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

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LATTICE Newsletter #452

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1. LATTICE Updates

   a. LATTICE Session, Thursday, March 13

The next LATTICE session will be held on Thursday, March from 12:00-4:30 PM. We will meet at the Viking Room, Haslett High School, 5450 Marsh Rd, Haslett, MI 48840.
Topic: Gender, Environment and Poverty.

LATTICE members, if you can give a ride from MSU campus to Haslett High School for the LATTICE session, please e-mail lattice@msu.edu . Thanks.

b. LATTICE Webpage

Picture Gallery:
LATTICE Plates/Art Activity on February 5th and LATTICE Book Club session on February 14th.
http://latticeworld.org/files/8/LATTICE%20Plates_05Feb%202008.pdf
http://latticeworld.org/files/8/BookClub_14Feb2008.pdf
New Resources Added:
Internationalization in Education.
http://ed-web3.educ.msu.edu/international/
Partnership to Prepare Global and International Educators.
http://www.educ.msu.edu/teachglobal/
Other Resources:
http://latticeworld.org/?q=teachers

c. LATTICE Zulu Basket Sale - February 22 & 23

Friday, February 22 from 11:00 am - 6:00 pm
Saturday, February 23, from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm
All Saints Episcopal Church, 800 Abbott Road

Flyer and brochure available:
http://www.latticeworld.org/files/8/Zulu%20Basket%20Sales%20Feb08.pdf
http://www.latticeworld.org/files/8/Zulu%20Basket%20Brochure.pdf

There will also be a film screening at the All Saints Episcopal Church on Friday, Feb. 22. Shop at the Zulu basket sale, then go upstairs for the film at 7pm.

The screening of a film, "For the Bible Tells Me So" upstairs in the sanctuary. This film looks at five American families (including Dick Gephardt's and Bishop Gene Robinson's) as they struggle with questions of faith and sexuality when a family member comes out. It was short-listed for the Oscar nominations.
If you think a film on gender diversity issues would appeal, this might be of interest to you. The cost is just a free-will offering.

2. Bridging the Cultural Gaps, Feb 26

Bridging the Cultural Gaps: Local Responses to National Refugee Issues

Tuesday, February 26
6:30-8:30 p.m. in the Erickson Hall Kiva
(Pizza and pop provided, free and open to the public)

Panel Presentation and Discussion with:

Shirin Timms Director, Lansing Refugee Development Center
Sergio Keck Director, Bilingual Education Program, Lansing School District
Daniel Bang MSU Sophomore, service-learning at Great Lansing Islamic School, Fall 2007
David Deng MSU Junior, resettled in the U.S. from Sudan
Roya Omari East Lansing High School Junior student, resettled in the U.S. from Afghanistan

Organized by Dr. Dorothea Anagnostopoulos, Shih-pei Chang, the TE250 instructor team, and thePhi Sigma Pi National Honor Society.

Sponsored by the Partnership to Prepare Global and International Educators, Center for Integrative Studies in the Arts and Humanities (CISAH), Office of Cultural and Academic Transitions (OCAT)and a MSU Creating Inclusive Excellence Grant.
Special Acknowledgement to MSU's Center for Service-learning and Civic Engagement, and Lansing Refugee Development Center.

For more information
visit:http://www.educ.msu.edu/teachglobal
Flyer Available:
http://www.educ.msu.edu/teachglobal/RefugeeSeminar2.pdf

3. East Lansing High School International Dinner

The Annual International Dinner and Performances will be presented by
the Cultural Awareness Club of East Lansing High School on Saturday
March 1 at 6:00 pm at E. Lansing High School, 509 Burcham Dr.
Sample foods from around the world, donated by area restaurants and families. Enjoy performances by students including a fashion show, Bharatnatym Indian Dance, Irish Step Dance, American Tap, Hispanic Dance Club and much more.
Tickets are $5 and $10 in advance and may be purchased from club members or at Kirabo Fair Trade store in the Ann Street Plaza in downtown East Lansing. A limited number will be available at

the door for $7 and $12. Proceeds will go to Malaria No More.

For more information or tickets, contact Mary Hennessey, Club Advisor, at
maryhenn@sbcglobal.net

4. Opportunities and Resources for Teachers

a. Great Lakes Maritime History and Tall Ship Day Sail for Teachers

The Michigan Council for History Education invites K-16 history teachers to Port Huron on Sunday June 8, 2008, to sail aboard the 154-foot gaff-rigged topsail schooner Highlander Sea. The program will begin with a brief survey of the history of sailing ships on the Great Lakes, with specific attention to schooners and their economic role in the 19th century. A basic introduction to nautical terms, description of shipboard activities, and location of parts of the ship will follow. Then it is off on a 4-hour sailing adventure. Teachers will receive a folder of useful maritime information that they can take back to their classrooms.

Participants will meet at the Port Huron Seaway Terminal, 2336 Military Street, Port Huron at 12:30 pm. Sailing on the Highlander Sea will be from 2:00-6:00 pm in southern Lake Huron. Cost is $50.00 per person. The day sail is limited to 12 people. Registrations will be accepted until the 12 spaces are filled or by June 9, 2008. For registration information, contact Liz at the Highlander Sea Office, 810-966-3488, between 9:00 am-4:00 pm or lizm@achesonventures.com. Please identify yourself as a MCHE participant. For any program questions, contact Tim Evans at 810-364-5935 (home) or tevans@sc4.edu.

For general information about the Highlander Sea:
www.achesonventures.com/highlandersea.asp

b. History Channel 2008-2009 Save Our History Grant Program

This year, The History Channel will again award grants of up to

$10,000 to fund partnerships between schools or youth groups and history organizations on projects that teach students about their local history and actively engage them in its preservation. To read descriptions of past Save Our History grant projects and to apply for a grant, visit saveourhistory.com. The grant application is due Friday, June 6th, 2008.

c. Three Gorges Dam and life along the Yangtze River in China

Cost/Benefit Analysis: Three Gorges Dam Within the next seven years, life along the Yangtze River in China will change. Millions of people will be displaced. Ancient artifacts will disappear and the environment will be altered forever. At the same time, however the Chinese will increase their capacity to produce electrical power in the area, and they will gain new ability to control damaging floods. Also, some say air quality will be improved with the increased use of electrical power. Is this new project an appropriate one for the Chinese to undertake? What are the costs and benefits of this new dam and who is affected by the decision made?

To view the Lesson Plan, visit www.econedlink.org/lessons/index.cfm?lesson=EM347

d. A play showcasing Michigan's role in the Civil War

Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission offers Lincoln Play A play showcasing Michigan's role in the Civil War and Lincoln's one speaking engagement in Michigan is being offered to teachers for classroom use. In 1856 Lincoln set foot in Michigan -- for the first and last time in his life. He spoke at a rally for the first-ever Republican presidential candidate, Charles C. Fremont, in Kalamazoo.

The Michigan Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission is attempting to line up some commitments from classrooms and/or schools around the state who are interested in performing this play in their classroom or presenting the play to the whole school. As part of the February 15 2008 kickoff event of the Lincoln Commission, we would like to announce the names of schools who will participate by pledging to perform the play in their classrooms. There will be no cost to Michigan schools. When the script is complete, it will be available on-line from the MDE.

If your classroom or school would like to take part e mail Karen R Todorov at todorok@michigan.gov quickly. You will be making a pledge to put it on one or more times during the celebration years of 2008 to February 2010.

Find our more about the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial at www.milincoln.org

e. Michigan in Perspective: 50th Annual Local History Conference

Michigan in Perspective: 50th Annual Local History Conference Friday-Saturday, April 4-5, 2008, McGregor Memorial Conference Center, Wayne State University in Detroit. Sixteen program sessions explore topics relating to the history and culture of Michigan and the Great Lakes region from a variety of perspectives including historic preservation, exhibit design, archival materials, public art, oral history, genealogy, and folk life traditions. The conference is a gathering of historians, genealogists, librarians, education specialists, writers and historical society volunteers; and others interested in Michigan's history at the local or regional level. For more info, Kathleen Mutch, Conference Coordinator, 248 224-4211 or aa1044@wayne.edu or Alberta Asmar. Conference Assistant, 313 577-4024 or AD3196@wayne.edu Program details and registration materials are available at www.hsmichigan.org by early February.

f. Iran Through the Looking Glass

Professional Development Summer Institute: Iran Through the Looking Glass.
America's vexed relationship with Iran, which began during WWII, was heightened after the 1979 revolution and the U.S. hostage crisis. With new troubles brewing in the Middle East, Iran once again occupies a central place in American foreign policy. The Choices Summer Institute will give participating teachers an opportunity to deepen their understanding of Iranian culture and politics, and explore critical issues in Iranian-U.S. relations.
Major themes covered during this institute will include: Islam and Iranian society, the role of Islam in politics, democratic forces in Iran, the history of Iranian-U.S. relations, and current pressing issues in Iranian-U.S. relations, including nuclear proliferation and Iran's involvement in the Iraq conflict. The institute expands on the work the Choices Program has done in developing our new unit Iran Through the Looking Glass: History, Reform, and Revolution.
Visit our website for more information and to download the Summer Institute application. http://www.choices.edu/pd/institutes_6-08.php

g. Picturing America

Picturing America aims to introduce students to America's art treasures and promote American history and culture in schools and public libraries. This initiative invites K-12 schools, home school consortia, and public libraries to apply for a set of 20 laminated posters and a teachers resource book.
Posters include images of "The Midnight Ride of Paul Revere," "Washington Crossing the Delaware," and "Looking Down Yosemite

Valley," and works by Audubon, Catlin, Benton, Cole, Homer, Rockwell, Wyeth, and others. (National Endowment for the Humanities) Applications will be accepted from all K-12 public, private, parochial, and charter schools and home school consortia and public libraries in the United States.
RECEIPT DEADLINE: April 15, 2008 Application guidelines http://picturingamerica.ala.org/guidelines.php

h. African American History Month

African American History Month features more than 60 resources related to African American history. See photos and historic places from the civil rights movement. Learn about Frederick Douglass, the Harlem Renaissance, the 369th Infantry, Brown v. Board of Education, Martin Luther King, and Jackie Robinson.
Find out about Oberlin, New Philadelphia, and more. (Department of Education) http://free.ed.gov/resource.cfm?resource_id=2022

i. China's Transformations on the Eve of the Olympics

2008 Summer Institute for Secondary Teachers University of Colorado at Boulder "China's Transformations on the Eve of the Olympics" Program for Teaching East Asia Center for Asian Studies July 21-30, 2008 All eyes are on China as it prepares for the 2008 Olympics. At such a critical time, it is important for American students and teachers to understand the dynamic issues that define China today.
Summer institute participants will analyze China's recent economic, political, and social changes, including such issues as political changes and individual freedom issues; environmental challenges of rapid modernization; the growing divides between rich and poor, urban and rural in China today; as well as insights into world media coverage of China and the Olympics.
The following questions will help contextualize the program: ·What historical factors have helped foster China's recent economic, political, and social changes? · What do these unprecedented changes mean for the various interest groups involved: the Chinese government, the Chinese people, the countries of Asia and of the world? ·How do the Olympics symbolize China's rise to global prominence? Will the Games ultimately benefit the Chinese government or its critics?
All major participant costs of the institute are covered through a grant by the Freeman Foundation. Applications are available at http://www.colorado.edu/CAS/TEA and must be received by March 7.
For more information, e-mail Jon.Zeljo@colorado.edu.

5. LATTICE Bookclub Dates for 2007-2008

The bookclub meets from 4-6 pm at the East Lansing Public Library.
Thursday March 20 Born Confused by Tanuja Desai Hidier
Thursday April 24 When My Name Was Keoko by Linda Sue Park

Thursday May 15 Bring your suggestions for summer reading.

These books are available through local libraries and for a 20 % discount at Everybody Reads. You can find more information including summaries and reviews at elpl.org or amazon.com

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6. LATTICE Dates for 2007-08

THEME : ENVIRONMENT

March 13 Thursdays 12:00-4:30 PM
April 17 Thursdays 12:00-4:30 PM
May 8 Thursdays 12:00-4:30 PM
Monthly sessions are held at Haslett High School on 5450 Marsh Road, Haslett, MI 48840

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If you would like to submit an item to be included in the e-letter or if you know someone interested in LATTICE and would like to be added to the listserve please contact lattice@msu.edu

Best wishes,

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