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Linking All Types of Teachers to International Cross-cultural Education.

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To: All LATTICE members and friends

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1. LATTICE Updates
 - a. LATTICE PHOTO SESSION

LATTICE annual photo session for the 2006-2007 Yearbook will be held at the next LATTICE monthly session on March 22. Members are encouraged to dress comfortably. You are welcome to wear your traditional outfit.

- b. LATTICE MONTHLY SESSION

We look forward to your participation at the next monthly session, which will explore "Gender Issues in Education." The next Lattice session is on Thursday, March 22, 2007, from 12:30-4:30 at Haslett High School.

In anticipation of a very interesting and stimulating discussion, members are encouraged to reflect on how gender role is manifested in their personal experiences. We hope you plan to attend the entire session from 12:30-4:30 p.m.

Members are also welcomed to bring a dish to share for the International Food Break.

- c. LATTICE FRIENDLY REMINDER

Members who wish to send news, events, announcements, resources, etc for LATTICE e-letter are encouraged to send them to lattice@msu.edu. Please do not send to Norseha's e-mail. Many thanks for your kind consideration.

2. Global & International Seminar - March 14, 2007

PARTNERSHIP TO PREPARE GLOBAL & INTERNATIONAL EDUCATORS (P-GLIE) SEMINAR SERIES

"Teaching about Difference & Others: Latin America & Asia in US Textbooks & Classrooms"

Wednesday, March 14 @ 12:00–1:30 p.m.
Room 116–H Erickson Hall, MSU Campus

Presentations and discussions with:

Rocio Quispe–Agnoli, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Spanish and Portuguese
Won–Pyo Hong, Graduate Student, Dept. of Teacher Education
Makito Yurita, Graduate Student, Dept. of Teacher Education
Kristin Janka Millar, Graduate Student, Dept. of Teacher Education

Funded by a Professional Development Network Grant, Department of Teacher Education, College of Education, Michigan State University with support from International Studies and Programs, and the MSU Libraries.

For more information contact: Kristin@msu.edu

3. MSUnite for Darfur – March 14, 2007

This Wednesday, March 14th @ 7:00 pm
339 Case Hall, MSU Campus

Get excited for MSUnite for Darfur tomorrow night! Come join STAND and student groups from across campus in working to end this genocide. MSUnite is a chance for us as students to come together and informally discuss ways in which we can raise awareness, challenge indifference, and stimulate action among the student body. We will fill you in on the current situation in Darfur as well as the history behind the genocide. We also want to hear your ideas and suggestions on new ways in which we might approach MSU students. We'll spend some time writing to our congresspeople, letting them know how we feel about what is going on and what they can do to help. There will also be snacks and a showing of the film "Sometimes in April."

And, on Thursday night from 7–9pm in the MSU Union Ballroom, the U.S. Ambassador to the Sudan Cameron Hume will be speaking about Darfur. Hosted by the Muslim Students Association, this is a very important event in which we will have the opportunity to speak directly to one of the main actors in the U.S. administration that deals daily with the Sudan.

We look forward to seeing you this week, please do not hesitate to e-mail us at MSU.STAND@gmail.com if you have any questions!

4. MSU Diversity Events

Please remember to mark your calendar!

- a. Annual African Cultural Week: March 13 – 17, 2007,
Sponsored by the African Student Union

Theme: AWAKE: Africa's War Against the Known Epidemic

Tuesday March 13, 2007 @ 7 pm

Panel Discussion on the causes and remedies for poverty in Africa
McDonel Hall Kiva

Wednesday March 14, 2007

Movie Night: Lumumba
7:00 pm B 106 Wells Hall

Friday, March 16 @ 8 pm

Awareness Day
Open mic and music
Heritage Cafe, MSU Union

Saturday, March 17 @ 5:00 pm

Gala Night
Pasant Theater, Wharton Center

Followed by an African banquet @ the Heritage Cafe, MSU Union (\$15 for gala and diner, MSU students free)

- b. Indian Breakfast and Education Panel – March 16

You are invited to a series of events related to India & Indian Education on March 16 in Erickson Hall.

A special India themed breakfast, 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM, in the 1st floor, Graduate Student Lounge, Erickson Hall

On the menu:

Idli & Chutney, Pohe, Spicy Puri, Upma, Masala Vada, Chai, Coffee & miscellaneous Indian snacks.

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Concurrent with the breakfast will be a series of informal presentations on Indian education. Presenters, affiliations and topics are:

Amita Chudgar, Michigan State University
Access to education in India

Andrew McBride, University of Michigan
Summer in South Asia: Working for the Humsafar Trust

Jim Ratcliffe, Michigan State University
Using technology in Indian schools: Of blogs, wikis and environmental education

Rohit Setty, University of Michigan
Between the Banyan and the Schoolhouse: School architecture and the development of school-children's identity

Sapna Taggar, University of Michigan, Flint
Reflections on teaching study abroad in India

Vishwajit Kumar Singh, Michigan State University
Learning & Teaching a Language in India and the US

Also, representatives of ASHA for Education at Michigan State will be present to talk about their work for schools in India

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Running all day in the Erickson Hall Lobby will be a informational kiosk and multimedia show on India and Indian Education

Please join us for these events.

Sincerely

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To find out more the events, please visit:
<http://www.asianstudies.msu.edu/events/events.html>

c. I STOP HATE : MSU UNITED

More than 60 representatives of MSU student organizations and MSU President Lou Anna K. Simon kicked off the "I Stop Hate : MSU United" initiative in February at MSU.

This initiative supports President Lou Anna K. Simon's vision of an inclusive MSU community she outlined in her Statement on Diversity and Inclusion. "We come from different backgrounds and cultures, but we share a common desire. We believe in a campus climate where every member of the MSU community feels respected and all can reach their true potential"

March 14, 2007, Initiative Materials Drop I Stop Hate :
MSU United will put a sandwich sized baggie of initiative-related materials into every residence hall mailbox on campus.

March 31, 2007, Charity Walk for Inclusion On March 31, I Stop Hate : MSU United will sponsor an on campus Charity Walk for Inclusion to raise money for the Red Cross and the MSU Student Food Bank.

Outreach: I Stop Hate has already started a partnership with Holt High school. Holt Public schools diversity and challenge groups have taken on the initiative within our district. I Stop Hate will partner with Holt to bring in materials, speakers, and activities for staff and students. I Stop Hate has plans to partner with additional area schools and organizations such as LATTICE with similar missions.

Please welcome the I Stop Hate co-organizer, Lauren Beach, as one of our guests at the March Lattice meeting.

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d. World Languages Day on Saturday, April 21

From Katie Robiadek

World Languages Day on Saturday, April 21
Seeking Volunteers!

We need volunteers for World Languages Day, a one-day conference held on campus for Michigan high school students to encourage them to include the study of foreign languages, cultures and a study abroad experience in their high school and college careers.

You can learn more about this event at our website, <http://clear.msu.edu/wld/>. Specific volunteering information can be found at <http://clear.msu.edu/wld/volunteers.html>.

We have various volunteer teams which we need to staff, and we'd love to have your participation!

The teams we are envisioning are:

Set-up Team (7:00–8:30 am)

Registration Team (8:15–10:30 am)

Sessions Team (10:30 am – 3:30 pm -- in shifts)

Staff Room Team (10:30 am – 3:30 pm -- in shifts)

Information Team (8:30 am – 4:30 pm -- in shifts)

Gopher Team (8:30 am – 4:30 pm -- in shifts)

Tear-down Team (4:00–5:30 pm)

We will call a Volunteer Training Meeting the week of April 16, time and location TBA.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Joy Campbell at joyclear@msu.edu.

Thank you very much!

5. Opportunities/Resources for Teachers

a. Fulbright–Hays Group Projects Abroad to Ecuador

Please contact Diane Ruonavaara (e-mail: ruonavaa@msu.edu; phone: 517.432.7609) if you are interested in the opportunity described below.

Request for Applications

Fulbright–Hays Group Projects Abroad Program (GPA) – Ecuador:

Cultural Diversity and Social Change in the Andean Highlands

July 6 – August 2, 2007

The Fulbright–Hays Group Projects Abroad to Ecuador is a travel seminar to Ecuador open to Michigan K–12 teachers, and MSU graduate students in the field of education. The purpose of the GPA is to provide experiences from which to

internationalize curriculum, gain an understanding of Ecuador and learn or improve Spanish language skills.

All participants must demonstrate a need for and interest in internationalizing curriculum through a short-term study and travel experience. Areas the group will visit include: Quito, Otavalo for language study, the Ecuadorian Amazonia, and the southern city of Cuenca. This opportunity is contingent upon funding.

Deadline for applications: April 15, 2007

For further information and application materials please visit the web site: <http://www.msu.edu/~ruonavaa/fhgpa-ecuador/Ecuador.html> right click on mouse to open link.)

b. 12 Full Scholarships to Egypt – AFS Intercultural Programs

AFS Youth Ambassadors Summer Language Institute in Egypt for US High School Students. Program Dates: 6/30/07 – 8/13/07

AFS is offering 12 extraordinary young people full-tuition scholarships for an intensive summer language and cultural immersion program in Egypt. Selected participants will participate in an intensive Arabic language and homestay program from June 30 to August 13, 2007.

This special program includes: briefing with officials from the U.S. Embassy in Cairo; pre- and post- program orientations; intensive language classes; interaction with Egyptian parliamentarians, educators, and leaders; and excursions to important sites will help bring Egypt into historical perspective. Support will be provided by YES (Youth Exchange and Study Program) returnees, a AFS volunteer program leader and AFS Egypt Staff.

Eligibility:

- Age between 15-18 (students must be less than 18 years old on 6/30/07)
- Academic achievement 3.0 GPA and above
- Demonstrate character that would make them an outstanding representative of the US
- Demonstrate an ability to meet cross-cultural challenges with maturity, respect, and humor
- Be committed to share their own culture with their Egyptian host family
- Demonstrate an avid interest in learning Arabic and commitment to continue Arabic study upon return to the US (note: preference will be given to applicants at the elementary or beginning language level)

How to Apply --

AFS would like to ask for your help with nominating outstanding young people ready to embrace this opportunity. To receive nomination forms call/email Anna Sharp-Whitcomb at AFS arabicsli@afs.org or visit the web at www.usa.afs.org/usa_en/view/3730

- Nominations: March 26, 2007
- Completed Student Applications: April 2, 2007

c. The Feminization of Teaching – March 15, 2007

2007 WINTER LECTURE SERIES in Global Urban Education
OAKLAND UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF EDUCATION & HUMAN SERVICES

“Persistence and Ruptures: The Feminization of Teaching and Teacher Education in Argentina”

Presented by: DR. GUSTAVO FISCHMAN
Thursday, March 15, 2007, 5:00pm
350A Pawley Hall (ERL)

Light refreshments will be served.

Admission is free, but reservations are requested to Holly Smith at either (248) 370-3045 or smith211@oakland.edu by Monday, March 12, 2007

Gustavo Fischman is an Associate Professor in the Divisions of Educational Policy and Curriculum and Instruction at Arizona State University. His research interests are in the areas of comparative and international education, gender studies, and qualitative studies. Dr. Fischman is the author of two books and several articles on Latin American education, teacher education, cultural studies, and gender issues in education.

d. Google "Literary Trips"

An interesting resource on Mapping Literature – Google Literary Trips.

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

Follow the wanderings of Odysseus, the travels of Candide, or the journey of the Joads, among others. This site uses Google Earth technology to locate fiction and nonfiction in real places.

e. Win a Trip, and See a Different World

From John Metzler

This column by Nicolas Kristof appeared March 11, 2007 issue of New York Times-- LATTICE teachers, please note that Kristof uses this column to announce as special prize for a US teacher--an all expense trip to Africa, accompanying him on a reporting tour this summer. It would be great if that teacher were a LATTICE teacher!

Win a Trip, and See a Different World!
by Nicolas Kristof

Last year I chose a young woman from Mississippi, Casey Parks, and we traveled together through central Africa. Casey and I saw malnourished children just like Hidayah, and visited burned-out villages in areas of the Central African Republic that had been caught up in the furies of the spreading Darfur genocide. Pygmy trackers led us through the jungle to see gorillas and elephants, and we managed to be held up at gunpoint by bandits.

If you win the trip, you won't be practicing tourism, but journalism. You'll blog and prepare videos for the New York Times and MySpace Web sites. I'm betting that you'll be able to connect with young readers and viewers and galvanize them to care about these issues in a way that I can't.

Rules and applications is be posted at
<<http://www.nytimes.com/marketing/winatrip/info/>>www.nytimes.com/winatrip and
at
<<http://www.myspace.com/kristofontheground>>www.myspace.com/kristofonthegroun
d.

And for those who apply but don't win, go anyway on your own. You'll learn more than you ever would from an equivalent period in the classroom.

By <<http://topics.nytimes.com/top/opinion/editorialsandoped/oped/columnists/nicholasdkristof/index.html?inline=nyt-per>>NICHOLAS D. KRISTOF

f. Professional Development Opportunity in the Galapagos Islands

The Toyota International Teacher Program to the Galapagos Islands is a unique study abroad opportunity for U.S. educators. This program to South America aims to inspire collaboration between U.S. and Galapagueño teachers and to build awareness of how to teach sustainability and environmental stewardship through a cross-cultural approach.

Applications are available online to participate in this fully-funded 10-day study tour of the Galapagos Islands. Eligible applicants must teach full time in grades 7-12 and must

have at least 3 years teaching experience by April 23, 2007. Twenty (20) classroom teachers of all disciplines will be selected to travel the Galapagos Islands to discover some of the world's most unique animals, explore cutting-edge environmental projects, and participate in discussions with experts and community leaders.

Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc. sponsors these opportunities with the goal of expanding the global perspectives of all educators and their students.

Full-time classroom teachers in grades 7-12 are encouraged to submit online applications for the Toyota International Teacher Program by April 23, 2007. Apply online at <http://iie.org/toyota>. Program brochures may be requested by visiting the Toyota International Teacher Program website or by calling the Institute of International Education at 1-877-832-2457.

g. Global TeachNet's Global Libraries Outreach Campaign

Global TeachNet, the global education program of the National Peace Corps Association, is coordinating library events with returned Peace Corps volunteer groups as part of our Global Libraries Outreach Campaign. The campaign connects returned Peace Corps volunteers with public libraries to bring a variety of global education programs to communities around the country. Upcoming events in Birmingham, Alabama, organized by the Greater Birmingham Returned Peace Corps Volunteers, include:

North Shelby Library Book Club

The book club will discuss "The No. 1 Ladies Detective Agency" and others in the series of books by Alexander McCall Smith. Two returned Peace Corps volunteers who served in Botswana will present an inside view of Botswana.

International Crafts and Games

Join us for Origami: the art of Japanese paper folding.

Pajama Story Hour

Heather White, who served as a Peace Corps volunteer in Burkina Faso, will read "I Lost My Tooth in Africa" by Penda Diakite.

To learn more about these and other events and the Global Libraries Outreach Campaign, please visit <http://www.peacecorpsconnect.org/pages/sitepage.cfm?id=1679>.

6. Zulu Baskets and Scholarships

From Sally McClintock <sallyma@comcast.net>

Basket Sale News: I am very pleased to announce that \$2500 for scholarships was raised at the recent basket sale at All Saints Episcopal. All the fees for baskets and cost of mailing the baskets have now been covered so that the future sale of approximate 25 baskets will be completely for scholarships! Thanks to all of you who helped make this possible by labeling, selling and/or purchasing baskets.

LATTICE will participate in a Fair Trade Sale at the East Lansing Film Festival in Wells Hall on Saturday, March 24 from 12:30 – 5:00. If you are willing to help out at our basket table, I would be very grateful for the help! Please email me at sallyma@comcast.net or phone me at 332 6668. Thanks

Four Scholarship News Highlights:

I thrilled to tell you that Sibongeleni Zulu notified us today that he has been selected for an internship at Richards Bay Mining Company. Sibongeleni writes that "The first day went fine, I will be under the engineering department and the designation is Trainee- in- Service. I will have to facilitate the partnership of the company with the Durban Institute of Technology by registering for mechanical engineering practice. This will ensure that the training I receive at RBM is recognised by the university. I will then have to give a log book received after registration for training on campus to my mentors at RBM to schedule specific outcomes."

Congratulations to all of you! Sibongeleni's dream has been realized as a result of all the baskets that have been sold. LATTICE has been sponsoring Sibongeleni's education since 1998 when his school principal recommended him for his high academic skills and love of learning. This young man, who lost his mother six years ago and has never had a penny to his name, has studied diligently at the Durban Institute of Technology, passed all his classes and now, despite stiff competition and many fewer jobs than interns, has been accepted for the required internship in his hometown. His humble little hut is in the shadow of this mining company which sponsored the English classes in his elementary school and made sure to interview him for this fabulous opportunity. Richards Bay Mining mines one quarter of the world's titanium from the sand along the Indian ocean. Their process is an extremely environmentally responsible one that includes the skimming and saving of top soil before the mining begins so that the top soil can be used to restore the land after the mining has been completed.

Sibongeleni's email address is sbongezulu@yahoo.com. I'm sure that he would love to receive a message from you.

Canther Ntuli has won a full scholarship to the University of Cape Town where she is studying business. She has been granted an internship in Johannesburg during her "summer break" and LATTICE will provide her with the transportation funds which will make that experience possible.

Pretty Dube is a sophomore at the University of Zululand. She has a government scholarship which covers her tuition. A LATTICE scholarship covers her room and board.

In February, Velenkosini Buthelezi graduated from John Ross College in January and began work as a "general worker" for the municipality in Richards Bay. He writes, "I know it is a bit challenging but what is very exciting about it is that I will work my way up to senior positions. I start from the bottom because it is most likely that I will be promoted within a short while. The good thing about working for the Municipality is that there are benefits like house and car allowance, life insurance, health insurance and a job security for at least forty years." Considering that there is over 40% unemployment in this area of South Africa, you can imagine Velenkosini's pride and joy!

7. World Language Week at Holt High School, March 19–23

Holt High School is just south of MSU. We are organizing a World Language Week at our school March 19–23. We would like to host music or dance groups in our theater for our high school students to see some international talent on Wednesday March 21. We would be very appreciative if you could give us any contacts that you might have of students or groups that would like to perform for us. We are also planning for some guest speakers to come in to the classrooms the rest of that week. If you know someone who would like to address our classes about culture and language as well we would appreciate it.

Thank you,

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8. K-12 internationalization, great conference!

This is a great summary by Jack Schwille of a conference that all LATTICE members should be interested to know. Please refer to attachment.

FYI, both Kristin Janka Millar and Jim Lucas presented at the conference and were not listed on the summary.

9. Video on Islam in America

The following video gives useful insight to American Muslims. Thanks to Saad Bin Qaisar for bringing this video to our attention. Please take a look, share it with others and talk about it with each other.

<http://youtube.com/watch?v=WfEIGw8NtNA>

End of LATTICE NewsLetter # 430

Have you marked your calendar for the coming session?

LATTICE Monthly Session Dates for 2006-2007:

THEME: EDUCATION

September 28 Education as a Global Phenomenon
October 26 Intercultural Communication
November 30 Education and Economic Development
January 11 Education Issues of Science and Environment
February 8 Arts and Humanities
March 22 Gender Issues in Education
April 19 Religious Foundations of Modern Education
May 10 Education and Political Socialization

Day & Time: Thursdays, 12:30 – 4:30pm
Location: Haslett High School, 5450 Marsh Road, Haslett, Michigan.

LATTICE Monthly Session Coordinators: Planning Team

LATTICE photo sharing

Additional 10 pictures were uploaded on Feb.14th.

Pls check out 20 new LATTICE pictures (posted February 9&12) at this link
<http://www.fotothing.com>

login id: latticeworld
password: member2lattice

First, click on "view my photos"
Then, choose "archives" or "slideshow"

To add your LATTICE pics, click Upload/Edit photos.

LATTICE Book Club Dates and Titles

April 12, 2007: Palestine by Joe Sacco
May 3, 2007: Booktalks and suggestions for next year.

Day & Time: Thursdays, 4:15 to 6:00 pm
Location: East Lansing Public Library.

LATTICE Book Club Coordinators:

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LATTICE Food Coordinators

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other interested parties. If you would like to submit an item to be included in an
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Best wishes and stay warm.

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