



Diplomatic Spouses Group
OF DAR ES SALAAM

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September 2009

Habari DSG

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*You are cordially invited to the
1st
DSG Morning 2009
to be held ...*

Date: *Wednesday, 23 September*

Time: *09:30*

Host: *Huwaida Kalo*

*Location and Speaker will be announced soon,
but please mark your calendar for the first
meeting of our new year. Please share this
invitation with all of the new member's of your
mission.*

Project of the Month:

WomensCraft

*WomenCraft is a community enterprise that connects
talented rural East African artisans with regional and
international fair-trade markets. WomenCraft operates a kanga
exchange program in which rural community women and
WomenCraft artisans are able to exchange old kangas, which
will be woven into its basket line, for new kangas.*

*Baskets will be on sale during the September DSG
Morning.*

WELCOME

Whether you are returning to the
Diplomatic Spouse's Group for another
fun filled year

or

You are new to Dar and looking to become
involved

We are happy to have you
and wish you a good
2009-2010 DSG Year!

Since so many people arrive in Dar during the June-August
months, please pass on information about
the DSG to those new to your mission.

Moving to a new place is always a hard transition, but Dar es
Salaam offers some unique challenges. Please take the time to
welcome the newcomers and invite them to join us for a meeting.

The greatest thing about our transient lifestyle is the
opportunities to make new friends and explore new places!

Start today.

Call for DSG Committee Members

All committees are in need of new members. If you are
interested in volunteering, please contact any
committee member for further information.

DSG Committee Reports

Projects Committee

About the Projects Committee

The DSG Projects Committee assists local initiatives which support Tanzania's most vulnerable citizens, most often women, children and the physically or mentally challenged.

It is responsible for the selection, funding and monitoring of projects, generally in the areas of health, education and income generation. Funds are raised through various activities of the DSG, from the annual charity bazaar to the weekly activity group donations.

The Projects committee, numbering 5 -7 volunteers, is made up of members of the DSG. The Committee meets regularly and decides by majority vote on decisions taken. Projects are visited before funds are approved, and afterwards for follow up.

Thank you Protea Hotel, Oyster Bay

We just want to say a big thank you to Protea Hotel which has donated used linens, including towels, sheets and mattresses, as well as several television sets to various groups the DSG has funded around Tanzania.

Volunteers Needed

The projects committee is looking for new members. We need people who are passionate about learning about Tanzania and its people, who can commit time to reading applications, making follow-up visits and visiting new projects, sometimes traveling for a full day and even a weekend to the north, and who work well in a team. This is a position for those who want more than just a monthly meeting!

If this interests you, please speak to someone who is currently on the committee: Anne Clark, Mia Korsgren, Karin Herrstrom, Guri Midttun, or call Ginie Waller at 0786 999 847.

Project Highlight:

Mazingira Bora Karatu - Community Stage Park



Mazingira Bora, meaning 'healthy environment' is the goal of MBK. In Karatu, MBK has created a community park by planting trees, installing a children's playground and building public toilets. They are expanding the facility so that community groups can have a space to address or perform to large groups, and where children and youth can learn and perform dance, music, and theater. The DSG has supported MBK with funds to construct a community stage. It is complete and ready for use!

DSG Committee Reports Continued

Administration Committee

Do you have experience working with Website design and upkeep? If so, please volunteer to join the Administration Committee. The committee is in need of someone to maintain the website. Your time and expertise would be greatly appreciated.

Not so tech savvy, but would still like to lend a hand? Volunteer to maintain the membership list. It's a great way to be involved.

Fundraising Committee

Information Meeting for 2009 DSG Bazaar

Plans are in full swing for the 2009 DSG Bazaar which will take place on Saturday November 7th at the IST secondary school campus. As well as food, handicrafts and other goods from all over the world, there will be entertainment throughout the day and activities for kids of all ages. The Grand Raffle has a wonderful list of prizes including airline tickets, vouchers for meals and hotel stays, hampers and two stunning pieces of jewelry.

The Information Meeting for the 2009 DSG Bazaar will be held on **Monday, 30 September at 10.00 at the Chinese Embassy**. All embassies and missions are urged to send one or more representatives. At the meeting you will get a preview of the site layout, Raffle prizes list, children's activities and the program for the day. You will also be able to put questions to the organizing committee and we hope to have Raffle and entrance tickets available for you to sell.

Are you new to DSG? Contact a member of the organizing committee to find out more about the Bazaar. Offer your help - it's a great way to get to know people and to raise money for DSG Project Fund which helps groups in Tanzania who support those in need.

To Do List

1. Check that your country form has been returned. If not contact Seyi (0765 751 744) or Tim (0762 619 473) as soon as possible.
 2. Decide who from your embassy will attend the Bazaar Information Meeting on Sept 30th.
 3. Suggest entertainers who could perform a national dance or song from your country. Contact Naima (moussambroso@hotmail.com)
 4. Volunteer to help on the day. Contact Amy (0764 763 567)
 5. Do you have tents you could lend for the Bazaar? If so please contact Seyi (0765 751 744)
- You can also contact any committee member through the DSG Bazaar email dsgbazaar2009@gmail.com or contact Anne Clarke Chair (0764 509 445)

Social Committee

The Social Committee is looking for new members. The social committee's responsibility is to make sure that there are hosts for each of the DSG mornings. We liaise with the hosts to move the microphone, cups, etc from one venue to the other. Also, we collect the members' registration fees and compile a list of the members attending the DSG mornings.

UPCOMING EVENTS



Corona meets on the first Tuesday of every month.

The next meeting is October 6th. It will be a Newcomer's Fair where you can see the different things you can do in Dar or what activities there are to join. Please join them at 9:30am at the Terrace at Slipway.

Newcomers Coffee Morning is every Tuesday of the Month (except the first Tuesday) at the Karambezi Café, 10:00am
Everyone is welcome!

Corona has a walking group- they walk Mon., Wed., and Fri at 7am from the Oyster Bay Shopping Centre for about an hour. We pay Tsh 1000 a week and the money is donated to the CCBRT in various forms- for operations or wheelchairs.

For more information contact: Gill at 0754-494122
coronatanzania@gmail.com

The Diplomatic Spouses Group

**ANNUAL
CHARITY
BAZAAR**

DSG Bazaar 2009

Saturday 7th September is the date for the 2009 DSG Charity Bazaar so please mark this date loud and clear in your diary. The Bazaar will be generously hosted, as last year, by the International School of Tanganyika at the IST Upper School Campus.

UPCOMING EVENTS CONTINUED

Proms in the Park

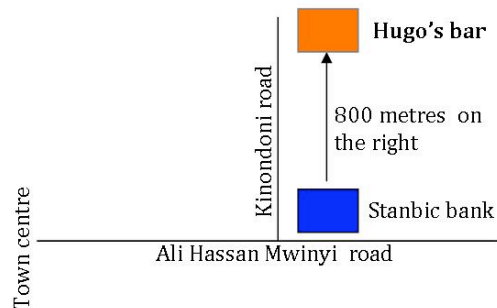
Enjoy an evening of classical music with performances
by Bryn Terfel and Evelyn Glennie
12 September, gates open at 6:30pm
British High Commission Residence, 1 Kenyatta Drive
15,000 tsh

For bookings contact Soma 07873353 or Marian 0754782551

SEPTEMBER 2009

Urban Motion
launches a new move jam
At **Hugo's** bar
Kinondoni
Slam **poets** live **music**
stand up **comedy**
the hippest **DJ** in town
September 5th
8pm til late

Contact: +255 787 528 518 or +255 785 147 375



OCTOBER 2009



www.visa2dance.com

Visa 2 Dance 2009 festival
8-11 October 2009, Diamond Jubilee VIP Hall
Tanzania's International Contemporary Dance Platform.

Dance companies from Tanzania, Kenya, Uganda, Ethiopia, South Africa,
Sweden, Italy, Germany and the Netherlands.

Live performances on Thursday 8, Friday 9, Saturday 10 October from
7pm to 9pm and a matinee on Sunday 11 October 4pm -6pm

New! Café - bar lounge entertainment from 6pm til late and on Sunday
from 3pm til 8pm

NOVEMBER 2009



Makutano art and craft fair
Friday 27 and Saturday 28 November 2009
Diamond Jubilee Hall 10am-6pm
www.makutanotz.com

UPCOMING EVENTS CONTINUED

The Little Theatre Club Schedule 2009 ROUND UP!



SEPTEMBER

Thursday 10th - Saturday 12th September
Late Entry - Café Theatre

Originally scheduled for October last year, but delayed for various reasons - David Tristram's café theatre play is back on. A one act, lighthearted script and fabulous 3 course dinner.
Members 25,000 tsh Non-Members 30,000tsh

FRIDAY 18th SEPTEMBER 6pm

Get together for people interested in helping with,
THE THEATRE BALL!

If you are interested in participating in the Ball cabaret or helping out in any other way come down to the theatre bar at 6pm - for an informal get together to discuss the Ball plans!!

Friday 25th September
PUB QUIZ!

Get a team together (no more than 6 to a team) and come down and test your knowledge! Tickets include dinner.
Book your teams now!

OCTOBER

2nd - 10th OCTOBER
MAMA YANGU!

An Adaptation of the musical, Mamma Mia! for the Dar Stage! A musical story told through the hit songs of ABBA!! This is a charity performance to support the disabled children of The Salvation Army.

Tickets on sale 10th September...

SATURDAY 17th OCTOBER 7:30PM
THE EAGLE HAS LANDED! - THE 2009 THEATRE
BALL!

It has been 40 years since Apollo 11 landed on the moon and Neil
Armstrong took those giant steps for mankind - so come and get
spaced out with us for an evening on the moon with a space theme!

Dinner, cabaret and dancing and beneath the stars!
DO NOT MISS OUT! Tickets go on sale 1st October...

NOVEMBER

SUNDAY 1st NOVEMBER
CHRISTMAS BAZAAR AND CHAMPAGNE
BREAKFAST. 10am

Our popular Christmas Bazaar, just in time to buy all your
Christmas goodies or sell a few things to make room in the toy
cupboard! With a delicious champagne Buffet Breakfast!
Book Tables now! Email: dsplayers@gmail.com Tables 10,000/-

THURSDAY 19th OCTOBER
AUDITIONS FOR THE 2008 Christmas Pantomime
CINDERELLA

Directed by Katy England and to be on stage in December.
We need Kids and Adults for singing, dancing, chorus parts, back
stage helpers and more! Kids must be over 7 years of age to join in
the show. KIDS - 5pm ADULTS - 6pm

DECEMBER

3rd - 11th DECEMBER
THE 2009 CHRISTMAS PANTOMIME
CINDERELLA

Directed By Katy England.

Come and get firmly into the Christmas spirit with the biggest family
show of the year! Join Cinders, the ugly sisters and a rather bizarre
Godmother on a mission to find true love....

SATURDAY 19th DECEMBER
Children's Christmas Miscellany and Christmas
Carols

Children's Performance, Christmas Carol Singing and a visit from
Santa laden with presents!

A perfect way to wind up the Theatre Christmas calendar!

ITEMS OF INTEREST



Safari Update:

East African Migration

During September, the migration moves into Kenya's Maasai Mara in search of water and fresh grazing.

The migration follows the Mbalageti River towards the Grumeti Controlled Area where the long grass plains and woodlands provide food. For more information on

East African Migration visit:

<http://www.zambezi.co.uk/safari/tanzania/maptzmig.html>

Change in Mama Masai's opening hours

"Fair Trade Friends Mama Masai" is the name given to an income-generating project supporting around 200 Masai women in villages throughout Simanjiro district in northwest Tanzania.

Up to 15 volunteers in Dar es Salaam help to market the beaded craft-ware the women make.

Products like tableware, cards and earrings are being sold in the shop in Kaunda Drive.

Opening days: Tuesday and Thursday from 9.30 am till 12.30.

On Saturday from 12 till 2 pm.

Email address: mamamasai@gmail.com

DSG Special Interest Groups

There are a variety of ways to become involved with the DSG. Below are list of activities that are currently available.

(We have had some turnover of contact people with the recent move cycle. If you have any updated information regarding the below information please let me know – Susan Thomas, m.s.thomas@att.net)

Activity	Day and Time		Contact Person and Number	
7 km Walking Group	Mon, Wed, and Fri	7:00 am		
Bridge (beginners & advanced)	On availability			
English Book Club	Once a month on Thurs or Fri mornings		Raylynn Oliver	0752 212 102
English Conversion			Volunteer needed	
French Book Club	On availability		Aich Traore-Fernandez Taranco	0786 353 395
Taiji	Tues and Thurs	4:00 pm	Xiaobing He	0763 833 736
Yoga* – Cathy Stanton has left Dar so is no longer offering yoga classes. If you would be interested in providing Yoga lessons please contact Susan Thomas, editor DSG Habari. m.s.thomas@att.net				
Tennis Group	Tues and Thurs	7:00 am	Catherine Mitchell	0754 222 228
Scrabble	On availability		Ed Miliano	edmiliano@gmail.com

* Since Cathy's yoga classes have ended you may want to try yoga led by Satya - contact number: 0754 666 010.

His classes are all about 90 minutes and cost 8000 Tsh. They are mostly Vinyasa yoga:

Monday 5 pm at Golden Tulip

Tuesday and Thursday 8:45 at Thai Village on the corner of Chole and Kimweri

Thursday 6 pm Fitness Centre

Saturday at 10 am he does a slower, longer and deeper yoga at the Fitness Centre.

(Thanks to Ginie Waller for providing above yoga info)

Old Hands, New Hands.....

Whether you are new to Dar or you are an “old hand” at getting around, below are some of the “bests in and around Dar” as discovered by our DSG members.

Shopping for the essentials on the Peninsula:

- ◆ Bread –The Corner Shop in Oyster Bay and Fairy Delights in the new Shopper’s Plaza, Masaki
- ◆ Meat – Farm House Butcher. Or if you want to do one-stop shopping, Village Super Market carries the Farm House Butcher products in their meat section at a little higher cost than buying directly.
- ◆ Produce – any of the dukas on Chole.
- ◆ Everything – one quick place to find it all if you don’t want to stop at a number of different places is Shrijee’s – 2 locations on Haile Selassie, Oyster Bay and Masaki. Another option is Shopper’s Plaza (Masaki) for a wide selection of goods.
- ◆ Something Special is always to be found at The Deli in Oyster Bay Shopping Center. Whether you are looking for handmade pasta, hummus or pesto, fresh sushi, or that unique ingredient; they always seem to have what you need.
- ◆ The Hardware store in Oyster Bay Shopping Center offers a little bit of everything for home improvements (or last minute school projects) and the hardware dukas on the dust road to slipway carry all kinds of handy household items.
- ◆ And don’t forget to visit the Diplomatic Store. They carry a wide variety of items including phone and internet cards. They have a new location on Haile Selassie.

If you have any suggestions, corrections or information you would like to see included in the DSG Habari, please contact Susan Thomas at m.s.thomas@att.net.