## Newsletter of Comparative Education at Beijing Normal University No. I. 11/April/2014

Dear Reader! We would like to introduce you our newsletter 'Time\*line', please feel free to send us any feedback/news/articles/ideas or things that you are interested in! News will be shaped to your needs: you will find open calls for conferences, academic issues, activities, part-time job opportunites and things that just happen to us every day...enjoy©

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#### **Upcoming Event**

#### **CULTURAL PRESENTATION**

This event is all about cultural presentation by two students from different countries, Thailand and Zimbabwe, to present detailed information about their country's culture on 18 April 2014 (Friday) at 6 pm. at Chinese students hostel building 6, room 400.

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#### Academic News

# THE 9<sup>TH</sup> BIENNIAL CONFERENCE OF THE COMPARATIVE EDUCATION SOCIETY OF ASIA (CESA)

You're invited to join the conference at **Hangzhou Normal University in Hangzhou, China from May 16<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>, 2014.** The theme is Education, Equality and Social Harmony – Asian Experiences in Comparative Perspective. More information at <a href="http://cesa2014-hznu.com">http://cesa2014-hznu.com</a>

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#### Chinese Learning

#### **CHINESE & ENGLISH CORNER**

To enhance language proficiency level of both foreign and Chinese students through series of games and discussions on specific issues. Students will be grouped for these activities and discussions.

Date: 12/04/2014 (Saturday) Time: 8:00 pm Venue: room 454 in Yingdong building

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### Sports Activity

#### WEEKLY BADMINTON

You're welcome to join badminton every Wednesday at **the badminton court no. 3 from 8-10 pm**. This is exclusive for Faculty of Education students.

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#### This Happened

#### A FREE TRIP TO THE CONFUCIAN TEMPLE

The Postgraduate Association of Faculty of Education organized a trip to the Confucian Temple and the Imperial College for the international students on 22 March. It was a fabulous, warm sunny day, perfect to take a walk in this amazing historical site. We have got known more about "Qufu"; the greatest thinker and educator of China and the monumental stone tablets, which contain the names of ancient exemplar scholars. We could also enjoy a Chinese dance show with traditional costumes. After all, this trip was the best way to spend a sunny Saturday afternoon, learning something new about Chinese culture.

#### Inspiration

#### 30 THINGS TO STOP DOING TO YOURSELF

Soon we'll arrive to our spring semester's midterm, still, you might be frustrated by the millions of course readings, literature reviews, presentations and dissertation to do- we became busy-bees of this early spring.

This article suggests some ideals to have a short escape from your studies, and to reflect upon your things from a different point of view.

#7. Stop being scared to make a mistake. – Doing something and getting it wrong is at least ten times more productive than doing nothing. Every success has a trail of failures behind it, and every failure is leading towards success. You end up regretting the things you did NOT do far more than the things you did.

#12. Stop thinking you're not ready. – Nobody ever feels 100% ready when an opportunity arises. Because most great opportunities in life force us to grow beyond our comfort zones, which means we won't feel totally comfortable at first.



#15. Stop trying to compete against everyone else. – Don't worry about what others are doing better than you. Concentrate on beating your own records every day. Success is a battle between YOU and YOURSELF only.

**#9. Stop trying to buy happiness**. – Many of the things we desire are expensive. But the truth is, the things that really satisfy us are totally free – love, laughter and working on our passions.

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