



# Boise State International Insider

## News for International Students

May 18, 2012

International Student Services

A note from Christy:

Happy Summer! I just love this time of year! Sunshine, the days are longer, bike rides, swimming pools, BBQ parties, and little or no classes and homework. We have lots of summer activities planned such as biweekly volleyball and monthly hikes up Table Rock. Please see the details in the pages that follow.

Due to the calmer, quieter summer months, we will not send out a newsletter every week. We will send one out from time to time, as we have information to share.

Please stay in touch with ISS if you have any questions. Our summer schedule is the same as always, Monday through Friday 8 am – 5 pm.

I hope to see you often this summer at Coffee and Conversation, Wisdom Café and other ISS events.

### Coming Events & Activities

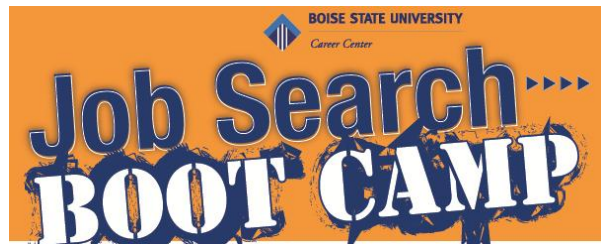
Every Wednesday, 3:30 - 5:00pm – Coffee & Conversation in the Student Diversity Center. We will continue this gathering during the Summer, so come and connect!

Every Friday, 11:00am to 12:30pm - Wisdom Café in the Student Diversity Center. (See pg 3 for details)

### The Career Center Presents . . .

**For only a \$10 registration fee, you will:**

- Develop job search tools & skills
- Connect with local & national employers
- Get advice from professionals working in your area of interest
- Enjoy breakfast, lunch and afternoon appetizers



This event will be held Thursday, May 24<sup>th</sup>, 8:30am - 5:00pm, in the Student Union Bldg. Space is limited, so register now! <http://career.boisestate.edu/job-search-boot-camp/>

*(This reserves a place for you until you can contact the Career Center to pay the \$10 registration fee. Pay at the Career Center (in the Academic and Career Services Building- behind the SUB and across from the Rec Center) or call 426-1747.*



The members of the Idaho Kendo Club are inviting all the students from the area to try out Kendo. We have practice every Tuesday from 6:30pm-7:30pm in the BSU Rec Center, 2nd floor Multi-Purpose Room #2.

You do not need any special gear to start off. We have some extra shinai (Kendo Bamboo Sword). You can just wear gym clothes and practice Kendo.

ISS and International Students, Inc. are partnering to bring you . . .

A poster with a white background and a decorative border of overlapping circles in teal, orange, and brown. The text is centered and reads:

**Summer Activities**  
for International Students!

**May 26<sup>th</sup> – Hike to Table Rock**  
A morning hike to one of the best views in Boise!

**June 15<sup>th</sup> – Broadway musical**  
"Fiddler on the Roof" is a classic musical about Russia, family, humor, and arranged marriages!

**July 4<sup>th</sup> – Barbeque and fireworks**  
Celebrate America's Independence Day by watching multiple fireworks shows from a house with a view!

**July 27<sup>th</sup> – Baseball game**  
A Boise Hawks minor league game and fireworks!

**August 17<sup>th</sup> – Observatory Trip!**  
Dinner, a brief astronomy lesson, and watch the stars from one of Idaho's best observatories!

Join our mailing list for activities:  
[steve@isiboise.org](mailto:steve@isiboise.org)

Sign up at: <http://eepurl.com/iwIUs>



## **World Cup of Tea Friendship 2012 Summer Fun Community Schedule (open to everyone, not just WCT partners)**

~Coffee and Conversation~



Every Wednesday, 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM (except July 4<sup>th</sup>)

(Starting June 6, after every Coffee and Conversation, join us for a walk downtown for **Alive After Five**, Grove Plaza, Downtown Boise—live music, delicious food vendors, cool drinks, dancing, dancing in the fountain and gobs of people watching. From there, who knows...supper, liquid libations...so much is possible when you head downtown. For more information on **Alive After Five**:

[http://www.downtownboise.org/index.cfm/events/dba\\_events/alive\\_after\\_five](http://www.downtownboise.org/index.cfm/events/dba_events/alive_after_five))

## ~Whole Earth Volleyball~



and The REC.

Join us for Boise's only global bi-weekly volleyball experience. Dates: May 31; June 7, 21; July 5, 19; August 2, 16. Times: 6 PM – 8 PM. Our whole earth game mantra: "The ball is round. There are no rules. Everything else is pure theory!" Location: The sand volleyball court, courtyard area of the new Lincoln residence halls; directly behind the Lincoln Garage

## ~Summer Wisdom Café~



Join us in the Wisdom Café as we explore universal principles that transcend time and culture (Fridays, 11 am until 12:30 pm, Student Diversity Center, SUB). The Wisdom Café serves up "piping hot" a weekly opportunity for students worldwide to extract value and fresh insight from major wisdom traditions (what Huston Smith calls "the distilled wisdom of the human race") through questioning and dialogue. All students and all points of view are welcome.



## ~Bikes to Table Rock~



Once every month, we will leave the SUB on bikes, pedal the greenbelt to the old Idaho Penitentiary, and take an evening walk up Table Rock to watch the sun set from the Summit. Bring water. We can stop by Warm Springs Market for a liquid cool down on the way back to campus. Dates: June 15, July 13, August 17 (dates may be subject to change based on weather conditions). Departure times will be announced next month.

## ~Boise River Float Trips~



Join us for group float trips down the Boise River. The dates will be determined next month. We'll meet at Ann Morrison Park, pick up the shuttle to Barber Park (\$1.00), and float our way back down to Boise State. More information on floating the Boise River can be found at:

<http://www.cityofboise.org/departments/parks/page17909.aspx>. Types of floats and float pricing can be found at: <http://www.cityofboise.org/Departments/Parks/News/2007/page18882.aspx>.

## **A Message from University Housing:**

When international students leave at the end of their program or at the end of a semester, we consistently have difficulty returning housing security deposits to them. To increase the number of students who receive their security deposit refund, we are going to attempt to refund these security deposits directly to the card the student used to make the initial payment. There are a few stipulations to this:

1. The student must email [Bsuhousing@boisestate.edu](mailto:Bsuhousing@boisestate.edu) requesting the refund be sent straight to the card they used to make the original payment and provide us with their student ID number and name.
2. Only students who have paid their security deposit via our online application (Residence Hall) are eligible to have their refunds processed this way. Apartment tenants pay their deposit through BroncoWeb and the deposit will be refunded via the normal method used by Payment and Disbursement.
3. In all cases security deposits are used to first cover damages to a student's assignment, secondly to cover any outstanding charges with University Housing and to thirdly cover any outstanding charges with the University in general. Any remaining funds are refunded to the student.

If you or students have further questions regarding this new process please feel free to let us know.

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