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### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- **Note the next DSG meeting on your calendar now - April 13th**
- **Executive Board meets April 6th**

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## March DSG Meeting



The March DSG Morning Meeting got off to a very entertaining start with Papu McIntire introducing a select group of Bethsaida School Girls who gave us a taste of their beautiful singing that they will perform at the upcoming UNSG/DSG Dinner Dance. If you have not yet purchased tickets to benefit this very worthy group of girls, please contact Papu as soon as possible.

We would also like to thank Mrs. Judy Wiesinger of the Canadian Mission for hosting the morning meeting at her residence. The guest speaker was



Dr. Trish Scanlan. She gave a heartwarming talk about the overall mission of the Children's Cancer Institute that will shortly move to Muhumbili Hospital. While much of the information was encouraging, there is a general plea to continue supporting these children through financial gifts and blood donations to prevent tragic yet unnecessary monthly deaths.



## April DSG Meeting

Italian Residence

104 Kenyatta Drive

April 13th at 9:30am



DSG would like to thank H.E. Mr. Pierluigi Velardi, Ambassador of Italy, for the generous use of the Italian Residence in hosting this month. We are delighted to also welcome his sister, Maria Teresa d'Angelo, who is temporarily visiting Tanzania and who will join in hosting the coffee morning alongside Lisa Rosenfield Pazienza.

Dario de Nicola from CEFA, will be the guest speaker. He will bring cheese to sample and to sell to members.

## From the DSG Chair.....Anne Clarke

Dear DSG Members,

Since I last wrote to you, I have been travelling again – this time to South Africa. As well as the wonderful natural sites of the Cape and the moving personal stories from Johannesburg’s Apartheid Museum, I was particularly touched by the Cradle of Humankind, a World Heritage Site which is one of the richest sources of hominid fossils. Together with Tanzania’s Oldupai Gorge and Ethiopia’s Awash Valley, they demonstrate clearly the African origins of humankind. A stone at the entrance to the Maropeng Visitors’ Centre at the Cradle of Humankind reminds visitors, “All of humankind shares an African heritage. We are one diverse species across the globe, with our roots in Africa.” Visiting these historical sites helps us connect in a very profound way with our African origins. If your travels take you near any of these special places, I strongly recommend a visit.



This story leads me to this month’s special event – the UN Spouses Group celebration of “One World – Many Cultures” - a dinner dance to recognize the unity and diversity of the UN family and also an opportunity to raise funds for the Bethsaida Secondary School for Orphan Girls. The school is a shining example of how education can “light a fire” in the hearts and minds of young people. We hope you will all take part in the event, enjoy the multicultural evening of entertainment and help the girls of Bethsaida achieve their dreams.

I look forward to seeing you all there.

Anne

## ALL MEMBERS - PLEASE VOTE

[WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT TO UPDATE THE DSG CHARTER AND MAKE DSG MORE DEMOCRATIC](#)



The DSG Executive decided almost a year ago that our Charter needed to be updated. After much discussion, we have a new-look Charter to present to the membership. It reflects our current practices and ensures that all members have the right to nominate the Chair and co-Chair. In the old version the selection of the new Chair and co-Chair was technically the responsibility of the Executive Committee.

In the next few days you will receive a copy of the new Charter and a summary of the important changes. Please take a few moments to read these and to send an email to [dsg.secretary@gmail.com](mailto:dsg.secretary@gmail.com) to vote ‘YES’ to the new Charter. **We need two-thirds of members to vote** so please encourage others, even ‘sleeping members’, to do so. We are counting on your help.

Thanks,

Anne

# Projects Committee

By Judy Wiesinger

It's been a very busy couple of months for the members of the Projects Committee but I am delighted to now be able to give you the names of the 15 projects that the DSG has chosen to support in 2011! In the table, you will see the names of the groups supported, where they are located, and briefly how the funds will be used.

Name of Organisation	Location	Project
Jumuiya ya ma Albino	Zanzibar	Printing of leaflets and booklets for awareness and education campaign in the albino community
ATD Fourth World	Tegeta	Literacy training among the quarry workers
Bethsaida Girls Secondary School	Dar es Salaam	Construction of a laundry facility
BCDSA (Busega Children's Development Services and Assistance)	Mwanza	Sustainable food supply, cow project
CHIPUA	Dar es Salaam	Girl leaders as role models for girls in crisis
COWPZ (Catalyst Organisation for Women Progress in Zanzibar)	Zanzibar (Matarumbeta, Kizimkazi, Mtoni)	"Special skills" training and purchase of tools and equipment
ECONEF	Usa River, Arusha	Water pump to the orphanage
KidzCare	Kerege, Bagamoyo	Medical supplies for kindergarten
Lake Victoria Children Organisation	Ukerewe Island, Mwanza	Tailoring shop to generate income to fund their activities with children
Maadili Child Care Centre	Arusha	Completion and furnishing of a house for orphan children
Miyuji Cheshire Home, Tanzania Cheshire Foundation	Dodoma	New dining room completion and old dining room refurbishment
Moyo Mmoja Trust	Bagamoyo	Vocational training expansion at Moyo Mmoja School and Training Programme
Neema Crafts Centre for People with Disabilities	Iringa	Physiotherapy unit
St. Clara Girls Secondary School	Same	Three water tanks
TAHEA Mwanza	Mwanza	Clean water and sanitation at the community resource centre (for women and children)

Finally, we are sad to say goodbye to Mia Korsgren who, for several years, has been a staunch member of the Projects Committee. In her place, we welcome Lilia Podgurschi.



Judy donates blood at the Muhumbili Hospital.

## Thank You Blood Donors! Submitted by: Judy

Thank you to DSG members who responded to our request for donations following the explosions at the military depot. The response within our community helped to

save many lives. DSG can get involved further by donating at Makutano House when the National Blood Transfusion Service, Damu Salama, goes there. Please

watch the newsletter for further dates and times being organized as well as a call for members to assist on the day with food and drink donations for blood donors.

# Social Committee

By Jackie Lenhardt and Sari Werderman

Dear Members,

It appears that this year there was inadequate interest in the shopping trip to Cape Town so this planned activity has been canceled.

However, plans are moving forward for a group to go to China in late May or early June.

Those who have signed up and those still considering but wanting more details, please attend a **meeting at the US Residence on April 11th at 9:30am**.

Jackie has received further information from the travel agent and will share it, answer questions and will finalize the dates of travel for this exciting cultural opportunity!

The itinerary is published one last time on page 6 for those still considering. This promises to be a unique learning experience.



## DSG-Supported Project Seeking Items

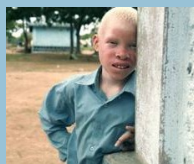
The Projects Committee has decided that one of the DSG projects of 2011 will be helping the Albino Association of Zanzibar to print and distribute a folder on how to take care of children with albinism. The project also contains a component of creating awareness on albinism in society at large.

The Albino Association is also asking for long sleeved shirts and T-shirts for skin protection. If you are moving or just cleaning out your wardrobes, here is an opportunity to make your long sleeved shirts, T-shirts and blouses come to good use -men's, women's and children's sizes all gladly accepted. The Albino Association of Zanzibar needs them

to distribute to their members, who are all dangerously exposed to the vibrant equatorial sunrays.

There are 148 registered albinos in Zanzibar and most likely another one hundred suffering from albinism. To this group of people, the sun is a daily threat. The average life expectancy for a child with albinism in Zanzibar is just thirty years.

Today you can help by donating your long sleeved shirts and t-shirts. People with albinism need to cover their hyper sensitive skin. Your clothes, used but



clean and in good condition, will make this possible. Should you also have sun screen and hats, this is also wanted and welcome!

Please write me an email at: [gunilla@hjelmaker.com](mailto:gunilla@hjelmaker.com) or phone 0756 978050 and arrange for pick up or delivery.

Thank you for contributing,

Gunilla Hjelmaker

Projects Committee Member

*United Nations Spouse Group celebrates  
"One World - Many Cultures".*



**Blue and White Dinner Dance-**  
**to support the education of orphan girls.**

Venue: Kilimanjaro Kempinski Hotel Date: April 15th, 2011

Time: 7:00 pm Dress code: National dress or white and blue.

Tickets: 75,000 Tsh can be purchased at Makutano House- All proceeds will go to Bethsaida Secondary School for Orphan Girls.

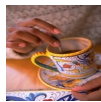
Raffles prizes: Tanzanite pendant; 2 return tickets to Dubai -Ethiopian Airlines; 2 nights at Kempinski in Serengeti and other valuable prizes

Please Contact Papu McIntire at Cell 0784 847 555, or at [papumcintire@hotmail.com](mailto:papumcintire@hotmail.com) for tickets/info.

**Support Bethsaida School for Girls!**

# Newcomers Committee Welcomes Members

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](mailto:dsgdarnewcomers@gmail.com)



Please join us in welcoming the following new DSG members at the March morning meeting:

Jaco Gersbach - UNDSS

Cassandra Hallett - Canada

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

## Thank You To Hospital Donors

Sincere thanks have been received from the Children's Ward at Ocean Road/ Muhimbili for the 1.5 million shillings raised at the March DSG morning towards the meals required to feed the children in long-term cancer care. Your generosity is much appreciated!

Submitted by : Judy Wiesinger

### CHINA TRIP 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, mall 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 Yang-

tze 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.** 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

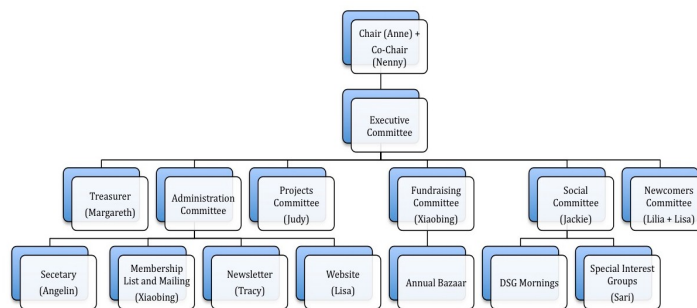
**DAY 09: Yangtz River Cruise.** Today's highlights: **Three Gorges Dam.** Meal: Breakfast, Buffet lunch, dinner. **After the lunch, you will take the afternoon flight to Shanghai .** Over night in Shanghai

**DAY 10: Shanghai**

## 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**

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Moreno, Tracy (newsletter)

### Social Committee:

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