

# INTERNATIONAL STUDENT NEWSLETTER

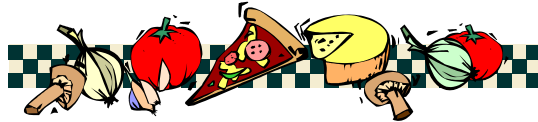
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## LET'S MEET FOR LUNCH!

All F-1 and M-1 Visa International Students are invited to a luncheon on **November 8th** in the **Lakeview Room** during the lunch hour from **11:30 to 12:30**. CR has a total of 23 international students from Brazil, Canada, Germany, Ghana, Japan, Liberia, South Korea, South Africa, and Thailand. Please come to meet your peers. We will provide lunch, discuss the new International Student Club, important information and future fun events! See you there!



**What: Luncheon**

**When: Monday, November 8th**

**Time: 11:30 to 12:30**

**Where: Lakeview Room**

**in the Eureka Campus Cafeteria**

**THANK YOU,** new and returning international students, for meeting with me in the month of October 2004. We have a total of 20 international students on the Eureka Campus and three at the Mendocino Campus in Fort Bragg. As we discussed when we met, it will be mandatory that all international students report to me at the beginning of every semester in order to make the start of your term a smooth one. M-1 students in the Fine Woodworking Program at the Mendocino Campus can report to me through David Welter.

Students who have yet to report to me are: **Roelof Diener, Yuki Hatori, Andrew Sawboh and Akira Taniguchi.**

Sincerely,

**THANK YOU**

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## REVIEW OF TERMINOLOGY

**USCIS**—United States Citizenship and Immigration Services

**DMV**—Department of Motor Vehicles issues California Identification Cards and Driver License.

**F-1 Student Visa**—issued for full-time studies in academic, degree granting or language programs.

**M-1 Student Visa**—issued for vocational training and non-degree programs.

**SEVIS I-20**—Certificate of eligibility for non-immigrant Student Status.

**I-94**—Arrival/Departure Record issued upon entry into the United States. The Form I-94 shows the immigration classification, the place and date of admission and the period of stay authorized. Always use the first I-94 issued even though you will receive a new I-94 card every time you re-enter the U.S. after traveling abroad.

**D/S**—Duration of Status or the period which the student is pursuing a full course of study. This notation is stamped on both the I-94 and I-20 by the Immigration Officer at the time of admission into the U.S.

**Visa**—Status stamp allows the bearer to apply for entry to the U.S. in a certain classification (e.g. student (F), visitor (B), temporary worker (H)). A visa does not grant the bearer the right to enter the United States.

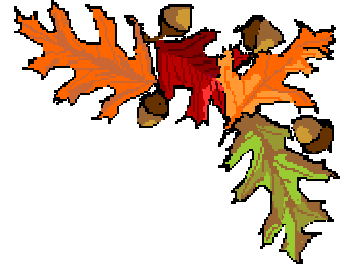
**Passport**—A document issued by a country to a citizen allowing that person to travel abroad and re-enter the home country.

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**SOCIAL SECURITY INFORMATION** for international students:

[http://ssa-custhelp.ssa.gov/cgi-bin/ssa.cfg/php/enduser/std\\_adp.php?p\\_faqid=75](http://ssa-custhelp.ssa.gov/cgi-bin/ssa.cfg/php/enduser/std_adp.php?p_faqid=75)

**DIVERSITY LOTTERY** *What is the Diversity Visa Lottery Program?*

Each year, 50,000 immigrant visas are made available through a lottery to people who come from countries with low rates of immigration to the United States. None of these visas are available for people who come from countries that have sent more than 50,000 immigrants to the United States in the past five years. The State Department's National Visa Center holds the lottery every year, and chooses winners randomly from all qualified entries. Anyone who is selected under this lottery will be given the opportunity to apply for permanent residence. If permanent residence is granted, then the individual will be authorized to live and work permanently in the United States. You will also be allowed to bring your spouse and any unmarried children under the age of 21 to the United States.

For Instructions for the 2006 Diversity Lottery Program (DV-2006) go to:

[http://travel.state.gov/visa/immigrants\\_types\\_diversity3.html](http://travel.state.gov/visa/immigrants_types_diversity3.html)