



# The Samburu Project

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The Samburu Project collaborates with communities in developing countries to enhance men, women & children's daily lives by providing resources that address immediate needs while promoting long term sustainability and self-sufficiency along with cultural integrity.

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## Greetings from the Executive Director

I hope this finds everyone well and enjoying their May flowers. Santa Monica has been suffering from *June Gloom* early this year. For those of you who aren't living in Southern California, it isn't always sunny! However, despite the weather, the last two months have been full of activity for The Samburu Project. On April 21<sup>st</sup>, The Samburu Project Pittsburgh was launched with a big party and fundraiser at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Street Gallery in Carnegie, PA. We raised over \$23,000 (see article below for details).



I am also pleased and delighted to announce that The Samburu Project will begin Phase I of 25 Wells this

June. We have joined forces with Moses Pulei and Staff of Hope, a Kenyan well drilling NGO to execute this part of our project. Our goal is to construct four wells this summer bringing water to over 8,000 Samburu people and their 40,000 livestock!

Because of all the incredible love and support I have received from everyone, I will be arriving back in Samburu on my one year anniversary with the gift of water!

## Shallow vs. Deep Wells

Initially our plan was to drill 25 shallow wells in Samburu, Kenya. These wells are typically between 15 & 50 ft. deep and cost about \$2,000. With the terrible drought Kenya has faced this past year, experts believe that shallow wells could dry up within a year. Consequently, we have decided to drill deep wells (boreholes) which are much more extensive and therefore costly yet offer greater sustainability. These boreholes will be 60 meters (200 ft.) or more in depth accessing an aquifer deep below the earth's surface. The cost is approximately \$10,000.

Though the price is much greater, I am confident that drilling boreholes is the best decision meeting The Samburu Project's mission of sustainability while addressing the Samburu people's immediate needs. It may take us a little bit longer to drill 25 Wells, but with continued support it is absolutely possible.

If you want to meet the Samburu people and see well drilling first hand, please join me in Kenya this summer for The Samburu Project's SAFARI!

Until next time...

Much peace,

Kristen Kosinski

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## Pittsburgh Launch Party!

Thanks to Tereleigh Fabean, Elizabeth Petruccelli and our amazing committee, The Samburu Project made a big splash in Pittsburgh on April 21<sup>st</sup>. Not only did we raise over \$23,000 but we also had a fantastic party with Colter Harper & Kofi Gbolonyo playing the African drums, Phil Salvato & his jazz band, Papa Js delightful bitings, Walnut Crest wine and last but certainly not least Saul Lempirikany, a Samburu native, shared his story. Thanks to all who ventured down to 3<sup>rd</sup> Street Gallery to support the project!

### Saul Lempirikany

Saul Lempirikany was born & raised in a little village called Sirata Oirobi about 15 kms from Maralal the headquarters of the Samburu District. After high school Saul entered Egerton University to study mathematics & physics, but in his second year he received a track & field scholarship from Iowa State University in Ames, Iowa. Graduating in 1999 with a BS in Computer Science, he began his career as a software developer and earned a masters degree in Software Systems in 2004.



As Saul sees it, "There are very few things in my life that are as important as helping the people of Samburu. I have been there. I have seen it. I have experienced it. I have witnessed my mother and the women of Samburu go through the challenges of being a Samburu woman."

Saul has been named President of The Samburu Project Minneapolis. We are looking forward to planning a launch party there next fall where we will raise money to drill a borehole in Saul's family's village.



Tereleigh, Patti, Gary, Kristen & Elizabeth.



3<sup>rd</sup> Street Gallery, Carnegie, PA

A special thank you to the following people & organizations who made the event possible...

Phil Salvato & the 3<sup>rd</sup> Street Gallery, Kim Neal & Red Carpet Eventz

**TSP Co-Presidents:** Tereleigh Fabean & Elizabeth Petruccelli

**Committee:** Howard Austin, Lynn Banbury, Jennifer Eck, Scott Fabean, Lillian Fairman, Angela Joint Kweder, Gary Kosinski, Patricia MacLennan, Anne Rielly, Alexis Gursky Sebastian

**Sponsors:** Amerathon, Dickie McCamey & Chilcote, P.C., Papa Js, Robinson Beer & Beverage, Walnut Crest Wine

Akwa Restaurant, Wawi Amasha, The Ambrose Hotel, Carl Anderson, Meghan Anderson, Arizona Gunslinger, Asti's Pharmacy, Banbury Pet Service, Lisa Banbury, Jennifer Baron, The Bridge, Sona Carapellotti, Carnegie Health & Wellness, Carnegie Museum, China Palace, Civic Light Opera, Coit, Jason & Lisa Coll, Stacey Cooper, Destinta Theatres, Lisa Dietrich, Dina Ellen,

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## Thanks yous (con't)

The Ellen Degeneres Show, Eureka, Footloose, Galleria Theatres, Ellen Giarrusso, Girasole, Good Wood Grille, Karen Grabowski, Ground Round, Health Trax, Himalayan Institute, Jeffrey Smith Studio, Jernigan's, KDKA, Kennywood, The Henninger Family, Elizabeth Koch, Lafayette 148, Betsy Laquinta, Mariner Financial Group, Mattress Factory, Mitchell's Seafood, Molto Bella Ceramica, Karen Morris – Silpada Jewelry, Mr. Magic, Olive or Twist, Paramount Pictures, Michele Petruccelli, Phipps Conservatory & Botanical Gardens, Pittsburgh Ballet, Pittsburgh Opera, Pittsburgh Penguins, Pittsburgh Playhouse, Pittsburgh Science Center, Pittsburgh Symphony, Pittsburgh Zoo, Rollier's Hardware, Sofitel Hotel, Starbucks, Dr. Ted Steliotes, Tenant Representation Associates, Warhol Museum, Wholey's, Xtreme Fitness, Zarelli & Co.

## SAFARI with The Samburu Project

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**Tim Fairman** & Dawn Treader International have tailored a safari specifically for The Samburu Project. On this journey, you will have the opportunity to go to Samburu, connect with the people and witness the 25 Wells Project in process. For detailed information about the trip go to

[www.dawntreaderinternational.homestead.com](http://www.dawntreaderinternational.homestead.com)

If you are interested, please don't delay as reservations must be made ASAP. You can also call Tim Fairman directly at 719 539 5448. A portion of your trip cost will be donated to The Samburu Project!!!

## 25 Wells Documentary

Time is drawing nearer and we have yet to secure financing and a filmmaker for the 25 Wells Documentary. Don't be shy...step up to the plate. It is guaranteed to be an adventure!

Call Kristen 310 899 3788

## The Gift of Water

The Samburu Project continues to accept donations. Please help to keep us going...

Please make checks payable to:

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You can also donate on the web with a credit card. Go to [www.thesamburuproject.org](http://www.thesamburuproject.org).

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## Coming Up

June/July 2006 – Phase I 25 Wells, Samburu, Kenya

Fall 2006 – Launch parties in Atlanta, Chicago & Minneapolis

September 30, 2006 – The Samburu Project's one year anniversary event (details coming soon!)

## Wish List

Below are some items we would gladly accept as in-kind donations:

### Goods

- Office Space in Santa Monica
- Office Supplies – Envelopes, File Folders, Paper, Printer Cartridges, Stationary
- In Focus machine
- Airline Miles

### Services

- Airline Sponsorship
- Bookkeeping
- Documentary Filmmaking
- Event Planning
- Fundraising
- Grant Writing
- Printing
- Public Relations

Please let us know if you can help with any of the above!!!