**ISSO Weekly Newsletter November 22**

**Have a Safe and Happy Thanksgiving**

November 25-29 will be Thanksgiving break. There are no classes during this week, but International Students and Scholars Office and most University offices will be open on the 25, 26 and 27. Most offices, including ISSO, will be closed on November 28 and 29. If you require emergency assistance on the 28th or 29th, please call UNI Public Safety at 273-4000. You should also call Public Safety after hours and during weekends for emergency assistance. They know how to contact ISSO staff as necessary.

**Thanksgiving Holiday Dining Hours**

Due to the holiday break all dining centers will be closed Saturday, November 23 through Sunday, December 1. Regular hours will resume Monday, December 2. Monday, November 25-Wednesday, November 27, Prexy's in Maucker Union will be open from 7:30 am-1:30 pm. See the attached schedules for the Department of Residence and Maucker Union for more information. If you are looking for meal options during the break, restaurants on the Hill will be open for a majority of the week (see attached map for locations.) Biscotti's and 23rd Street market will also be open until Friday, November 22 at 4 pm. These are great locations to purchase groceries on campus to use during the Thanksgiving holiday break.

**Fall Graduation and Farewell Reception December 12**

You are invited to a reception on Thursday, December 12 at 6 pm in the Maucker Union University Room. Come and celebrate with us as we recognize international students who will graduate in December and as we say farewell to the exchange students who will be leaving us at the end of the semester. Enjoy tasty appetizers and graduation cake! Graduates and departing exchange students, if you plan to attend, please contact the International Students and Scholars Office by Friday, December 6 so we know who to expect and who to include in our program. You may call 319-273-6421 or send an e-mail message to international.services@uni.edu.

**On Campus Employment Reminder**

This is a reminder that international students are not permitted to work more than a total of **20 hours** from all jobs during ANY week (Sunday through Saturday) while school is in session. There are no exceptions to this rule. It is your responsibility to not go over the 20 hour per week limit, it is **not** the responsibility of your employer.

**Volunteer Opportunities for Holiday Hoopla in Cedar Falls**

Holiday Hoopla events will happen throughout the month of December in downtown Cedar Falls. Check the website at [http://www.cfholidayhoopla.com](http://www.cfholidayhoopla.com) for a complete list. Holiday Hoopla events are volunteer driven and they are seeking additional help for some of their events. If you are an international student and are staying in town for the holidays, maybe you would like to volunteer for Cedar Fall’s Community Main Street’s Holiday Hoopla. Volunteers are needed for the kick-off on November 29 to serve hot chocolate and do light clean up after the kick-off celebration. On Saturday, December 14 "Santa's Snow Shuffle", a 5K running/walking event will be held in and around downtown Cedar Falls. Volunteers are used to monitor intersections along the route. On Thursday, December 19 "Baby It's Cold Outside" will be held on Main Street.
needed to prepare and set up 360 luminaries for this event. If you would like to volunteer for any of these events, please contact Community Main Street at 319-277-0213.

**Bike Rental Survey**
As part of a sustainability project on campus that would benefit students you are being asked to take a survey to determine student interest in a bike rental program. The link to the survey is [https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/K93JCNB](https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/K93JCNB). If you have any questions about the project, please contact Kendal Ausborn at ausbornk@uni.edu.

**Sidecar Coffee Roasters Open on the Hill**
Sidecar Coffee Roasters is a new business open on College Hill. They offer coffee, pastries and lunches. For more information visit their website at [http://www.sidecarcoffeeroasters.com/](http://www.sidecarcoffeeroasters.com/)

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**ISSO Office Hours**
ISSO office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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