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Global Alliance for Preserving the History of WW II in Asia

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ANNOUNCEMENT

For the third year, the Global Alliance is organizing a China Study Tour for the summer of 2009 for all our affiliate organizations. This year activities will focus on the Shanghai, Nanjing, Yunnan, southeastern and southwestern regions of China.

In 2008, we had three NJ-ALPHA fellows; three WW2AHS* fellow; one RNRC*, APTSJW* and ICMF* fellows each; and other self-funded scholars and activists. The reaction of our teachers to the study tour has been very positive. We look forward to broader participation in the coming year.*

Please use the following information and tailor it the way you wish, to make the announcement to your community.

2009 PEACE AND RECONCILIATION STUDY TOUR IN CHINA FOR TEACHERS, EDUCATORS, AND RESEARCHERS: JULY 2 - JULY 15, 2009

The Global Alliance for Preserving the History of World War II in Asia (Global Alliance) is again pleased to announce, for the third year, that up to 20 social science, history, and humanities teachers and educators are invited to apply for this opportunity to take part in a 16-day intensive summer study tour of China. The purpose of the study tour is to enhance knowledge and understanding of the cultural and historical background of China during the Asia-Pacific War from 1931-1945. The schedule includes lectures and discussion of the history of Sino-Japanese relations, visits to museums and historical sites, meeting survivors of wartime atrocities, and participation in briefing and reflection sessions. Cities visited include Shanghai, Nanjing, Kunming/Baoshan (in Yunnan province), and other places of historical interest (exact itinerary to be determined).

This intensive program concentrates on the legacy of the Asia-Pacific War and impact on achieving peace and reconciliation in Asia. The issues of human rights, war crimes, genocide, atrocities, historical injustice and redress, global citizenship, and individual responsibility will be considered in the Asian context and in the broader scope of the 21st century.

Preference will be given to applicants who aim to expand their knowledge of Asia and incorporate East Asia history, social studies and literature in their teaching and research. We will take into consideration the ability to adapt to new cultural settings, and the physical

and psychological demands of an intensive study and travel program. Participants will be required to: First, complete a preliminary background reading assignments prior to the start of the program; Second, attend all scheduled activities during the program, including pre-tour discussion meetings and briefing sessions; and Third, after completing the study tour, provide a trip report that reflects the tour experience, develop a lesson plan and/or study guide from the experiences and materials gathered in the tour into an Internet downloadable database.

EXPENSES: Sponsoring organizations will be responsible for land travel, accommodations (double occupancy) and meals in China during the period of the study tour (approximately \$2,000 per participant). International air travel to and from China will be the responsibility of the participants (approximately \$1,200). Self-funded participants will be responsible for the entire cost (approximately \$3,200). Visitor's visa fees, international airport taxes, mandatory personal medical and accident insurance covering the period of the tour are also the responsibility of the participants. A \$200 deposit is required upon acceptance into the program; the full amount will be refunded upon our receipt of the reflection essay, proposed lesson plan or equivalent educational project. This may take the form of a power point presentation for classroom use, lecture project, seminar program, academic paper, or similar.

SPONSORING ORGANIZATIONS: Program sponsors may be Global Alliance affiliate organizations. The cost of the trip will be shared by the local sponsoring organization, the Global Alliance, and the participant. In years past teachers and researchers from New Jersey and Massachusetts; the cities of San Diego, San Francisco, Los Gatos, San Rafael, Oakland, in California; and England participated with sponsorship from APHAFIC, WW2AHS, APTSJW, ICMF, NJ-ALPHA and RNRC. * We look forward to more participation from our member organizations in 2009. Proposed self-sponsored participants must identify a qualifying academic institution or equivalent professional affiliation.

APPLICATION: Application deadline April 15, 2009. Applications should be submitted to both a local sponsoring organization (who will do the preliminary screening) and to the Global Alliance (by email to: Dr. Peter Stanek, at <mailto:pete.stanek@global-alliance.net> or Ignatius Y. Ding at Ignatius.Ding@global-alliance.net.) Please visit www.global-alliance.net/China-Tour-2009/China-Tour-2009_Application.pdf for more details and to download application forms.

* APHAFIC (Association for Preserving the Historical Accuracy of Foreign Invasions of China); WW2AHS (World War II Asian History Society); APTSJW (Alliance for Preserving the Truth of the Sino-Japanese War); ICMF (Iris Chang Memorial Fund); NJ-ALPHA (New Jersey Alliance for Learning and Preserving the History of WWII in Asia), RNRC ("The Rape of Nanking" Redress Coalition)