



# International Korner

Center for International Social Work Studies

## ***Welcome!***

My name is Abigail Amorim, and on behalf of the CISWS I would like to welcome you all to another educational and exciting new semester. My interest in International issues comes from my own experiences of growing up in the developing country Brazil. I recall being no older than 11 years old when I heard words such as IMF, external debt and about my country's dependency on more developed countries. Does that sound familiar to you? I am sure it does! Many years have passed, but the same topics are still being discussed, not only during social gatherings among my fellow Brazilians, but also among many others worldwide. Therefore, if you are interested in international issues such as these, voice your opinions and join us in our discussions. Please don't hesitate to stop in and talk to us. The center is open to all and it provides a cozy and safe atmosphere.

## ***What is new this year at the Center...***

1- This semester, the Center will be sponsoring the "Lunch and Learn" series which will be held on Tuesdays from 1-2 P.M. Social workers from diverse international background will be invited to discuss international issues. If you know someone who would like to participate please contact Abigail or Cari at 570-9145.

2- The Center will also sponsor the "Telling your Story" series. This is an attempt to break the barriers among faculty and students, and through an informal presentation share personal experiences as social workers and practitioners.

3- The International students and company will arrange conversations on culture/race, social and economic justice. More details to follow.

4- In every weekly issue of the **International Korner** we will have a profile of an international student.

## ***Do you know that...***

**the UConn Storrs International Center** has a series of different programs aimed at people of diverse cultures, backgrounds and international students? The Center has a TV lounge and game room. The Center is open every day and evening for use by individuals and student groups.

The special events the center offers are also open to students from the UConn Graduate School of Social Work. The Center provides an ideal meeting place for U.S. and foreign students. All are encouraged to attend. Below is a list of events, and for more information, contact:

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***Here are some of their programs and events:***

**Coffee Hour**

Wednesdays 2:00-4:00pm, International Center

Coffee, pastries, friendship and fun.

All Welcome. Free.

**Conversation on Cultures**

Mondays & Wednesdays

6:00-7:30pm

International Center, Alsop B First Floor Lounge

**International Game Night**

Tuesdays 7:00-9:00pm

International Center, Alsop B First Floor Lounge

**Celebration of United Nations Day**

Thursday Oct.24th , Noon to 2:00PM.

Come join us to celebrate the United Nation's Day

Luncheon with guest speaker from the UN on International Human Rights Issues

Details To Be Announced

**Thanksgiving Town Meeting**

Dinner & Dance

Friday Nov. 29th

Rome Commons Ballroom,

South Campus

**Trip to Boston**

Saturday, Nov. 30th

Bus leaves International House 10:00AM

Bus leaves Boston 7:00PM

\$15 per person.

***October is Domestic Violence and Breast Cancer Awareness month!!***

