



College Level Text

The most exciting news since the last newsletter is the adoption of two books as required text for two courses at Excelsior College. The two classes deal with the theme of Diaspora. The courses both deal with dispersed groups of individuals. One course is focused on teachers, the other is a general liberal studies graduate level class. In both cases the inclusion of the book is to provide methods to build cultural understanding and to provide tools that can be used in classrooms and community group situations. The courses are funded by a Ford Foundation grant. The first course will be offered in October, and the other in March 2008.

As part of the work for these courses we have added a menu item called "Education" which provides some additional course content, including MP3 files and a video on a subject related to cultural understanding. These can be seen at: <http://gentleplace.com/education.html> .

Substance Abuse Therapy

The other similar news is that a therapist in southern California has begun to create a therapy using the stories from *Still Reflections: Stories of the Heart*. We hope his work will contribute to the next scheduled book which is titled *Story Centric Education and Counseling*.

Spin-off Web Sites

Several new web sites have been spun off the work done here at Gentle Place. We invite you to visit them:

- <http://deltastories.org/>
- <http://microsteps.org/>
- <http://www.sierrahealingarts.org/>
- <http://gentleplace.org/>
- <http://fredmortensen.org/>

Some of these sites have contextual advertising links. If you find anything interesting please click on it. We get paid for every click you make.

Travels

Makhosazana is back from her visit to Swaziland. You can see pictures of her trip and read her report by clicking on the link below the photo.



<http://microsteps.org/report-2007-swaziland.html>

In the next newsletter there will be news of Steven's month-long trip to China.

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