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enCORPS completes first project

by Leo Cecchini (62-64), enCORPS Director

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eNCORPS HAS COMPLETED ITS first assignment in Eritrea under a USAID funded project. David Gurr (62-64) and Robert Hovde (67-68) worked with the Eritrean Institute of Management (EIM) to develop a program to train senior Eritrean Government administrators in a wide range of administrative areas, including personnel management, budgeting, planning, and accountability. Gurr and Hovde then formed part of the team that actually conducted the program for some 40 administrators at the EIM's new home near Asmara. The project was a good model for future work in that it had enCORPS implementing a project funded by a major donor organization (USAID) in conjunction with local authorities.

Gurr and Hovde reported that while many of their students had difficulty with English and presented few qualifications other than being veterans of the liberation struggle, they expressed genuine appreciation of the approaches taken by the two enCORPS participants and hoped that the program would continue. enCORPS is presently working with USAID on making this program an ongoing one utilizing enCORPS partici-

pants on a regular schedule of short term assignments.

Gurr and Hovde were selected from a strong pool of available talent. Skills, experience and availability were the determining factors, not least of all the ability to be ready to go on short notice — in this case, two weeks. David is presently a program manager at the Corporation for National Service (successor to ACTION) where he is the government's official representative to approximately 300 national volunteer demonstration project grants. He has masters degrees in Economic and Social Development and in Public Finance. Robert is presently a curriculum specialist at Illinois State University, in Normal Illinois. From 1983 to 1988 he was the director of a non-government organization (NGO) in Ethiopia. Robert has a Ph.D. in education.

While the quality of these enCORPS participants was evident in their highly successful performance, enCORPS also proved its inherent efficiency, effectiveness, flexibility and strength. After having the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) drop the project after considerable preparations at the end of

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June, the enCORPS Representative in Asmara, Wayne Kessler (64-66), convinced USAID to fund the project by July 3, with the provision that the enCORPS team be on site by July 15. In an exercise reminiscent of the one that brought the first Peace Corps contingent to Ethiopia in 1962, enCORPS Director Leo Cecchini (62-64) scoured the country to get a team together that actually arrived on July 17.

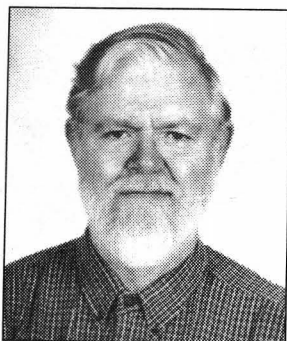
On another front, Wayne has entered into an agreement for enCORPS to work with World Vision, USAID and the National Union of Eritrean Women (NUEW) on a project to train and assist former female liberation fighters and female heads of households in Mendefera, the capital of Seraye Province, in a micro-enterprise/micro-credit project. USAID will provide funding, World Vision will provide in-country direction, the NUEW will be the interface with the women assisted, and enCORPS will provide professional guidance and training (in the person of Wayne).

Meanwhile, Robert Hamilton (65-67) is putting together the enCORPS Development Fund. The Fund will provide a way for E&E RPCVs who cannot take time off to go to Ethiopia and Eritrea to still contribute to rebuilding the two countries. Donations will be used by enCORPS in projects it implements.

Looking a bit further ahead, Christie Scott (Kenya 83-85), has agreed to spend a few months with Wayne working on small business development after she completes a training assignment with the peace Corps in Uzbekistan in December. As a Volunteer in Kenya, Christie helped women launch new enterprises — she has a master's degree in the field. She will combine her service to enCORPS with academic research on economic development in Eritrea.

Dave Gurr reports

There is life after Peace Corps. I spent the last two weeks of July in Asmara, Eritrea, as a guest of USAID and enCORPS. Marian Haley Beil, Leo Cecchini (both 62-64) and Wayne Kessler (64-66) are the founders of enCORPS. The purpose of enCORPS is to enable RPCVs from Ethiopia and Eritrea to return to participate in short-term activities by combining their knowledge of the culture with their work since leaving those countries.



Bob Hovde and I were the first two RPCVs selected. We were asked to participate as presenters in a

Training of Trainers workshop for 40 Eritrean civil servants, offered by the new Eritrean Management Institute. Bob worked with the project development group, I worked with both the Public Finance and Human Resources groups. Wayne Kessler worked with the overall Common Courses, the latter intended it establish a legal framework for government policy and guide the democratic process in Eritrea.

It was serendipitous that John Rude (62-64) was in Asmara at the same time. He lectured the participants on training techniques.

Bob and I both volunteered and USAID paid for our travel and pre diem.

Since I was not around when America was founded, it was nice to be part of another country's founding. It was a wonderful experience. Americans are still well liked by the Eritreans, because of the Peace Corps. I hope to be asked to return to continue some of the things that we started during the Training of Trainers workshop.

Robert Hovde reports

The Eritrean Institute of Management (EIM) held a Training of Trainers (TOT) workshop from July 15-25, 1995, in Asmara, Eritrea, for the purpose of increasing the capacity of mid- and upper-level civil servants working in the Eritrean government. The objective of the workshop was to train prospective trainers to deliver practical content to perhaps 1,200 civil servants through a series of workshops to be given over the next year. The workshop focused on four areas: project management; financial management; human resources management; and common courses. The latter provided trainees with common understandings and a political context in which to place new learnings. I was involved primarily with the project management group but my assessment is that all four areas are primarily with the project management group but my assessment is that all four areas are important areas that should contribute toward the strengthening of the Eritrean civil service.

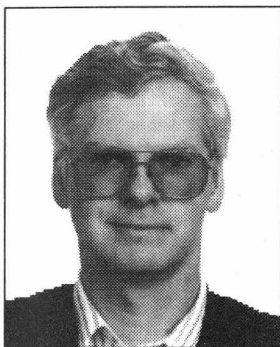
The content of the project management course was basically sound, but it suffered in three important respects: too much material was covered in the time available; too little emphasis was placed upon how projects fit into the overall workings of the Eritrean government and society; and the concepts were presented by academicians who had little direct experience with project formulation and management.

Throughout the workshop I was concerned about the rather sterile approach to curriculum and instruction. The project management workshop relied almost exclusively upon the materials developed by the ILO for use in its training workshops in Torino. By sticking so closely to this canned approach, there appeared to be few "teachable moments." The workshop proceeded on a tight schedule with almost no time for reflection or opportunity to adapt the methods to suit the needs of the trainees.

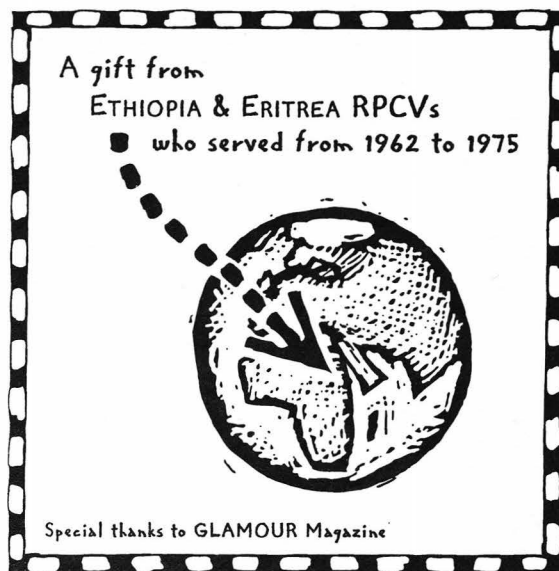
A workshop evaluation was held on the last day of the workshop. A number of useful suggestions were made. If implemented, these suggestions would address many of the weaknesses we identified and would serve to greatly improve future workshops.

I admire a number of things about the Eritrean government and the EIM. They are not sitting on their hands. They want to move forward. However, the fact the EIM is a new unit that is currently without a facility or designated training staff means that much yet needs to be done to ensure a successful program. Given the genuine need and the

attending pressures to get started quickly, considerable collaboration and teaming will be necessary.



I see a role for enCORPS if a team approach materializes. Wayne Kessler has made a good contribution to this workshop and to establishing a working relationship with the Director of EIM. Wayne has a basic understanding of management and an entree into the culture that will be useful in a collaborative approach. Wayne also has the capacity to stimulate projects in the private sector, and to encourage the private sector to develop mechanisms to support democratization through civic education initiatives. USAID would do well to establish a democracy and governance position in Eritrea, if it does not already have one. As in Ethiopia, the development of civil society in Eritrea is of crucial importance.



BOOKLOCKER REVISITED

E&E RPCVs has launched its first project in support of the new Peace Corps Volunteers in Ethiopia and Eritrea. Masterminded by Steering Committee member John Coyne, a 1995 version of the fondly remembered "Booklocker" is being assembled. With the invaluable help of *GLAMOUR Magazine*, John has already collected about 1,000 new books (and tapes). These are mostly novels, serious fiction and some non -

fiction, that are meant for Volunteers to read and share. They will be available to them through their resource library at the Peace Corps offices in Addis and Asmara. Each book will bear a bookplate with the image shown above.

If you would like to work with John on this ongoing project, call him in New York at 212/466-2198.

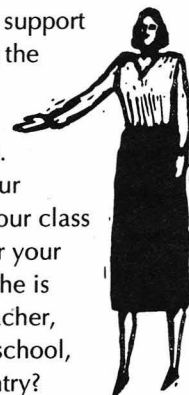
THE NEW VOLUNTEERS ARE IN PLACE

Following several months of in-country training new PCVs are hard at work in both Ethiopia and Eritrea. None of them is stationed in a capital city.

On September 13th, 22 Volunteers were sworn in in Ethiopia — three teacher trainers and 19 secondary school English teachers. They are in: Debre Berhan, Enwari, Debre Sina, Ataye, Dessie, Kombolcha, Haike, Nekemte, Arjo, Sire, Asella, Juruta and Bekoji.

There are 27 Volunteers in Eritrea. All are working in education. Numbering among them is Eric Bergthold, son of Linda and Gary Bergthold (62-64).

Another project that E&E RPCVs will pursue in support of these PCVs will be the development of school-to-school matchings with RPCVs. Wouldn't you and your community school, your class if you are a teacher or your child's class — if he/she is either a student or teacher, like to help your old school, a school in *your* country?



Contact Steering Committee member Jim Solomon in California at 510/538-9889.

35TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

WASHINGTON DC

FEBRUARY 29 TO MARCH 3

The National Peace Corps Association and the Peace Corps will celebrate the 35th anniversary of the Peace Corps and you are invited. Many of the activities will take place on the George Washington University campus.

The schedule:

Thursday 2/29 —

- Registration at GWU.
- World map project.
- RPCV/WASHINGTON will host a Founder's Day reception. Admission is \$15. Proceeds will benefit Peace Corps Partners programs.
- *RPCV Writers & Readers* — the newsletter founded by John Coyne (62-64) & Marian Haley Beil (62-64) to support and promote Peace Corps writers — will host an "Evening of Peace Corps Prose" at Borders Books and Music, 1801 K Street NY at 7 pm. All are invited. No fee.

Friday 3/1 —

- Registration at GWU.
- Career Fair at GWU gym with about 100 recruiters for U.S. foreign affairs agencies, non-government relief and development organizations, international corporations and graduate schools.
- Volunteer Day in Washington schools (choose Teach-in or Fix-up). [We could use an E&E RPCVs coordinator in DC for this. If you are interested in helping, contact Marian Haley Beil.]
- Open house at the Peace Corps.
- Party and dance.
- Gala Benefit Dinner. \$150 per person.

Saturday 3/1 —

- Awards ceremonies, keynote speaker and PC Director Mark Gearan in the morning.
- Foreign affairs seminars, and Peace Corps regional updates in the morning.
- Country-of-service activities in the afternoon.
- World music concert in the evening. Bands will play music from around the world. Tickets are \$35.

Sunday 3/3 —

- March of Flags on the National Mall.

Registration

The registration fee is \$35. It covers the keynote, Volunteer Day, awards ceremony, updates, Friday party/dance, career fair and any other activities not noted as having a fee above.

Ethiopia & Eritrea RPCVs special celebration features

Hotel

We have designated the Lombardy Hotel as our official hotel for the conference. The Lombardy is a small hotel at 2019 Pennsylvania Avenue (4 blocks from the White House, 2 blocks from the Peace Corps and adjacent to the campus of George Washington University where many of the celebration activities will take place). We have had 25 room set aside for our members.

In addition we will have a **HOSPITALITY ROOM** at the Lombardy for informal gathering throughout the weekend.

Room rates are \$95/single with kitchenette, \$105/double with kitchenette, and \$165 suite/up to four with kitchen. In addition there is a 13% DC sales and an \$1.50-\$3.00 occupancy tax.

Call the Lombardy Hotel at 202/828-2600 or 800/424-5486 to make your reservations.

WHEN MAKING RESERVATIONS
PLEASE USE REFERENCE #6742.

Reservations must be received by January 29, 1996. Those reservations not received by the cutoff date will be subject to space availability and prevailing rates.

If you would like information about other accommodations, you should note that on your registration form.

Gala Benefit Dinner

The gala \$150-a-plate dinner on Friday will honor Sargent Shriver and all Peace Corps Directors. The dinner will be at

the Mayflower Hotel where Shriver and a small staff worked to create the Peace Corps. Proceeds of the benefit will support the NPCA's Emergency Response Data Bank and advocacy programs. (Any amount over \$50 per person is tax deductible.)

E&E RPCVs has reserved two tables (for 10 people each) for the dinner and we hope that you will join those already committed to enjoying this great evening, saluting some terrific people and supporting some worthy causes.

John Coyne is E&E RPCVs coordinator for the gala dinner. If you would like more information, or if you would like to make a reservation, call John in New York at his work number: 212/466-2198. You can fax him at: 212/466-2473.

Luncheon and country update

NOTE: You *MUST* be registered for the conference and have conference identification with you in order to participate in this E&E RPCV activity.

On Saturday, March 2 starting at 1:00 p.m., E&E RPCVs will have an extended luncheon at the Red Sea Restaurant, 2463 18th Street, NW. The second floor has been reserved for the afternoon.

The lunch will be a group combination meal (six different meats including lamb, poultry, and beef, and eight vegetables) at a cost of \$10.00 per person. If requested, a vegetarian option can be provided at the same price. Drinks are extra. We will have someone at the top of the stairs to collect payment for the meal as you enter.

From 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 pm there will be speakers presenting updates on the current events and conditions in Ethiopia and Eritrea.

If you have any questions about the luncheon, contact Ray Donaldson (62-64) who has graciously taken on the duties of making arrangements for this activity. Ray's address: 7028 Loganberry Lane, Fulton MD 20759-9727; phone: 301 777-0208.

Steering Committee meeting

The E&E RPCVs Steering Committee will hold a meeting on Sunday after the March of Flags in the group's hospitality room at the Lombardy Hotel. This is an open meeting.

Register now for the Peace Corps 35th

name _____

street address _____

city _____

state _____ ZIP code _____

telephone _____

fax _____

country _____

years _____ vol. staff

I need info on area hotels, on homestays.

I'll Volunteer March 1 teach-in fix-up

Registration Fee (keynote, Vol. Day, awards, updates, dance/party, etc.)	\$35 x	_____ = \$ _____
Peace Corps Partnership Reception (Thursday, February 29)	\$15 x	_____ = \$ _____
Gala Benefit Dinner (Friday, March 1)	\$150 x	_____ = \$ _____
World Peace Concert (Saturday, March 2)	\$35 x	_____ = \$ _____
35th Anniversary T-shirt (circle: S, M, L, XL, XXL)	\$15 x	_____ = \$ _____
If not an NPCA member, add (for dues)	\$35 x	_____ = \$ _____
	Total	\$ _____ = \$ _____
or Complete Package (more than 10 percent savings)	\$225 x	_____ = \$ _____
After February 1, add Late Registration fee	\$15 x	_____ = \$ _____

My check is made out to NPCA 35th, or charge my VISA or MasterCard Acct # _____ Exp. Date: _____

Signature _____
 Mail payment and registration to NPCA 35th, 1900 L Street NW, Suite 205, Washington D.C. 20036

News from the Horn compiled by John Barnes (66-68)

► In April the Ethiopian Ministry of Agriculture reported that 30% of the annual grain production is being lost to plant diseases.

► May 7, 1995 — National elections were held for the 658 member Parliament, officials of the Ethiopian government and the Addis Ababa regional council. The EPRDF won 90% of the votes, all seats in the Addis Ababa regional council and 21 of 23 seats by which the city will be represented at the Federal Parliament. There were only two genuinely independent parties taking part in the elections. These were the Ethiopian National Democratic Party (ENCDP) and the Kiyit Party. The EPRDF coalition will form a new government called the Ethiopian Federal Democratic Republic. Ato Meles Zenawi of the EPRDF is expected to be elected Prime Minister with Executive Powers for the next five years when the new 548 member parliament meets in September. At that time the cabinet posts and the president with no executive powers will be named. The new constitution which promotes ethnic politics will be ratified later this fall.

News from the *Ethiopia Register*, July, 1995

► TGE returns buildings to the Ethiopian Orthodox Church

The Ethiopian government has returned buildings that were nationalized by the Mengistu regime in 1975. The government has also decided to stop its subsidies to the church which may result in the reduction in the number of church employees. The church has decided to increase the fees charged for visits to its shrines and museums.

From the *Ethiopian Review*, August, 1995

► In July, The Transitional Government of Ethiopia (TGE) announced that

an Eth \$9.7 billion budget was approved for 1996.

► Emperor Amha Selassie, Haile Selassie's son, who resides in Virginia, is believed to be in poor health. The crown prince is Zere Yacob, who is presently in England.

► Moa Anbessa is a group that has been formed to restore the monarch in Ethiopia.

► In July, the Dashen Ethiopian soccer team from Seattle defeated an Atlanta team to win the 12th Annual Ethiopian North American Soccer Tournament in San Diego. 12,000 Ethiopians attended.

► On July 12, the U.S. House of Representatives approved an amendment to the Foreign Air Bill which would require the State Department to review human rights in Ethiopia. Aid to Ethiopia would be tied to progress in human rights. Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee of Texas offered the amendment after being lobbied by Ethiopians from Houston, Texas. Last year US aid to Ethiopia was \$130 million, second to South Africa in sub-Saharan Africa.

► The attempted assassination of Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak strained relations between Egypt and Ethiopia. Following the attack, three suspects were shot by EPRDF troops in a raid on July 1, which angered Egypt. Reports out of Egypt claimed the attackers were helped by Ethiopian security forces and that the attackers were Sudanese. Ethiopia reported all to be Egyptian. After the accusation in the Egyptian press Ethiopia stopped cooperating with an Egyptian investigation team. The TGE's Interior Ministry fired 204 security agents in the aftermath.

► Eritrea released 150 military officers from the Derg regime who were among more than 1,000 imprisoned four years ago at the end of the war.

► On July 18, the Coalition of Alternative Forces for Peace and Democracy in Ethiopia (CAFPDE), condemned the kidnaping and detention of journalists by the TGE. The *Ethiopian Review* and several other independent publications were forced to stop their operations in Ethiopia, journalists were being arrested and publications were confiscated from vendors.

► In July, the Ethiopian Privatization Agency announced that 144 state firms are to be sold to private individuals. These include hotels which were formally managed by the government.

News from the *Ethiopian Review*, September, 1995

► New government of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia formed

On August 18, the federal parliament elected Meles Zenawi, Prime Minister and Head of Government. He will have administrative power for five years. Dr. Negasso Gidada was named President and head of State, a largely ceremonial position. Former Prime Minister Tamrat Layne was elected Defense Minister and Deputy Prime Minister. A new 17-member cabinet was elected. The EPRDF will control 90 percent of the seats in the Council of People's Representatives and in the Federal Council, the two houses of parliament.

► Two Sudanese doctors killed in Addis Ababa

On September 2 the head of the International Islamic Relief Agency, and a member of the World Islamic League were gunned down in Addis Ababa. The Ethiopian government announced on September 3 that suspects had been apprehended.

► **Haile Gebre Selassie sets world record**

On August 16th, Haile Gebre Selassie set a new world record winning the 5,000 meter event at the Zurich Grand Prix. His time of 12:44.39 minutes reduced the previous record by 11 seconds.

► **Eritrea supports Sudanese opposition groups**

Eritrean President Issays Afeworki stated: "The rulers in Khartoum must go." He blamed them for the deterioration of relations between the two countries.

News from the Ethiopian Register, September, 1995

► **Peace Corps duty stations changed**

The Peace Corps has reportedly changed the duty assignments of six teachers from the towns of Robe and Goba in Bale Province due to the death of an Australian tourist in Bale. There are approximately 26 Volunteers who have been training since June 26 in the town of Awassa for assignments in education.

► **Capture of assassins announced**

On August 1, the Ministry of Internal Affairs announced the capture of three of the Egyptians allegedly involved in the attempt on President Mubarak on June 26. Of the nine assassins, five were killed, three were arrested and one escaped. All were listed as Egyptians.

► **U.S. Representative Harry Johnston criticizes Transition Government**

On a fact-finding mission August 5-8, Representative Harry Johnston cited the lack of improvement in human rights records by the TGE. He was not allowed to meet with President Meles Zenawi.

News from the Ethiopian Register, October, 1995

► **CAFPDE's application turned down**

The National Electoral Board has turned down the application for registration as a political party of the Council of

Alternative Forces for Peace and Democracy in Ethiopia. The reason cited was that CAFPDE was only trying to secure indirectly legal recognition for organizations that are not authorized as political parties. Dr. Beneye Petros, Chairman of CAFPDE, argued that the law that accepts the EPRDF (a coalition of various political groups) should accept the CAFPDE.

► **Ethiopia downgrades relations with Sudan**

On September 1, the Ethiopian Foreign Ministry stated that it is downgrading its relations with the Sudan because the Sudan has refused to grant Ethiopia's request that it extradite three suspects accused of masterminding the June 26 assassination attempt on Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak in Addis Ababa. All non-government organizations from Sudan will have to leave and also some Sudanese embassy diplomats. The number of Ethiopia diplomats in Khartoum will also be reduced. Sudan Airways is prohibited from flying to Ethiopia and Ethiopian Airlines will not be allowed to fly to Sudan.

Eritrea urged the international community to punish Sudan for its support of terrorism.

Also —

► In April, Amnesty International (AI) reported that the TGE has detained thousands, dozens have disappeared and many have suffered torture during its four-year rule. AI pointed out the inconsistency of the government's handling of human rights in that it is now beginning to prosecute members of the Derg for similar offenses. (See "Required reading" on page 14 to borrow a copy of the report.)

► Former Ethiopian dictator Mengistu Haile Mariam survived an assassination attempt in Harare, Zimbabwe on November 5th. He was fired on while walking near his state-owned villa.

► December 19, 1995 — The Associated Press reported that Yemen and Eritrea are involved in a dispute over the Red Sea island of Greater Hanish which has importance based on its location in the Red Sea and its potential for oil deposits. Eritrea said that it has had soldiers on the island since their war of secession; Yemen claimed the Eritreans invaded the island December 15.

► December 20, 1995 — Yemen's president threatened to go to war with Eritrea over Greater Hanish.

E&E RPCVS CASH FLOW REPORT 7/21/94-8/1/95

Previous balance		\$3612.83
Income (from dues)		4499.09
Expenses		
Affiliation fee	323.00	
Bank charges	102.50	
enCORPS		
Phone	65.61	
Postage	24.00	
Reproduction	35.00	
Fax machine	245.66	
Advance for expenses for W. Kessler	300.00	
Total enCORPS	670.27	
Miscellaneous	140.79	
Postage	318.98	
Publications	28.00	
Reproduction	166.14	
The Herald:		
Postage	291.88	
Reproduction	971.57	
Other	25.00	
Total The Herald	1,288.45	
Total Expenses		-3,038.13
Total Income-Expenses (7/21/94-8/1/95)		1,460.96
TOTAL ON HAND 8/1/95		\$5,073.79

Keeping up with Ethiopia and Eritrea by Computer

by Joe Tenn (Addis Ababa, 62-64)

The world wide web consists of millions of computers all over the planet connected by the Internet. It resembles a web in that it is possible to have a connection from any node (called a "page") to any other. People and institutions put information on pages on their own computers (called servers for this purpose), and leave their computers on. The pages contain "links" which, if selected (usually by a click of a mouse) immediately transfer the reader to the linked page whose address (called a URL or Uniform Resource Locator) is embedded in the link. I can compose a page with links to any set of pages I know of. Click, you are in Switzerland, click, you are in Australia, . . . Warning: "Surfing the net" can be addictive. Try to remember when you first discovered libraries. Every time I turn on my computer and modem and connect to the net I have effectively entered the biggest library in the world, and I can search it with amazing speed for almost any information I want.

One way to find information on any subject is to use one of the powerful "search engines." Open your web browser of choice (most people use Netscape, both because it is very good and because it is free to most users), and go to the URL:

http://www.yahoo.com/Computers_and_Internet/Internet/World_Wide_Web/Searching_the_Web/

This is a whole page of search engines. I have tried a few, and they are all good, but they don't find the same pages. My current favorite is SavvySearch at

<http://www.cs.colostate.edu/~dreiling/smartform.html>

Search for "Ethiopia," and you will find many pages, including, for example, "Ethiopia: A country Study" at:

http://rs6.loc.gov/et_00_00.html

which is essentially a whole book, produced at the Library of Congress.

If you would rather skip the search, just go to the URL

<http://www.cs.indiana.edu/hyplan/dmulholl/acg.html>

which is a set of pages at Indiana University called the Abyssinia CyberSpace Gateway. (As you will learn if you go there, the word "Abyssinia" has been revived to avoid political problems. It is defined so as to include all of the countries of the Horn of Africa without implying that any are or are not part of any others.) From this page you can choose Djibouti, Eritrea, Ethiopia, or Somalia/Somaliland, or you can read about all of them. There is a wealth of material available—photos of castles in Gondar, churches in Lalibela, religious paintings, and H.I.M.; recipes for injera and wot; addresses of Ethiopian-oriented businesses in the U.S. and Canada; recent news from the Horn (if you want the latest news e-mailed to you from Addis weekly you will have to pay, but much is free); maps of Ethiopia and of Addis Ababa; and software for word-processing in "Ethiopic," the alphabet used for Ge'ez and Amharic and other "Abyssinian" languages.

One thing you will notice is that the pages on the web, including the "home pages" of Addis Ababa and Eritrea (formerly Asmara) Universities, reside on computers in places like Indiana, Pennsylvania, New York, and Finland. Ethiopians in the diaspora have much greater access to the Internet than do

those in Africa. However, the Internet does reach that far, and I recently succeeded in establishing e-mail contact with one faculty member (who was my student in the 10th grade) at AAU.

Another way to retain some contact with Ethiopia and Ethiopians is to join one or more listserves. You join a listserve by e-mail. This puts your name and e-mail address on a list. Any member can send a message at any time to the listserve address, and it goes automatically to all on the list. Group discussions can go on and on, with contributions coming from every continent. If you find yourself getting too much e-mail you can quit just as you joined—by sending a one-line message to a machine. A group of Ethiopian-related listserves is maintained on a commercial network in San Jose, California by Tadesse Tsegaye. His e-mail address is txt4@netcom.com, but you can join any of his listserves on Ethiopian topics automatically. Just go to the page

<http://www.cs.indiana.edu/hyplan/dmulholl/mail/ethiolist.txt>

to find out how. Expect to be asked for a small contribution to help pay the bills.

Happy surfing! I welcome any e-mail correspondence related to Ethiopia. Currently I am seeking advice and assistance in sending books to high schools and the university there.

To communicate with Joe on the Net:

E-mail address: joe.tenn@sonoma.edu

URL: <http://yorty.sonoma.edu/people/faculty/tenn/>



BOOK NOTES

► Susan McLeod (66–68) has written *The Herald* to recommend *FIRE ON THE MOUNTAIN* by Jane Kurtz, illustrated by E. B. Lewis, (Simon and Schuster, 1994). Susan says that this children's book "is both beautifully illustrated as well as cleverly written." The National Council of Teachers of English newsletter summarizes the story: Alemayu tended sheep in the high mountains of Ethiopia before he joined his sister and began working in the house of a rich man. The pompous rich man can take no criticism and when a set of circumstances brings Alemayu into a confrontation with his employer, the rich man challenges Alemayu to stay in the cold mountains overnight. Alemayu succeeds, but the rich man fails to live up to his part of their bargain. The resolution of the conflict adds to the storyteller-like quality that prevails throughout this book.

► Published this year was *THE MCGRAW-HILL ENCYCLOPEDIA OF QUALITY TERMS AND CONCEPTS* by JOHN WOODS (65–67) and James Cortada. John says, "I find the TQM approach to management very consistent with the foundation of the Peace Corps — service. . . . profit becomes a measure of the quality of a company's service to others. This perspective is an important reason why I have become involved in this project."

► Next year, KATHLEEN MOORE will have a piece she wrote about her return to Ethiopia in 1993 published in an anthology edited by KATHLEEN COSKRAN (65–67).

Book review

ALEKA

by Ketema Desta
Nyala Publishing; 1994
1250 West Addison
Chicago, Illinois 60613
312/883-9818
131 pages

Reviewed by Kathleen Moore (65–66)

The novel, *ALEKA*, reads like a cross between an African folktale and an American cowboy movie. It is about the classic battle of good and evil. Set in one small village, it symbolizes the larger, national conflict with which all of Ethiopia struggled(s): the power and wealth (and potential selfishness and cruelty) of rich landowners vs. the needs and misery of poor tenant farmers.

Aleka Belihu, priest, lawyer and wealthy landowner, fights for the poor and downtrodden of his *worka* district, engendering the enmity of Denberu, another landowner who is not so socially conscious. The story centers on Denberu's attempts to kill Aleka.

Reading this small book is like watching a traditional Ethiopian painting come to life. The characters are two dimensional, flat faces with exaggerated expressions, only the top of people and places are visible. Yet that are full of color and a symbolic meaning deeper than their appearance. Aleka himself is the one character who comes close to becoming more than the mythical "good rich man" archetype. He has trouble keeping a wife — one after the other, they leave him. His jealousy and impatience result in violent beatings of his children and servants. At one point in his battle with Denberu, he gives up

and moves to another village to make a rich and prosperous life for himself. In the end, though, he comes back and fights to the death for the cause in which he believes.

The action in this story is like a cowboy-movie feud between the cattle man and the sheep herders. There are shoot-outs with dead bodies left littering the page and ambushes in the night on lonely roads. Aleka's compound is set on fire and not everyone escapes. The best scene is a *guggs* combat between the old Aleka and his rival's young son. As an

Ethi IV, I arrived in Addis Ababa at the same time as Queen Elizabeth and we were treated to *guggs* performed in her honor. Desta's description is better than the real show.

For an old Ethiopia-lover, the novel is a memoir of my experience and Ethiopia's past and present. It is the essential conflict of that country told not by a historian but by a person who experienced it. Desta weaves the traditional Orthodox religious celebrations, the customs of the people, their beliefs and values into the story and reminds us of all the rich complexity of that ancient culture.

Kathleen Moore, who lives in Minneapolis, is a management analyst.



E&E RPCVs at the Austin conference

The Peace Corps conference held in Austin was a great success.

► Ethiopia RPCVs were heavily involved with the planning and operation of the conference. **JOANNE FELDMAN RICHARDS** (66-68) was in charge of the entire registration operation for the conference. **BOB SWAFFAR** (68) prepared the well-designed and extensive signage for all of the many events, was the conference World Wide Web guru and was coordinator for the NPCA annual general meeting, the NPCA board meeting and the foreign policy panel. Both Joanne and Bob received well deserved recognition for their outstanding efforts from Darrel Young, Conference Coordinator, at the Sunday Awards luncheon.

► **HAMILTON RICHARDS** (66-68) was the official local host for Ethiopia and Eritrea RPCVs and E&E RPCVs Steering Committee member **JIM SOLOMON** (63-65) was our groups coordinator for the conference.

► **BOB SWAFFAR** and his wife generously hosted E&E RPCVs at their home for our traditional ingera and wat get-together.

► The country-of-service briefing for Ethiopia and Eritrea featured **JIM SOLOMON**, who had *just* returned from the Ethi II Reunion. Jim's report of conditions in Addis were quite disheartening — not the safe streets that we all remember — but outside the capital and in Eritrea the situation was much better and thoroughly enjoyed by all.

► One of the great things about having the annual conference in a different city and region of the US each time, is that it brings out people who haven't been connected for a very long time but come because it is close enough to home that the trip isn't a major undertaking. One new face for our group who came to Austin was **NEAL MABE**. He made the trip down from Wichita, Kansas, where he works for Boeing.

► **ROBERT HAMILTON** came in 7th in the early Sunday morning Walk/Run for Peace. (He ran.) **PHIL AND LYNN LILIENTHAL's** (67-67) son, Andy (Honduras 92-94) [who looks just like Phil when he was a PCV] won that race.

► A high point of the conference — Barbara Jordan speaking at the awards luncheon. Can't beat hearing a dynamic speaker whose life has been one of great courage and wisdom praising you for your small contribution to the world.

► **ROBERT RUSSELL** (64-66) showed his video, a collage of photos of Massawa, as part of the conference film festival. If you would like a copy of Robert's video, contact him at PO Box 877, Pittsburg TX 75686. Phone: 903 572 3188

► The **STEERING COMMITTEE** of E&E RPCVs met at the conference. In attendance were: Marian Haley Beil, Susan Hundt Bergan, Leo Cecchini, John Coyne, Robert Hamilton and Jim Solomon. [It should be noted that all were at the conference at their own expense.]

The committee reviewed a request from member Wayne Kessler in Eritrea to supply loan funds for a microloan project for demobilized female fighters in Mendefera which was designed by World Vision. The committee voted to commit to providing \$4,000 over the next two years. Our offer was rejected as insufficient and the project eventually was supported by USAID. Wayne is representing enCORPS as a member of the Project Supervisory Committee.

The committee voted to provide a stipend of \$125 per month to Wayne in his role as enCORPS representative in Eritrea to support his efforts to develop projects for enCORPS.

► See page 7 for E&E RPCVs financial report for 1994-95 presented at the conference.

SO MANY BOOKS — HOW TO GET THEM WHERE THEY ARE NEEDED?

I am working on shipping books to high schools and colleges in Ethiopia. Jon Ebeling (62-64) has more than 20 tons of mostly college-level books at California State University, Chico. They are in boxes and we can have them free. Sealing the packages and transporting them to a post office will be a major task, and domestic postage rates (we have been offered free shipment from New York via the UN Economic Commission for Africa) would be well over \$10,000. I do not know how to deal with this problem; just taking the boxes down to examine them is daunting, as the boxes fill the rooms with stacks 10 feet high.

Can anyone help? Offer suggestion? Please contact me, preferably by e-mail.

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At the Peace Corps

▶ Much to the disappointment of many E&E RPCVs Harris Wofford (Country Director 62-64) was not named to replace Carol Bellamy as Director of the Peace Corps when she left the agency to head up UNICEF this past April. Much to the disappointment of many more RPCVs Mark Gearan was appointed to the post by President Clinton. When appointed, Gearan had had no Peace Corps experience, no significant international experience. His previous post was that of coordinator for strategic planning and communication at the White House. Prior to that Gearan was deputy White House chief of staff.

And, in the category of "with friends like this who needs enemies," President Clinton appointed Wofford head of the Corporation for National Service, which the Republicans want to eliminate.

▶ After much haggling, some great moves from Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi (CA) and strong campaigning by PC Director Gearan, the Peace Corps budget has been set at \$205 million. This is a 6.2% cut compared to the 1995 budget. (USAID sustained an 11% cut, foreign aid programs for sustainable development were cut by about 30%.)

▶ Gearan announced that he plans to submit a funding request in the FY 1995 budget for a "Crisis Corps" that would enable 2nd and 3rd year PCVs to provide short-term assistance during humanitarian crises and natural disasters around the world. [FYI — John Coyne proposed such a program in a position paper he wrote in 1993 for then PC Director Carol Bellamy.]

▶ The new Peace Corps Country Director in Ethiopia is Lis A. Doane. She received a J.D. from Hastings College of Law/UCSF in 1984, was a PCV in Papua New Guinea from 1988 to 1991, and was PC Associate Director in Namibia from 1992 to 1995.

▶ The US General Accounting Office report to Congress entitled *Peace Corps: New Programs in the Former Eastern Bloc Countries Should Be Strengthened* addresses the poor start Peace Corps had in launching its Eastern Bloc programs and the impact these programs had on other programs. If you would like to borrow a copy of this report, contact: Marian Haley Beil, 4 Lodge Pole Road, Pittsford NY 14534-4550.

▶ The Peace Corps World Wise Schools Program has developed "Volunteer Views" for the Peace Corps Web site. Each month it addresses a different question posed to PCVs and RPCVs about their countries of service and offers suggestions to teachers on how to use the information to supplement their social studies and geography curricula. Topics addressed recently include: transportation, national dress, methods of expressing gratitude. For more information, if you'd like to participate write:

Peace Corps-World Wise Schools
Attn: Maureen Wilson-Jarrard
1990 K street, NW, Room 9512
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Or email to: mjarrard@peaceprogs.gov



Peace Corps programs - what's hot, what's not

PC Director Mark Gearan has announced that in the face of budget cuts headquarters operations will be reduced by about 20% and the following programs will close:

1996 — Sao Tome & Principe, Marshall Islands, Tunisia, Comoros

1997 — Swaziland, Hungary, Czech Republic, Uruguay (Thailand will be cut to 30 PCVs)

1998 — Botswana, Fiji, Chile, Costa Rica

New programs in Ethiopia and Eritrea will continue and programs will open soon in South Africa and Haiti.

At the National Peace Corps Association

Chic Dambach, President of the NPCA announced that the organization finished 1994 with a surplus of \$63,897 or revenues of \$1,092,302 and expenses

of \$1,028,405. He said, "After many years of deficits, it is comforting to be in the black. Now, we need to begin to build a reserve fund to assure long term



F R I E N D S

▶ Ethiopia roommates **JOHN BARNES** (66-68) and **STEVE KASTAN** (66-68), from Tahoe City, California, enjoyed a reunion in John's hometown of Boston this fall. While dining at the Addis Red Sea Restaurant ("food not spicy enough"), they ran into **JOE CIUFFINI** (64-66) and his wife.

John continues his busy performance schedule. He played clarinet adaptations of Ethiopian music at the Boston Area RPCVs gathering at the Asmara Restaurant on November 9th.

▶ **PATRICIA JOHNSON** (64-66) is the Peace Corps Country Director in Albania. **SALLY COLLIER CAIOLA** (62-64) is Country Director in Swaziland.

▶ **DICK LIPEZ** (62-64) has a full page article in the *Lesbian•Gay•Bisexual RPCV Newsletter*, November, 1995 entitled "Gays, Lesbians and the Peace Corps: Should I or Shouldn't I [volunteer]?"

▶ This fall **MELVIN FOOTE'S** (73-75) Constituency for Africa presented several programs on Africa for the Black Congressional Caucus.

▶ **ROBERT SULLIVAN** (68-70) was featured in the November 10-16, 1995 Austin [TX] Business Journal in an article entitled "A Longhorn²: When founder George Kozmetsky decided to stop down as director of the IC² Center for Commercialization and Enterprise at UT [University of Texas], he went looking for his old friend and protege, Robert Sullivan. Fortunately, Sullivan — who's been 'round these parts before — just happened to be looking for a job."

Robert stayed in Ethiopia for four years after his completion of service teaching business at HSI U. While there he adopted an Ethiopian boy and girl (with much aggravation from the INS), and married.

He returned to the US, took a Ph.D. at Penn State, and became a world class teacher at UT's business school, winning awards for teaching excellence at both the graduate and undergraduate level. In 1991, he went to Carnegie

Mellon University, and as dean of its Graduate School of Industrial Administration worked wonders there. He's now back in Austin heading up IC².

His daughter Almaz, who is now 24, will be going to Ethiopia as a Peace Corps Volunteer in the summer of 1996.

▶ There was an unplanned reunion of Ethi Is at the NPCA Northeast Regional Conference held at Jiminy Peak in the Berkshires in early September. In attendance were Rusty Miller Rich, Paul Reagan, Dick Lipez, Jack Prebis, John Coyne and Marian Haley Beil. Coyne and Beil introduced the Saturday evening entertainment with talk of *RPCV Writers & Readers*. Then Lipez read from an unpublished essay he wrote following a trip to Eritrea with Prebis during the war for liberation.

• **MORRIS BAKER** (66-68) is head of the Peace Corps Dallas regional recruiting office. **JOHN COYNE** (62-64) is head of the New York regional recruiting office.

▶ **AUDREY WEAVER AANES** (65-67) has been working to develop a sustainable development project dealing with host country nationals who are disabled. She has approached the Peace Corps, among other organizations, seeking support.

▶ **WILL SIEGEL** (62-64) has left sunny southern California to return to school in Boston to study writing.

THE TWOs

A note from Gloria Curtis (63-65)

The E/E II Reunion '95 was a *fabulous* success. Thank you so much for putting our articles in *The Herald*. It got us connected to the most delightful non IIs who were wonderful travel buddies. With family members along, we came to 88 bodies in Ethiopia and about 46 in Eritrea. The Kesslers [Wayne & Laurie in Asmara] look great. Ran into Mike Glatte (62-67) in Addis Ababa and John Rude (62-64) in Asmara.

[*Reunioners* — *The Herald* would be delighted to publish any articles about the Reunion trip. Share your experiences with the rest of us who couldn't go and won't have an opportunity to see your slides!]

The Kessler File

Wayne and Laurie Kessler's (64-66) daughter, Joyanna Meherette, has applied to become a Peace Corps Volunteer. But no matter where she goes, part of her will always be Eritrean — she has a tattoo of "Mhret" in Tigrinya!

LOST & FOUND

When a query is received about an Ethiopia or Eritrea RPCV, the request is sent to that RPCV if we have his/her current address. Published are queries for RPCVs for whom we have no current information. Can you help?

While traveling with the Ethi II Reunion tour, Jim Solomon met Ethiopians and Eritreans who were anxious to renew contact with old Peace Corps friends. The following is from Jim. If you would like to talk to Jim about these contacts, you can call him at 510/538-9889 in Hayward, California.

- ▶ Haile Mesfin, an Immigration functionary at Bole Airport in Addis, was the friend of a PC engineer by the name of **DOUG POWERS** in Metu, Illubabor in 1969-70. He's at PO Box 90250, Addis Ababa; home phone, 13-22-15.
- ▶ Tadesse Amdie was a student at the 2° (um, that's secondary if you didn't know) school in Bakoji, Arussi Province, in 1965-66 Ethi calendar (I think that's our 1972-73) and remembers **NICK HONEYSUCKLE** as one of his teachers. Ato Tadesse is at PO Box 9670, Addis Ababa; home phone, 44-19-86.
- ▶ Habteselassie Gebremedhin was a student of **JAMES BROWN** in Senafe around 1965, with whom he carried on a correspondence that (alas, as is the case with so many of us) eventually fizzled. He died fighting on the side of the EPLF in the war for Eritrean independence. His sister, Azieb (Gebremedhin), who's now a manager at the Ambassador Hotel in Asmara (38 Harnet Avenue/ PO Box 73; phone 12-65-44; phone & fax 12-65-45), would like to get in touch with Mr. Brown to let him know of his former student's fate.

▶ Tamirat Tewelde was a student at Prince Makonnen School (the abbreviation for which, I believe, has acquired another meaning since then) in Asmara in 1966-68 and remembers a **MISS MURPHY** and many of his other PC teachers. He's now the head of the Commercial Department at the Asmara Sweater Factory (which also makes fine leather goods), PO Box 1020, Asmara; work phone 11-17-48, 11-16-22(0); fax 12-45-55, 11-60-99; home phone 18-21-43.

▶ Kifleyesus Kerilos was a student in Gore, Illubabor from 1965 to 1974. Among his PC teachers he remembers a **MR. DAN**, a **MR. HATHAWAY**, a **MISS PAT**, a **MISS JANE**, **JOHN GREEN**, who is an African American, and another **JOHN, WHO WAS SHORT AND BALD** (and, I guess, probably still is). He's sure all of them will remember him, as he was "a very popular person" at Haile Selassie I 2° School in Gore and was president of the Grammar Club, the Sports Club, etc. (Sounds like I got his C.V., doesn't it?) He also remembers that PCVs in Metu (Dr. Mike Brady, inter alii, take note) planted a kind of flower outside the hospital there that retracts when touched. Ato Kifleyesus is now a teacher in Asmara and can be reached there c/o the City Book Centre, PO Box 1183.

▶ Zaid Tekeste was a student in Decamhare in 1973-74 and recalls with some humor a **MALE PC TEACHER WITH A BEARD** who repeatedly used the phrase "crocodiles sometimes attack people" as part of his (English?) teaching. She's now the assistant manager at the Dahlak Hotel in Massawa (I don't seem to have the PO box no); phone 55-28-18; phone and fax 55-27-82

▶ Abraham Woldegabriel was at PMS (hmm) in Asmara in 1971 and is now the foreman of a Mobil project on the former Navy base in Massawa. Among his teachers he remembers **MISS DAILEY** and **MR. ROUNDTREE** (sp?) and, I suspect, would enjoy getting in touch with them. I don't have an address for him, but I think I could contact him.

▶ **CARL "BOLATCHO" SCHROEDER** (68-70) would like to hear from Haile Girma and any Ethiopia 10 RPCVs. Carl's address: 17495 Montoya Circle, Morgan Hills, CA 95037.

▶ Teferi Mekonnen would like to hear from **CHRIS OAKNER** (69-72), Illubabor, Gore. Teferi's phone in San Jose: 408-985-2420.

▶ Laurie Kessler writes from Asmara: Tseggai Habte and his wife, Nighisti Embaya want to locate RPCV Miss **EILEEN** who taught at Keren Secondary. Their address: PO Box 229 Asmara, Eritrea.

Tesfai Mehtsentu, a pharmacist in Asmara, is looking for RPCVs he knew at Makele Hospital in the mid-60s: **MILTON HURWITZ** and **NANCY HOPKINS**. The can write to Tesfai c/o Laurie at PO Box 2967, Asmara, Eritrea.

FYI...

The following notices are reports of communications received by E&E RPCVs. They do not constitute endorsements.

▶ Western Michigan University has received a \$100,000 gift to support programs and scholarship opportunities for Ethiopian students that will focus on the development of Ethiopia. The gift is from the nonprofit corporation People to People Foundation for Development of Ethiopia, and was donated by Mahammed Al-Amoudi, a Saudi/Ethiopian businessman and philanthropist. Coordinator of the program is Sisay Asefa. Scholarships will be awarded with the understanding the scholarship winners will return to Ethiopia to apply skills and knowledge learned in the program.

▶ Tsehay Berhe-Selassie, Institute for Advanced Studies, Princeton, has notified us that the Council of Alternative Forces for Peace and Democracy is organizing a meeting in Washington to discuss Ethiopian affairs. For more information call him at: w-609 734-8261, h-609-279-2941.

▶ In commemoration of the 35th Anniversary of the Peace Corps the Friends of Colombia and the Relief Committee for the Horn of Africa, two tax exempt organizations funding projects to help people in Colombia and Somalia, are offering prints of Norman Rockwell's 4 Peace Corps illustrations for two for \$35. \$33 of this amount is tax deductible. The prints normally sell for \$50 each. For more information Contact: Friends of Colombia, PO Box 15292, Chevy Chase, MD 20825.

The prints can be seen at the NPCA Web site at <http://www.vita.org/npca>.

▶ Ghenet Woldai is an independent travel consultant in Oklahoma City who advertises that she can book travel to Addis and Asmara for very competitive prices. Call her at 405/748 3721 for more information.

▶ A wonderful 30-minute videotape created by secondary school students in Burkina Faso with the guidance of RPCV

Priscilla Hinckley is available for \$44.95. It is the story of a girl who decides to become educated and as a result encounters an unexpected dilemma. Scenes show her home, school and city life with classmates. It presents a great opportunity for US students to see how much their lives are like those of students in another part of the world. Perfect as a gift for a teacher, teen, school library . . . Contact Priscilla at: 6G Pine Grove, Amherst MA 01002.

▶ In the August, 1995 *Wired* magazine, writer Norman Weinstein gave an enthusiastic review to "Ethiopian Groove: The Golden Seventies," a CD put out by Blue Silver. To quote Weinstein: "Despite its captivating, lurching rhythms and its vocalist sounding both vaguely Arabic and bluesy, Ethiopian pop has suffered obscurity in the West for too long. . . . Lots of cheesy synthesizer riffs with harsh guitar and sax outline what sound like swells of Afro-psychedelia cut with textures of keening blues. Piercing classics are performed with existential urgency."

▶ Interested in environmental issues? Join the RPCVs for Environment and development. For a free copy of their newsletter and information about the group, send your address to: Katy Hansen, Box 246, Orange City, IA 51041; phone 612/737-2700; email katywhansen@igc.apc.org

Required reading

To borrow a copy of any of the following, contact: Marian Haley Beil, 4 Lodge Pole Road, Pittsford NY 14534-4550.

▶ *The New York Times*, Sunday, December 10, 1995 had a long article in its travel section entitled "Eritrea: The Pulse of Life in a New Country." In the article writer Anne Calcagno enthusiastically told of her boat trip to the Dahlak islands off Massawa where she did

world class diving to see incredible undersea life. Made you want to do it. And the \$20 hotel rooms and \$3 meals detailed in the "Getting Around" summary should have the tourists flocking to this country that we all know and love.

▶ In the October 2, 1995 issue of *The New Yorker*, there is a lengthy and excellent article: "An African Nuremberg: Their former rulers are on trial for the torture and murder of thousands — but many Ethiopians are more concerned about the present."

▶ *The Essential Internet: Basics for NGOs* is an easy-to-understand introduction to the Net tailored to the needs and interests of the NGO community.

▶ Two scathing attacks on the Peace Corps appeared in the June 20th edition of *Beza*, a private Amharic weekly published in Ethiopia entitled "American invasion against Ethiopian culture and education" and "American neocolonialism emasculates Ethiopia's ability to determine its destiny."

▶ "The human rights situation in Ethiopia," eighth report, published by the Ethiopian Human Rights Council in June, 1995

▶ Reports by the International Commission of Jurists and Amnesty International (April, 1995) which document the fact that the Ethiopian government has constantly denied the people's rights, particularly when leaders of opposition parties try to assert themselves or when reporters express views critical of the government.

▶ The Modern Language Association has prepared a listing of 91 items for its bibliography of Ethiopian/abyssain scholarship.

▶ Have received a variety of articles about E & E from readers from *The Economist*, *LA Times* & *SF Chronicle* that are quite informative.

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A membership form can be found on page 15.

Married couples — I have arbitrarily selected one of you to receive the newsletter to save duplication. Please don't feel left out if your name isn't on the label.



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