



# SCHOOLS FOR AFRICA NEWSETTE

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*Includes a schedule of future issues focusing on each of the 11 African countries included in the project*

## International Project a Reality

Members from throughout the Society are seeking ways to incorporate information about DKG's first official international project into their chapter and state programs. This first issue of the *Schools for Africa Newsette* provides the following information for your use:

1. Overview of the international project
2. Compilation of DKG Web resources ready for you to download and use
3. Schedule of future newsettes focusing on the eleven countries currently involved in the UNICEF Schools for Africa Campaign
4. A program idea to present to chapter members.
5. Information to include in a chapter newsletter or share as part of a committee report in a chapter meeting
6. Update of DKG's fund collection (beginning with Volume I, Issue 2)
7. How you and your chapter can share program and fund-raising ideas with other members throughout the Society



*Photo courtesy of Anne-Marie Carlson*

## Project Overview

### What is the Schools for Africa Project?

- A joint campaign founded in 2004 by UNICEF, the Nelson Mandela Foundation, and Hamburg Society for the Promotion of Democracy and International Law to promote education for children in Africa. In 2010 DKG voted to make this its first official international project.

### Which African nations are part of the project?

- Originally, six countries were part of the project: **Angola, Malawi, Mozambique, Rwanda, South Africa** and **Zimbabwe**.
- In September of 2009 **Niger, Burkina Faso, Mali, Ethiopia** and **Madagascar** were added.

### How can I support the Schools for Africa Project?

- Monetary donations can be made using the form on the brochure designed by UNICEF for DKG members. The brochure is available from Society Headquarters or from the DKG Web site.
- UNICEF **cannot** accept material donations, such as school supplies or books for this project.
- Send **ALL** donations to UNICEF, not DKG HQ.

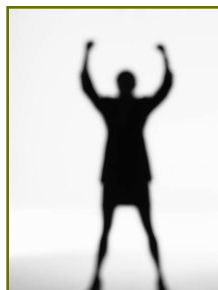
### How will donations be used for the children?

- Use of the funds varies with the needs of the children in the eleven countries being served. Some ways in which your donation might be used include:
  - Building or rehabilitating schools
  - Providing clean water and separate sanitation facilities for boys and girls
  - Supplying books, pens, furniture, and other school and sports materials

Find additional information on the DKG Web site.

## FOCUS ON ...

Each issue of the *Schools for Africa Newsette* will focus on one of the eleven countries that receive funds through the project. The information will include basic facts, the literacy and mortality rates, as well as on-line resources for your chapter to use in generating programs or newsletter items. This project not only gives you the opportunity to share with others, but to learn more about the persons directly involved. The schedule of countries to be showcased in future issues follows.



<i>OVERVIEW</i> –Jan. 2011	MALI–Oct. 2011
ANGOLA–Feb. 2011	MOZAMBIQUE– Nov. 2011
BURKINA FASO–Mar. 2011	NIGER–Jan. 2012
ETHIOPIA–Apr. 2011	RWANDA–Feb. 2012
MADAGASCAR–May 2011	SOUTH AFRICA–Mar. 2012
MALAWI–Sept. 2011	ZIMBABWE–Apr. 2012

Some issues will also address the various corporations and institutes that are partnering along with DKG in supporting this project. Look for “FOCUS ON ...” in each issue!

## THE CORNER SWAP SHOP

HOW are you supporting the Schools for Africa Project? WHAT program has your chapter had this year? WHAT fund-raiser are you using to collect for the project? SHARE your ideas on the DKG Network at the SFA Blog or email Cathy Daugherty at [emerita07@comcast.net](mailto:emerita07@comcast.net). In future issues look for program and fund-raising ideas in this corner. Your idea may be the next one shared!



## Tracking “Schools For Africa” on the DKG Web Site

Thanks to the diligent work of the DKG Information Services Department and the serendipitous travels of member Anne-Marie Carlson (NY) last summer, the DKG Web site offers much information to download and use in planning programs about the project. Follow the “tracks” as laid out below.

Go to **DKG.org** the Society’s Web page and find the direct link on the **HOME PAGE**. Click on **SCHOOLS FOR AFRICA** (section is also under LIBRARY, but the Home Page link will go directly to the Schools For Africa page).

Currently, four resources are posted with others soon to be added:

**Newslette** ... Issues of the *Schools For Africa Newslette* as each is published this biennium.

**What Your Support Can Do** ... Basic facts about the project and how donations meet needs in each of the countries served;

**Photo Gallery** ... Twenty (20) pictures (jpeg) taken by Carlson during her 2010 visit to Rwanda;

**UNICEF Brochure** ... Four pages/downloadable.

You can track down additional information and numerous video clips by clicking on the **UNICEF** link provided in the text on the Schools for Africa page. Borrow the **Schools for Africa DVD** that your state organization president received at the 2010 International Convention in Spokane and use it at a chapter meeting. The DVD includes these video clips: “Schools for Africa”/7 min.; “Nelson Mandela”/7:10 min.; “Rwanda Girls Empowerment”/8:25 min.; “Schools for Africa”/9:25 min.

By following the “tracks” you will find numerous sources about the project just waiting for you to use in preparing meaningful reports and programs for your members. Happy Hunting!

**FUND-RAISER IDEA for JANUARY**  
**Have members donate their loose change to the project at each chapter meeting.**  
**By June your chapter will have a sizeable donation to send to UNICEF.**

## EMPOWER WITH PROGRAMS!

Use this program idea or adapt it to meet the needs of your chapter or state. This month’s program idea comes from one generated at the XI State (Tennessee) Leadership Seminar held in November of 2010. Use what works. Alter or eliminate what doesn’t!

### PROGRAM IDEA #1:

#### “Schools for Africa Project ... Just The Facts!”

#### Objectives:

1. To introduce the international project to members
2. To explain how monetary donations are used by UNICEF to support the project
3. To inspire members to embrace the project at the chapter level

#### Program Outline:

- Stage the room with African decor or copies of some of the pictures posted on the SFA section of the DKG Web site.
- Play African music as chapter members arrive.
- Introduce the program by playing one or two of the videos available from UNICEF on the project.
- Explain that the project was selected by the DKG convention as our 1st official Society project (see info on the web and/or *The DKG News*).
- Distribute the DKG/UNICEF Schools for Africa brochure (order from Society HQ or download).
- Prepare a 10-minute PowerPoint presentation OR prepare a short speech to explain:
  - Where the money collected will go;
  - What the money will buy.
- Stress that **only** monetary donations (tax-deductable in the US and in those countries where the UNICEF office supports this project) can be accepted.
- Close with an account of how past funds have been used (UNICEF site has narratives and video tapes for your use).

#### Follow-up:

- Discuss with chapter ways you can support the project.
- Make a motion to support Schools for Africa as a chapter project.

#### Resource Ideas for this Program:

- Use Carlson pictures on DKG web site for decorations and/or PPT presentation.
- Pier 1 Import stores may loan you African-inspired items to use in a promotional display.
- Music: *Oliver Mtukudzi, vhunze moto* from Putumayo World Music at [www.putumayo.com](http://www.putumayo.com) [PUT 199-2/ISBN 1587590530]
- DKG/UNICEF brochure
- UNICEF Schools for Africa videos and updated accounts of how donations are being used: [www.unicefusa.org/work/education/schools-for-africa/](http://www.unicefusa.org/work/education/schools-for-africa/).
- *The Schools For Africa Newslette*, Jan. 2011 issue