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Special points of interest:

- Note the April meeting on your calendar now— **August 25th**
- Start collecting Bazaar items now!
- Page 5— Looking for new Interest Group Leaders

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DSG Votes in New Leadership

Thank you to Mrs. Kristina Toivonen for hosting the last DSG morning meeting before the holiday break.

The Finnish residence, with its relaxing atmosphere, beautiful backdrop and nice breeze, was the perfect place to wrap up business.

The morning's business included the nomination of a

new Chair/Co Chair and the

announcement of various new postings.



Outgoing and New Committee members will meet on **June 2nd** at the EU Residence (pg 6)



August DSG Meeting

You are cordially invited....

Host: : Mrs Jacqueline Lenhardt

American Residence

Toure Drive



Mark it on your calendar now!!!

Wednesday, August 25th

9:30am

WELCOMING MEETING

DSG invites returning members and new members to come come and get to know one another.

An overview of the DSG will be given as well as an update on Fundraising Activities.

Please make sure to forward to all newcomers with your missions.

Projects Committee Report



Ginie Waller has done an extraordinary job of chairing the Projects Committee for the past year and was recognized during the May DSG morning meeting.

Before handing over the committee to the new chair, Judy Weisinger, a

presentation to all members was given. Each current member gave a brief description of a project that received DSG funding this past year.

Ginie thanked all current members for their hard work on this engaging committee.

Further, members were encouraged to take leaflets that were printed with information regarding new projects that have recently

been approved.

For further information, please visit:

dsgprojects@live.com

Fundraising— DSG Bazaar 2010



Members recognized and thanked Anne Clarke for heading the Fundraising Committee for the past year. Anne has recently held several meetings to hand over the committee to the new chair and members.

Xiaobing He has kindly volunteered to chair the Fundraising Committee for the 2010-2011 year.

Members met at the Chinese Residence on May 28th and have agreed to meet again in August.

All members are encouraged to be forming country teams for the Bazaar booths. Now is a great time to begin thinking of items to sell as people come and go from holidays in home countries.

In addition, if you are interested in serving on the committee, members are still needed. Please visit the website or contact Xiaobing.

The 2010 Bazaar will be held on November 20th

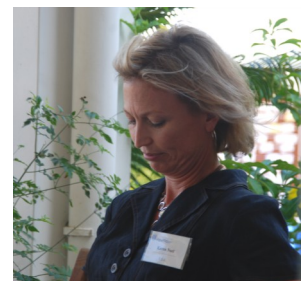
Social Committee Report



A big round of applause went to Michele Ntombela who has been chair for the past year.

Karen Nutt was recognized as a committee member.

The Social Committee is still looking for committee members for the 2010/11 year.



Newcomers Committee Report

The Newcomers Committee says goodbye to Isabelle de Zarmarcozy and welcomes Lisa Rosenfield and Lilia Podgurschi to head the committee.

Who can join DSG? Anyone having diplomatic status currently living in



Dar es Salaam.

THANK YOU DSG COMMITTEE MEMBERS!



A Message from our new Chair

After two years as Chair of the Fundraising Committee and a year serving on the Projects Committee, I am honoured to take on the role of Chair of DSG and I look forward to working with Nenny, DSG Co-Chair, and to all the Committee Chairs to find ways to strengthen the role of DSG.

I pay tribute to the work of Huwaida and Kristina as DSG Chair and Co-Chair during the past year and to the outgoing Committee Chairs – Michelle (Social Committee), Ginie (Projects) and Isabelle (Newcomers).

Two weeks ago I was present at a ceremony in Serengeti during which the first 5 of 32 rhinos were repatriated from South Africa to Tanzania. A huge Hercules aircraft touched down in a cloud of dust on the Seronera airstrip amidst cheers from the crowd and overseen by President Kikwete and the Ministers of Natural Resources of South Africa and Tanzania.



It was an opportunity to celebrate the partnership between South Africa and Tanzania and also Tanzania's commitment to wildlife conservation.

In his speech at the event, President Kikwete said that visiting Tanzania's National Parks has become his passion. For me too, the wild places of Tanzania are jewels. Whether on foot through the forests of Mahale Mountains to look for chimps, by boat on Selous' Rufiji River watching birds and hippos, in Mikumi, Tarangire or Ruaha spending time with a group of elephants, or enjoying the underwater worlds of Pemba, Mafia and Zanzibar, I feel privileged to live in a country that offers such a wealth of wildlife experiences.



For many, the next two months of the school vacation are a time to visit family and friends, reconnect with our home countries, and also to collect goods to sell at the DSG Bazaar in November. However, I hope that many of you will also set aside time to see more of Tanzania and enjoy its natural beauty.

To those members who are leaving Tanzania soon I wish you and your family every success in you new lives. And to all who are travelling, *safari njema* !

Anne Clarke

FZS blog on the Serengeti rhino

<http://www.zgf.de/?projectId=116&id=128&language=en>

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. *** The DSG is looking for new interest groups for 2010! If you would like to lead a group, please contact the executive board at ads4dsg@gmail.com

Activity	Day and Time		Contact Person and Number	
9 km Walking Group	Mon., Wed., and Fri.	7:00am at DYC	Tracy Moreno 0757 165 280	
Bridge (beginners & intermediate)			Indira	0754 604 661
English Book Club	Once a month on Thurs or Fri mornings		Raylynn Oliver	0752 212 102
French Book Club	Once a month on Fridays	4pm	Isabelle deZamaroczy Elena Conti	0782 417 400 0782 144 137
Tennis Group	Contact Beth Interested in	If you are playing.	Beth Mahoney	0759 332 089
Scrabble	On availability		Ed Miliano	edmiliano@gmail.com

Calling all Committee Members

I am looking forward very much to working with all of you as Chair of DSG, to support your work and to find ways to strengthen the support we provide to its members and the support we give to the local community.

I would like to begin by inviting you to a planning meeting on **Wednesday June 2 at 9.30** at the EU Residence (442 Mahando St). At the meeting we will celebrate our achievements and take time to brainstorm ideas for the future.

Below are a few things to be thinking about already. All were raised in conversation with DSG members.

- How can we make the most of our DSG Website?
- What should we do differently at DSG mornings?
- What about DSG visits - within Dar or further afield?
- And social events? A welcome back event in September? An event for kids? Pot luck dinner? Musical events?
- How can we welcome people better? And stay in touch with those who leave?



Are you moving? Getting rid of excess toys, books, linens?

As you sort through your belongings, please think of both the DSG Projects and the White Elephant stall run by the UNSG at the Charity Bazaar. The DSG supports several projects (including schools and orphanages) in the Dar es Salaam area and in the northern region. We would like to help them out by collecting the following items and distributing:

school supplies -- such as paper, exercise books, pens, pencils, crayons, etc.

small backpacks -- for school use

books -- especially those suitable for young children and teenagers (in English or Kiswahili)

toys -- such as puzzles and games, soft toys

shoes -- for young children (including those of primary school age)

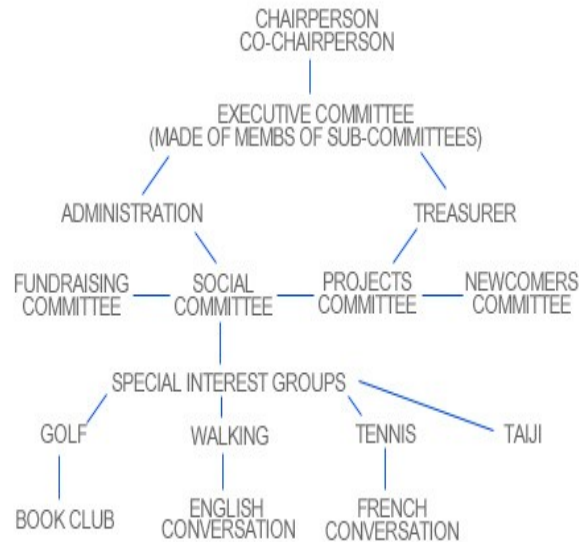
music -- CDs suitable for children (they love to dance along to music!)

towels, bed linen and blankets

ALSO LOOKING FOR ONE USED, FUNCTIONING COMPUTER

DSG

We are a non profit organization comprised of persons with diplomatic status in Tanzania. Our mandate is to be a social and charitable organization which is non-political, non-governmental, and non-profit. Our primary fundraising activity is an annual charity bazaar held in November. The funds raised by our organization are distributed between different charity projects around Tanzania.



Chairperson:

Clarke, Anne

Co-Chairperson:

Yudhistranto, Nenny

Treasurer:

Naeverlid, Margareth

Administration:

Mahoney, Beth (secretary)

He, Xiaobing (members' list)

Moreno, Tracy (newsletter)

Member's contact info can be found in the directory.

Fundraising Committee:

Apparicio, Jeniffer

Arab, Mounia

Gangte, Sylvia (supporting raffle)

Grillo, Deniona

He, Xiaobing

Lenhardt, Jacqueline

Midttun, Guri

Moreno, Tracy

Moussa, Naima

Van der Heyden, Ellen

Vercruyssen, Veronique

Yudhistranto, Nenny

Newcomers' Committee:

Pazienza Rosenfield, Lisa

Podgurschi, Lilia

Projects Committee:

Bach, Marianne

Clarke, Anne

Herrström, Karin

Joseph, Shanti

Korgren, Mia

Midttun, Guri

Vercruyssen, Veronique

Waller, Ginie

Wiesinger, Judy

Social Committee:

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