



Boise State International Insider

News for International Students

February 7, 2013

International Student Services

Coming Events & Activities

Every Tuesday, 1:30 to 2:30pm – Drop-in Career Advising and support in the Student Diversity Center (SDC)

Every Wednesday, 3:30 to 5:00pm - Coffee & Conversation in the Student Diversity Center (SDC)
Free refreshments!

February 8th, 9:00PM – International Friendship Friday *(see details p.2)*

February 9th, 4:00PM – Food Tasting Party *(see details below)*

February 13th, 5:30PM – International Student Dinner *(see details p.3)*

February 10th, 4:00PM – Yoga and Meditation *(see details p.2)*

February 20th– Optional Practical Training *(see details p.4)*

February 24th, 7:00AM – 5:00 PM – Snow tubing with ISA *(see details p.4)*



Photo of the Week:

Picture taken at International Dinner
If you want one of your pictures to be Photo of the Week, you can submit them to:
internationalinfo@boisesate.edu



FOOD TASTING PARTY

Student Diversity Center

Saturday, Feb 9th, 4:00 PM

Bring a food item that signifies your culture.
Selected dishes will be featured in this year International, Food, Song, & Dance Festival
Each valid entry will earn a free pass to ISA's Snow Tubing event OR an ISA T-shirt.

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For more information, visit www.facebook.com/BoiseStateISA



Immigration Check-in LAST DAY February 8th

Last day for Check-in for **all** continuing international students will be held **Friday, Feb. 8th** This check-in is **required** by U.S. Immigration to maintain your legal status as an F-1 or J-1 visa holder. Check-in takes approximately 15 minutes to complete.

You must come to the Student Diversity Center (SDC) in the Student Union Building (SUB) between 9:30am and 4:00pm to fulfill this requirement.

Any student who does not attend the check-in session will be fined \$50.00.

NOTE: If you are a new international student and attended the orientation January 16th and 17th, you are checked-in with immigration. You do not need to participate in the check-in session this semester. You will need to attend check-in next semester.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

FOOD, SONG AND DANCE FESTIVAL

Are you interested in sharing your culture with the Boise State community? If so, the International Student Association needs performers, traditional recipes, cooks, and volunteers. First meeting is this Saturday at 4 pm at the Food Tasting Party. Please contact Abdullah AlAlhareth if you are interested: AbdullahAlAlhareth@u.boisestate.edu.
Deadline to register is February 14th.

International Friendship Fridays



Games with International and American Students

What is Bunco?

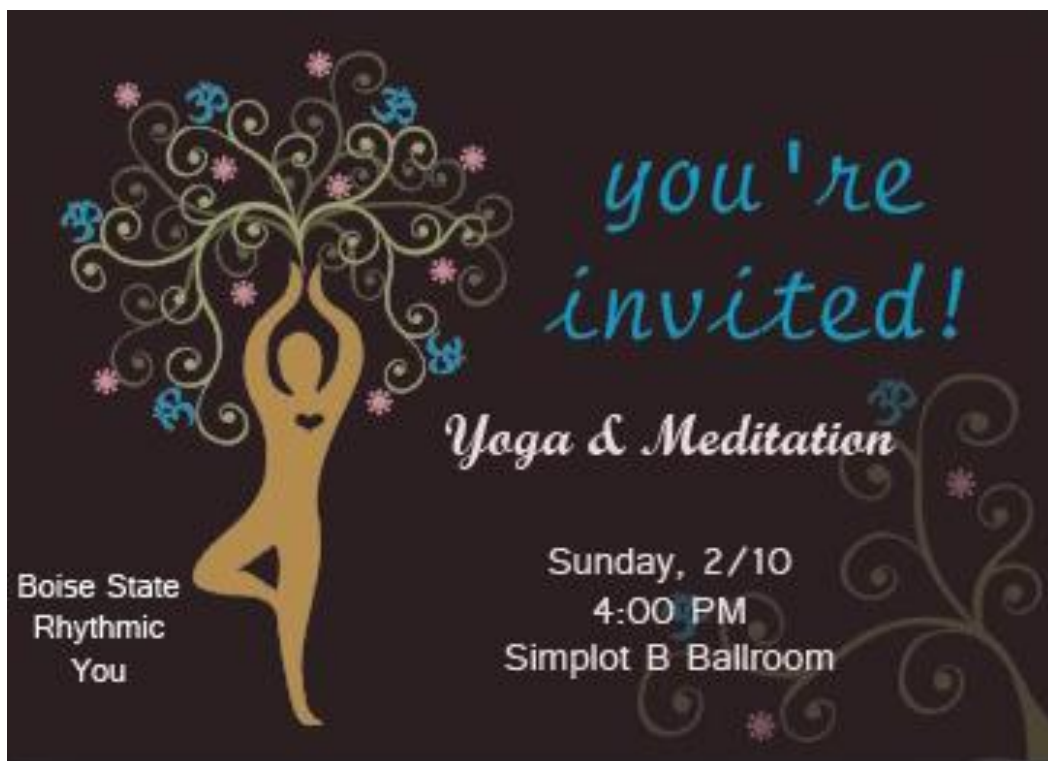
Bunco is a loud, fun game rolling dice and meeting new people. Expect to have a lot of fun while you meet other international and American students. We'll play other games after Bunco finishes, too.

Details

When: 9pm on Friday, Feb 8th.

Where: In the SUB, Simplot Ballrooms A&C.

Bring: Yourself, and friends! More people = more fun. :)



We are pleased to inform that we are screening **'Special 26'**, starring Akshay Kumar, Kajal Aggarwal, Manoj Bajpai, Anupam Kher, Jimmy Shergill. Details of the venue, date and time are provided below.

Shows Timings:

Saturday, Feb 9th 6:00 to 9:00 PM

Sunday, Feb 10th 11:00 am to 2:00 PM

VENUE:

At Northgate Reel Theater (Next to Madhuban Indian Restaurant)

Show Tickets- Adult \$12.00 (Children Under 10 years FREE)

International Student Dinner

We had 50 people last month!

Come meet new friends and have fun at our monthly dinner for international students. It's a great chance to enjoy meeting new people, playing games (including ping-pong and pool), and practicing English conversation over delicious food!

When: 5:30pm on Wednesday the 13th. Meet at the Student Diversity Center at 5:10pm (*after Coffee and Conversation*) to walk over with us!

Where: 1025 Belmont St., at the intersection of Belmont and Denver, a block south of the stadium and next to the Key Bank on Broadway.

Cost: Free! We love internationals, and want to help them connect with international and American friends. Feel free to bring friends!
email Steve Dunne with any questions at steve@isiboise.org.



We'll have chicken and dumplings and veggies!
(Vegetarian options, too!)

Optional Practical Training (OPT) is a one-year work permit that allows international students to work in their field of study after graduation. If you are graduating this semester and are interested in applying for OPT, you *must* attend an OPT Workshop.

February 20, 9:00 to 10:30am in the Student Diversity Center OR

February 20, 3:30 to 5:00pm in the Student Diversity Center

When attending the workshop, please bring your I-20, visa, passport and I-94 card, plus 2 passport-size photos (head positioned directly facing the camera) and a Money Order for \$380.00 payable to CIS. **Please email internationalinfo@boisestate.edu to sign up for a workshop. Be sure to indicate which session you wish to attend.**



Feb. 24, 2013, 7am~5pm

SNOW TUBING with ISA

Destination: McCall, Idaho
Early bird (by 1/25): \$15
Regular: \$20

Sign up at ISS Front Desk.
Full amount must be paid upfront to reserve a seat
Lunch not included.
For more information, visit
www.facebook.com/BoiseStateISA

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Student Spotlight

by Daria Ursol

Abdulaziz Alfaleh (commonly known as Aziz!) is an international student from Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. Back home, he earned his degree in Aircraft Mechanics, thinking it would be a great option for a potential future career. However, he decided to give it another go and now he is here at Boise State majoring in IT Management. As the new ISS Cultural Peer Advisor, Aziz is actively involved in helping the Middle Eastern student population to be successful and have a great experience in the United States. When it comes down to plans for the future, he doesn't really know where life will take him when he graduates. He enjoys playing chess, music, exercising, and training in combat sports.



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