



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

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TO: ALL LATTICE members and friends,

Newsletter highlights:

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1. First LATTICE meeting, October 2

We look forward to seeing you at the first LATTICE Session on Thursday, October 2. It will be held from 12 noon–4:30 pm. at the Spartan Village Community Center on the MSU Campus.

Map at <http://maps.msu.edu/interactive/index.php?location=XNVB> . Enter the building at the “Housing Assignments Office” sign, and follow the signs to the LATTICE meeting.

Topic for the October 2 Session: “What can we learn from international perspectives on the U. S. Election?” presented by a panel of international scholars.

Participants are encouraged to bring food for the food break. Please plan to arrive by 12 noon!

2. Eid Mubarak – October 1

Eid Mubarak to Muslim friends and colleagues! Eid Mubarak can be paraphrased as "may you enjoy a blessed festival".

Muslim community will celebrate the festival of Eid ul-Fitri on Wednesday, October 1st. Eid is an Arabic word meaning "festivity", while Fiṭr symbolizes "the breaking of the fasting period."

Eid ul-fitri marks the end of Ramadan – the month for Muslims to fast from sunrise to sunset to purify themselves through self-restraint and good deeds.

Eid ul-Fitri is a joyous occasion to celebrate with family and friends and of course with lots of traditional food. So, Muslim friends in LATTICE – you are more than welcomed to bring your traditional Eid ul-Fitri dish to pass at the LATTICE session on Thursday, October 2.

3. Celebrating Gandhi's Influence in the World – Oct 1

The Asian Studies Center presents:

7th Annual Kapur Lecture – Celebrating Gandhi's Influence in the World

WHEN: Wednesday, 1 October 2008 7pm

WHERE: International Center 303–305

PRESENTER: Dr. Kurt Schock, Rutgers University

"Nonviolent Action and Struggles for Land in India and Brazil"

Dr. Schock will discuss how Gandhian styles of civil resistance, such as protest marches and land occupations, are being used to promote a more equitable distribution of land in South Asia and South America.

A light reception will follow the lecture in International Center 302.

For event flyer and details, please contact:

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4. "What Barack Obama and Sarah Palin have to Teach Us about Race, Class, and Gender in America" – Oct. 9

Best-selling author, acclaimed speaker, and visionary activist, Rebecca Walker will be speaking on campus: "What Barack Obama and Sarah Palin have to Teach Us about Race, Class, and Gender in America".

When: Thursday, October 9, 2008 7:00–9:00pm

Where: Kellogg Center Auditorium

Walker is a famed author and co-founder of the acclaimed feminist Third Wave Foundation. She has received numerous awards for her achievements, including the Women of Distinction Award from The National Association of University Women, "Feminist of the Year" award from the Fund for the Feminist Majority, the "Paz Y Justicia" award from the Vanguard Foundation, the "Intrepid Award" from the National Organization for Women, and the "Women Who Could Be President Award" from the League of Women Voters, among others.

For more information about Rebecca Walker, visit www.rebeccawalker.com.

For further information about this event, contact the Women's Resource Center at wrc@msu.edu

5. Indonesian Cultural Night – October 25

Indonesian Students Association presents a taste of Indonesia's authentic food and cultural performances!

When: Saturday, October 25 (5:00–7:00 pm)

Where: Hannah Community Center (Banquet Hall)
819 Abbot Road, East Lansing, MI 48823

Tickets: \$7 (available at the first LATTICE session on October 2)
(\$10 at the door)

For event details or event poster, please email LATTICE member Dwi Agus <dwiagus@msu.edu>

6. Mid–West Regional High School Bioethics Workshop – Nov. 15

The MSU Center for Ethics and Humanities in the Life Sciences presents:

Mid–West Regional High School Bioethics Workshop

WHEN: Saturday, November 15, 2008 (9:30am– 4:00pm)

WHERE: Patenge Room (C102 East Fee Hall)

<http://hsneuroethics.org/?q=node/81>

This workshop will explore ways to more fully integrate bioethics into secondary education. Center faculty will facilitate discussion around important bioethical issues, with a specific focus on cases in neuroethics. Featured facilitators will include Professors Tom Tomlinson and Len Fleck.

Workshop sessions will include:

- The Foundations of Neuroethics: Cases and Concepts
- Critical Thinking through Bioethics
- The Case of Terri Schiavo and Other Clinical Neuroethics Cases
- A Discussion about Justice and Neurotechnology

All high school teachers and administrators are welcome to attend. A registration fee of \$30 includes workshop materials, lunch, and refreshments. An application for Michigan SB–CEUs is pending. Space is limited.

To reserve your place and for further details, contact Dominic Sisti. [sistidom@msu.edu]

7. Fall 2008 Global TeachNet News

The Fall 2008 issue of Global TeachNet News, is now available online at:

www.rpcv.org/GTNFall08.pdf

Among the features of this issue:

World Food Day (Oct. 16)

The NCSS Conference (Nov. 14–16):

Special bonus with this issue: Beyond Wildlife: Teaching About Africa and Stereotypes by Barbara Brown and Alicia Carroll.

Please send your letters or materials for the next issue by November 10 to editor, Susan Neyer, at susanneyer@astound.net

8. Congratulations to a LATTICE member abroad.

Congratulations to Thidziambi Phendla for her new appointment to the position of Dean of the School of Education at the University of Venda, South Africa. Thidzi and her husband, TP, were both active LATTICE members in East Lansing for a number of years while Thidzi earned her PhD at MSU. Now she writes that at least four of the eight Schools at the University of Venda are led by women. Thidzi's email address is thidziambi.phendla@univen.ac.za

Thanks for reading all the way to the end!

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