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Dedication Events at the NOB January 31, 2011



The Lion

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Awash National Park:

Hike to a Live volcano and hot springs, see a wide variety of animals and birds, visit ancient cultures sleep with the sound of a powerful waterfall in **your ears...** Photos by Olivia Fagan, and Jim and Maggie DeLoach



Tips for traveling to Awash:

- ☐ **Activities are self-drive.** Consider hiring a high clearance, sturdy 4-wheel drive in Addis.
- ☐ **Roads in and around the park can be challenging** with erosion, deep sand, thorns. Service for flat tires, tows, etc. are very limited to non-existent.
- ☐ **All activities based out of Awash Falls Lodge are a la carte; be clear about your guide's plan and itinerary.**
- ☐ **Have room in your vehicle to carry up to three extra people:** lodge guide, local guide, and scout.
- ☐ **Leave your valuables at home, but bring flashlights/headlamps and binoculars.**
- ☐ **Baboons can be dangerous pests! Do not leave food in your car.** If left in your room, make sure it and your other possessions are in a secure area.
- ☐ **Allow extra time** - distances between sites are broad, walks may take longer than estimated.

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Above: Abyssinian Roller

Left: Don't be fooled by the smile, the hike to this ledge is Arduous! Take more water than you think you will need and lots of sunscreen. Leave everything else at home!

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email: info@icsaddis.edu.et

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PO Box 70282 Old Airport Addis Ababa

- *Friday 21 January - PTA Meeting, 4:00 PM*
- Wednesday 26 January - ISA Information Session, 6:30 PM, MPR
- Thursday 27 January - ISA Information Session, 8:00 AM, MPR
- Friday 28 January - Second Semester Tuition and Fees Due
- Tuesday 1 February - Grade 10 Class Trip Parent Meeting, 6:30 PM
- 2-6 February - International Invitational Tennis Tournament at ICS
- 2-6 February - Model United Nations Conference, Doha, Qatar
- Friday 4 February - Grade 4 Class Trip*
- Monday 7 February - Regular Board Meeting, 7:00 PM
- Tuesday 8 February - Grade 11 College Planning Evening, 7:00 PM
- 7-11 February - Grade 10 Class Trip to Lalibela/ Gondar
- Thursday 10 February - KG—Grade 2 Track Meet
- Friday 11 February - Grades 3—5 Track Meet
- Friday 11 February - PTA Meeting, 4:00 PM
- Tuesday 15 February - Maulid (approximate date) – School Closed

Important Notices for All Parents

Regular Board Meeting Tentative Agenda: Monday 17 January

Update on Hiring & Internal Transfers

Enrollment Update (including new KG section)

Leadership Team Reports

Title Deed Update

Remember

Early Dismissal Every Wednesday 2:00!

ICS looking for experienced certified teachers: Please contact Hubert Gordon, Elementary Principal at 011-371-1544

Hubert.gordon@icsaddis.edu.et

Facility Renovations Report

1. International Tennis

Tournament now at ICS

Feb 2-6 Come Saturday and root on the stars from our community! There are five high school teams participating from several countries, including Ethiopia. Play is at two venues, ICS, and a tennis club near ICS. Round robin matches are today and Friday, with the finals on Saturday.

Play starts at 10 and finishes at 6, and there is no charge.

2. 2011 Choice Women First 5KM walk/jog/run Sunday, March 13

Reserve now 40ETB. 9000 spots available

info@ethiopianrun.org

011 663 3646

3. Are you Interested in Tai Chi/Qigong? text 091 125 5559



Classifieds

To submit an advertisement, e-mail the editor at cloaddisababa@state.gov. Ads will be published for 2 issues the LION. If you wish to delete the ad sooner or continue it longer, contact the editor. Please limit to 50 words or less.

Vehicles

NISSAN PATROL

2007 Duty Free £20,000
37,000 km 7 seater (forward facing)
spare set of tyres
seat covers available March 2011
(negotiable)
SERIOUS ENQUIRIES ONLY:
patrol2011@hotmail.co.uk (2/3) ;

Black Toyota Prado, 2004. great condition. Has reverse camera and DVD player. DUTY FREE. Asking \$23,000. Email fikirtena@gmail.com. (2/3)

Toyota Land Cruiser Prado GX Duty Free - Imported New in 2008 USD 27,000 Very good condition Only 25,000 Km Available mid March 2011 (negotiable) Contact Nick on 0911 25 55 53 nick.ryba@fco.gov.uk

FOR SALE (10,000 USD)

2001 NISSAN PATHFINDER 4 WHEEL DRIVE AUTOMATIC- CALL CHRIS @ 0911511681 / 0111306800 OR TINA @ 0913378211 (2/3)

For Sale: 1996 4Runner, dark green, 103,700 miles, V6 gas engine, 4X4, \$11,000 OBO Contact Daniel Mes-selt 091 150 9316 (1/6/11)

Wanted: Local used vehicle, preferable model is a VW Beetle in good condition inside and out. Contact Dan at 011-130-6648 (1/20)

For Sale 2001 Toyota 4runner two wheel drive, 61,000 miles, \$10,500 duty free available mid April contact Leslie at 091 124 9521 (1/20)

Miscellaneous

Like-new Canon PowerShot G11 advanced amateur camera. 10MP sensor that features RAW mode for unlimited editing options, a 28mm wide-angle lens, and a 2.8-inch Vari-Angle Pure Color System LCD. High Sensitivity System and high-speed ISO for incredible image quality and low noise, this camera has a

perfectly clean (no scratches or abrasions) LCD sensor and lens. Comes with carrying case, battery (less than 2 mos old), charger and 4MB memory. Recent sample pictures available. \$450 USD/\$7425 ETB (1/6)

PUR ceramic water filter (A professional hiking/camping tool and favorite among guides for the bush. Like new condition, comes with clean, reusable filter and case. \$50 or 830 ETB Contact John at downeyja@state.gov

(1/6/11)

CDMA 750 Birr please call
0911882316 (1/6/11)

If anyone heading to the States in the near future needs a cellular phone, we have a T-Mobile prepaid cellular subscription (SIM card) that is available for anyone needing it. You can use it with any unlocked US-capable GSM cell phone. Jim DeLoach, x7421. (1/6)

Seeking! Room with hot shower to rent near Sidist Kilo or the U. S. Embassy contact Wendy at wbelcher@princeton.edu

Great Horese for sale at the British Embassy. Comanche, 13 YO, 5000 ETB includes tack. Call Tina Fournier @ 091 337 3211

Piano for rent: call Aida Bekele @ 0911-208-944

FOR RENT: Beautiful four bedroom house, located at 8620 Hepplewhite Court, Annandale, Virginia 22003. The house is located in the Truro Housing development with a community pool, tennis court, and recreation center. Owned by Department of Justice family. We are looking for two year lease with Diplomatic Clause and asking \$3,300 per month. The house sits on .28 of an acre and is located on a cul-de-sac for privacy. One car garage. House includes washer/dryer, dishwasher, refrigerator, and stove/oven. Finished basement makes a great playroom for the kids. Fenced in backyard. Close to Metro, VRE, and only 12 miles from DC with alternate routes. Please contact property manager Mary Sullivan at (703) 623-8350, (703) 556-8600 or marysullivan@mrjs.com

Household Staff

Cook Available

Aster Tadessa Assefa is looking for opportunities as a cook in Addis Ababa. She served as a cook and house help for a French family for eleven years and as a cook at Buling Hotel in Djibouti for five years. She specializes in French, Italian, and Mediterranean meals, but cooks a variety of dishes. She understands French and speaks Amharic and Oromo. She is hard working, cheerful, and has a wonderful sense of humor about everyday life. For more information, contact Wendy Belcher at wbelcher@princeton.edu or call 0920 01 (2/3)

23 24 to talk to her friend Samuel.

Housekeeper-Cook available. Aynalem Degu has 10 years of experience working as a general housekeeper, cook, and nanny for European and American families. Her English is good and she can read recipes, read and leave notes. She likes house pets. She has a pleasant demeanor. Please call Aynalem at 0913656148. Email Nena Terrell for references at nterrell@usaid.gov.

Experienced Driver Available: We can highly recommend Mulualem. He has strong English, is quite safe, used to working with families, punctual, courteous, and knows the city well. Please contact Mulualem directly at 091 141 8643 or e-mail h_garrett@yahoo.com for a reference 91/6)

Services

Personal Trainer Available: Mohit Vartak is a Certified Personal Trainer with over 15 years of experience. He is available for personal training, nutrition consultation, body analysis, and fitness plan development. He is also available to lead group classes. Call him directly at 091 215 812 Recommended by Allyson Wainer (1/6/11)

Is there anything better than a massage in the privacy of your own home after a hard day? Fere has her certificate in massage therapy: Swedish, Shiatsu, hot stone, aroma therapy massage, and reflexology. She brings her own massage table. She has been serving the American Community for many years. Contact Fere at 091 168 9475 Recommended by Diane Corbin (1/6)

Excellent Masseur available: Berkenish has worked with Embassy and other international staff in Addis many years. She comes to your residence weekdays and Saturday - mornings, afternoons. She is trained in Swedish massage and tailors her **massage per the client's wishes** (deeper, softer, etc.) My wife and I have been very happy with her services. Her cell phone number is 0911663579. Submitted by former Mission members Jamie Browder and Bess Long. (1/6)

ICS seeking experienced certified teachers: Please contact Hubert Gordon , Elementary Principal at 011-371-1544

Hubert.gordon@icsaddis.edu.et

ICS looking for tutors and English as an additional language support people. Please contact Susan Cisek susan.cisek@icsaddis.edu.et

English Teacher needed– March 1 to June 30

Mr. Kumlachew Aberra,
Senior Manager, Sandford International School,

Tel: +251 11 123 3730

Email: sandford@ethionet.et

Private Music lessons: [USAID](#)

www.icsaddis.edu.et

Click on "Academics", Scroll to "Performing Arts", Click on Band, Scroll to "Private Lessons

Job Vacancies

The date indicates when the application is due. Find more about these job opportunities at: http://ethiopia.usembassy.gov/job_opportunities.html

[The U.S. Mission Addis Ababa is seeking an individual for the position of:](#)

02-2011 Human Resource Assistant– open to EFM, MOH, NOR Until COB 2/8/11

04-2011 Community Liaison Coordinator, EFM COB 2/15/11

06-10 Program Management Specialist, All Qualified, Until Filled
06-10

African Folk Tale:

Anansi and the Chameleon

Anansi lived in the same African village as the Chameleon. Anansi was rich and owned the finest fields in the area, while the Chameleon was poor and worked hard in his meager fields to make ends meet. However, one year rain fell on Chameleon's fields, which were now abundant with beautiful crops. To teach Anansi a lesson, God let no rain fall on Anansi's land and the crops dried up, and dust blew everywhere. Anansi then resolved to take Chameleon's fields for himself. Anansi first tried to buy the fields, but Chameleon refused to sell. Anansi offered more and more in exchange, but Chameleon still held on to the land. Early one morning, Anansi walked boldly down the road to Chameleon's fields and began harvesting the crops. When Chameleon saw this, he became very angry and chased Anansi away. When a chameleon walks, it leaves no tracks; it is virtually impossible to tell where a chameleon has been. Knowing this, Anansi took Chameleon to the tribal court to sue for possession of the fields. The chief asked Chameleon to prove that the fields were his; Chameleon had no proof to offer. Anansi, on the other hand, took the chief to Chameleon's fields, showing the many footprints on the road. These were Anansi's footprints, and the chief awarded the fields to Anansi right then and there. Although the court decision gave the land to Anansi, God has a higher justice than that which the courts mete out. Chameleon dug a deep, deep hole and put a roof on it. From the outside, the hole looked tiny. But, in fact, Chameleon had dug a vast cavern under-ground. Then the Chameleon took some vines and some flies and made a cloak. When the sun hits flies, they shine a variety of colors, but they are still flies. Chameleon went down the road wearing this cloak of flies and vines when he encountered Anansi. Anansi's first words to Chameleon were, "Hello, my friend. I hope that there are no hard feelings between us." Anansi saw what appeared to be a beautiful cloak and offered to buy it. Chameleon pretended to be magnanimous and told Anansi that the cloak would be his if only Anansi filled Chameleon's "little hole" with food. Anansi readily agreed, bragging that he would fill it twice over. Anansi then took the cloak to the chief who had acted as judge in the lawsuit, and gave the cloak to the chief as a gift. The chief admired the cloak and thanked him profusely. Anansi worked day and night to fill Chameleon's hole with food and still the hole was not full. He worked weeks and still the hole was not full. After a while Anansi realized that Chameleon had tricked him. In the meantime, the chief was walking down the road wearing the cloak of flies. One day the vines broke and the flies buzzed off in every direction, leaving the chief naked and livid with anger at Anansi. The chief grew angrier with each step he took, for he begin to see the conceit and arrogance of Anansi. When the chief found Anansi, he ordered him not only to return Chameleon's property but to give Chameleon the best of his own fields as well. As soon as Chameleon took possession of Anansi's best field, it rained on that field for the first time in months, and now Chameleon was the richest in village.

The moral of the story? - Conceit and arrogance, just as humbleness and hard work has rewards, each in its own way.



Anansi

January/February 2011

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|-----|------------------------------------|-----|-----------------|-------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 30 | 31 | 1 | 2 ICS Tennis | 3 Lion ICS Tennis | 4 ICS Tennis | 5 ICS Tennis |
| 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| 13 | 14 Deadline Lion Submissions | 15 | 16 | 17 Lion | 18 | 19 |
| 20 | 21 President's Day | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| 27 | 28 Deadline Lion Submissions | 1 | 2 | 3 Lion | 4 | 5 |

*Ongoing Activities

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- Aster Buna Coffee Factory
- Selam Children's Village
- Asni Art Center



Watch out Stan!
Did you see what that cow did to one of your friends?

