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Start to Fisher's expedition just days away

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Greenwood-born American explorer Julian Monroe Fisher III embarks on his expedition, "EQUATORIA – A Walk Across Africa" on foot April 30, to raise awareness about Mines Advisory Group, (MAG) an organization dedicated to removing land mines and other small arms from previously war-torn countries.

As reported by the Index-Journal in late February, Fisher's posted blogs about his journey will be posted in a link on our web page: www.indexjournal.com.

Fisher anticipates logging 4,000 miles and concluding before his 6-year-old daughter begins school in Austria, where Fisher and his wife and children live.

In preparation for his journey, Fisher has been biking 10 kilometers a day and getting numerous inoculations against things such as rabies and polio.

However, during the expedition, Fisher will not be riding a bike. He will be carrying a full pack during daily hikes.

The first 800 kilometers cover "very remote bush country in northern Mozambique" Fisher said, where food and water sources are concerns for him.

In addition to raising awareness about MAG, folks have the opportunity to follow Fisher's progress and make contributions toward establishment of The Bunkeya Cultural Village in Bunkeya, Democratic Republic of the Congo, and other community projects to be determined for Mozambique, Malawi, Zambia and Angola. Contributions may be made through the web site: www.walkacrossafrica.org. Fisher said all contributions support community project endeavors. Fisher is funding his walk across Africa himself.

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