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PROJECT UPDATES

Roots & Shoots and Terrawatu Join Forces for Environmental Change



Jane Goodall with Roots & Shoots staff, Terrawatu staff, museum representative and International volunteers

The partnership between Terrawatu and Roots & Shoots - a project of the Jane Goodall Institute - is in its third month of starting up environmental clubs in all of its proposed schools. The programme seeks to increase environmental education and promote the integration of information communications technology (ICT) and conservation.

The two organisations share a common vision of harnessing the current shift in human consciousness of coming up with better ways to save our planet. By working on the ground with schools and environmental clubs, in Tanzania and around the world, we are starting to see the change we all want to see in this world. Thank you Jane Goodall, for sharing your vision of hope with us at Terrawatu.

If you would like to help support the joint effort of Terrawatu and Roots & Shoots, please do consider making a financial contribution to the programme. Funds are needed on an on-going basis for teacher and student trainings and curriculum development. As this is innovative “out-of-the-box” education, we are creating materials and processes right now that can be integrated into national education programs. We are working outside of standard educational institutions to do this given the critical nature of environmental devastation and the urgency of rapid behavioral change that is needed. Your support has a direct and profound impact on helping to reverse environmental damage. On-line donations can be made on our Website - www.terrawatu.org (click on “Contribute” and press DONATE NOW button. Select “Terrawatu/Roots & Shoots” when asked your Support Area). Do consider a recurring donation, a gentler and longer-lasting way to support this amazing effort.

Another School Computer Lab Goes On-Line

The computer lab built and managed by Terrawatu at St. Thomas School in Arusha now has full Internet capabilities thanks to Elimu On Line/Habari.co.tz Internet Service Provider of Arusha. The lab itself has benefited from the hard work of Terrawatu's partners, the Global Technology Academy of Seattle, Washington, the Clinton School of Public Service and on-going volunteer appointments with tech-savvy students and visitors from the United States and Europe. One more light has gone on in the previously technological dark spot of East Africa, connecting up eager students, teachers and a community to the rich virtual world of information and ideas.

University Delegations get Global Education Opportunities

Students from Washington College, Maryland, USA completed a global education/service learning tour of Tanzania in June. Led by Terrawatu's Director Ole Sululu, the delegation visited Terrawatu project sites in northern Tanzania; stayed in the land of the Hadzabe bushmen of Lake Eyasi; toured Tanzania's famous wildlife parks; planted trees in Maasailand; and participated in a workshop on Islam in Africa in Zanzibar. Their tour also included a visit with the American Ambassador at the US Embassy in Dar es Salaam and presentation of school supplies and funds they raised in the States to help complete classroom construction at Natema Primary School in Arusha.



Students from Washington College, Maryland present school supplies to headteacher Victor Jeremiah of Natema Primary School, Arusha.

In August, a student and faculty delegation from Princeton University will be participating in a similar tour of Tanzania. Terrawatu's International Director Dr. Tanya Pergola will lead the delegation.



ORGANIZATIONAL NEWS

Terrawatu says goodbye to P.O. Meagan Carmody. Ms. Carmody, Program Officer with Terrawatu for nine months, has departed Tanzania to pursue a graduate degree in the States. Her spirit and skills have greatly helped Terrawatu's staff and projects and we hope to continue our joint efforts in sustainable development in the future. We will miss you Meagan and good luck with your studies!

Terrawatu searches for a new volunteer Program Officer. Due to the departure of Program Officer, Meagan Carmody, Terrawatu is conducting a search for a new voluntary Project Officer. We are looking for someone with an interest in development work, initiative, creativity and no less than a one-year commitment. Experience with sub-Saharan Africa desirable.



Maasai Women's Group of Mkonoo Village. Terrawatu is working with the ladies in small business development projects.

Terrawatu succeeds in search for international donors to continue project progress. Our goal is to have 5 to 10 yearly donors who will invest in the future of Terrawatu and help to sustain Terrawatu's work and name in the Arusha district of Tanzania. The investors have specific annual newsletters investigating account resources and allocation of funding as well as the ability to investigate projects of their own interest. In recent months, we have secured 3 new significant donors.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

There are several ways to contribute to Terrawatu's work:

- ❖ **Make a donation directly to Terrawatu.** The mission of Terrawatu is to empower communities to improve education and health, protect the environment, and promote cultures of peace. Wouldn't it be nice to have the personal satisfaction of knowing you have directly contributed to this effort? As compared to larger aid organizations that retain 75% or more of financial contributions for administrative costs, Terrawatu uses only 35% for administrative costs. All of the remaining goes directly for on-the-ground project implementation in Tanzania ensuring you get the "biggest bang for your buck".

Donations can be made ONLINE, by MAIL or through a CORPORATE MATCHING GIFT PROGRAM. You can direct your donation to a specific area or program or make a gift for general support. Go to www.terrawatu.org and click on "Contribute". **Checks can be mailed to: Terrawatu Inc., 3225 Franklin Ave. Suite #407, Miami, Florida, 33133.**

MAKE YOUR DONATION ALMOST PAIN-FREE by considering a monthly or quarterly recurring donation. Instead of having a one-time hit of say \$1,200 you can easily set up an automatic deduction of just \$100 a month for one year. This is less than the price of a couple dinners out in some cities in the United States! Go to www.terrawatu.org and click on "Contribute". Clicking the "Donate Now" button allows you to set-up your recurring donation. It is FAST and SIMPLE and makes a HUGE difference in sustaining project operations in Tanzania.

- ❖ **Keep Terrawatu in mind when you hear about grant opportunities and/or partnering** possibilities with foundations and organizations with a similar mission. Many of you have already provided Terrawatu with excellent connections that have helped us prosper. Thank you!
- ❖ **Tell your colleagues and friends about our work.** Forward this newsletter and Web address - www.terrawatu.org - to those you think may be interested in learning about Terrawatu.



Recipe

Spicy Marinade for a To-Die-For Barbeque

Called churrasco in Brazil, a braai in Southern Africa, nyama choma in Swahili and BBQ in the States, grilling up meats (and/or fish and vegetables) on an outdoor flame is a traditional way of cooking that continues to make people joyful to this day. This marinade can be used for beef, chicken and fish and also makes a great dipping sauce for steamed shellfish.

What you need:

- ¼ cup vegetable oil
- 3 tablespoons fresh lime juice
- 3 tablespoons tequila
- 2 tablespoons triple sec
- 1 fresh chili pepper, seeded and minced
- 1 ½ teaspoons grated lime peel
- 1 teaspoon chili powder
- 1 teaspoon honey
- ½ teaspoon coarse salt

What you do:

- Mix all ingredients in small bowl. Let stand 15 minutes. (Can be prepared 1 day ahead)
- Marinate meat 1-3 hours and seafood half an hour in refrigerator. Drain (do not pat dry) and grill.
- Boil remaining marinade in small saucepan for 1 minute. Drizzle some marinade over meat or seafood just before serving. Makes about ¾ cup.



Education for a Winning Nation

Excerpts from a Speech by Nelson Mandela

Nelson Mandela, the former President of South Africa, will be 90 years old on 18 July 2008. With the current leadership problems in neighboring Zimbabwe, the episodes of recent violence in South Africa, and flashes of despair appearing not just in other African nations but also in the halls of institutions around the world, we think it is important to reprint and remember the following words of inspiration from one of the greatest leaders of modern times. The messages are true no matter what nation we are in.

The following are excerpts from a speech Mandela made in February 1997 at Damelin Business College, Johannesburg, South Africa.

Master of ceremonies;
Distinguished guests;
Ladies and gentlemen,

It is indeed an honour to have been invited to address this graduation ceremony. Due to your hard work I have the privilege of sharing the joy of your deserved success and the warm glow of your achievements.

Some of you may have decided to study to enhance your skills in your various spheres of work; others to equip yourselves to seek jobs. Whatever the reasons, in doing so you have decided to contribute to our country's prosperity. The more effective and productive you become at work, and the more you become employable through education, the more the country benefits.

In this era of stiff international competition we have to become productive and competitive if we are to prosper as a nation. An expanding pool of skilled labour in our country will also attract both domestic and foreign investment.

Being with you tonight is a way of reaffirming government's commitment to education. That commitment is based on the knowledge that without human resource development, there can be no serious reconstruction and development of South Africa.

Our youth is our future. Whether our country will rise from the ashes of apartheid to become one of the world's success stories will to a large extent depend on what we invest in educating and training our youth.

Government has prioritised education. We have invested millions of rands in the past two and half years: building, renovating and extending schools; promoting a culture of learning and teaching; providing financial aid for needy students; establishing youth colleges; and redistributing educational resources to attain equity. Very high on our agenda is the upgrading of science and technology education, one of the greatest casualties of apartheid's neglect.

We have had significant support from the private sector in improving access to education and enhancing its quality, especially in poor rural communities. There is a growing acceptance by the private sector as well as community development organisations that government alone cannot overcome the legacy of deprivation of educational resources and facilities.

[...]

In conclusion, ladies and gentlemen, may I urge our graduates here to regard the achievements we are marking tonight not as the end, but rather as the beginning, of a continuous process of learning. We are in an age in which revolutionary technological change will continuously transform the workplace and drastically alter the factors that determine success or failure, victory or defeat, and even survival of enterprises.

As our parents, brothers, sisters and leaders we are proud of you, the challenge before you is to go and use the education and skills you have acquired to make South Africa a winning nation. I am sure I also speak on behalf of your teachers in saying that we are confident that you have all it takes to make a positive contribution to the prosperity and growth of our economy, and to help build a better life for all South Africans.

Congratulations to all of you!

I thank you.



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“And in our willingness to give that which we seek, we keep the abundance of the universe
circulating in our lives.”

- *Deepak Chopra*