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

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Mid-Michigan teachers:

Hope you had a wonderful spring break and feeling refreshed!

To: All LATTICE members and friends

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1. LATTICE Updates

a. LATTICE Session for May & April.

LATTICE members, please take note that there has been a switch in topic for the last two LATTICE sessions. The topic for April 19th session is "Education and Political Socialization" and the topic for May 10th session is "Religious Foundations of Modern Education."

We look forward to see more and more members attending the last two sessions of this academic year. See you then.

b. Previously on LATTICE

LATTICE member Greta Mchaney Trice brought three students from her 4th grade class at Averill Elementary School in Lansing to the LATTICE session on Thursday, March 22.

Dominique Harris, Edward Jackson-Davis, and Brandon Smith profoundly affected the fifty local educators, international graduate students and MSU staff as they read their unedited essays, written that very morning, and as they participated in our entire session including lectures and discussions.

See attachment "Averill Essay"

c. LATTICE Photo Sharing

Our latest LATTICE Group Photo is now available online.

Ten new LATTICE pictures (posted March 23) are also available 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.

2. MSU DIVERSITY EVENTS

a. ASHA Charity Dinner – This Saturday, April 7, 6:00 PM

ASHA For Education's MSU Chapter is hosting its 4th Annual Charity Dinner. Come and enjoy a fully catered traditional Indian Dinner, inspirational speakers, and great entertainment! All ticket sales and donations will directly benefit Asha for education's projects in rural India.

When: This Saturday, April 7, 6:00 PM

Where: Hannah Community Center

819 Abbot Road

Tickets are \$25 each (\$15 for students)

100% of the ticket sales go to our projects in India.

To reserve tickets, please email us at asha@msu.edu or call 517-896-8096. Those who are in (and around) Erickson Hall can contact me (Punya Mishra) in room 509A, or drop me an email at punya@msu.edu.

Please spread the word to others who may be interested.

~ punya mishra

b. Caribbean Week Celebration 2007 – from April 9-14

The theme of the week is the "Caribbean in the Era of Globalization." The event is being held over 6 days from April 9-14. Each day there will be a guest speaker. Admission is free. Everyone is welcome to share in this multicultural and educational experience.

Abbreviated Daily schedule:

Day 1: April 9 – Defining Caribbean Identity (Guest Speaker – Dr. Linden Lewis from Bucknell University) (7-9PM Erickson Kiva)

Day 2: April 10 – Presentation– Historical significance of the Haitian and Cuban Revolutions (Guest Speaker – Mr. Eugene Godfried – Visiting Scholar at MSU) (7-9PM Erickson Kiva)

Day 3: April 11– Health and Education: Quality of life – Student research presentations on Caribbean issues (7-9PM Erickson Kiva)

Day 4: April 12 – Economic and Political Issues: Legal implications of the Caribbean Court of Justice (Guest Speaker – Dr. Dennis Antoine – Grenadian

Ambassador and Dean of CARICOM diplomats in the USA) (Brown bag 12–1PM at 305 International Center (Lunch Provided) and regular session 7–9PM Erickson Kiva)

Day 5: April 13 – Music Exploration – Role of Music in Caribbean Societies (Guest Speaker and the Caribbean Student Association Advisor Dr. Isaac Kalumbu) (7–9PM Erickson Kiva)

Day 6: April 14 – Closing Reception – Information displays from each country, live performances from students, authentic Caribbean dinner and guest performances. (12–4PM – 300 International Center)

For more information please contact Alicia Trotman at trotmana@msu.edu

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c. MSU Women's Leadership Open House – April 11, 2007

"Reconnect, Reflect, Recognize!"

Wednesday, April 11, 2007, 4:00pm – 6:00pm

Parlor Rooms, 2nd Floor, MSU Union

Questions? Call the WRC at 353.1635 or email: wrc@msu.edu

Join us for a fun evening of reflection and recognition! You've worked hard this year –now reward yourself!! Bring a friend, role model, mentor or any other amazing woman you know!

–Keynote address by Kelli Roehrig, MSU alumna and co–captain of the 2004–2005 MSU Women's Basketball team.

–Network with other women student leaders

–Card making, recognition activities, food and more!

Open House style -- come and go as your schedule permits

This event is FREE and open to ALL! The target audience is MSU women student leaders and those wishing to recognize and support them!

Sponsored by WILD (Women's Initiative for Leadership Development), University Activities Board and the Women's Resource Center.

d. MALAYSIAN FOOD FESTIVAL, April 15, 2007

Organized by Malaysian Students Organization

Date: April 15, 2007 (Sunday)

Time: 12:00 noon – 4.00pm

Venue: 811 Cherry Lane – Community Center

Event Details

The event will take place at Cherry Lane Community Center on Sunday, April 15th 2007 from 12:00 noon to 4:00 pm.

The Malaysian Student Organization plans to sell two types of Malaysian food, Nasi Lemak (rice, chicken and anchovy) and Satay (grilled chicken). Each food will come with a drink and a dessert.

In addition, we will distribute pamphlets about Malaysia and recipes. We will also offer some simple traditional games or activities.

http://www.msu.edu/~mso/index_files/mff.htm

e. Conference on Islam and Muslim Citizenship – April 20–21

The Muslim Studies Program is organizing two important events later this month – a major conference (see attachment) on April 20–21 on Islam and Muslim Citizenship in Non-Muslim Liberal Democracies and a lecture by Washington Post correspondent Anthony Shadid on April 23.

"Iraq, Lebanon, Palestine: Patterns of War and Peace in the Middle East"
by ANTHONY SHADID

Monday, April 23, 2007

3:00–5:00 p.m.

Room 303 International Center

Anthony Shadid is the Middle East correspondent for The Washington Post currently based in Beirut. He is also the author of *Legacy of the Prophet: Despots, Democrats, and the New Politics of Islam*.

Sponsored by the Muslim Studies Program and the College of Communication Arts and Sciences.

f. Global and Cultural Detectives Workshop – April 21 & 22

2007 4-H Global and Cultural Detectives Workshop at Kettunen Center. Announcement and promotional flyer are on the 4-H Web site. To get to this document go directly to the 4-H Global & Cultural Web site at <http://web1.msuemsu.edu/cyf/youth/culture.html>.

Scroll down to 'Training & Events' for the 'Workshop announcement with session details' and the 'Workshop' flyer. This will be an excellent workshop with LATTICE members on both the planning committees and in the conference presentations.

3. Opportunities/Resources for Teachers

a. Hmong National Conference – April 12, 2007

Interested in Learning more about Hmong Culture? Join the exciting cultural performances, engaging discussions and presentations about issues in education that impact the Hmong community.

Pre-conference for Educators

Thursday, April 12, 2007

Doubletree Hotel, 5801 Southfield Expressway, Detroit, MI 48228

Register now at www.HNDinc.org

Online registration ends April 9th.

b. Ramayana Across Asia – April 13, 2007

CHASING A TALE

Sri Rama Smaranam (India) & Seeda Tell Our Stories (Thailand): Sreyashi Dey and troupe perform the tale from the classical Odysseus dance tradition, followed by a modern English-language theater piece inflected with traditional Thai elements centered on the heroin, Seeda, directed by Pornrat Damrhung.

University of Michigan

Digital Media Commons 8 pm April 13

Duderstadt Center 2 pm April 14

The Ramayana Programs website <http://www.umich-seas.org/ramayana/index.htm>

c. Summer 2007 Global Educators Program – due April 15

Global Educators Program is designed to provide educators with 3 or 4 week, team-teaching experiences in sites around the world. Each participant chooses the location to which s/he will travel and designs a personalized Professional Development Plan to meet his/her specific needs and interests.

In addition to the 3–4 week international teaching experience, participants earn their graduate credits by selecting from options that include (but are not limited to) opportunities to participate in conferences and workshops with a cohort of 20–30 like-minded educators; to design 'globalized' curriculum and/or comparative research projects; and to develop collaborative telecommunications project work between home and host school students and teachers.

Applications will be accepted through April 15. For further information on the global educators program, please visit the website at <http://www.global-links.org/> or contact:

Dr. Carol LeBreck, 1455 Evergreen Drive, River Falls, WI 54022
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 E-mail: <mailto:Carol@global-links.org>

d. Education's Action Week – April 23–29, 2007

Education as Human Right

The Global Campaign for Education's Action Week is from April 23–29, 2007. You can take part and receive a free copy of the PBS Wide Angle documentary "Back to School" and an accompanying curriculum for use in your classroom by registering at www.campaignforeducationusa.org and clicking "Join Up".

Action Week 2007 Overview:

When: April 23–29, 2007

Theme: Education as a Human Right

Collective Action:

Option 1:

Create posters about education as a human right and display them in your community, or mail them to the Global Campaign to Education to be displayed in Washington, D.C.

Option 2:

Upload photos of your posters, or of students, faculty, and friends forming human chains at <http://www.netaid.org/linkup/>.

NetAid has joined forces with Mercy Corps to dramatically change the way young Americans view the world beyond their borders. Learn more at www.netaid.org or www.mercycorps.org

e. World Cultures Through Literature and Film – June 25–29, 2007

2007 Summer Institute

The International Summer Institute is organized jointly by the area studies centers and other international studies programs at the University of Illinois.

While all K–14 teachers are welcome, the curriculum materials are geared mainly towards middle school, high school and college educators. The workshop is aimed at social studies/social science teachers, particularly those teaching human geography, sociology, and world cultures but also educators in English, foreign languages, fine arts and certain other programs would find this material extremely useful. Participating teachers will receive: 30 CPDUs (for 30 contact hours) are available to Illinois teachers; 3.0 U of Illinois CEUs (30 contact hours) for non-IL teachers.

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f. Excellence in International Education – applications due June 11

Asia Society and The Goldman Sachs Foundation are pleased to announce the 2007 Goldman Sachs Foundation Youth Prize for Excellence in International Education.

The 2007 competition asks students to select a problem or challenge that affects their local community as well as a community outside the United States; to create an in-depth written, audio, video, or animated feature that compares and contrasts how these two communities have addressed the issue; and to explain why these approaches reflect the different cultural backgrounds of those involved, and what lessons the different communities could learn from each other.

Five winners will be selected and will receive up to \$10,000 each as well as an all-expense paid trip to New York City in early November 2007 where they will be recognized at Asia Society's Gala Annual Dinner.

Please visit <http://askasia.org/students/gsfprizes.html> for the contest question, guidelines, rules, and online application. The deadline for applications for the Youth Prize is June 11, 2007.

g. Global TeachNet's Kids Around the World

New Country Added to Kids Around the World: Vanuatu

Global TeachNet's Kids Around the World website introduces elementary school students to the lives of children in developing countries around the world through personal interviews and photographs. Visit <http://katw.org/pages/sitepage.cfm?id=180> to read interviews with children from our most recently added country, Vanuatu.

Kids Around the World has been updated with new links for easier navigation, and recently added countries include Mozambique, Sudan, Sierra Leone, China, Pakistan, and Haiti. Lists of children's books, links to more information about the countries and a lesson plan to accompany the child profiles are also available on the website.

Visit <http://www.katw.org>. For more information about Global TeachNet, the global education program of the National Peace Corps Association, visit <http://www.peacecorpsconnect.org/globaled>.

h. Asian Educators Looking To Loudoun for an Edge

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By Michael Alison Chandler

Students in a Loudoun County laboratory studied tiny, genetically altered plants one recent afternoon, drawing leaves and jotting data in logbooks. Meanwhile, visiting scientists studied the students.

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4. LATTICE topics in the newsmedia

a. Equal Rights Amendment

In light of our last session on gender. Women are not explicitly equal under the law in the U.S. because of their lack of mention in the U.S. constitution. Interesting...

New Drive Afoot to Pass Equal Rights Amendment

By Juliet Eilperin

Federal and state lawmakers have launched a new drive to pass the Equal Rights Amendment, reviving a feminist goal that faltered a quarter-century ago when the measure did not gain the approval of three-quarters of the state legislatures.

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b. Darfur – Reading for April 19th Lattice Session

Splintering of Rebel Groups Adds to Chaos in Darfur

By Stephanie McCrummen

GEREIDA, Sudan -- The quasi-rebel group ostensibly controlling this desert town of displaced thousands is called SLM-Minni, which stands for Sudan Liberation Movement, Minni Minnawi faction.

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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 Education and Political Socialization
May 10 Religious Foundations of Modern Education

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

LATTICE Monthly Session Coordinators: Planning Team

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.

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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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