



News from Seville International Business and Culture Program October 20-26, 2008



General News:

CIEE SPORTS. Tuesday and Wednesday.

Seems like you guys are starting to participate in the sports activities and that volleyball is starting pick up. Remember there are games every Tuesday and Wednesday organized by Irene, Cristina y Esteban. You can invite your foreign friends and intercambios. Get in to shape and play!

BASKETBALL AND VOLLEYBALL Tuesday from 7:00 pm to 9:00pm in the Sports Center IFNI courts with Irene and Cristina. To get to **IFNI take bus 34 in the Puerta de Derecho.**

Soccer Wednesday at 8:00 pm to 10:00pm in the Charco de la Pava field. To get there take bus **43 in the Plaza del Magdalena.**

Cultural Visit

Casa Pilatos. Tuesday October 21. 2:30 pm. This week there will be a visit to one of the most lavishing palaces in Sevilla, after the Reales Alcazares. It is a building of the 15th century that is now the residence of the Medinaceli family. It is not only interesting because of its architecture but also due to its interior decoration of paintings and furniture of different centuries. It is very close to our study center and the visit lasts an hour. If you are interested, **sign up in the Students Services department before noon Tuesday and meet with the guide in the patio of CIEE study center at 2:30pm.**

CINECLUB. Thursday October 23rd. Sergio and a group of Spanish movie critics invite you to come to the CIEE cineclub every **Thursday at 9:00pm aula Granada.** Free of entrance and you can invite friends and intercambios. After the film everyone comments on the movie. This week is **Habana Blues**, by Benitos Zambrano.

HALLOWEEN: Spanish children don't know that well the Halloween tradition. Due to this, each year, CIEE students go to an elementary school to explain a little about this holiday. We prepare activities so they can understand better this event. We want to go this year **Friday October 31st from 10:30 to 1:00 pm.** If you are interested and have ideas for activities come speak with **Nancy in the Students Services office.**

MAILBOXES IN THE PALACIO: We want to remind you to check your mailbox to see if you received mail or any other type of information. The mailboxes can be found in between the stairs and the bathroom on the bottom floor of the Palacio.

MOVE DATE: Remember the last day to change your housing is **Saturday November 1st**. If you need to talk to María or Nancy, stop by the Students Services office.

Academic News:

Mid-term Exams. Last week of midterms...best of luck! If after you receive your midterm exams, you aren't too thrilled about your grade (due to the effort/knowledge on your part) get assistance from your professors. There is still plenty of time in the semester to improve your semester grades. Get help now!

CIEE Writing Center. Having a hard time expressing yourself in Spanish? Not really clear about the use of the subjunctive? Want to improve your writing skills in general? Get in touch with Miguel Romero (mromero@ciee.org), CIEE Coordinator of the Writing Center and set up an appointment. Students who have had a semester tutor or who have gone in for writing help were glad they did.

Reserving computer/Internet time at the UPO. Very simple to do. Need to use a computer on campus to reserve time (or someone's laptop). Go to the UPO University website, www.upo.es, and under "Vivir la UPO" choose "Sala de Estudios y Aulas de informática". Go to "Servicio de reserva de aula de informática". Go to "Aplicación de Reserva de ordenadores". You can reserve time in the computer lab (Reservas aula) in buildings 3 or 7 or reserve time in the library (reservas biblioteca). Note: you can have 2 hour slots per day in the computer labs compared to 1 hour slots in the library. You will be asked to enter in your username and password. **YOU CAN RESERVE TIME UP TO 2 WEEKS!** So look at your breaks in classes and reserve time then!

Appointment with Alayna. Make sure that you have signed up for a time. If not, sign up for a time on Doodle ASAP.

Cultural Immersion Contest. Are you hanging onto your receipts, stubs, etc? Have photo proof? Those with the most points at the end of the semester will receive a cash prize. Get going now!

Alayna's Office Hours. Alayna is in the UPO office (Celestino Mutis, first floor, 7th door on right) the following days and times:

Tuesdays 10:15-1:15

Wednesdays 10:15-1:15

When Alayna's not on the campus, you can find her in the CIEE Academic Office around the corner from the Palacio 8:30-3:00. Don't hesitate to stop by her office for anything that you might need.

Participation in UPO Sports Activities.

Sports Card If you want to join a sports team such as basketball, rugby, volleyball, soccer, etc with Spanish students you will need a Sports Card. CIEE will cover the cost of the sports card. Go to the Sports Office (SDUPO) in Building 14. Tell them 1) Your name, 2) that you are a student in the Foreign Studies Center and 3) The activities in which you would like to participate. If you only need the Sports Card, there is no cost to you.

Joining the Gym. If you are interested in joining the gym, you will have to pay the registration fee (10,65€) plus the monthly fee at the Banco Santander on campus.

Keep a copy of the "carta de pago" (pink receipt) and give it to Alayna. CIEE will reimburse you the Gym Registration Fee of 10,65. (Note: the bank only accepts cash in the mornings.)

For your sports card and/or joining the gym, you will need to bring 2 passport size photos as well.

UPO Fitness Classes. Some of you are interested in fitness classes at the UPO. STEP, AEROBIC, BODY SCULPT are already going on. Pick up a schedule in SDUPO. If you were interested in Kickboxing or Tai Chi, this will depend on student interest. SDUPO will look over student suggestions at the end of this month. If there is enough interest, and space for the class, they will open up a new class. If this happens, SDUPO will give you a call or send you an email notifying you of the new class. If there is not sufficient interest or space, no class.

Important October Dates

Wednesday, October 22nd at 3:00 p.m. English Table (Plaza de América Cafeteria)

Friday, October 31st: 4th social/cultural activity --- day trip to the towns of Osuna and Estepa. **SIGN UP IN THE UPO FOREIGN STUDENTS OFFICE**

Free Time Activities:

SPEED INTERCAMBIO. Monday 20. If you still don't have an intercambio yet pass by the Irish Pub Flaherty's. Every Monday from 8:00 pm to 10:00 pm there is an intercambio activity where each person spends 15 minutes speaking and practicing their Spanish. Are you interested? Calle Alemanes 7 (in front of the Cathedral, corner with Starbucks of the Avenida de la Constitución)

TUESDAY FILM. This Tuesday **October 21**, at 8:30 pm the Foundation of the Three Cultures (Moroccan Pavilion, Isla de la Cartuja), will show the documental "**Desde la oscuridad**" de **Mariano Agudo y Julio Sánchez Veiga, (España, 2008, 55 min)** its of the cycle dedicated to Turkey. The documental will be presented by Zekine Turkeri, Kurdo journalist and co-scriptwriter of the documental and by Mariano Agudo, codirector. After the film, there will be a round table where these two gentlemen will participate.

BLUES IN CAFETAL. Wednesday 22. This week, the band Kid Carlos Blues Band will perform in the bar Cafetal (Ciudad Jardín, 5; near Gran Plaza). Remember that the concerts begin at 10:00 pm and are free.

THURSDAY FLAMENCO. Thursday 23. If you want to enjoy our culture, come to the Cajasol cultural center (calle Laraña) to see the show "De Grana" by Marina Heredia with Pepe Habichuela. The show begins at 9:00pm. You can buy tickets by phone at 954 508 200.

CHORAL MUSIC EN LA ANUNCIACIÓN. Friday 24. The "Centro de Iniciativas culturales" of the University of Seville organizes a concert performed by the Sevillian Musical Society Choir in the Church of la Anunciación (calle Laraña, next to the plaza de la Encarnación). Its free. It starts at 8:30 pm.

POP ROCK CONCERT. Friday 24. NICO in concert. He is an Andalusian singer the performance will take place in Café Canalla (calle Torneo, 23), starting at 11:00 pm.

EXHIBIT. SPAIN AND THE ARAB WORLD. La Casa Árabe and the Andalusian Parliament have gathered 148 photos with the most important moments of the Spanish government and Arab countries since 1912 until the present. The exhibit is open until October 31st from 10:00 to 2:00 pm and 5:00 pm to 8:00pm. It is free. The Parliament is located in the Macarena Neighborhood (Calle Parlamento de Andalucía, s/n).

FESTIVAL OF THE NATIONS. Weekend of world traditions and customs. It is the next to the last weekend of the festival. You can enjoy Andalusian music, flamenco and tango mix, dance classes and salsa, merengue, and bachata shows. The festival is open all day and the performances last until midnight. You haven't gone yet? Do not miss the opportunity to go to the Prado de San Sebastian Park.

TRADITIONAL THEATER. From the 22nd until the 26th of October. Its tradition in Spain, before the day of the dead (that is celebrated November 2nd) to go to the theatre to enjoy the play Don Juan Tenorio.... If you are up to a bit of traditional theatre, the Teatro de Lope de Vega (in front of the Maria Luisa Park) offers *Don Juan. El burlador de Sevilla* starting Wednesday the 22nd until Sunday the 26th. The tickets cost 4 to 21 euros. You can buy them in the ticket boxes in front of the Theater.