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Thursday, June 13, 2019

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

**BBQ at Island Park June 14**
Join CIEP for burgers and hot dogs at Island Park (121 Center Street) along the Cedar River in Cedar Falls. Meet at the 23rd Street Market at 4:00 pm for transportation to the BBQ. They will be playing Frisbee golf and other sports while cooking food. CIEP will bring the food, and you can bring the fun. Questions, call 319-273-2182, email Fiedlerq@uni.edu. Follow the CIEP Facebook page for other summer activities!

**Live to 9 Concert: Mike Staebell and Bruce Day June 14**
The Live to 9 concert series is presented by the Cedar Falls Jaycees and the Cedar Basin Jazz Festival. Join them in Sturgis Park (behind the Ice House Museum). Gates Open at 5:30 pm. Band Plays: 6:00 - 9:00 pm. Free admission!! Food & beverages are available.

**College Hill Arts Festival June 21-22**
The College Hill Arts Festival will be held June 21-22, 2019 on the campus of the University of Northern Iowa at the corner of College and 23rd Streets. The Arts Festival will be from noon to 8 pm on Friday, June 21 and 10 am-5 pm on Saturday, June 22. View artwork from 75 Artists. Artists come from far and wide to display their ceramics, fibers, glassware, graphics, jewelry, paintings, sculptures, and more. Special musical performances during the entire festival.

**Movies Under the Moon: Moana June 21**
Movies Under the Moon features an array of free, family-friendly films under the stars on select Friday nights during the summer at Overman Park in Cedar Falls. The public is encouraged to arrive early and bring blankets and lawn chairs. Musicians from the Cedar Valley Acoustic Guitar Association will take the stage at 6:30 p.m., and the Movies Under the Moon featured film will begin at dusk, or around 9:00 p.m. Yummy food, popcorn, sodas, and an assortment of snacks are available for purchase throughout the night.
**IMMIGRATION**

*Important Immigration Information*

As the summer break approaches, the ISSO would like to remind you of two very important points:

1. If you plan to travel outside of the U.S. over the summer vacation and return to UNI to resume your studies in August, you must make sure that you have a valid **travel endorsement** on page 2 of your I-20 form or page 1 of your DS-2019 form. Travel endorsements are valid for one year, so new endorsements are only needed if your previous endorsement will expire before you plan to re-enter the U.S. If you are not sure if you need a travel endorsement, please check with us and we will be happy to review your documents.

2. International students are responsible for **maintaining their U.S. immigration statuses**, and an important part of this is **always having a valid, unexpired I-20 or DS-2019 form**. I recommend that F-1 students check the "Program of Study" section near the center of their I-20 forms once per month to make sure they do not study past the program end date indicated in that section. J-1 students should always be aware of their DS-2019 form validity dates in section 3. Page 3 of all I-20 forms specifies that "If you cannot complete the educational program by the program end date on page 1 of your Form I-20, you should contact your DSO at least 15 days before program end date to request an extension." I am your Principal DSO, and I am always happy to help when students need extensions.

**HEALTH AND WELLNESS**

*Important Reminder: Student Health Insurance*

The Student Health Clinic needs to know if you are planning to leave the US during summer break. You must email Connie Potter (connie.potter@uni.edu) or stop by the Student Health Clinic. You will need to provide the date that you are leaving and the date you are returning to the US. The Student Health Clinic will suspend your insurance coverage during that time. If you’re not enrolled for the summer session and the Student Health Clinic does not hear from you, your coverage will automatically continue. It is important for you to tell the Health Clinic before you leave the US as they cannot remove the coverage when you return to UNI in the fall.

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