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Courtesy photo

Sara Gallant, manager of Baba Sushi Sturbridge, presents a \$500 check to Lynne Brouillette, president of Kids in the Congo and Fr. Jean-Marle Meso, regional Superior of the Augustinians of the Assumption, East Africa.

Baba Sushi event raises \$500 for Kids in the Congo

STURBRIDGE – Who knew you could eat out, enjoy the meal, and educate a child at the same time?

On Thursday, July 19, Baba Sushi and hosts Skip and Judy Nielsen of Sturbridge held a special event at which restaurant owner, Wilson Wang pledged 10 percent of his receipts for the entire day to Kids in the Congo (KIC), a local charity based at St. Anne Shrine. A

week later, Sara Gallant, manager of Baba Sushi Sturbridge presented the group with a check for \$500.

Based in Sturbridge Kids in the Congo provides educational support for children in the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

“Our children have never known peace and stability in their life

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time," said Lynne Brouillette, president of Kids in the Congo. "For many of them, getting an education is a dream come true. It is a way out of poverty that has trapped generations of Congolese families due to war and tribal violence."

Brouillette said the \$500 raised by Baba Sushi and the Nielsens will educate ten children for an entire year.

"We are so grateful to Wilson Wang for his generosity, to the Nielsens for organizing the event, and to the community at large for turning out to support Kids in the Congo while enjoying some delicious food!"

Kids in the Congo has partnered with

the Augustinians of the Assumption (Assumptionists) who staff parishes and schools throughout the Beni-Butembo Diocese of Eastern Congo. This partnership was made possible through the Assumptionist presence at St. Anne Shrine in Sturbridge and Assumption College in Worcester. For more info, please visit kidsinthecongo.org.