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Includes: FOCUS ON ZIMBABWE ... information on this country, more UNICEF on-line resources, how to download a YouTube video, and a fund-raiser idea for your next chapter meeting.

EMPOWER WITH PROGRAMS

Liven your meeting by teaching members how to download YouTube videos. Then, view several YouTube videos from the offerings given on line by UNICEF/U.S. Fund. Information in this issue of the SFA Newsette will walk you through the process of downloading videos. Annotated bibliographies of several videos to share at your chapter meeting are also provided.

PROGRAM IDEA #12: "YouTubing With SFA"

Objectives:

- 1. To instruct members how to download YouTube videos from the internet for use in meetings or other venues
- 2. To review basic information about the SFA Project and how to contribute to it
- 3. To "inform the members of current economic, social, political, and educational issues so that they may participate effectively in a world society" DKG Purpose 7

Prior to the Meeting:

- Download RealPlayer onto the computer(s) to be used at the meeting
- Practice downloading several YouTube videos onto your computer
- Set meeting for a venue with computers/internet access OR a venue where you will use one computer/WiFi and an LCD
- If using multiple computers, set up teams of 2-3 with at least one "expert" on a team
- Make copies of this issue of the SFA Newsette for each team and/or member depending on the meeting format you use

At the Meeting:

- Instruct members on downloading a YouTube video by using the free RealPlayer program.
- If using multiple computers, have each team download a different video from the resources given and get teams to rotate from one computer to the next so that all are seen.
- If using one computer/WiFi/LCD, have different members come forward to practice downloading the videos and view each video as a group.
- Have members react to both the downloading process and the videos seen during the meeting.
- Close the meeting by using the "Bragging Bucks" fund-raiser idea on the reverse of this sheet to collect monies for SFA.

UNICEF "YouTube" Resources



There is no better way to bring Africa to your chapter meeting than through viewing YouTube videos downloaded at www. youtube.com/user/ **UNICEFUSA** or the video link on the UNICEF site, www. unicefusa.org/news/ video.

From Associazione Spagnolli-Bazzoni Onlus The first step toward

sharing these short clips is to have RealPlayer (or a similar program designed to download media) downloaded onto your computer. Go to www.realplayer.com to find this free program (PC version). For MAC users, Google "RealPlayer for MAC." Once the program is on your machine and in your Application folder, you are set to go. (MAC users will need to be sure their RealPlayer will download videos in the mp4 format or the videos will not be visible. PC users will see videos in flashvideo format [flv].)

Open RealPlayer first and then open the server you use to access the Internet from your machine. Google UNICEF Schools for Africa videos or UNICEF-YouTube to see an extensive list of videos associated with the SFA project.

Here are a few titles to download in your chapter meeting as you practice using RealPlayer:

UNICEF: Crisis in South Africa-Zimbabwe border/

<u>3:16 min.</u> The South African city of Misina is the destination of migrants coming from Zimbabwe. They flee a lack of homes and food, and the devastation of cholera. UNICEF provides help for mothers and children seeking a better life in South Africa.

UNICEF: Schools for Africa-Ethiopia/2:25 min.

Working with governments, local authorities, and communities in 11 of Africa's most needy countries, UNICEF is helping build new schools and repair existing ones. See firsthand how Ethiopian children are being helped by SFA.

UNICEF: Schools for Africa/Rwanda-Girl's Education 1/1.20 sec.

View how one girl's life is made better when she continues to pursue her education through the efforts of UNICEF's Schools for Africa program.

FOCUS ON: **ZIMBABAWE** ... another landlocked African nation



Basic facts about this country include...

Location: Southern African country surrounded by Zambia, Botswana, South Africa, and Mozambique

Area/Population (2011 est.): 390,757 sq. km. with a population of 12.6 million people

Terrain: Mostly high plateaus with higher central plateau, mountains in the east, landlocked; the Zambezi River forms a natural boundary with Zambia; in full flood the massive Victoria Falls on this river forms the worlds' largest curtain of falling water.

<u>Climate:</u> Tropical; moderated by altitude; rainy season (November to March)

Capital: Harare; population of 1,606,200

Languages: English (official); Shona; Sindebele (the languague of the Ndebel); numerous, but minor tribal dialects

Infant Mortality Rate: 28.23 deaths/1000 live births; life expectancy is 51.82 years

<u>Natural Resources:</u> Coal, chromium ore, asbestos, gold, nickel, copper, iron ore, vanadium, lithium, tin, platinum

Literacy/Education: Definition/age 15 and over can read and write English ... 90.7% (total pop.); male/94.2%; female/87.2%; Years of schooling - male/10 years, female/9 years;

Infectious Diseases: High degree of risk: HIV/AIDS, bacterial and protozoal diarrhea, hepatitis A, typhoid fever, malaria, schistosmiasis, and rabies.

Additional Info: The UK annexed Southern Rhodisia from the South Africa Company in 1923. A 1961 constitution was formulated that favored whites in power. UN sanctions and a guerrilla uprising finally led to free elections in 1979 and independence (as Zimbabwe) in 1980.



RESOURCES:

Information, flag, and map taken from http://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook

FUND-RAISER IDEA for APRIL: "BRAGGING BUCKS!" This idea came from the Arkansas Educational Excellence Committee's Annual Report.

Give members the opportunity to share information about their school, family, or self by providing a time at the start or end of a chapter meeting to "brag" about accomplishments since the last meeting.

To "brag" you must contribute \$1 or the monetary equivalent in your country's currency for EACH item you want to share with the group. This could make for interesting conversations while adding much to the SFA contributions from your chapter to the UNICEF/U.S. Fund.

Remember... We have a goal of \$75,000 to reach by the DKG International Convention in NYC this July. Contributions received as of March 21st stood at \$70,804.16! We are getting closer! Be part of our celebration in NYC by contributing today!

