing risk



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LAKE DISTRICT HOMESTAY

For accommodation experience that truly defines the Pearl District - Rubirizi



ROADS

Village roads can be better sustainably maintained by the community itself through a rigorous and mandatory “Bulungi Bwansi” campaign in villages.

And some of the rural-cut-through roads like the one through omunyanza ibiri (Kyema na Kamweru) to Katerera by the end of this year were still in good condition and a number of others.

The biggest road challenge is still with the main road to Katerera. This is a central government road and every time it has bounced from the national budget. Katerera is an agricultural hub and this route should have been given more attention.

SCHOOLS

Rubirizi District is lately realizing a consistent very good academic performance with its schools both at primary and secondary levels. And also has so far achieved greatly from the seed school project and all appreciation goes to the incumbent Member of Parliament for Bunyaruguru, Honorable John Twesigye Ntamuhira.

Previously there was a worrying academic situation especially with the traditional and government supported schools but it have been noted that such traditional schools the likes of St. Michael High have been greatly revived and also currently passing highly. And the district is creating a model of class and standard schools in examples of Kichwamba High School and St. Thomas Vocational Secondary school. Remember a few years back, to access very class secondary education one had to send their children outside Rubirizi to Bushenyi, Sheema, Mbarara etc. but now at these two schools your child can equally access standard secondary education training.

Katerera road be worked on, Rugazi health center IV be upgraded to hospital status, Kaaterera Health center III be upgraded to health center IV



HOSPITALS

Rubirizi has been appropriated more health facilities that include upgrading of some health center IIs to Health center IIIs and more constructed. However, the local people over reliance on government healthcare services for even very simple attention including just a UGX 500 paracetamol is not a good indicator of a thriving economy.

The biggest number that line up at these health facilities every day in most cases only need pain killers and such simple medicines for minor illness that they would not manage to privately secure them in case they can't freely access that services and this unnecessary dispensing of drugs continues to cause abnormal drug stock outs when it should have not been the case.

An economy should be empowered to have capacity to privately secure some simple illnesses medicines so as to relieve the government to provide more sophisticated healthcare.

The location of Rubirizi – park neighboring, necessitate it to accommodate a hospital status instead of a health center IV. The park fires, wild animal encroachment and other associated accidents require a more improved healthcare status and therefore, it should upon this community to raise up and demand for upgrade of Rugazi Health center IV to a hospital status and of course Katerera Health Center III improved to Health center IV.

The people of Rubirizi are still frequenting KIU teaching hospital, Kitagata referral hospital and Mbarara regional referral hospital amongst the nearer healthcare services to access medical attention which they should have received from Rubirizi in case Rugazi health center IV would be upgraded.



HON JOHN TWESIGYE FOOTBALL FUNDING – BUNYARUGURU GIRLS FOOTBALL CLUB AND BUNYARUGURU TIGERS

Honorable John election into Parliament in 2016 involved heavy sports mobilization and funding that later culminated into establishment of Bunyaruguru Girls Football Club. And then Bunyaruguru Tigers was re-formed later in his last term sounding as the revival of the historical Tigers football club of Bunyaruguru that had collapsed.

And it is alleged that while Honorable John was painfully financing the football teams for both community and his political benefit, some group where exploiting the funding as an eating-spree and that this could be the reason why he later suddenly withdrew his sponsorship for the teams. And again taking us to the challenges of funding of sports by politicians instead of the community itself. Interests of politicians can change any time.



HON DAVID & THE DKF FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT & SUCCESS OF BUNYARUGURU FC

The DKF football tournament that was sponsored by David Tugume was exceptional and historical in the kind of its organization and financing. In fact, it rejuvenated the sports spirit in the district and though it did not become an annual event as it was programmed in its inception, but it concluded with the birth of Bunyaruguru football club still sponsored by the same principal and the team in a short time of three years qualified for Big league and following that history making, the team was sold off in what was taken as a reaction towards the sponsor's loss in the NRM parliamentary election. This again takes us back to the sports funding crisis.



THE SPORTS FUNDING CRISIS IN RUBIRIZI – THE GOOD AND BAD OF POLITICIANS FINANCING SPORTS

The community sponsorship of sports has been one of the tested avenues for sustainable financing of sports since it attracts real fans to funding sports for their fun and leisure which is infinite than leaving funding of sports to politicians whose interests can change any time with the political circumstances of the time.



THE ANKOLE DISTRICTS FOOTBALL CUP VICTORY THAT BROUGHT HON NALONGO JENIVA TO THE TABLE OF MEN

The Rubirizi Football team made history when they brought the Ankole Districts Football Cup tournament of 2024 home with Honorable Jeniva Nalongo Arinaitwe and the husband Mr. Byamukama Innocent as chief sponsors.

The competition saw the people of Rubirizi including politicians coming together to cheer the team and this victory can be considered as the main introduction of Honorable Nalongo Jeniva into the politics of Rubirizi bringing her to the table of big men. The 2025 tournament, Rubirizi didn't manage to defend the trophy.

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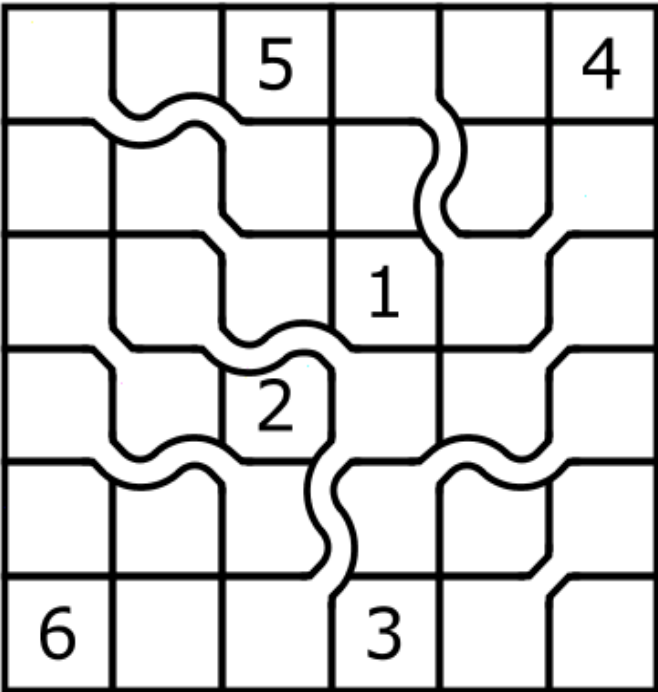
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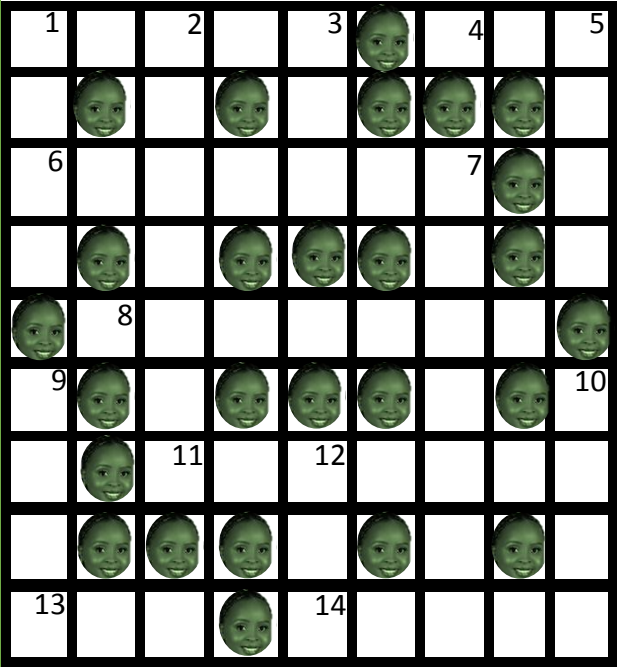
Complete the grid such that every row and column contains the digits 1 to 6

These words below can all have a letter added and then be rearranged to make a new 5-letter word. The letters added spell a 9-letter word. What are the new words?

HERB
BANG
KEEN
SUIT
QUAD
WHEY
CELL
TOIL
WILD

Note: In order, the added letters spell TELESCOPE.

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CROSSWORD
PUZZLE

- CLUES
- ACROSS
- 1. Liquid squeezed from an orange (5)
 - 4. Salted or smoked meat from the upper part of a pig's leg (3)
 - 6. Opposite of incorrect (7)
 - 8. Necklaces, earrings, bracelets, rings in one word (7)
 - 11. A US state which has the word India in it (7)
 - 13. It controls the flow of what (3)
 - 14. A gosling's parent (5)
- DOWN
- 1. ___ and the Beanstalk is a fairytale (4)
 - 2. A person from Israel (7)
 - 3. She was tricked by the serpent (3)
 - 5. The ___ of Honor is the head of the bridesmaids (4)
 - 7. A violent funnel-shaped spinning wind (7)
 - 9. A present (4)
 - 10. A running competition (4)
 - 12. To use a hoe (3)



KICHWAMBA HIGH SCHOOL – SENIOR THREE CLASS



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