Sister Rose Marie Praises “Madonna Pioneers”

On October 13th, a couple of the international newsletter members had the honor of meeting the president of Madonna University, Sister Rose Marie. As we expect the international newsletter to boost the international students' activities, we wanted to introduce our plan and ambition of publishing this newsletter to the president.

She congratulated us on the first publication of our newsletter and noted that it is “wonderful to be a pioneer in a positive movement.” She is aware of the importance of diversity at Madonna University, as well as in other places, in that experiencing diversity will give students “a sense of global awareness.” Based on her experience of having visited twenty-three different countries all over the world, she especially appreciates the value of how other countries express their uniqueness. Thus, she has tried to help the international students to adapt to the school as well as to America by establishing the International Students Office. Moreover, she has the school provide transportation to and from airports, invites host families, and sponsors English as a Second Language program. Madonna University also serves food to suit international students’ tastes and encourages international events on campus. However, she thinks it is not only the school that has to put forth efforts. The international students also have to mingle with fellow American students. They should try to use advantages that the school provides.

Lastly, Sr. Rose Marie hopes that the newsletter will serve to link the American and international students and encourage learning more about each other. We thanked Sr. Rose Marie for her valuable time and advice.

Written by Hwa-Jung Ryu

Welcome to the first edition of the Madonna International Community Newsletter. This newsletter is published by our international students as a channel of communication and cultural exchange for the international students and the entire Madonna Community. Each newsletter will cover a wide range of topics, from immigration regulations, culture tips, language learning, to students’ personal stories. I am proud that our international students have taken the initiative to produce such a wonderful publication. Please join me in congratulating our International Students Newsletter Committee on a job well done. Enjoy and read on!!

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The Origins of Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving is believed to have originated with the arrival of the Mayflower ship, carrying Pilgrims to the New Land shore. The Mayflower landed in the United States on December 11, 1620. The first winter was devastating and nearly half of the 102 passengers who had sailed from Plymouth, England died before spring. But the harvest of 1621 was a bountiful one. This “first” Thanksgiving was celebrated over a period of three days by the Pilgrims and neighboring Wampanoag Indians who supplied much of the food - venison, waterfowl, dried berries, shellfish and cornbread. The men hunted wild ducks and geese. It is not certain that wild turkey was part of their feast. The term "turkey" was used by the Pilgrims to mean any sort of wild fowl. Today Thanksgiving is considered to be "the most American holiday" by many, and is observed on the fourth Thursday of November. Families gather together around Thanksgiving dinner that usually include roasted turkey, cornbread, gravy, cranberry relish, green beans, pumpkin and pecan pies. It is a tradition to thank people for anything you want to thank them for on the day of Thanksgiving.

Compiled by Tatiana Natsik
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LET'S LEARN

Common Transitions
To show additions: and, also, besides, further, furthermore, in addition, moreover, next, too, first, second.
To give examples: for example, for instance, to illustrate, in fact, specifically.
To compare: also, in the same manner, similarly, likewise.

Compiled by Tatiana Natsik

Announcement!!!!!!

1. Radio City Christmas Spectacular
Dec 4, 2004  $25.50
Sign up by Nov 22. at International Students Office.

2. Cooking Class: Jamaican Cooking
Dec 10, 2004  $5.00 (includes ingredients and receipt)
Sign up by Dec 7, 2004

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How are you?”

In Korean  “Jal ji ne sim ni gga?”
In Russian  “Kack dela?”
In Japanese  “gokidenn i kagadesuka?”
In Arabic  “Keif Halak?”

Compiled by Sun-Gyu Um

Tips from the Writing Lab

To maintain F-1 status at Madonna University, a student must:
1. Maintain a valid passport, I-20 and I-94.
2. Attend Madonna University.
3. Pursue a full course of study (12 credit hours for undergraduate students and 9 credit hours for graduate students) and make normal progress.
4. Apply for extensions of program before the expiration date on the current I-20.
5. Follow INS procedures for changing from one program or educational level to another.
6. Limit on-campus employment to 20 hours a week while school is in session.
7. Refrain from off-campus employment without authorization.
8. Report a change of address to International Student Office within 10 days of the change on Form AR-11.

For Additional information, visit the International Students Office’s website.

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