



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

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Pres. Lou Anna Simon presented the LATTICE International Team with Michigan State University's "Diversity Award for Sustained Effort Toward Excellence in Diversity" May 2005

LATTICE Growth 2005-2006

Members from 63 countries and 16 school districts

New countries represented include Indonesia, Mexico, Paraguay, Peru, Mozambique, Tanzania and Zambia,

New mid-Michigan school districts include Portland and Grand Ledge

Planning Team

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Co-Directors for LATTICE Sessions:

John Metzler, African Studies Center funded by Michigan State University

Margaret Holtschlag, funded by Ingham Intermediate School District

Graduate Assistant: Kurnia Yahya, funded by Michigan State University

Sally McClintock, Founder and Director of LATTICE for ten years, continues to lead the Board and the "spin off" projects including Book Club, South African Student Scholarships and Zulu basket sales and an *Arts for Education China/USA* project.

New Scholarship for Young Women in South Africa

Thanks to generous donations at Sally's "LATTICE retirement", a new scholarship has been established for young women in Empangeni/Richards Bay, South Africa. Most long term LATTICE scholarships to date have been granted to young men. Now thanks to the vision and organizational skills of Anne Schneller, a LATTICE member from MSU, and Ntombi Ntshangase, a high school principal in Richards Bay, South Africa, LATTICE is addressing the particular needs of young women.

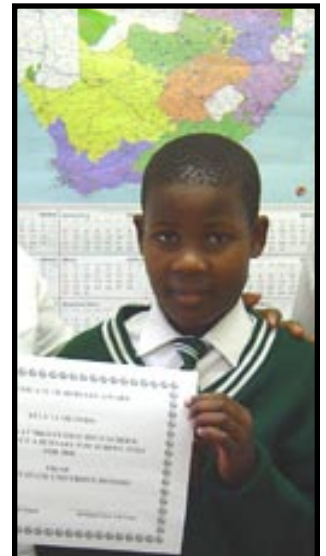
International Project Advisors

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In KwaZulu-Natal Province, young women are the first in a family to be withdrawn from school. If there is only enough money for one student in a family, the boy will be sent instead of the girl. If someone is needed to care for younger siblings or for someone who is ill, the girl is usually chosen.

Felicia Mlondo has been awarded the first LATTICE scholarship designated for young women. Her mother has agreed to send her from 8th grade to 12th grade and understands that the LATTICE scholarship guarantees that Felicia's expenses (\$150 per year) will be covered. If you are interested in sponsoring another young woman, please let us know.



Other Student Updates

Canther Ntuli, one of the students who visited Michigan in 1999 and will be a high school senior in 2006, writes that she and her classmates on the debate team have won the championship for the municipality.

Simpihiwe writes that " We have seen from tv's the victims of hurricane Katrina and we hope the president of America is trying by all means possible to help them. His delay in response to the hurricane has angered the people in South Africa, more especially here in the university it has become an issue in my political science lectures for almost a week."

Sibongeleni, the poet and mechanical engineering student, writes" May blessings honestly shower on you. I just do not know where I would be if you did not care for me. What you have done for me, I will remember throughout my lifetime. In this life struggle I will find my way, thank you for being by my side through it all."

Velenkosini, who will be a senior in 2006, has had the opportunity to work part time. He writes, "I don't know if I told you about my new job. It is very interesting but you have to be a biology student to be able to do it and you know your chemistry very well. There are a lot of experiments performed. We breed fishes from all over the world. We travel to the harbour every Saturday to investigate ships loading and off loading various types of goods including coal and aluminium. I feel there is still a lot that needs to be done about our harbours and ships and I hope I'm the one who is going to come up with a conclusive design solution."



Peace

"Hello, Dear Enemy"

An International Exhibition of Children's Picture Books on Peace and Tolerance

This fall, LATTICE Book Club sponsored the "Hello, Dear Enemy" collection which contains 100 books or 55 titles from 20 countries. Accompanying the books is a collection of posters portraying examples of the books' illustrations.

Aki Sakuma, a LATTICE member who now teaches in Tokyo, and Fumiko Kuwata who organized the exhibit in cooperation with the International Board of Books for Young People at the International Youth Library in Munich, flew to Michigan this fall to join us at presentations for teachers at the Asian Conference at Michigan State University and a day long workshop at Ingham Intermediate School District. Thirty six classes then examined the collection at Haslett Middle School library before it moved on to the East Lansing Public Library.

LATTICE Book Club members are grateful to those who have contributed to this project including the MSU Asian Studies Center, Ingham Intermediate School District and the First Methodist church in Lansing.

LATTICE Recruits Volunteers for New Projects.

Peoples Republic of China

Working with LATTICE members and local community members in mid-Michigan and Sichuan Province, Rui Niu and Lynn Bartley organized a successful student/teacher exchange during the summer of 2005. Now Rui has identified some unusually talented children from poor families in a rural area of China where there is only a poorly resourced one room school house. Rui proposes that LATTICE establish an "Arts for Education" project.

Could a LATTICE link provide educational experiences for both US and Chinese communities? The US community might learn about and purchase Chinese art while some students in China are supported in their pursuit of better education and better job opportunities. At a LATTICE session last year, participants experimented with calligraphy brushes and came to appreciate the beauty and complexity of the Chinese language and writing. Look for LATTICE members who will participate in Michigan Art Education Association's Fall conference 2006 which will focus on Asian Arts.



LATTICE Needs Your Contributions

Please join us in bringing a global perspective to K-12 students and their communities. Consider downloading this document, printing it and sharing it with colleagues and friends. Every penny makes a difference because our project is run completely by volunteers. If you are interested in purchasing a Zulu basket to fund a scholarship or if you know of someone who would be interested in any aspect of LATTICE simply go to our website (www.latticeworld.org) for contact information.

For all donations, checks should be made out to LATTICE and sent to 6336 Skyline Drive, East Lansing, Michigan 48823. You may choose to direct your donation to the General Fund, to the Book Club, the South African Scholarships or the China Project. Because LATTICE is a non-profit organization under IRS Code 501 (c) (3), your gift is fully deductible to the extent allowed by law. Thanks in advance for your generosity.

Sincerely,
Sally McClintock
LATTICE Chairperson

Nancy Foltz Adams
LATTICE Treasurer