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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- **Note the next DSG meeting on your calendar now - March 23rd**
- **Executive Board meets March 16th**

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February DSG Meeting

An incredibly informative and fun DSG morning meeting was held this month at the Indonesian Residence.

Thanks go to hostess Mrs. Nenny Yudhistranto.

The first speaker of the morning was Mrs. Young Kimaro who gave a thorough presentation of how DSG has helped MWIDEFU in the past with their community library and most currently with a highly successful microfinance project. Currently, 595 women in the community



have been impacted, while the hope is to

reach 1,875 women. A question posed by a member to Mrs. Kimaro was, "Why or how did you choose to work in this community?" The response was that after spending years in Washington DC with the World Bank, Mrs. Kimaro and her husband made the decision to return to his childhood home to give back to the people there in a sustainable manner.

Our second speaker was Dr. Minou Fuglesang, director of Femina Hip. This organization distributes magazines as a multimedia vehicle for "entertainment education" specifically focusing on healthy lifestyles for Tanzanians. Another area of concern is helping people gain access to capital so that they can become "change makers."

The DSG would especially like to thank the following people for making this month's coffee morning an entertaining one. The members, UN and ADSG guests were treated to hands-on demonstrations on a variety of ways to make flowers. It was so much fun that the residence was still buzzing with activity well past the noon hour! Pictures on page 2.

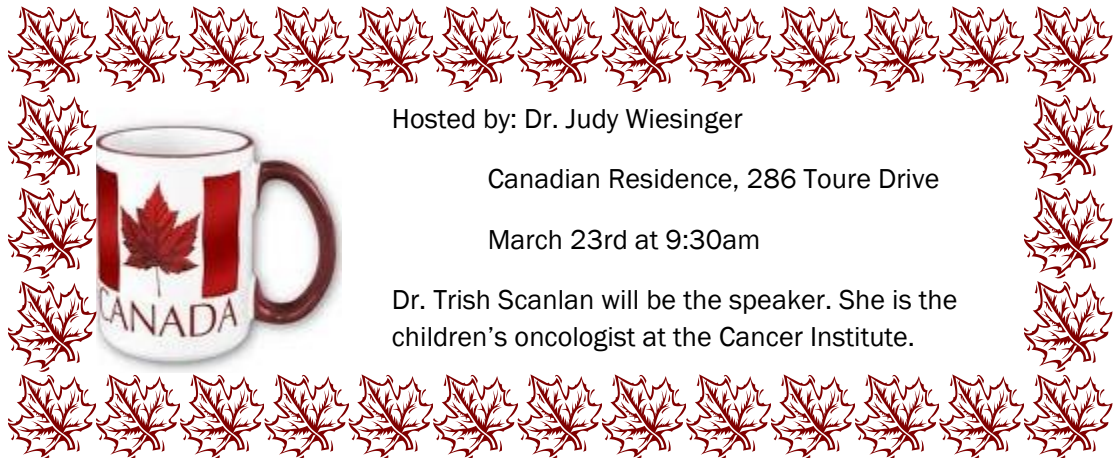
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Executive Pastry Chef
Kempinski Hotel

Naoki Machii
Chef - Japanese Residence

Papu McIntire
DSG Member - UNSG member

Miyoko Nakamoko
Tamae Kawaguchi
DSG Members

March DSG Meeting



Hosted by: Dr. Judy Wiesinger

Canadian Residence, 286 Toure Drive

March 23rd at 9:30am

Dr. Trish Scanlan will be the speaker. She is the children's oncologist at the Cancer Institute.



From the DSG Chair.....Anne Clarke

Dear DSG Members,

I send you greetings from Beijing and am sorry to have been on my way to China at the time of the DSG morning and missed the wonderful flower demonstrations and the presentations by Young Kimaro and Minou Fuglesang. Congratulations to Nenny Yudhistranto for a wonderful event and thanks to Papu McIntire and Judy Wiesinger for organizing the speakers and demonstrations.

About a year ago, the DSG Executive Board decided our charter needed reviewing. There were two areas of concern. Firstly that the charter referred to an out-of-print booklet describing the functions of the various officers and committees, and secondly that responsibility for selecting a new Chair was in the hands of the Executive Board and not the membership as a whole.

In an effort to streamline our charter, ensure a democratic process for electing the DSG Chair and change a few other minor issues, the Board has drafted a revised Charter. All DSG members will be provided with copies of the new Charter by email and copies will be available at the March 23rd DSG Morning. Voting will take place at the April 13th DSG Morning, or members may send proxy votes (by email or in writing) to Angie Nicholson (DSG Secretary) by 12th April. Two-thirds of DSG members must vote in order for the vote to be valid so please be sure to get your copy of the charter and to vote on or before April 13th. If you have questions about the new Charter please contact a Board Member.

Anne



Photos from February “FLOWERS” morning



Projects Committee

By Judy Wiesinger

Last month at this time we had received 37 applications for funding and we hadn't yet reached the deadline for receipt of applications. By the end of day on 31 January, we had received an astounding 80 applications! The committee was delighted but overwhelmed: how to tackle this large number?! We found a way, worked hard, have now narrowed the number to 15 and have started our pre-funding visits. By the time of the next Habari Newsletter, I'll be able to tell you who we shall be funding in 2011. Two more members have joined the committee and have immediately rolled up their sleeves: Endanchi Mekkonen from Ethiopia and Daniela Todevska from Sweden. Karibuni!

One of the pleasures of being on the projects committee is being able to participate in some of the highlights of the organisations that we support. One such occasion was the long-awaited opening of the children's cancer ward at Muhimbili Hospital in early February. It was an exciting occasion attended by more than 150 people, including many of the children and their mamas. Anne, Ginie and I were honoured to be there. We learnt how the move of the ward from Ocean Road Cancer Hospital had come about as a result of the vision of **Dr. Trish Scanlan**, a paediatric oncologist from Ireland, supported by the NGOs Love, Hope, Strength (LHS)



(www.lovehopestrength.org) and Children in Crossfire (www.childrenincrossfire.org), along with the support of the Ministry of Health and many, many others. After several speeches, singing by the children, and songs by



Mike Peters - a rock and roll musician and himself a leukaemia survivor and founder of LHS - we

toured the facility and were moved by the welcoming Tingatinga paintings that will make the wards, isolation room and consulting rooms brighter, less frightening and more child-friendly places to be. The mural that the DSG funded in 2010 will be ready by the time the children themselves make the move from Ocean Road to Muhimbili, after which we hope to be able to take quite a few DSG members to visit the new children's ward.

I am delighted to tell you that Dr. Trish, as she is usually known, will be the speaker at our March meeting. She will be telling us about childhood cancers in Tanzania and how, and why, children's survival chances have increased dramatically over the last few years. She will also be talking to us about the importance of blood donations in Dar es Salaam and how something as small as one pint of blood can make the difference between life and death for many of her young patients. Sadly, she sees many children die

for the lack of available blood for much-needed transfusions.

The Children's Ward at Muhimbili, formerly of Ocean Road Cancer Institute, will be our featured Project-of-the-Month. In addition to information about the project, **you are**

also invited to bring along to the March meeting any soft toys, games and school supplies that can be used in the school that is run by volunteers at the cancer ward. Or, you may wish to



make a monetary donation at the meeting to cover the expenses of meals for the children while they are in hospital, something that was not budgeted for by the hospital! I shall send out further details prior to the meeting on 23 March.

We enjoyed two very inspiring talks by Young Kimaro (MWIDEFU) and Minou Fuglesang at our February meeting and can look forward to one by Dr. Trish in March. Be sure to be there!

Judy Wiesinger

Chair, Projects Committee



Magazine Supports DSG Charities

Have you seen this magazine around the peninsula? If not, look for it at locations such as Makutano House.

Copies are free and the Projects Committee has stated that this publication will have an article

on one DSG funded charity in each publication.

So go ahead and pick up a copy to learn more about life in Tanzania!

Salt and Pepper is published every two months.

Social Committee

By Jackie Lenhardt and Sari Werderman

Please contact me if you are still interested in going to Cape Town, South Africa in March 2011. The air fare is lower this time of the year. The travel agent at Sea cliff quoted tentative prices and made some suggestions where the group could stay. Dates are up to those wanting to go.



Please contact me **this week via email** if you have decided to go to China—**details on page 5**. This group will go in May and quoted prices are very reasonable for this exciting opportunity!

Questions can also be answered by email as I am currently away so not available via phone.

House of Peace - Volunteer Update



House of Peace is Tanzania's only residential shelter for survivors of gender based violence. After driving by the sign on the road umpteen times I finally have made my way thrice to the offices to meet and work with some of the brave souls who live in the shelter.

The House of Peace was the beneficiary of a book project called "Mama Dar: Tales of Family Life in Tanzania." I was moved to offer my services when the item "adult education" was

in the House of Peace wish list Mama Jackie (or Jacqueline Lenhardt to the rest of the world) presented to us at the launch of the book in December 2010. I've had lots of interest amongst the residents in my first attempts to teach practical knowledge in natural remedies and simple first aid.

The House of Peace has received donations in the form of a container for a workshop and sewing machines. The ground was being leveled for this new project last time I was there. Some of the residents have showed me things they've made or collected already so we're looking forward to getting to work with the new machines and setting up a workshop and

organizing training in the skills needed.

There will be a meeting of some of the other volunteers that Mama Jackie has apparently organized to inspire her charges at which point I'm looking forward to coordinating our efforts and learning what each of us are doing. Each time I have spent time with the residents I have come away inspired by their positive spirit. It is simply a joy finding simple things to share and work through with them and I hope to continue doing so as long as I can be useful to them.

Submitted by : Krista Ranacher

Please contact Jackie if you have a skill that could assist House of Peace

DSG Travel Opportunity to China! By Jackie Lenhardt

Itinerary:

DAY 01 Beijing

Upon arrive in Beijing , transfer to hotel for refreshing.

Over night in Beijing

DAY 02 Beijing

Beijing Grand City Tour

Today's Highlights: **Tian'anmen Square, Forbidden City, Summer Palace**

Over night in Beijing

DAY 03: Beijing

Beijing Great Wall Tour

Today's Highlights: **Juyongguan Great Wall , Hutong Tour by rickshaw & visit local family**

Over night in Beijing

DAY 04: Beijing/Xi'an

Fly to Xi'an in the morning. Upon arrival in Xi'an, you will be met by our tour guide and transfer to hotel.

Special Experience: Watch the famous Show-Tang Dynasty Show

Meal: breakfast, Chinese lunch, dinner

Over night in Xi'an

DAY 05: Xi'an

Xi'an Ancient City Tour

Today's Highlights : **Terra Cotta Warriors , Ancient City Wall, Small Wild Goose Pagoda**

City centre – Terracotta Warriors: about 90mins

Small Wild Goose Pagoda: A major Buddhist site

Special Experience: Ride a bicycle on the Ancient City Wall

Store: Terracotta Warriors Workshop

Meal: breakfast, Chinese Lunch

Over night in Xi'an

DAY 06: Xian / Chongqing

You will be transferred from hotel to the airport and fly from xi'an to

Chongqing.Today's highlights in Chongqing : **visit Panda Garden**

Special Experience: take a photo with cute panda babies.

And after the meal , you will be transferred directly to the Yangtze cruise tour.

Yangtz River Cruise

Meal: Breakfast, Chinese lunch, dinner

Over night on the Yangtz Cruise

DAY 07: Yangtz River Cruise

Today's highlights: **Fengdu Ghost City**

Special Experience: Morning Taiji Exercises, Chinese Painting ect.

Meal: Breakfast, Buffet lunch, dinner

Over night on the Yangtz Cruise

DAY 08: Yangtz River Cruise

Today's highlights: **Three Gorges**

Meal: Breakfast, Buffet lunch, dinner

Over night in Yangtz Cruise

DAY 09: Yangtz River Cruise

Today's highlights: **Three Gorges Dam**

Meal: Breakfast, Buffet lunch, dinner

After the lunch,you will take the afternoon flight to Shanghai

Over night in Shanghai

DAY 10: Shanghai

Today's Highlights: **Yu Garden, the Bund, the Shanghai World Financial Center , Xintiandi Commercial Area—shopping**

Group Details:

Term of Validity: May.2011

Number of Travelers: 10 Adults

Destination: Beijing/xian/Chongqing/ Three Gorges /Shanghai/

Quotation in USD not including flights:

HOTEL/ CODE	PER ADULT
3* hotel	1195
Local 5* Red Wall Garden Hotel, Beijing, Beijing 5* Grand New World Hotel , Xian Astor House Hotel , Shanghai Or similar	1520

Please email or see Jackie Lenhardt if you have an interest in this trip. She will be able to provide you with the full itinerary and airfare details.

Newcomers Committee Welcomes Members

Save the Date!

The DSG continues to welcome newcomers at each morning meeting! The most recent one was on January 26, 2011. If you are new to Dar and would like to participate in future coffee mornings or the Dar city bus tour, please e-mail Lilia or Lisa at dsgdarnewcomers@gmail.com

Please join us in welcoming the following new DSG members:

- Lynn Roberts – USA
- Anne Scott – USA
- Moira Adams – USA
- Carmen Rohrbach - World Bank



CHANGE OF DATE: April 15th

UNSG/DSG Dinner Fundraiser

Please contact Papu McIntire to help with organization

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	Monthly / Evenings		Oluseyi Onabanjo	0765 751 744
French Book Club	Monthly on a Friday	4pm	Elena Conti	0782 144 137
Tennis Group	Thursdays	7-10:30am	Beth Mahoney	0759 332 089

Free Concert Today at DYC

Ads4Dsg@gmail.com



TOP BRASS is a jazz quintet that specializes in a wide repertoire ranging from traditional marches and Classical music to Dixieland jazz. They perform on behalf of the American People spreading goodwill and enhancing the spirit of cooperation and international public relations.

**1 MARCH
1830 – 1930**

**Dar es Salaam
Yacht Club**

 FROM THE AMERICAN PEOPLE

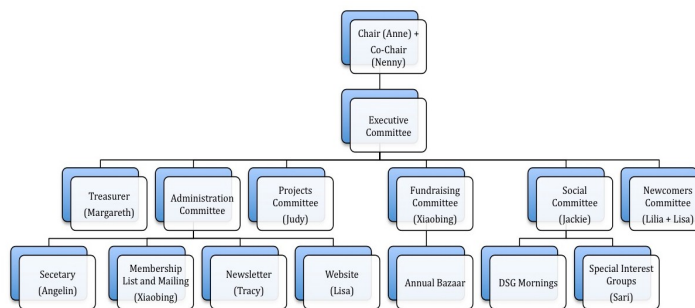
I recently took over the function of email distribution from Xiaobing who set the bar very high. So will give my best that you don't notice the difference, even though it will be a tough challenge. My name is Izabela Radic, originally Croatian, "attached" to a Nigerian heading UNHCR office in Tanzania. Please note that for messages to be distributed, they must meet the following criteria:

- They have to be received directly from a current DSG member or an affiliate group such as the UNSG, AD SG or the French Group who is willing to verify / be responsible for the information contained in it.
- Advertisements are not accepted except if a member forwards information that will specifically benefit members (ex. a tour company that is willing to give DSG a discount on safaris, a local music festival, opening of a new business, etc).

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.

DSG ORGANIZATION CHART 2010-2011



Chairperson:

Clarke, Anne

Co-Chairperson:

Yudhistiranto, Nenny

Treasurer:

Naeverlid, Margareth

Administration:

Nicholson, Angelin (secretary)

Radic, Izabela (members' list)

Rosenfield, Lisa (webmaster)

Moreno, Tracy (newsletter)

Social Committee:

Lenhardt, Jacqueline

McIntire, Papu

Werderman, Sari

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

Fundraising Committee:

Asres, Solomon

Bai, Summer

Gangte, Sylvia

Grillo, Deniona

Hapriante, Yanti

He, Xiaobing

Koekkoek, Berna

Lenhardt, Jacqueline

Meglioli, Alejandra

Moreno, Tracy

Moussa, Naima

Mthimunye, Mounia

Vercruysse, Veronique

Werderman, Sari

Yudhistiranto, Nenny

Newcomers' Committee:

Pazienza Rosenfield, Lisa

Podgurschi, Lilia

Projects Committee:

Clarke, Anne

Collins, Sara

Hjelmaker, Gunilla

Korsgren, Mia

Mekkonen, Endanchi

Todevska, Daniela

Vercruysse, Veronique

Waller, Ginie

Wiesinger, Judy

Yates, Jim