



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

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1. Message to K–12 Educators from Connie Detjen, incoming LATTICE Session Director:

Please consider inviting another educator to be your guest at the first LATTICE session on October 3 at the Viking Room at Haslett High School. You might want to invite your principal, in order to help him/her understand the value of LATTICE. You might want to invite a teacher, someone with a dynamic classroom who would be likely to take advantage of the networking and mind–expanding opportunities afforded by LATTICE membership. We would like to expand the diversity of our membership; so, teachers from school districts not well represented in LATTICE would be particularly welcome. At that meeting we will address what LATTICE membership means and we will take applications from persons interested in membership.

2 UPCOMING EVENTS

2.a Film Premiere: Coming to America:

Date: Friday, July 18th, 7:00 pm (7:00–7:30 meet & greet, film showing 7:30 – 7:45 followed by a Q & A with cast and crew)

Location: Gone Wired Café, 2021 East Michigan Avenue, across the street from Emil's Restaurant, next to Everybody Reads Bookstore, (517)853–0550.

Description from the directors (abbreviated): Coming to America: Putting a Face on Immigration in America is a short film briefly profiling the lives of three local immigrant youth who came to the United States in an attempt to build a better life. All three youth are part of the Lutheran Social Services of Michigan Unaccompanied Refugee Youth Program. The aim of the film is to put a face to the immigration issue in our country. The immigration issue is an economic and human rights issue.

2.b International Dinner

Date: Friday, August 8th from 5–7 p.m.

Location: Ionia County ISD at 2191 Harwood Road, Ionia.

The dinner is now being organized by our new 4–H club called World–Wide Kids. Money raised will be donated to Heifer International. Attached is a flyer with the information. – Contributed by Judy Huynh

Directions to Ionia ISD: Take I–96 west to the Ionia exit. Go north on M–66 (State Road) for about 5 miles to Tuttle Road. It will be the second stoplight, right after the Meijer and Lowe's stores. Turn left and go west for one mile to the first stop sign, which is Harwood Road. Turn right on Harwood Road and go north about 1/4 mile. The ISD is on the east side of the road.

2.c Spanish Summer Camp for Kids 1–12 Years Old
Spanish Language Summer Camp for Kids 7–12

This two-week afternoon camp (Monday–Thursday, 1:00–4:00pm) seeks to introduce elementary-age children from the community to the Spanish language, and to raise their awareness and appreciation of other cultures. The program will provide a fun learning environment that incorporates games, songs, and other playful interactions and cultural activities

DATE: AUGUST 11–21, 2008

TIME: 1:00–4:00 P.M. (M–TH)

LOCATION: 134 South Kedzie, Michigan State University

Please register by JULY 25. Space is limited

Registration forms can be downloaded at www.spp.msu.edu or can be picked up at 258 Old Horticulture Building, Dept. of Spanish & Portuguese, MSU

Cost of the program: \$175. Multiple-child discounts available

More information: <http://www.spp.msu.edu/eventssummercamp.html>

3 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

3.a 2009–2010 Individual Teaching Fulbright Awards

Sponsored by the U. S. Department of State, the Fulbright Teacher Exchange Program arranges direct one-to-one exchanges between educators in the U. S. and educators in foreign countries. In most cases, both teachers secure a leave of absence with pay from their home institutions and then trade classrooms for the school year. The program is open to educators from K–12 schools, as well as from two-year and four-year colleges. Application deadline: October 15, 2008 More information at www.fulbrightexchanges.org.

4 TEACHING RESOURCES

4.a One Book, One Community program, featuring

They Poured Fire on Us From the Sky

By Benson Deng, Alephonsion Deng, and

Benjamin Ajak with Judy A. Bernstein

The annual One Book, One Community (OBOC) program, co-sponsored by the City of East Lansing and Michigan State University, encourages the city–university community to read the same book and come together to discuss it in a variety of settings. The book is also an assigned reading for all incoming MSU freshmen.

Meet the Author Benjamin Ajak

Wednesday, August 20; 7:30 p.m.

East Lansing High School Auditorium, 509 Burcham Drive

The event is free. Admission will be first come first serve (no tickets required)

Doors open at 6:45 p.m.

4.b Book Suggestion: Here's a fun summer read – a true story to boot: Around the World on Two Wheels: Annie Londonderry's Extraordinary Ride by Peter Zheutlin. An incredible story – Contributed by Mary Hennessey

4.c Project WET (Water Education for Teachers) <http://www.projectwet.in.gov/>

This organization aims to provide water education to teachers and is currently producing a list of children's books from around the world that are about water. If you would like to contribute to this list of books, please contact: Nancy Crocker (LATTICE member, Jane Rapaport's sister) at NCrocker@cals.arizona.edu or 602 469-6141. Please include the following information for recommended books: 1) what the books are about, 2) how they could be used in the classroom, 3) complete reference, and 4) recommended grade levels.

4.d The Network of African Youths for Development <http://www.nayd.org/index.html> NAYD is the Network of African youths for Development. It began in 2006 and today involves close to 40 youth-led projects in about 20 African countries. NAYD produces a newsletter "Inspire" that can be accessed through the link above. – Contributed by Katie Robiadek

5 NEWS FROM LATTICE MEMBERS – BULGARIA, CHINA, MALAYSIA

5.a China – Read Marianne Forman's blog of her trip to China. She is there with other LATTICE members – Nancy Lubeski and Pam Moore. This link can also be found by going to E. Lansing Public Schools, MacDonald Middle School, Teacher pages, 8th grade, and then Ms. Forman

<http://elps.k12.mi.us/education/components/board/default.php?sectiondetailid=7558>

5.b Bulgaria – Follow the travels of LATTICE members, Pamela Galbraith, Margaret Holtschlag and Larry Neitzert who are on a Fulbright-Hays Group Projects Abroad in Bulgaria through the group's blog at: <http://www.msu-bg.blogspot.com/>

5.c Kurnia Yahya is leading a study abroad, pre-internship teaching experience in Malaysia this summer for College of Education students. You can follow their experiences at <http://malaysia.wiki.educ.msu.edu/>. Click on the links on the left side for their group journal and photos of their activities.

6. 2008-2009 LATTICE SCHEDULE

6.a LATTICE Monthly Session Dates:

(LATTICE monthly sessions are held on Thursdays in the Viking Room at Haslett High School)

October 2, 2008
November 20, 2008
January 8, 2009
February 26, 2009
March 19, 2009
April 23, 2009
May 7, 2009

6.b LATTICE Holiday Social
Friday, December 5 (location to be announced)

6.c LATTICE Book Club Dates
The LATTICE Book Club meets on Thursdays 4:00–6:00pm at the East Lansing Public Library.

September 11, 2008
October 9, 2008
November 13, 2008
January 15, 2009
February 19, 2009
March 12, 2009
April 16, 2009
May 14, 2009

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Best wishes,
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