# BSU International Insider

News for International Students

November 12, 2010

**International Student Services** 

# Note from Christy

Hi, All,

Thanks so much to all of you who came to this week's "Coffee and Conversation with Christy". It felt very successful to me! We will do this same thing each and every Wednesday afternoon from 3:30-5 pm. From time to time I will bring in homemade cookies and other treats. For those of you who like to cook, you are welcome to brings goodies to share. No one is obligated to bring anything at all though. We simply want to spend time with you. Your friends and families are always invited to join us too.

Keep studying! Christy

# Coming Events & Activities

Monday, November 15 - Saturday, November 20, International Education Week (details on pg 2)

Wednesday, November 17, 3:30 - 5pm, Coffee & Conversation in the Student Diversity Center

**Saturday, November 20, 4:00 - 6:00pm,** Traditional Thanksgiving dinner in the Hatch Ballroom. Reservations needed for this free event (see pg 4)

Tuesday, Nov. 23, ISA event: Ice-skating at the Idaho Ice World. (see pg 3)

Wednesday, November 24 - Friday, November 26, International Student Services will be closed for the holiday break. We'll be here Monday, November 29, 8:00am

**Friday, November 26, ISA event:** "Harry Potter & the Deathly Hallows" at Edwards Theater, Downtown. (see pg 3)

Family is looking for help in learning the Korean language. A young mother and two small children are moving to Korea next year and would like to get a "head start" on learning the language. If you are interested in volunteering to help Danielle and her children, ages 5 and 3, please contact Merrilou in the International Student Services office for more information. Thank you!

### **International Education Week**

**November 15 - 19, 2010,** has been designated "International Education Week" (IEW) by the US Department of Education and the US Department of State. IEW celebrates the importance and benefits of international education in the US and around the world.

- Monday, Asian culture
- Tuesday, Middle Eastern culture
  - o Noon-1:30pm, a panel presentation by international women on the subject, "Women's Roles in Different Cultures." Trueblood Room
- Wednesday, the World
  - o 9:40 10:30am Inspiration from around the world. Dining Room Stage
  - 10:40 11:30am International Current Events Discussion with International Students-Dining Room Stage
  - o Noon-1:00pm, "Boundary Crossings Learning to Work Together for Religious Freedom: A conversation with Rabbi Daniel Fink and Dr. Said Ahmed Zaid." Lookout Room
  - o Study Abroad Photo contest, People's Choice
  - o 4:30-6 pm GVC rocks the BRC
- Thursday, Latin American culture
  - o Salsa lesson/dancing, noon at the Dining Room Stage
  - o Study Abroad Photo contest, People's Choice
- Friday, African culture
  - o Study Abroad Photo contest, People's Choice
- Saturday, American culture
  - o 4-6 pm-International Thanksgiving Dinner, Hatch Ballroom

Please plan to join us in the SUB each day to discover more about the world we live in. For more information, contact International Student Services at 426-3652.

We've received a couple of invitations for international students to join local families for Thanksgiving dinner. If you would like to accept one of these invitations, please respond as indicated in their message:

It's that time of the year again. Thanksgiving is on November 25<sup>th</sup>!! Ben and Tami Moore are kind enough to host up to 10 students for Thanksgiving dinner, dessert, games and football fun this year. If you would like to accept their invitation, please RSVP by calling, texting or leaving a voicemail in advance and let them know if you will be joining them for the feast. You can reach Ben and Tami Moore at (208) 283-9930. Space is limited to ten, so please contact them and RSVP as soon as possible.

The DeThomas family would like to invite two international students to Thanksgiving dinner at their home in east Boise, Thursday, 25 Nov. Mr. DeThomas can pick up the two students if they are somewhere near the University. He will plan to pick up the students about 2:00 pm and drive them home after dinner.

Dinner will be pretty classic Thanksgiving with turkey, salad, dressing, green beans, etc. He says, "(I) Regret our foreign language skill is pretty weak, some Spanish and a bit of French, but I'm sure all the international students have excellent English." If you would like to accept this kind invitation, please contact ISS at 426-3652 and we'll give your contact information to Mr. DeThomas to make arrangements with you.

Dear Friends,

ISA is planning 2 activities this Thanksgiving break.

- 1. On Tuesday, Nov. 23rd: Ice-skating at the Idaho Ice World. There will be a small participation fee of \$3 to offset the charge of \$6 (You need to reserve your space by Monday Nov. 15th). Because we will be using BSU vans for transportation, we will need you to sign the waiver and return it to the International Student Services office (Ms. Merrilou) BEFORE Monday, Nov. 15th.
- 2. On Friday, Nov. 26th: Movie @ Edward Downtown: Harry Potter & the Deathly Hallows. We will all walk to this event and you don't need the waiver; however, there is a small fee of \$3. **You need to sign up by Monday, Nov. 20.**

Best wishes with your tests/exams. Let's make it happen.

Yours,

Adil Bentahar, President International Student Association, ISA

## Clinton Global Initiative University

In 2007, the Clinton Foundation established a new initiative called the Clinton Global Initiative University (CGI U). CGI U is designed to engage the next generation of leaders on college campuses around the world. Each CGI U student member makes a Commitment to Action: a specific plan of action that addresses a pressing challenge on their campus, in their community, or around the world. The Clinton Foundation provides opportunities and resources needed to change these commitments into actions.

The application to attend the 2011 meeting of the Clinton Global Initiative University (CGI U), hosted by President Clinton, is now available online.

Go to <a href="http://www.cgiu.org/applying\_to\_cgiu/individual\_application.asp">http://www.cgiu.org/applying\_to\_cgiu/individual\_application.asp</a> to apply!

CGI U 2011 will take place at the University of California, San Diego from April 1-3, 2011. Applying and attending are free, and the travel assistance application is available to those who apply before the early decision deadline. The early decision deadline is November 30, 2010. The final decision deadline is February 7, 2011. Students will be admitted on a rolling basis. Space at CGI U 2011 will likely be filled after the early decision deadline, so we encourage you to apply early! Limited travel and/or lodging assistance will be available to those who qualify.

CGI U is proof that young people have the power to make a significant impact by confronting some of the world's most urgent challenges. We hope to see you in San Diego!

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