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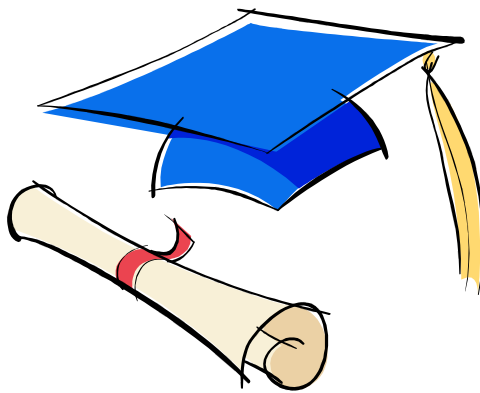
DIRECTOR'S CORNER

The Semester is almost over and there are still many things to do. The International Food Fest was a great success! The food was delicious and all enjoyed the variety available and the chance to taste each food. Thank you to

all the students who participated and attended. At commencement, we will have many students graduating with Bachelor's and Master's degrees. Please join the OISS in congratulating them and wishing them all

the best in their future careers and education. Julie M. Williams, Director Office of International Student Services.

GRADUATION



Tsai-Hua Lin	Taiwan	MBA
John Yun Liu	Taiwan	MSMIT
Yi-Hsiu Liu	Taiwan	MSEd
Hapson Msipa	Zimbabwe	MSA
Cyril Musau	Kenya	MBA
Milcah Ngoroi	Kenya	MSEd
Elisha Sakarombe	Zimbabwe	MSA
Pang-Chen Wu	Taiwan	MSA
Yun Yang	Taiwan	MBA

May and August Graduates will be in the next issues.

OISS News

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Undergraduates December 2006

Mario Andedo	Kenya	BA
Po-ying Chien	Taiwan	BSB
Sherin Raval	India	BS
Qiyong She	China	BSN
Bernard Sikare	Tanzania	BS

Graduates December 2006

Chihwin Chiu	Taiwan	MSAMCS
Chiung-Hsun Chiu	Taiwan	MBA
Angela Maria Garcia	Colombia	MBA
Pei-Yin Huang	Taiwan	MBA
Chu Hung Li	Taiwan	MSMIT

Graduates December 2006 (cont.)



OISS STAFF NEWS

HELLO BETH

Beth Houser is the new International Student Representative. She started work at the OISS on February 5. Beth grew up in southern Michigan in a small farming community just outside of Battle Creek. This spring, she obtained her Bachelor's in Political Science and Environmental Studies from Western Michigan University. While studying at WMU, she worked in the Human Re-

sources department as a student supervisor. When not studying or working, she loves to play sports and volunteers with many environmental groups around southwest Michigan. She moved to Mishawaka, Indiana, this last winter, after obtaining a job at IUSB in the International Student Services Office. While here, she hopes to further her education by receiving a Master of Public

Affairs. Her professional goal is to excel in environmental policy outreach in order to help better the lives of everyone. This move to South Bend has been a great experience and a step in the right direction. She says, "I have enjoyed every second of it thus far." If you have not already met her, please come by the international office to introduce yourself. Please see Beth for any questions you have about health insurance and other issues.



WELCOME AND BON VOYAGE JULIE

Julie recently returned from her annual recruitment tour of Southeast Asia. She will be leav-

ing at the end of April for another brief trip to Bangkok, Thailand.

IMMIGRATION QUESTIONS

Both Julie and Vivian will be out of the office at the end of May. If you have any immigration

questions, please see us before May 25th or after June 1st.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Dear Advisors,

I am going home for vacation. My I-20 is valid but my visa is going to expire when I'm home. Please help.

Sincerely,

Visa panic

Dear Visa panic,

Please make an appointment with the OISS to find out what you need to do.

There are letters, information, and other documents that you need to help you

obtain your new visa. We will give you the information you need.

Dear Advisors,

I am in the U.S. and not planning to go home. My passport has expired but my I-20 is still valid. Do I need to worry?

Respectfully,

Visa still good

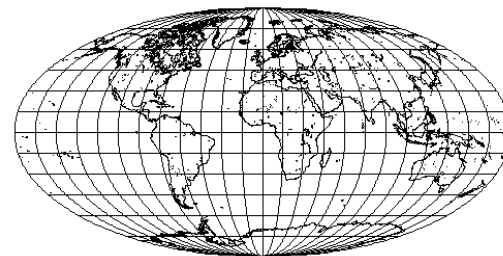
Dear Visa still good,

Actually, to maintain your student status, your passport also needs to be current. Please contact your closest embassy or consulate to find out what you need to do in order to obtain a new valid passport. Almost every country has an embassy in Washington, DC. Your passport should be current at least six months after the end date of your I-20.



ISO CORNER

INTERNATIONAL FOOD FEST



Int'l Food Fest, another successful event

It was another successful year for the International Food Fest. The event was hosted by the International Student Organization (ISO), with the tremendous help from the Black Student Union (BSU) and the Latino Student Union (LSU). On Saturday, March 31st, the Grille was filled with nearly three hundred people for the event. All three hundred available tickets sold out. The community came out to show their support for this event as always and the students worked hard on Friday and Saturday to make this event one of the most successful Food Fest for the last few years. All their hard work, hours in the kitchen preparing and cooking have been rewarded. The Michiana community as well as IU South Bend faculty, staff, and students had many positive things to say about the Food Fest. One attendee stated: "This event is well organized, the food is very good, and the entertainment just adds more taste to the Food Fest". The Latino students did an outstanding job with their Latin dances as well as

the IU South Bend Middle Eastern Dance Club. Additional entertainment was provided by an Irish dancer and a violin performance. All these events, plus the food, made this year's Food Fest an unforgettable event for all of us. A special thank you to the President of the ISO, Felix Marquez, and other board members, for all their hard work in making this event so successful. Last, but not least, we want to thank the community, staff and students for their great support and we hope to make this event better and better every year. Let's see what the 2008 International Food Fest brings us.

Thanks

International Student Organization

ISO

CFCO CORNER

CHINESE CULTURE FEST

The newly formed Chinese Friendship and Culture Organization hosted their first event less than two weeks after the club was first officially established. The club sponsored a culture exhibition in the Quiet Lounge next to the Grille. The Club introduced to the campus aspects of Chinese culture. There were exhibits for culture,

festivals and Chinese writing and language. The Club plans to continue with more presentations and activities in the future. Their next annual Chinese Cultural exhibition will be in March of 2008.

WORLD CULTURE AND AMERICAN CULTURE

DYNGUS DAY



As a land of immigrants, many other countries' holidays travel to and are celebrated in the U.S. One such holiday that is popular in South Bend is Dyngus Day.

In the U.S., Dyngus Day is popular and widely celebrated mainly in Buffalo, New York and in our own South Bend, Indiana. In places where it is celebrated, it is as popular as, and celebrated with as much enthusiasm, as St. Patrick's Day. What and when is Dyngus Day? Dyngus Day is the day after Easter Sunday and is more commonly known as Easter Monday in English. Dyngus is the Polish name for Easter Monday. In other countries, Dyngus Day is an official holiday where schools and businesses are closed. The word "Dyngus" means "worthy,

proper, or suitable." Dyngus Day is an appropriate time to celebrate the wealth of your heritage in ritual, song, and dance. How is this holiday celebrated in South Bend?

In South Bend, the year's political campaign season usually starts on this day (particularly among Democrats). The politicians visit various sites around South Bend. Also on this day, people usually eat kielbasa, a traditional Polish sausage and kapusta a traditional sweet and sour cabbage. The Polish sausage can be purchased in local supermarkets.



Kielbasa (polish sausage)

HEALTH INSURANCE

Information about the Indiana University health insurance plan and information about waiving out of IU health insurance is available online at <http://www.iusb.edu/~oiss/healthcurrent.shtml>

For students waiving out of IU health insurance plan, please remember that your coverage has to be valid for the whole waiver period.

For students who purchased Indiana University Health Insurance, the insurance cards have been mailed. If you have not received your insurance card please contact Aetna Chickering at 1-800-966-7772

or request a card from their website at https://www.chickering.com/stu_conn/form_requestcard.aspx to receive a card. If you need to see a doctor or go to the hospital and you have not yet received the insurance card, you may register online at the Chickering site and download a temporary card. Instructions are available online at <http://www.iusb.edu/~oiss/healthcurrenttemp.shtml>.

If you have other questions that are not answered on the website, please contact Beth Houser: behouser@iusb.edu or 574 520 4419.

Waivers for the fall semester are due on October 1st.

ENGLISH GONE CRAZY? MAD?

TONGUE TWISTERS

According to wikipedia, a tongue-twister is "a phrase in any language that is designed to be difficult to articulate (pronounce) properly." The English language has many of these twisters. Try your best with the following ones:

The most popular tongue twisters in English are :

- Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled peppers.
- Did Peter Piper pick a peck of pickled peppers?
- If Peter Piper Picked a peck of pickled peppers,
- Where's the peck of pickled peppers Peter Piper picked?

- How much wood would a woodchuck chuck, if a woodchuck could chuck wood?
- He would chuck, he would, as much as he could, And chuck, as much, as a woodchuck would, if a woodchuck could chuck wood.

The most difficult in English according wikipedia and others is:

The sixth sick sheikh's sixth sheep's sick, so six slick sheiks sold six sick sheep, six silk sheets.

OISS WEBSITE

Over the last few weeks, we have worked to make the OISS website more user-friendly to prospective, admitted, and current students. Many of the forms and information that international students need are now available on the website. Please take a look at the new current international student website. If there are other items or information that you would like to be able to access online, please let us know. <http://www.iusb.edu/~oiss/currents.shtml>

APRIL 2007

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2	3	4	5 International Student Chat	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16 Tax Forms Due	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27 Final Exams	28 Final Exams
29 Final Exams	30 Final Exams					

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Green boxes are ISO events.

MAY 2007

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 Final Exams	2 Final Exams	3 Final Exams	4	5
6	7	8 Commencement	9	10	11	12
13	14 Summer Session I start	15	16	17	18 OPT Workshop (August Graduates)	19
20	21	22	23	24	25 OPT Workshop August Graduates	26
27	28 IUSB closed	29	30	31		

JUNE 2007

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22 New Student Orientation	23
24	25 Summer Session I end	26	27	28	29	30

JULY 2007

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2 Summer Session II Start	3	4 IUSB closed	5	6	7
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15	16	17	18	19	20	21
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AUGUST 2007

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13 Summer Session II End	14	15 New Student Orientation	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27 Fall 2007 Start	28	29	30	31	

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REMINDERS

TAX FORMS NEED TO BE MAILED BEFORE APRIL 16TH
SEE OISS BEFORE TRAVELING IN THE US OR OVERSEAS
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HEALTH INSURANCE WAIVER FORMS DUE OCTOBER 1ST.