Coming Events & Activities

Every Monday, 3:00 - 4:30pm  **NEW!** – International Women’s Social Support Group in the Student Diversity Center. (See p.4 for details)

Every Wednesday, 3:30 - 5:00pm – Coffee & Conversation in the Student Diversity Center. Free refreshments!

Every Thursday, 6:00 to 7:00pm - T.E.A. Time (Thursday English Afternoons). Join us in the Writing Center (LA200) to practice your English skills.

Every Friday, noon to 1:00pm - Wisdom Café in the Student Diversity Center. (See below for details)

April 14th, 5:00 to 8:00pm – ISA Bowling Night (See p.4 for details)

April 15th, 2012 – Deadline for Continuing International Student Scholarship waiver (See below for details)

April 25th, 2012 – Deadline for Trang Doan Memorial Scholarship (See below for details)

Student Spotlight

by Kumi Takashima

Sadao is a graduate international student from Japan studying Material Science Engineering. He got his B.S. in the same major at Cal Poly San Luis Obispo. He was working as a research assistant there and his professor moved to BSU, so he decided to follow the professor. He is still working as a research assistant here at BSU and his research topic is “DNA Nanotechnology.”

Sadao came to BSU in May 2011. He likes that BSU offers scholarships for international students. He also likes that Boise is surrounded by lots of natural beauty. He enjoys camping and soccer, which he plays every week. Though he has not bought one yet, he likes biking as well.

Some things that were surprising to him when he came to the States: colorful frosting, eating hamburgers for dinner, smiling at strangers, etc. Japanese people do not do those kinds of things.

What he misses most about Japan is the food. I totally agree with him! by Kumi).

He loves ramen, especially Shio (Salt) ramen. Boise does not have a Japanese market, so that makes Sadao sad.

IT'S SCHOLARSHIP TIME!!!!  Continuing International Student Scholarships

Continuing International Student Scholarships waive the entire non-resident portion of tuition and fees for continuing international students for up to one academic year. To be considered you must meet the following qualifications:

- You must have successfully completed (by the end of the current semester) one year (two semesters and a minimum of 24 credits) of full-time coursework at Boise State University. Courses that are repeated within the same academic year do not count towards meeting the credit completion requirement.
- You must be on an F-1 student visa.
- You must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 or higher.
- You must be making satisfactory academic progress toward a degree at Boise State.
- Recipients cannot major in over enrolled programs; these currently include nursing, pre-nursing, radiologic sciences or pre-radiologic sciences. Programs are subject to change.
- Self-supported online programs are also closed to nonresident tuition waiver eligibility.
- You must not have already been awarded a tuition fee waiver for the 2012-13 academic year.

Deadline to submit the Continuing International Student Tuition Waiver Scholarship Application is April 15th, 2012. (Ctrl + click to follow the link)
Students enjoyed two Spring Break day trips last week in Idaho City and Donnelly…

“I had a really good time, and you could really get a glimpse of how Idaho used to be not too long ago.”
Kitzia Nava

“The trip to the hot springs was a lot of fun. I enjoyed the company and the beautiful landscape. Thanks a lot to ISS for organizing such an amazing trip!”
Anis Abduqodirova

“It was a great experience and opportunity to indulge in new cultures, history and food through tourism. I loved it!!”
Louisa Daggers
Trivia Time!

Can you guess what these typical dishes are called?

Brazil: ____________________  South Africa: _______________  France: ________________

Answers to last week’s Trivia: Seychelles, Aruba and Guyana.

Congratulations to: Louisa Daggers, Sindy Chiu and Minwoo Oh for sending the correct answers!

Staff Spotlight: Multicultural Student Services

by Cindy Fernandez

BreAnn Sinju is a Student Assistant at Multicultural Student Services. She is a senior in Secondary Education, Theater Arts Major at Boise State University. It is her second year at Boise State. She has worked for MSS since July of 2011. BreAnn says that she loves working for MSS because she gets to encounter different people and with this she gains different perspectives on things. She says that she has learned a lot from working at MSS. She says that it is a lot of fun to work for MSS because the supervisors and all of the people that work there keep it entertaining and that everyone is really friendly which creates a good atmosphere to be in. She says that it is an enjoyable job to have, which is something not a lot of people can say. BreAnn likes decorating places, finding good deals on fashionable things and bowling. She says that bowling is probably her favorite hobby. Her greatest achievement thus far has been receiving her Associate’s Degree. BreAnn says that the biggest challenge that she has faced to date are day to day challenges that make you question what you are doing. She says that she stays motivated by reminding herself that everything will eventually pay off. She also tells herself that life is not going to get any easier and that the real world is probably harder than school so you can’t just give up because something is difficult, anything is possible! In the next 5 years BreAnn wants to be graduated with her degree, to be married and have a family and also to have traveled to a few fun places. She would love to go to Cameroon, Africa to get to know the family that she has never met before.

Another Scholarship Opportunity

Trang Doan Memorial Scholarship for International Student Involvement at Boise State

Scholarships ranging from $300 - $600 will be awarded for Fall 2012 to selected international students who display commitment to involvement in campus life at Boise State University. We are looking for candidates who participate in campus events and activities, volunteer on campus or in the community, take on leadership positions, and/or participate in student organizations. For more information on how to apply visit: http://iss.boisestate.edu/scholarships-finances/
International Women's Social Support Group

All women are welcome to join us for this chance to gain and provide support to BSU’s female international students. This is an open support group and is designed to allow participants the chance to discuss a variety of topics, including your experience of adapting to the US culture, missing family and friends, academic challenges, making friends with domestic students and other areas of your interest. This group is also designed to help increase connections with others and create self-empowerment in a multicultural world.

Mondays 3:00-4:30
Student Diversity Center – 2nd Floor Student Union Building
For more information, please contact: Alisa Noleen (208) 426-1464 alisanoleen@boisestate.edu

The Student Diversity Center’s

~Wisdom Café~

Where: noon to one pm...Fridays. Where: The Student Diversity Center.
Why: Exploring wisdom passages and spiritual identity development from multiple world views.

This Friday: The Spiritual Quest, a Strawberry and Not-Knowing
The Boise State International Insider is a weekly feature of International Student Services, in the Student Diversity Center.

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