

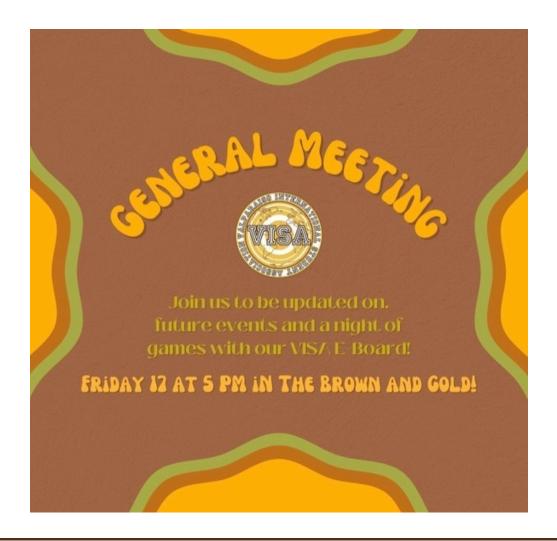


#### Hello International Students and Friends,

This week, join us for the VISA general meeting tonight and a cozy and caffeinated International Coffee Hour next Thursday, get ahead on your financial planning with our Tax Preparation tips, and consider donating to the Turkey/Syria earthquake relief effort. But first, remember to complete your assignments before spring break!

<u>The OIP</u>

## VISA General Meeting, Feb 17, 5PM



## International Coffee Hour, Feb 23

Join us for an unforgettable International Coffee Hour experience at the International Student Lounge on Feb 23! Savor your coffee, engage in meaningful conversations, and compete for prizes in U.S. trivia while sharing trivia questions from your own country.



# INTERNATIONAL COFFEE HOUR



### THURSDAY

FEB 23 4-5P.M.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT LOUNGE (UNION 246)

JOIN US FOR COFFEE AND CONVERSATION!

## THIS WEEK'S TOPIC: U.S. TRIVIA - win a prize!

\*\*\*BRING TRIVIA FROM YOUR COUNTRY!



## Prep for Taxes



Next week the OIP will send out an email about taxes. It will be titled "*Important Tax Filing Instructions for Current Valpo Students & Scholars*". Be sure to read it very carefully and follow the instructions there!

Tax filing for 2022 will be due on April 18, 2023.

## <u>Turkey/Syria Earthquake Relief</u>

We are saddened by the terrible earthquake in Turkey and Syria which took place on February 6, causing a tremoundous toll of suffering and hardship. Our thoughts and prayers are with the people in that region.

In addition, please take a look at the flyer below for information on one method of donating supplies & give as you are able. <u>There will be a</u> <u>donation box availble outside the Valpo Bookstore in the Harre Union</u> <u>all next week</u>.

# Earthquake Relief

In collaboration with Zakat Foundation, Basmet Amal is collecting the following list of items to help the victims of the earthquakes in Turkey a<u>nd Syria.</u>

### Items needed:

- New clothes, shoes, jackets, etc.
- Blankets and sleeping bags
- Wheelchairs/canes/crutches
- Women's hygiene products and diapers
- First-aid kits

All items donated need to be<u>NEW.</u>

If you are able to donate your time and effort for sorting/packaging, please contact us at (219) 306-5136.

### Drop-off/ volunteer times:

10 am - 3pm daily until further notice

> Address: 2161 US HWY 41 Schererville, IN 46375

More about us : 
basmet.org

# <u>Spring Break</u> <u>Housing</u> <u>Application</u>



The Valpo Residential Life office

wants to make sure you are aware that the residence halls close for Spring Break on Saturday, March 4, 2023, at noon and will reopen on Sunday, March 19, 2023, at noon.

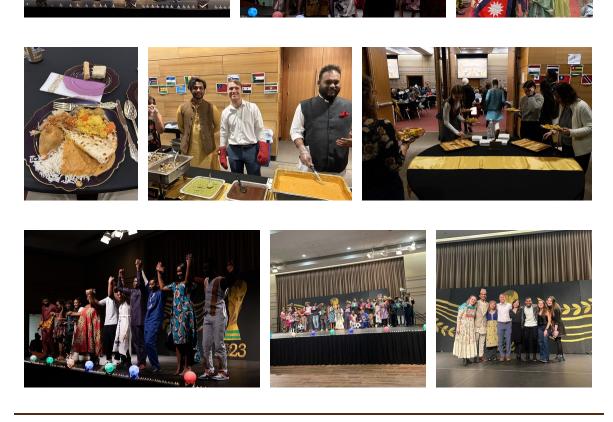
If you are planning to stay on campus during Spring Break, please complete a Spring Break Housing application by Monday, February 20, 2023 on your Housing Self-Service portal.

To access your Self-Service page log onto <u>DataVU</u>, then select "Housing Self-Service." Once on your Self-Service page, select the "Applications" tab and then select the "Spring Break Housing Application."

## World Banquet 2023 Photos

World Banquet on February 4th was a huge success! Enjoy the photos below.





## **OIP** Hours

OIP office is located at Harre Union Suite 250. Stop by to pick up documents, make an appointment, or just chat between 9 am to 4 pm, Monday to Friday.



## See you around campus!



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