

## Global Connections IV

Anna Nesvetailo of School No. 204, Novosibirsk, Russia was the keynote speaker at the Sovietski District, Novosibirsk Conference held August 28, 2000 and her topic covered her experiences at the GC IV Seminar.

Anna Nesvetailo of School No. 204, Novosibirsk, Russia, has shared her impressions of GC IV at the International Siberian Fair, made a report at the ACTR conference for EL teachers and has spoken about Global Connections to local teachers at seminars.

Anna Nesvetailo of School No. 204, Novosibirsk, Russia, took part in The Active Citizens, Strong Communities Conference held May 21-28, 2001 in Vancouver, Canada. While there, she was able to visit other Global Connections' member schools in Canada, including Bayview Glen and met with Rouve Ritson of Collingwood School.

Henry Moses, Headmaster of Trinity School (NY, USA), and David Matthews, Rector of Tiger Kloof Educational Institution, South Africa, have agreed on the outline of a teacher training and exchange program for the 2002 academic year.

Ken Rowe, Principal of Frankston High School, Australia, met with Ellen Kondowe, Principal of Letsibogo Girls' School in Soweto, South Africa, to debrief her regarding Letsibogo students attending Frankston during the last school year and to arrange for three more Letsibogo students' attendance at Frankston for the 2001-2002 academic year.

Frankston High School, Australia, is planning for Jeannie Egan from Yuendumu Community Centre in the Northern Territory, Australia, to be an artist-in-residence at Frankston for a week. She will bring some of her community students to Frankston during her stay.

Letsibogo Girls' School, South Africa, has received a gift of computers presented by Thomas Sullivan of Gramercy Partners L.L.C. in New York, while paying a visit to the school. Ambassador Sheila Sisulu, the South African Ambassador based in Washington, D.C., U.S.A., had met with Ellen Kondowe, Principal of Letsibogo Girls' School, during the pre-Seminar phase of GC IV, and it was Amb. Sisulu who made the arrangements for the computer gift. Letsibogo now has an e-mail address.

Christopher Hopkins, Dean of Students at The Hill School (PA, USA), taught at Maru-a-Pula in Botswana through the month of August until the second week in September, 2000. Two Maru-a-Pula students were attending The Hill School and a third was to arrive for the 2000 - 2001 academic year.

Celia Patterson, a teacher from Mowbray College, Australia, visited Collingwood School, Canada, in April of 2001.

Larysa Olefirenko, Principal of Secondary School No. 8, Odessa, The Ukraine, appeared in articles in the following publications: Soviet Ismail, Dunaets, and Predunayskyie Vesty. The articles covered her experiences at the GC IV Seminar and pre-Seminar programs.

Irina Shilova, Head Teacher, School 307, St. Petersburg, Russia, kindly hosted Verna Harrison of Maryland's Department of Natural Resources, and her daughter, Katie, during their August venture in St. Petersburg. Irina Shilova had met Verna Harrison during the pre-Seminar program of GC IV.

Anna Nesvetailo, School No. 204, Novosibirsk, Russia, advises that one of her school's EL Teachers has received replies from Alan Patterson, Headmaster of Mowbray College, Australia, and from Noelene Horton, Principal of Lowther Hall Anglican Grammar School, Australia. Anna also reports that she has been in contact

with Marion Farndale at Westfield, England, and indicates that she is prepared to arrange for an exchange program between schools.

Gordon Macdonald, Principal of Falcon College, Zimbabwe, reports that Glenn Sherratt, Director of the John Dorr Nature Center of the Horace Mann School NY, USA), visited him in December, 2000 as a result of their meeting at GC IV.

The Graded School in Brazil has made a further link with The Hill School (PA, USA) and is hoping to host two of their teachers in August and to send two of its teachers to The Hill in January.

Alan Patterson, Principal of Mowbray College, Australia, reports a "connecting" with Novosibirsk, School No. 204, Russia and hopes to visit with a school party in July, 2001 as a start to a "Sister School" arrangement.

Mowbray College, Australia, has provided travel scholarships for three students and a teacher (Svetna Chernoby) from Novosibirsk to attend Mowbray for six weeks.

Alan Patterson, Principal of Mowbray College, Australia, "connecting" with Ellen Kondowe, Letsibogo Girls' School, South Africa, hopes to provide a library position for one year.

Three students from the Tiger Kloof Educational Institution, South Africa, completed a term's visit to Mowbray College in Australia in 2000; early in 2001, Mowbray learners will come to Tiger Kloof and later in the year, Mowbray and Tiger Kloof are to have had a teacher exchange called the Tiger Kloof/Mowbray College Exchange.

Ken Rowe, Principal of Frankston High School, Australia, noted that Jeannie Egan from the Yuendumu Community Centre in the Northern Territory of Australia conducted an artist-in-residence program at Frankston.

Ken Rowe, Principal of Frankston High School, Australia, reports that three girls (Hilda, Onicah, and Elshia) from Letsibogo Girls' School, Soweto, South Africa, were in attendance at Frankston High School, January, 2001.

Stephen Higgs, Head of Ballarat Grammar School, Australia, and his school community have decided to fund a scholarship for a student at Tiger Kloof, South Africa.

As a result of their meeting at GC IV, Ms. Catherine Bashshur, Head of the American Community School in Lebanon, sent a contribution for Letsibogo's Library.

Karen Murton, Branksome Hall, Canada advised a student from Wanganui, New Zealand, spent a GAP year at Branksome Hall in August, 2001.

As a direct result of his presence and presentation at Global Connections IV, Larry Weiss, Head of the Upper School at Horace Mann, (NY, USA), spoke at The Mountain School's (MA, USA) conference on Ethics and The Environment, held in July, 2001.

Dilworth School (New Zealand) took students from St. Stithians (South Africa) and Frankston High School (Australia) on a GAP year at their Junior Campus in 2001.

Two students, Kenneth Lewela and Stephen Mwinga, from the Starehe Boys' Centre and School in Nairobi, Kenya, were students in the Post-Matric Centre at St. Stithians College, South Africa, for the 2000 - 2001 academic year.

Peter Harris, Director of Global Education Enterprises and Vice President of PAPE, Australia, has initiated a Youth Ecology Camp which was organized in association with the PAPE Conference in October, 2001.

Noelene Horton, Principal of Lowther Hall Anglican Grammar School in Australia advised that in September, 2001, a group of students from Lowther Hall stayed at Traidos Foundation's, Thailand, Prem Center to study the environment and culture and to undertake the expedition component of the D of E Scheme for two to three weeks. Students from Kilvington Grammar, Australia, may have also joined the group.

The Hill School (PA,USA) has received students from Maru-a-Pula, Botswana for the school year 2001 - 2002.

Peter Tacy, the Executive Director of the Connecticut Association of Independent Schools, USA, has advised that the content of GC IV helped his organization create the basis of the November, 2001 CAIS/NYSAIS Heads' Conference on Educating for Global Stewardship. Mr. Tacy was to include the Deerfield Declaration on Education for Sustainable Development in the registrants' information packets.

Tim Ellis, Executive Director of Global Quest, USA, has visited and presented on Global Quest at many Global Connections' member schools, including Deerfield Academy, Horace Mann, Hotchkiss, The Mountain School and St. Mark's.

Dima Zau'iter of the Jubilee School in Amman, Jordan, advised that as a result of Global Connections IV, her school now offers a course on Environmentalism as a selective course.

Peter Harris, Director of Global Education Enterprises, Australia, has advised of the use of "The Natural Step" as presented at Deerfield.

Hilary Matthews of Tiger Kloof Educational Institution, South Africa, advises that Tiger Kloof is seeking membership in the Round Square, has adapted Gandhi's principle of seven social evils, has used the publication Owned by the Land as a guide for basic environmental concepts which have resulted in plans to build a bird hide, develop wetlands, eliminate alien plant species in the Kloof, and a declaration of the campus as a litter-free zone.

Eleanor Dase, Head of The Athenian School (CA, USA), reported on a project undertaken by a faculty member to save water and the formation of a Board supported environmental conservation committee made up of two Trustees, four students and two faculty members.

Hank Moses, Headmaster of Trinity School, USA, has begun to review its curriculum to seek what role the school can take in holding to the principles of sustainable development as stated in the Deerfield Declaration.

The Principal of No. 1 Middle School Attached School to the Central China Normal University, (Mr. Li through his interpreter), shared a program called "Protecting Our Home" in which the students monitored the quality of water and made a report containing suggestions to the government. The students won a contest for this program and the government adopted the suggestions.

Alden Smith, Assistant Director of The Mountain School at Milton Academy, USA reported a conference for urban schools was held on Ethics, Education and Environment at the Mountain campus.

Malcolm McKenzie, Principal of the United World College of the Atlantic, United Kingdom, reported discussions to set up a committee to act as an environmental audit group on campus.

Karen Murton, Principal of Branksome Hall, Canada, advises that in the school year 2000 - 2001 two girls from SCECGS/Redlands, Australia, came to Branksome for three months and the two host girls later returned to Australia for three months.

Tessa Fairbairn of St. Cyprian's School in South Africa reports of teacher/student exchange with the Hotchkiss School (USA).

Molly Barnes, Head of School, Rocky Mountain Semester in Colorado (CO, USA), reports that Trinity, Deerfield, Putney, and Athenian Schools (USA) have considered offering their enrichment program to their students.

George Semivule, Headmaster of King's College Budo, Uganda, reports that teachers from Tiger Kloof (South Africa) visited his school during the summer of 2000.

Deerfield Academy, (MA, USA) sent a gap year student as a teaching assistant to Tiger Kloof Educational Institution (Vryburg, South Africa).

A teacher on sabbatical from Deerfield Academy (MA, USA) will visit Letsibogo Girls' High School (Soweto, South Africa) in January, 2002 in order to see how they are dealing with AIDS education. This teacher will also visit Durban Girls' College (Durban, South Africa) and St. Anne's (Kwa Zulu Natal, South Africa).

As a result of Global Connections IV, a member of the Science Department of Deerfield Academy (MA, USA) visited several schools in Australia during the summer of 2001.

Deerfield Academy (MA, USA) offered a one year scholarship to a Maru-a-Pula student for the academic 2000 - 2001 school year.

In keeping with the "Environmental" theme of Seminar IV, Tiger Kloof Educational Institution, Vryburg, South Africa, supports a sign at its gate which reads "Tiger Kloof is a litter-free zone. We care for our environment." Tiger Kloof is introducing waste recycling, permaculture technology, paper recycling for compressed paper bricks for heating, compost making using food waste and the establishment of woodlots for firewood for the local township.

Tiger Kloof Educational Institution, Vryburg, South Africa, is spearheading a "War on Litter Campaign" in the Huhudi schools and requesting tree donations from the local Department of Agriculture in order to "green" the township schools.

Barbara Stone, Principal of MLC School, Australia, advised of a teacher visit from the Deerfield Academy (MA, USA) in 2001.

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