

*Safi School Project Is Dedicated To Improve & Support Secondary Education In Tanzania,  
East Africa, One School At A Time.*

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Jambo!

Yes, I know it is August and not July so I've missed my promise to go for a schedule of sending every other month. For this I apologize. Safi School Project, however, has not been sleeping. WE HAVE A NEW WEBSITE! Thanks to Jeff and all contributors. Please go to [www.safischoolproject.org](http://www.safischoolproject.org) and see what we've been working on! There is more information. There are more pictures. You can find directions to make school bags and baby hats. It is wonderful. It is also still under construction. Some of the pages are in process of being updated so come back often and you will see even more.

**Can You Help With Safi's October 2008 Trip Plans?**

Safi School Project will have a group leaving for Arusha TZ in October to work at Ngateu Secondary School and visit community orphanages. We still could use some supplies.

While in the community Safi will host an auction, giving the proceeds to help fund the school lunch program. *With lunch, the kids not only get a meal but they stay in school for a longer day than they do without lunch.* This was great fun last year and really brings in community involvement. We can generally fit the following items into our suitcases and they work well for this auction:

- \* Pieces of cloth -4 yards bright colors with matching thread (matching buttons and zippers too)
- \* Men's ties
- \* Fleece jackets
- \* New t-shirts (polyester preferred)
- \* Baby hats
- \* Tennis shoes (feet in TZ tend to be larger wider sizes)
- \* Baseball hats
- \* Costume jewelry

Some school supplies are still needed:

- \* Solar calculators
- \* click pens
- \* Scissors

- \* 200 book bags are still needed (see me for sewing directions)
- \* deflated soccer balls

Baby Hats are always welcome - see <http://www.safischoolproject.org> and go to the project page for directions to make them. Store bought works too.

And...we always like to have hot wheels and small balls (Pink Spalding size and smaller) to hand out to the neighborhood children.

One more thing - does anyone know where to get a string of solar light bulbs, 4 to a string? We would like to have these for the classrooms. If you know where to find some or have some to donate, please let me know.

### **NGATEU SECONDARY SCHOOL UPDATE**

**Water Project Update – We are considering a change in plans.** This is a good thing. When we began, there was no chance to drill a well so we planned the water harvesting project. Recently, we learned that there is a company that is successfully drilling wells in the area. We are researching to see if this is possible on the Ngateu site. If so, a well will be a much more reliable source of water, year round. It will also allow for more water that can be used for sanitation purposes. Our Property & Management team is working on this new discovery and will report back after our trip in October.

**Student Support – Student photos and letters have been sent to all sponsors.** If you wish to sponsor a student, \$400 covers all 2008 school costs PLUS LUNCH.

If you are a sponsor, when you write to your student, please include a self addressed envelope with a piece of paper in it. Elizabeth has agreed to take care of the postage. This will increase their correspondence and practice in writing English.

**School Lunch – We do not find it acceptable that some students eat and some students watch them eat.** So in July, when the students returned from break, Safi School Project asked the school to feed all students lunch. We are currently covering the costs of this while a more permanent cooking area is constructed as the ultimate goal is to build a kitchen and to sufficiently fund daily lunch at the school. Serving lunch is not just to give the kids a meal; it allows them to stay a full day for school. **Please help. It costs approximately \$60 to feed one student lunch for the entire year.**

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### **Sand in the City Olympia, WA**

Sun Aug 24, 2008

Sand in the City, Washington's largest sand sculpting competition, takes place at the Olympia Waterfront Port Plaza. Safi School Project will host a booth at this event. We need volunteers to help host the Safi School Project booth. It's a fun way for us to get the word out to the community. Many hands will make it even more fun. Contact [info@safischoolproject.org](mailto:info@safischoolproject.org) for information and to volunteer.

## **2008 THURSTON COUNTY COMBINED FUND DRIVE CHARITY FAIRS**

Safi School Project is registered with the Combined Fund of WA and will be hosting a table at the following Olympia area events. This is a chance to put our face out in public and to find sponsors. For those in the area, please help to host a table. It will only take a few hours out of your day and you will reach a group of people who are making their annual decision of what charity to gift this year. These are people we need to talk to! Contact one of Safi's officers for more details.

- Tuesday, September 9, 2008 at the East Capitol Campus in Olympia
- Wednesday, September 10, 2008 at the Tumwater Farmers Market
- Thursday, September 11, 2008 at Huntamer Park in Lacey

Haba na haba, hujaza kibaba  
(Little by little fills the pot)

Kristina  
Secretary, Safi School Project

P.S. Please feel free to share this e-mail and our web site with others. That is how we grow.  
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