



Pacific Waves



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Dear Friends, Happy Winter Solstice and blessed holidays of everyone. I have posted my latest and probably last entry in <http://www.xanga.com/vicparaguay>. The movie will be in a living room near you after I come home in April. Love to All, Vic -- 12/24/07

Myths, Lies & Videotape

from Victor Bloomberg, PCV in Paraguay: <http://www.xanga.com/vicparaguay>

Saturday was hot, but not oppressively. There was not a cloud or a breeze, the broad-leafed trees were in full bloom and provided shade. I sat sipping the cold-steep tea that is a cultural icon and waited for Ceveriano and María to return home. The 20-minute trip had taken 1½ hours to get there; the Christmas holiday reduced the number of buses. It was another hour before they returned.

María is the director of a community center that serves the workers and residents that live in the city garbage dump. She and her husband Ceveriano are each just a little more than 5 feet tall. Her round face and round eyes evoke the moon rather than the sun, the emotions emitted touch only those that pay attention until there is a spike. Ceveriano's brilliance dominates as does the tropical sun, his passion level shifts predictably only as does the weather. I am something the river brought into town and it was time to take stock. I will soon jump back in, to leave with the eternal flow.

Too urgent to ignore are the string of broken promises to build homes for the people that live in the garbage dump. And the prospect of a premature end to funds to create sustainable jobs looms, the administrative entity has a history of funding initial start-up and putting the rest in their pockets. Everyone in positions of power are functionaries and officials in the political party that has ruled for 70 years.

After a resident burned to death in his plastic and cardboard
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The school had a field trip to Tsavo national park back in September. The driver knew of a place we could get close to the elephants safely.-- I was lucky to get this photo. (photo August Konrad)

Notes From Mwanda

from August Konrad, PCV in Kenya

It's been quite a few months since I last sent out any message from these Taita Hills. This last spell, 6 weeks, was rather busy with the national exams for the fourth year students and the end of the year exams for the remainder of the school. Writing exams, testing, and grading papers has been most of the work. We finished Tuesday of this last week in November and tomorrow I'll begin my travel to Nairobi for the mid service medical exams. Peace Corps will make sure I'm still in good health then back to Mwanda. I have enough to do in the community and on my new dwelling.

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2008 CALENDARS

BIG SALE
LAST CHANCE!
\$8.00 EACH

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Excerpts From Namibia

November 3

from Allison West, PCV in Namibia

Hey everyone, I hope all is going well. I just wanted to quickly write about my week. The most exciting event this week was by far was the crazy storm we had in the village. On Monday night we had a crazy lightning and thunderstorm.... tons and tons of rain! By morning all of the oshanas in the village were filled... completely...with water. We're talking 2 x 2 mile wide osahanas... FULL! It just seemed impossible for so much water to fall in one night. On top of that, the lightning must have been literally directly over our homestead because when we woke up we found that 5 of our goats and 6 chickens were dead. We believe they were struck by lightning! Also, walls of our homestead collapsed and, well, it was just crazy. My brother Simon said he had never seen
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Happy New Year All!

This is the time we all look back on 2007 and forward to 2008 so I will do the same. I only have to look back to December 1st to remember our wonderful Holiday Party. I've never enjoyed any other SDPCA event more.

I especially loved meeting all the nominees and those recently returned as it brings back the freshness of my Peace Corps experience. I also was grateful to see and spend time with some of my dearest old friends in the group.

Now, we have just a few months left for this current board. I met a few people at the Holiday Party who want to be on the board next year; I encourage more of you to do so. We welcome new

We can best help you to prevent war not by repeating your words and following your methods but by finding new words and creating new methods. --Virginia Woolf

ideas, bold movement, bigger engagement with the San Diego community and you can be a part of that. Come and join us. Let me thank Dena Lewerke for volunteering as our Community Action Chair until May.

As I sign off you might just notice this is not a message from Sean Anderson, who resigned recently. I hope you all will join us at upcoming events and start thinking about volunteering with this great organization in 2008.

Sincerely,

--Marjory Clyne, Vice President, Western Samoa 1972-74

Minutes of the Board 11/28/07

In Attendance: Kate McDevitt, Sharon Darrough, Lynn Jarrett, Tracy Addis, and Marjory Clyne

- Sean Anderson resigned as President and Marjory Clyne is Acting President.
- The finances are unchanged from last month.
- Currently there are 123 members. Renewals are due in January.
- Board approved purchase of database software, "File Maker Pro Version 9".
- Kate discussed the social events:
 - The October events were cancelled due to the wild fires.
 - November 15, Thirsty Third Thursday Happy Hour, about 10 members and one nominee
 - November 17, Tour of African Restaurants and Shops, about 8 person enjoyed the tour and shopping.
 - December 1, Annual Holiday Party, 75 signed up, discussed coordination needed
 - January 26, Saturday, Thai Cuisine and

Cinema planned, hosted by Sharon and Joe Darrough

--February 21, Thursday, Thirsty Third Thursday in North County, hosted by Joe Chapon
--March, date TBD, Excursion in TJ

- Tracy reported that Jacob, the PC LA recruiter, said that there are some organizations that would like to have speakers. Also, several newly returned RPCVs contacted offering to speak. Tracy will create an excel data base keeping track of those who have expressed interest and those who have actually spoken.
- Marjory visited all 21 Postal Annex stores this week and collected \$2,400 in Entertainment Book sales. She will have Gregg send a check to Entertainment this week.
- No meeting in December.

Next meeting Carl's on Jan 16th, 9105 Oviedo Street in Rancho Penasquitos. Tracy hosts February 20th.

ALL Membership Renewals DUE NOW - Jan 1!

See Form on Page 11

By Lynn Jarrett, Ukraine, 2001-03, Membership Records

Family Membership Change 2008

To all of you who have family memberships, please take note. The Board has voted to make a change in the family membership dues beginning January 1, 2008. These dues will be only \$20 per year per couple, same as single member dues. Do NOT send SDPCA dues to NPCA

A few members are also still electing to send only \$15 to NPCA to renew their SDPCA dues. This is in error since we have published for a year now that our dues went from \$15 to \$20 on January 1, 2007.

So for those of you who are sending NPCA dues, please note that their system can only rebate us \$15 per year no matter how much you send them.

When these dues are posted in our own system, you are paid for only three-fourths of the year, not the total year. ALL members' dues are \$20 per year, and we're working to get the word to EVERYONE that we went on a calendar year at the beginning of this year at a rate of \$20!

So please make a note of this important fact. And know that if you send \$20 to SDPCA, you'll be paying for a full year.

Please do NOT send your SDPCA dues payment to NPCA.

Thank you.

Note: See articles in this issue:

Unfailing Light --p.6 and Scaling for the Poor -- p. 8

Social Entrepreneurs: “The New Heroes”

The work of a social entrepreneur—someone who recognizes a social problem and uses entrepreneurial principles such as resourcefulness and collaboration to organize, create, and manage a venture to make social change.

--Wikipedia: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Social_entrepreneurship

--Podcasts: <http://www.rpcv.org/pages/sitepage.cfm?id=1672>

--Ashoka.com: http://www.ashoka.org/fellows/social_entrepreneur.cfm

--Social Edge: <http://www.socialedge.org/>

Social Edge:

A Program of the Skoll Foundation

Social Edge is an online community for philanthropists, nonprofit professionals, and the business community to network, learns, debate, inspire, and share expertise and resources.

<http://www.socialedge.org/>

Peace Corps Entrepreneurs

Descriptions and connections to 30+ examples of world-wide projects of social entrepreneurs (many who are RPCVs) followed by a their blog discussions. Added to weekly. RSS subscription feed. 3 to 8 min audios. **Audio:**

--Online: <http://www.socialedge.org/>

--On iTunes (free podcast under Social Edge)

[http://phobos.apple.com/WebObjects/MZStore.woa/wa/](http://phobos.apple.com/WebObjects/MZStore.woa/wa/viewPodcast?id=251763752)

[viewPodcast?id=251763752](http://phobos.apple.com/WebObjects/MZStore.woa/wa/viewPodcast?id=251763752)

Global X-Interviews

Descriptions and connections to 40+ video podcasts with leading social entrepreneurs as they tell Global X stories that had a significant impact on their lives. They also describe how they see the world in 2017. Added to weekly. 3 to 7 min video. RSS subscription feed. **Video:**

--Online: <http://www.socialedge.org/blogs/global-x>

--On iTunes (free video podcast—Non-profit-Social Edge)

Resources Wiki

Like an encyclopedia, you can simply search an entry, read it and learn about social entrepreneurship. You may also edit the entry you have read, and even add a new one if you wish.

<http://www.socialedge.org/resources>

Charity Watch

“Helping you to give wisely to charity”

The American Institute of Philanthropy (AIP) is a nationally prominent charity watchdog service whose purpose is to help donors make informed giving decisions. Information on some 500+ charities, topics, how to give wisely and more.

<http://www.charitywatch.org/>

NPCA Advocacy for NPCA members



<http://www.rpcv.org/pages/sitepage.cfm?id=26>

Sign up for monthly

Advocacy Newsletter from NPCA.

To find and support action opportunities in line with PC goals--esp the third goal of bringing it all back home--to work for positive change.

Advocacy Areas include:

- Peace Corps Community
 - PC Funding
 - Support Affordable Overseas Shipping Book Projects
 - State Retirement Credit for PC Service
- Issues of Global Concern
 - Support Fair Trade (An NPCA/Oxfam Campaign)
 - Climate Change/Clean Energy - monthly newsletter
 - Country Specific Actions
- Volunteerism and Service
 - Support Global Service Fellowship Program Act
 - Support Congressional Commission on Civic Service
 - Ask Congress to support US Public Service Academy
- Peace and Humanitarian Relief
 - Support Adequate Funding for UN Peacekeeping
 - Support the Save Darfur Coalition

To find out more about an Area, please contact advocacy@rpcv.org

PeaceCorpsConnections (NPCA)

- NPCA e-News Monthly Newsletter from NPCA. News of NPCA activities. news@rpcv.org
 - Subscribe:
<http://ui.constantcontact.com/d.jsp?m=1101515573853&p=oi>
- NPCA Advocacy Network
<http://www.rpcv.org/pages/sitepage.cfm?id=26>
- Peace Corps Polyglot
Blog; Dispatches for and about PC Community
<http://peacecorpsconnect.typepad.com/peacecorpspolyglot/>
- WorldViewMagazine Quarterly articles of interest to RPCVs about US and World-wide activities. Online version; printed version available to NPCA members at a subscription cost. Online: <http://www.worldviewmagazine.com/>
- Global TeachNet Bringing the World home to the US Classroom: curriculum and reference materials about world cultures for the classroom.
<http://www.rpcv.org/pages/globalteachnet.cfm>
- Kids Around the World Meet the children on the website and listen as they tell you what it's like to be a kid around the world.
Online: <http://www.katw.org/>
- NPCA Survey Results About “Peace Corps Volunteer Empowerment Act”
http://www.rpcv.org/PCV_Empowerment_Act_Survey.pdf

(1) Thai Cuisine & Cinema

When: Sat, January 26, 6:30 pm

Hosts: Sharon & Joe Darrough

Where: Poway

rsvp for location

Enjoy a simple Thai meal and a Thai film at the home of RPCVs Sharon and Joe Darrough in Poway.

Film to be announced.

Space is limited so rsvp early and no later than January 24th to Sharon

Sharon will send you directions and details

Questions? email: community05@sdpca.org

(2) North County Potluck at the Ranson's Home

When: Tues, Feb. 5 6:30-8:30 pm

Rain or shine!

Where: Home of Ron & Nicola Ranson

174 Andrew Avenue, Leucadia, CA 92024
760-942-2348

Ron and Nicola Ranson will host the February North County SDPC Association's get together. (Ron served in Nepal. Nicola is equally well traveled.) This is pot luck with a country flag theme. Come prepared to identify a vast collection of country flags. The winner of the contest eats dessert first. Ron and Nicola will have a pot of Nepali chicken curry & rice on the stove. Guests should bring a healthy pot luck item to share; a main dish, or vegetables, or a favorite side dish or non-sinful dessert... (this IS Leucadia you know.) Please bring your favorite beverage if you like. We also have a large hot water maker and can have water for tea and coffee singles.

RSVP: Please e-mail Ron (rranson@ucsd.edu) what you would like to bring so that can be semi-coordinated.

We realize this is a working day for many people. Ron and Nicola have a very casual, warm and inviting atmosphere in their home. Come as you are.

Directions:

- From I-5 turn WEST to the ocean and go one block to Sheridan on the left.
- Turn left on Sheridan and go south one block to stop sign on Andrew.
- Turn right on Andrew and go 300 yards to mailbox #174 on the right.
- Immediately west of the mailboxes turn onto the private street. Go to second house...174.
- Park on the West side of the private street only or on Andrew itself. Look for PC signs!

Contact: Kate at social05@sdpca.org



(3) Thirsty-Third-Thursday Happy Hour in North County

When: Thurs, Feb. 21 6:30-7:30 pm

Where: QLN Conference Center

1938 Avenida del Oro
Oceanside, CA 92056

Food & drinks will be provided by Joe Chapon – Free to our members.

Contact: Kate at social05@sdpca.org



(4) PC Week - Celebration of 47th Year of Peace Corps

When: February 25 - March 3, 2008

- Make a Presentation (see page 5)

Contact: Tracy Addis speaker05@sdpca.org
Presentation kit available at:

<https://www.peacecorps.gov/rpcv/peacecorpsday/register/index.cfm?&>

- Celebration activities:
 - Any suggestions for activities
 - Know of anything happening?

(5) Excursion to Tijuana

When: March TBA

Look for notices under Calendar Section online or for an Evite to your computer...

Contact: Kate at social05@sdpca.org



SDCPA Holiday Party Fun for all!

On Saturday, December 1, Returned and Potential Peace Corps Volunteers gathered together for our annual holiday potluck. Over 70 people enjoyed food from around the world and scrumptious desserts.

The highlight of the evening was the small group work (divided by region of service) where guests worked together to design an ideal SDPCA community service event. The ideas ranged from adopting a refugee family to a rummage sale to a border clean up. After a brief presentation, everyone was allowed to vote for their favorite idea (except not their own idea). The "Return the Favor" project received the most votes. This project has teams of SDPCA members adopt newly arrived refugee and asylum families and help those families adapt to life in San Diego – returning the favor as all of us were "adopted" by host country nationals during our Peace Corps service.

Guests generously brought gifts and essential items for the Holiday Basket Program SDPCA Board Member Lisa Eckl gathered the items and also organized opportunities for SDPCA members to volunteer for the Holiday Basket program.

As a special treat, National Peace Corps Association staff member Anne Baker and NPCA Board Member Susan Neyer were in attendance.

Special thanks to SDPCA Social Chair Kate McDevitt and the board members for organizing this event.

--Sharon Darrough, Secretary, Thailand 1989-91

(above) People relaxing at the party with Ron Ranson's Yule Fire video in background.

(below) seated: Brenda Terry-Hahn, Tracy Addis, Lisa Eckl, Kate Devitt. standing: Lynn Jarrett, Gregg Pancoast, Marjory Clyne, Don Beck, Sharon Darrough, Carl Sepponen. Photos from Kate Devitt



Speakers Needed!

Kick off the New Year by sharing your Peace Corps volunteer experiences at one of the following speaking engagements!

Girl Scouts International Dinner – high school

Date: Saturday, February 23, 2008

Contact: Marla Serpano - speaker05@sdpca.org

She's looking to confirm something in the next few days. It is a fun event for SDPCA; I think it will be at Balboa Park.

Jefferson Middle School in Oceanside

Date: Open

Contact: Colleen Smith - cbsmiff@juno.com

Middle school kids, grades 6-8. Level 4 ESL students. Three different classes, with no particular date(s) in mind. Perfect opportunity for Peace Corps Week (beginning March). She would ideally like an RPCV who was also an ESL learner.

High school teacher with at-risk students in SD

Date: Open every Friday

Contact: Jackie Oxley Naah - jaxo@cox.net

K-6 and High School & Middle School

Date: Open

Contact: Jessie End (RPCV-Nicaragua) - jend@volunteersandiego.org

- **Kids For Peace:** I sit on the board of this wonderful new non-profit. Check it out at <http://www.kidsforpeaceusa.org>. We have a few after school clubs for elementary school children but will also be working with at least 2 different K-6 schools this year. The groups learn about different cultures from all over the world (I first got involved by presenting my PC experience).

---Interactive presentations: photos, local foods, etc.

---Children then make things: little "Peace Packs," knapsacks with their handprints in paint, a note of peace, and some school supplies and basic dental hygiene stuff and send them to the country they learned about.

---Presenters should have an idea of a group of children in the country who might like to receive these packs and if possible, arrange for delivery, although that's not required. It's always really fun, and the kids are super curious. Right now, most of those groups are in North County, though I'll be starting one of my own in Golden Hill hopefully sometime soon.

---Speakers should start sometime next month, on weekends, though school presentations would be during school hours.

- **Excel Youth Zone:** I work for this after school service-learning nonprofit and with 10 high school and middle school service-learning clubs interested in speakers.

---Speakers would present the culture of their host country

---Speakers would also have a frank discussion with the students and answer questions about what some of the country's/community's real needs are.

---The students would then hopefully work on some sort of service project tied into that.

If you are an RPCV and would like to share your experiences contact:

Tracy Addis, Speaker Chair, at speaker05@sdpca.org

Sam Goldman was a Peace Corps volunteer in the village of Guinagourou, Benin, from 2001 to 2005 and co-founded a Benin organization to promote and commercialize Moringa oleifera--a miracle tree that has tremendous amounts of vitamins and minerals. He is committed to eradicating kerosene lanterns and is the chief executive officer of d.light design in Palo Alto, California. See <http://www.dlightdesign.com> and a podcast of his work at www.socialedge.org/blogs/let-there-d-light Taken from World View Magazine Online, Winter 2007

Unfailing Light: The unfinished story of a good invention

by Sam Goldman

In my years working as a Peace Corps volunteer, a student at Stanford University's Hasso Plattner Institute of Design and as a *social entrepreneur* (see more on page 3), I've learned the importance of story telling. I have several stories to tell you.

The first story

The first is about Finagnon, a 14-year-old neighbor of mine in Guinagourou, Benin, a small town 25 kilometers from the Nigerian border. Finagnon accidentally tipped over a bottle of kerosene one night and was completely enveloped in flames. When I saw him the next day he was lying absolutely still on his stomach; silent and nude, with his eyes closed. He was covered head to toe with local medicines soothing the third-degree burns that would permanently disfigure him. Fortunately, his father, the director of the new primary school, frequently took him for hospital treatments to fight the infections that usually kill burn victims.

Ours was a Bariba village, steeped in culture but little else: no running water, electricity or telephones. I spent my nights in Guinagourou cooking, reading and socializing by a kerosene lantern, just like Finagnon. My own lantern was little and blue and had been smuggled over the Nigerian border along with expired medicines, knock-off Suzuki motorcycles and recently smelted pots. The kerosene I bought was adulterated with water or diesel. It smoked badly but it was the only option for all but a handful of people in town who could afford generators. And yet the cost of kerosene was high, about 15 percent of a family's total income. That's like paying my social security tax all over again.

I would squeeze out the last few moments of daylight before entering my house to light my lantern and inhale fumes as I read or wrote in a small halo of light. The light was too poor for cooking, and I couldn't read in bed for fear the light might tip over inside my mosquito net and catch fire.

I ran a club promoting reforestation and battery clean-up, trained masons and built cement cisterns to store rain water, established a program to finance affordable cement latrines and worked with a team of local masons constructing dozens of latrines. When my 27-month Peace Corps service came to an end, I partnered with David Ogoudadja, a visionary Beninese man, and created Groupe d'Action et de Recherche pour la Promotion de l'Enfance to train women, nurses, and doctors about the nutritional values of Moringa oleifera, a miracle tree that has tremendous amounts of vitamins and minerals. When I left Benin 18 months later, the organization

was getting ready to build a small facility to process the leaves and sell them on a commercial basis to health centers and hospitals under David's direction and with the assistance of a new Peace Corps volunteer. However, I was thinking about how to offer cheaper, better, safer light to 90 percent of the world.

It became so clear to me in Benin. Kerosene lanterns are the worst-designed light in the world, and two billion people rely on them exclusively. Literally millions of other children were suffering Finagnon's fate. A high percentage of admissions of children under five to South African rural hospitals are the result of kerosene ingestion. Kerosene also produces an absurd amount of CO₂. I am a semi-maniacal environmentalist and recently calculated that if you burn one kerosene lantern for five years you're creating roughly the same amount of carbon dioxide as driving a car from San Francisco to New York City. Multiply that by two billion people and three lanterns per house and we have a serious problem. There was an obvious need for solutions—and I found them in abundance, only they were everywhere except in the developing world.

Toward the end of 2004, a friend gave me a headlamp with a light-emitting diode—called LEDs—which he had bought at Target for \$10. I loved my little headlamp: LEDs didn't attract bugs or produce heat and they gave a uni-directional light. Where my kerosene lantern cast wandering shadows around my hut and scattered light up to the ceiling, the LED pointed a crystal clear light directly at what I wanted and it would not burn me. That headlamp lasted throughout my work in Benin and a six-month motorcycle trip across West Africa afterward.

I had been researching LEDs for a while, and thought of creating a street-lighting business to save cities tens of millions of dollars on electricity bills and hours on bulb replacement. LEDs will replace existing lights in the coming decades: and they already provide up to 120 lumens per watt while compact fluorescent and incandescent bulbs provide only 45 and 20 lumens per watt. In Benin, it was very economical because I could get up to tens of hours of LED light with a small battery that lasted for about three weeks when I used it every night. The LEDs last for up to 100,000 hours of usage. An LED light can cost as little as 1 cent or as much as \$4. At any price, it's a lot less than a \$3 lantern that lasts a year and the requisite kerosene, which can run up to \$6 a month on the black market.

I vividly remember attending a local wedding ceremony when around 2 a.m. the rented generator conked out and all the fluorescent lights died. I pulled out my headlamp and lit up the entire courtyard. The musicians started drumming again, and 200 people focusing intently on the batori—that's me, the stranger, in Bariba—as I held up my tiny device, shining like crazy. The dancing stirred up clouds of dust and the wedding continued full of energy.

Every single one of my friends wanted me to sell it to them.

Guinagourou was a profoundly moving experience. For three years I watched the transformation of Benin to cell phones, computers and free-market capitalism. Everyone around me wanted televisions, modern medicine, radios, motorcycles and cars. They wanted better roads, education, improved access to seeds, building materials and accurate crop prices. Government and donors weren't delivering on many of those promises, but microfinance and business were. I wanted to figure out how to harness the market's power for what I saw as better purposes. My four years there were the inspiration for my new business, d.light design. My goal is to

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leverage the power of LEDs to transform the lives of 1.6 billion people—one fourth of the world's population.

The story continues

I came home and entered Stanford's Graduate School of Business program and later, the Hasso Plattner Institute of Design, the "d. school" with its orange couches, a friendly gray poodle running between work benches, a cement floor, and plenty of colorful post-its notes scattered around bowls of candy. Life was good. One class, Entrepreneurial Design for Extreme Affordability, focused on designing products that provide enough value to base-of-the pyramid customers that they will sell without subsidies or donor support. We look for needs that other companies are not filling around access to water, health and lighting. We follow a human-centered design process, spending a lot of time learning about what our customers need before we try to design to meet those needs. Then we spend even more time testing prototypes. This is how we continue to design products at d.light.

In this class I met my co-founders of d.light design: a mechanical engineer who has worked for Boeing, another who had worked for Apple, a friend from the business school who had already started two businesses and a Silicon Valley electrical engineer who was married to another Stanford classmate. We spent the first year designing prototypes for our lights and building and patenting a technology to fast-charge batteries. In Benin, few can afford solar, but they could recharge a battery in a town marketplace. They needed something that recharges in one-fifth the time of a normal battery and will hold the charge for a couple of weeks.

We wrote business plans, entered design competitions at school and began attracting venture capital. Eight months ago, we finalized our financial plan through friends, angels and venture capital firms: Draper, Fisher, Jurvetson, Garage Technology Ventures, Gray Matters Capital, Acumen Fund, Mahindra & Mahindra, and Nexus India Capital. These are the people who funded skype and hotmail. We hope to have the same impact but for a different audience.

We made sure that all our technology development was off-campus so that Stanford couldn't claim rights to it. Our designs remain confidential and are being patented. We worked on our graduate school degrees by day, met in the afternoons and built prototypes long into the night. At midnight, I would do a few hours of homework, then start making calls to Asia. On a given week, we would discuss which design features to incorporate in our first three products, how to negotiate with suppliers, how to price, sell and distribute units, how to prioritize partners, how to manage pilot tests across diverse cultures, and how to negotiate the legal issues of trademark, patents and manufacture.

We've been piloting the lights in Asian countries like Cambodia and India and soon we'll test them in Pakistan, Bangladesh and

Afghanistan. We are lining up partners in Tanzania, Zambia, Rwanda and Burundi. When we scale up manufacturing, we will have to start the business process all over again for equity financing, valuing our company, giving investors a percentage of the company, fundraising and pushing for quality production and high speed product design.

The stress on all of us is high and the degree of uncertainty in a social enterprise like ours is tremendous. We have assumed huge legal bills to be incorporated, and larger obligations will come with foreign contracts. As for myself, I love building our company culture, I like the fact that we have a boxing bag hanging in the middle of the office, we can wear shorts to work and determining our speed and aggressiveness as we pursue our dreams.

Now, for the last story.

Daw Shwe Mi lives in an elevated bamboo house in Southeast Asia with her nine children, and her husband, a day laborer, who makes about \$1 a day. Daw Shwe Mi collects her neighbors' vegetables and when the children are asleep, she washes the vegetables by candlelight and wakes up at 5 a.m. to deliver them to the market.

When we met in late 2006, she was using candles for light at night because the diesel dealer—they don't have kerosene—was too far away. She spends about 15 percent of her income on candles:

one for her two eldest children to study, and the other for light so she can cook and clean up the house. She had to make one of her older children watched the younger ones so they didn't knock over the candles and burn down their bamboo house. It was a real danger and a local law required that each house have a fire area with buckets of water and sand outside.

She used a fluorescent tube and battery but it died within

weeks. However, when she tried our light the battery still didn't need recharging after two weeks and she hadn't bought a candle in that time. Zero expense.

For the first time in her life, she was not worried the candles would tip over and ignite the house and her children were able to study easily. The light we provided is brighter so she can clean the vegetables quicker and better and can, therefore, charge a higher price for her produce at the market.

She told us how much they loved using the light. Daw Shwe Mi is exactly where we want to start; among the millions of tailors, seamstresses, fishermen, artisans, weavers, and others who work for a living at night.

Next time you are traveling in Asia and Africa, look out for d.light design-branded products on village shelves. Then I will know we have succeeded. In the meantime, if you want to start a project and empower entrepreneurs to sell or finance our lights, we are looking for partners to create big change across entire continents.

I would also like to make our lights available to every student in the world and particularly to Finagnon, who just had another operation at a hospital and is doing much better. His high school teacher says he is a model student. The future is bright.



d.light design is committed to eradicating kerosene lanterns by providing lights at affordable prices to customers without access to electricity.

dlightdesign.ORG was created to meet the needs of families living far below the poverty line who cannot afford even several cents per day for improved lighting. For them, we have partnered with a nonprofit organization, the One World Children's Fund, in order to collect philanthropic donations for free lighting for the most needy families. All donations are tax-deductible. *d.light light and solar panel*



David Arnold is editor of *WorldView* magazine and served as a Peace Corps volunteer in Ethiopia from 1964 to 1966. This article is from *World View Magazine – Winter 2007*

Scaling For The Poor: The task of turning good ideas into greater good

by David Arnold

Innovators look at the base of the pyramid, the bottom rung of the global economy where more than 2 billion people live or die based on their ability to get by on less than \$1 a day. One who has done ground-breaking work targeting the most appropriate solutions is Amy Smith, a returned Peace Corps volunteer from Senegal who runs an innovation lab at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. When Amy spoke at the annual gathering in Monterey called the TEDS, Ideas Worth Spreading, she followed Dean Kamen, the Segway's creator, and Nicholas Negroponte, whose \$100 laptop we examine on page 16 of *World View Magazine – Winter 2007*.

Onstage, Amy held up a burnt corn cob from Ghana. "This is my \$100 laptop," she said, "and like Nick, I brought samples." She got a good laugh from the audience, but she was serious. Smith is genuinely excited about the corn cob and other waste materials that communities in Ghana, Haiti and India can turn into cooking fuel to replace the charcoal and wood. Why? To slow deforestation and save the lives of two million women and children who die of acute respiratory infections.

When the moderator embraced Smith on that Monterey stage, he asked the question on everyone's minds. "What's the bottleneck to scaling up these ideas? Entrepreneurs? Venture capitalists?" Her answer was troublesome for movers and shakers who want to make change in the world. She described the developing world as "a fragmented marketplace and a population that has no income, so you can't use the same models that we have in the United States."

Building up to scale is the hardest part of contributing better technology to the world's poor. In this issue of *WorldView* we present some of the latest technology for helping the world's poor. But it won't work if the poor can't get it. Negroponte thought he could take orders from the presidents of a few countries and Quanta of Taiwan would start producing laptops for the children of the world. It sounded like a variation of the Clinton Global Initiative's buying clubs in which Bill Clinton and Ira Magaziner went to third-world capitals, asked how many HIV/AIDS patients there were, and found some non-U.S. pharmaceuticals that lowered their price based on the great demand.

But it didn't work for Negroponte, so his non-profit asks you and I to buy one laptop for the price of two and the cost of the second will somehow advance sales for children in Zambia, India and Nepal. Others use this buy-two-give-one scheme for the developing world market: The Freeplay Foundation with a hand-crank radio called Lifeline that was designed for orphans in Africa and Mark Bent, a former foreign service officer and Texas oil executive who now markets his BoGo, an orange solar-powered flashlight for the developing world. But Bent has also parlayed his career connections into bulk distribution of his flashlights. One example is Luanda, Angola where the U.S. ambassador suggested Bent partner with Exxon-Mobil and AfriCare. The oil company

paid \$75,000, and AfriCare delivered 7,500 solar-powered flashlights to refugees. However, that's not a marketing model most inventors can follow.

The Peace Corps experiences of Sam Goldman in Benin (see p.6 in this newsletter) and Matt Oroc in Lesotho placed them on the same path Amy Smith has been traveling for more than 17 years. Goldman studied design and business at Stanford, created a solar-powered LED task light and founded a company he hopes will put the world's kerosene lanterns out of business. Oroc went to Smith's MIT lab, won a World Bank prize and is testing a device to make hot water and electricity for towns and schools not on anybody's power grid. Read their accounts on pages 13 and 26 of *World View Magazine – Winter 2007*. Both will need to scale up.

The method Amy Smith recommended to her Monterey audience was micro-credit, bringing very small-scale capitalism to the bottom of the pyramid. In Bangladesh, where micro-credit was born, Iqbal Qadir built that nation's largest telephone company using cell phones and the micro-credit concept. He now turns to a century-old engineering principle called the Stirling slingshot to turn sewage into electricity and heat using cow dung as fuel. You can bet if the design works, the delivery system will be micro-credit.

U.S. public interest is growing. The Smithsonian's Cooper-Hewitt National Design Museum in New York exhibited some of this technology in "Design for the other 90 Percent" and for six years Silicon Valley's Tech Museum of Innovation has given prizes to technologies that benefit humanity. Dick King, who served in Peace Corps in El Salvador in the 1960s, runs the museum's laureate program. King recalls a rule that comes right from the Peace Corps manual: "You have to empower local people to own and be responsible for the technologies. They can't be viewed as something only outsiders can do."

Notes from Mwanda

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About two months ago I was informed that there were some complications between the landlord and the school over my rent. The end result was my relocation to another set of rooms. It was a bit of a chore but I don't have that many things and some of the young men around helped me to move the heavy stuff. So I've been in this new set of rooms for a few weeks. The other place was a better all round situation but I'm certainly happy here but already I miss the wind. The present location is just a short walk to the opposite side of the hill. It's so quiet and the houses are close together. My neighbors are all involved with their children or their work and in all it is a relaxed atmosphere. I will do some work on the windows to keep the insects out and put up a device to catch the rainwater. There is water available but it is not always close at hand. I get the drinking water I need from the school and use the rainwater for everything else.

My first year here is now complete. It has been a very productive year and many of my students are doing well. I look forward to January actually to improve on the pattern I've set up.

It's beautiful in these hills and I certainly enjoy my work but I realize that when my time comes to return to California I'll be ready to go home. As friendly as my hosts are and as well as I get along here I will still need to get back to a more familiar environment. I hope it all hasn't burned down. I read a magazine article about the recent fires and expect when I get to my emails there will be some accounts of how things were in San Diego.

Letter from Namibia

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a storm like that before. That really says a lot because storms here are nuts! So, I assumed that for sure my fridge would be filled with all sorts of goat meat and chicken meat for the next week or so, but it turns out I was wrong. Apparently it is believed that if an animal is killed by lightning they become poisonous and you cannot eat them! Who knew? So, my family burned all those goats and chickens! Quite a loss! Anyway, aside from that, the week has been fairly average. I am heading down to Windhoek tomorrow because the new volunteers are here! Crazy! On Tuesday I will be presenting information to the newbies about the Volunteer Support Network at one of their training sessions. That day also is the official one-year mark! I have been in Namibia a year already! Time sure flies by! So, anyway, I'm really excited to meet all the newbies. It's going to be really exciting to have all these new people in country that are potential life-long friends! Also, now this is also crazy, one of the new volunteers is from Scripps Ranch... Her name is Heather Reese, neighbors to Adam Carlin!!

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Speaking of holiday, let me fill you in on what I plan on doing...I cannot wait! Okay, so literally the day school is let out (Dec. 7th), Jen, Aurora, and I are hiking to Rundu in the Kavango Region. The following morning we are taking a bus all the way along the Caprivi strip to Livingston in Zambia. We will spend three nights in Livingston. There we will check out Victoria Falls, maybe go bungee and just hang out in the town. Lots of other volunteers will be there too, which will be nice at the beginning of our trip. However, I am glad I am traveling in a small group for the bulk of holiday. So, after Livingston we will take another bus across Zambia to the town of Chipata. We will spend a night there and then head up through Malawi to Nhikata Bay...right on Lake Malawi. Jen traveled here in August and met an awesome Rastafarian family that we will visit and we will also stay right on the lake at this great, really laid back hostel. I think we will spend about 3 nights in Malawi before we cross the lake by boat and start our adventure through Tanzania. It should take us 2 days to get through most of Tanzania to the coast. We will likely spend those nights with PCV's serving in towns along the way. Once we reach Dar Es Salaam we will hang out in the city for about 3-4 days and see the sites, explore the markets, etc. After that we will take a boat to the island called Pemba where Mike Tritchler is serving (lucky!). It is world renowned for SCUBA diving! We will spend about 3 nights on his tropical spice island! Okay, after Pemba we are off to Zanzibar! I cannot wait for this! We are hoping to arrive on Zanzibar on Christmas Eve. We will (hopefully) spend Christmas day lying out at the beach sipping margaritas (hey, a girl's entitled to her Christmas wishes!). We plan on staying on Zanzibar for as long as possible!...probably through New Years day. On January 2nd we will start the week long trek all the way back to Namibia just in time for our Mid-Service training and for school to start! Not too shabby of a holiday, Neh? Plus, we are gonna do this whole trip for well under USD \$1000! ...its called starving, hiking, and sleeping on the floor of other PCV's houses...and its gonna be awesome!

On a very sad note, (and I always seem to change modes/moods without warning. I need to work on my transitions; maybe by now you are prepared for something sad) a fellow community member

has passed away. Tate Simone Kushomwa was the father of one of my grade 7 learners and also the chair person for our school board. He passed away last Tuesday. It was a very sudden death. He was not ill...he was simply at the cuca shops enjoying an afternoon with friends. He felt tired and got up to leave and then collapsed. He never woke up again. I just couldn't believe this news. He was only in his early 50's! He used to always come to my classroom and greet me and compliment me on how nice my room was; he was always smiling and really helped to make those long community meetings much more bearable. I really don't know who could replace him as a member of the school board. It's just awful. I went with many of my colleagues to pay our respects to the widow at her homestead. Traditionally you are supposed to pay a visit before the actual funeral. I was not prepared for the emotional scene I had stepped into. We arrived and came inside, and there were already close to 20 people there. We greeted everyone and sat down. We then sang some hymns in Oshiwambo to the widow and some of the teachers said some prayers. We then had to all shuffle out of the house while singing because the first born child had just arrived home. We all had to be out of the house so that the first born can enter first with her mother. Well, this was the first time the mother and daughter had seen each other since the death. They both started hysterically weeping and then it seemed as though everyone followed. We headed back into the house and sat back down. Everyone was fed some goat meat; we sang some more songs and then left. It was a very emotional event...I will truly miss Tate Kushomwa, he was a great leader and spirit in our community.

Okay, what else? It was about 44 degrees here today. I felt like a sloth. Ummm. Turkey day is around the corner and I don't believe I will be cooking for 100+ people this year, which is nice although I still really want thanksgiving dinner. I guess I could just slaughter a chicken and stuff it with Mahangu; does that count?

Okay, love you all. I hope everything is going absolutely wonderful in your lives. In light of recent events, I am reminded that we really must live as though we might die tomorrow. We are blessed with a short time on Earth so let us make the most of it...for ourselves and those around us....strangers and all! Enjoy Thanksgiving if I don't write before then...My Thanksgiving: I am thankful for having the people in my life that I have and for having the ability to understand how lucky I am to have those people. I am thankful for the support that I receive from the people in my life, the positive feedback, and for finally connecting with the higher spiritual power in the universe that has given me so much strength over the past year. I am thankful that I have made it one year, and that I want to make it through the next here in Namibia. I am thankful for my amazingly open and caring Owambo family and friends and for waking up each day feeling excited about what is in store. I am thankful that my family is healthy and happy. I am thankful that people here in Africa are recognizing the HIV/AIDS epidemic and many people are standing up together to help slow the rate of infection. I am thankful that there are support systems in place, at least in this country, for those infected and affected by HIV/AIDS, and that each year more people are utilizing these support systems/organizations. I am so thankful that I was blessed with such amazing young children to teach and grow with while in Namibia. Okay, I could go on and on. What can I say? We all have a lot to be thankful for.

Much love, Ali



The ultimate measure of a person is not where one stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where one stands in times of challenge and controversy. --Martin Luther King

Peace Corps' 50th Anniversary Plans

NPCA staff, Peace Corps staff and others have met a number of times over the last few months to start formal plans to recognize the upcoming 50th anniversary of Peace Corps in 2011. At our request, Deputy Director Jody Olsen has compiled an overview document that outlines some of the key plans to date, including launch by Peace Corps of a 50th anniversary landing page in January 2008. The document can be downloaded from the NPCA website at

<http://www.peacecorpsconnect.org/peacecorps>

Peace Corps at 50: An Anniversary Story Project

As NPCA has hoped, we're seeing the first ripple of activity in what is expected to be a groundswell of projects and events around the 50th anniversary of Peace Corps. Coming out of Fort Collins, Colorado, a group of returned Peace Corps volunteers has launched Peace Corps at 50: An Anniversary Story Project. The idea is for all Peace Corps volunteers, in-country staff and trainers to submit their best stories to a four-volume anniversary collection. Complete information on the project, the editors, and writers' guidelines is available at <http://www.PeaceCorpsAt50.org>.

Each book will be divided into sections that focus loosely on Expectations, Peace Corps Tasks, Unexpected Shadows, and the Context of History. If the Peace Corps were a person, these stories would be her memoir.

First deadline for submission is January 2008.

Martin Luther King Day in LA with RPCVs Monday - Jan 21 - 11am meet at 9am

Join RPCVLA in the 30th Annual Kingdom Day parade this year to celebrate Martin Luther King Day, and to let thousands more people in Los Angeles know about the Peace Corps!

RSVP to events@rpcvla.org so we can keep you updated.

The Los Angeles Kingdom Day Parade is one of the largest MLK Day parades in the United States. Come have a fun marching with RPCVLA in the 30th Annual Kingdom parade to honor Dr. King and to let viewers know more about the Peace Corps.

We will have a contingent of 20 people. The parade starts at 11:00 AM. We will gather at 9:00am at the Anaiscourts' house at 3789 6th Avenue, Los Angeles, California 90018-4215, and will then head over to the parade formation area.

Numerous details will follow, including information about what we will wear (our outfits have to coordinate), what we will carry (signs, flags, banner, decorated car), where we will assemble, and much more.

--The Returned Peace Corps Volunteers of Los Angeles

MUST-SEE: PBS to Air Documentary on PC Founder Sargent Shriver

On Monday, January 21, 2008 from 10:00 - 11:30 PM EST, PBS will air American Idealist: The Story of Sargent Shriver, a biographical documentary about Robert Sargent Shriver, the founder of Peace Corps, Job Corps, VISTA, Community Action, Head Start, Legal Services for the Poor, Youth Corps and more.

All but forgotten today, Shriver initiated social programs during the 1960s that helped shape an era that dared millions of young Americans to live out their ideals.

Wanted: Homes & Hosts for SDPCA Potluck Dinners

Would you host SDPCA members in your home for an informal potluck some time between January and May 2008?

If so, please contact Kate, SDPCA Social Chair at social05@sdpca.org.

In your message, please indicate

- Number of people you could accommodate
- Contact information/address
- Preferred month(s)/dates you wish to host
- Theme (if you'd like) for your potluck dinner
 - foods from a particular continent
 - dishes of a certain color
 - foreign film night, etc--
 - please include this preference as well.

We hope that this will be a great way for members to connect for a relaxing evening of food and conversation!

Recruiter's Corner:

Happy New Year to everyone in SDPCA!

2007 was in many ways a fantastic year for the agency. With much fanfare, we were able to re-open our program in Ethiopia after an 8-year absence, and send the first ever group of volunteers to Cambodia. Overall, thanks in no small part to the earnest efforts of RPCVs around the country, we have grown to our largest volunteer force in 37 years, with over 8,000 active volunteers!

This year, we hope to continue our efforts in encouraging baby-boomers to consider Peace Corps service as an adventurous option during their golden years. We have an enormous need for their lifetime of skills, especially in the arenas of health and education, so keep spreading the word that we have no upper-age limit.

I look forward to another fun year of recruitment in the San Diego area, and getting the chance to get to know many of you and the sincere achievements you all made as PCVs.

Saludos,

--Jacob Hall, Regional Recruiter

Myths, Lies, Videotape from page 1

tent, we organized a series of meetings with public officials. Each meeting was videotaped and the edit included the ongoing documentation of life in the garbage dump. The turnaround was one or two days, each time the product was shared with the residents and the next agency staff. The final outcome was a firm commitment by an international authority to fund the housing, pending approval by City Hall. The official word is that it is on the agenda, but a date for consideration has not been made public.

There is a legend and iconic figure, "The Virgin of Caacupe". A resident told me she has kept her statue in every home she has ever had, so I asked María and Ceveriano if this might be a symbol that could bring pressure on City Hall. My reference was César Chavez and the constant presence of the Virgin of Guadalupe in the early organizing of the United Farmworkers Union. María responded that not everyone adores the Virgin of Caacupe and that the Spaniards that fund the project (and exercise ultimate authority) are set against religious references. Ceveriano observed that the average Paraguayan that has the icon hopes their prayer for a specific thing is granted; and any pressure on City Hall will be answered with a punitive counter-punch.

Why did we organize intense pressure previously? Ceveriano replied:

"The goal has never simply been housing. When I began organizing in the dump more than two years ago, the people rejected me when I suggested that they could leave the dump. 'We have homes and

work here.' When the homes are built, many will be sold for fast cash. The misery in the dump has damaged them so much that the pestilence and filth doesn't bother them. There are two objectives: rejection of inhuman conditions by the residents themselves and a team of workers with genuine solidarity. The video is indispensable because the people do not remember yesterday and cannot imagine tomorrow. Beyond death and permanent damage by diseases, that is the crime of poverty."

Health and human services in the U.S., including the agency that brought me to Paraguay, counts things to justify budgets. The procedures commonly employed ignore all statistical principles for reliability and validity; nonetheless the myth of rational management is ubiquitous. How do you count a change of consciousness among people that the society discards as garbage?

Welcome: New Members

SDPCA extends a warm welcome to our newest members. We've seen some of you at events already. Let us hear from you!

- **Michael MacFarland**, *Environmental Education & Youth Development, Paraguay 1994-1997*, gollumsd@yahoo.com
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- **Victoria Nardone**, *South Africa 2006-2006*, thedoggers@yahoo.com
- **Walt & Rosemary Straley**, *Cameroon 1978-79 & Ghana 1962-1964*, rgstraley@post.harvard.edu
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Calendar

January 10, Thursday—1878: Women’s Suffrage Amendment introduced in Congress, 1920: League of Nations founded with 50 nations signing covenant to avoid war, 1946: First UN General Assembly session with 51 nations represented, Central Hall, London.

January 21, Monday—*Martin Luther Day Parade*: RPCVLA is organizing RPCV’s to participate in the parade in LA. See page 10.

January 21, Monday—*Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service*- In 1994, the US Congress passed the King Holiday and Service Act, designating the third Monday in January as the King Day of Service in commemoration of Martin Luther King’s birthday.
Check online: <http://www.mlkday.org/>

January 26, Saturday—*Thai Cuisine & Cinema Evening hosted by Sharon & Joe Darrough*. 6:30 pm RSVP. See page 4.

February 5, Tuesday—*North County Potluck hosted by Ron & Nicola Ranson*. Leucadia. 6:30-8:30pm. See page 4.

February 21, Thursday—*Thirsty-Third-Thursday Happy Hour in North County*. 6:30 to 7:30pm. See page 4.

February 25-March 3, Monday to Monday—*PC Week Celebrates of 47 Years of Peace Corps*. Present to a group; various activities throughout the country. See page 4.

Every second Monday—*Inter-Agency Coalition on Human and Civil Rights*, 9 am to 11:00 am, Blessed Sacrament School, 4551 56th St. 619-236-6420.

Every third Monday—*San Diego Coalition for Peace & Justice*, Program meeting, formed after 9/11 (call for info), 7:00 pm-9:00 pm, 3850 Westgate Place, San Diego. 619-263-9301, <http://www.sdcpj.org>

Every Wednesday—*Morning Coffee*, UCSD International Center, 619-534-1124. Join international student families, make new friends, from 10:00 am-12:00 pm, informal.

Every Friday—*UCSD International Café*, UCSD International Center, 619-534-1124: Join more than 250 others for informal lunch and conversation during the academic year from 12 noon-1:30 pm, \$4 for complete menu.

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