



SDU International Club

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June Calendar

"If you always do what you've always done, you'll always get what you've always got."

Henry Ford (1863-1947),
American founder of the Ford Motor Company

June 5th @ 19.00

IC Dinner of the Month

We will meet at Simoncini Restaurant, Vestergade 70, 5000 Odense C. The restaurant is located in the centre of Odense. They offer an intimate atmosphere with spectacular Italian food and wine. Sign up as soon as possible to enjoy our dinner of the month at sgg@sdu.dk

Price: 150 kr. (one course/one glass of wine)

June 8th @ 10.00

Spouses Day Trip to Assens

Let's leave Odense for the day and discover a lovely town on Fyn. We will go for a wander, have coffee and cake, visit the Willemoes Museum and the Assens Mini Town. We can either arrange carpools, bike ride or catch the 151/152 or 130 bus directly from Odense station which is a nice trip through the countryside. Please contact annalouisecohen@gmail.com to sign up.

June 15th @ 17.00

Potluck in the Park

Join us in Munke Mose park, Odense C, for a family-friendly evening picnic. We will meet on the south side of the large playground. Please bring your own food and drinks, picnic rugs, plates and cutlery. You may like to arrange to meet with others earlier, as there will be an open air concert in the park at 14.00. See www.openair.dk for more details. Contact sgg@sdu.dk to sign up.

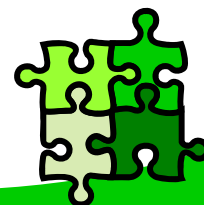


little things

by Evelina Kvartunaite

I firmly believe in small gestures: pay for their coffee, hold the door for strangers, give a tip, smile or try to be kind even when you don't feel like it, pay compliments, chase the kid's runaway ball down the sidewalk and throw it back to him... Always try to be larger than you are — particularly when it's difficult.

People do notice, people appreciate it. I appreciate it when it's done for me. Small gestures can be an effort, or actually go against the grain ("I'm not a big one for paying compliments..."), but the irony is that almost every time you make them, you feel better about yourself. For a moment life suddenly feels lighter, a bit more Gene Kelly dancing in the rain.



June 16th @ 10.00

International Families Play Date

Let's enjoy the warm weather and meet outside so the children can play and the adults can enjoy meeting with each other, making connections and lifelong friends. Please contact ying-chan.lin@uit.no for more details.

June 18th @ 16.00

Cross Cultural Seminar

For those who missed out last month, IC is offering a workshop 'English is not enough in our job', an introduction to cross-cultural understanding led by SDU students. If you are interested in:

- getting to know why cross-cultural misunderstandings matter
- checking your current level of intercultural awareness
 - learning about cultural shock
 - grasping the secrets of verbal and non-verbal communication across cultures, then

Join us at the conference room at Syddanske Forskerparker (Forskerparken 10, 5230 Odense M) to share your experiences. Please bring a Dane if you are an international or an international if you are a Dane! Sign up ASAP at sqq@sdu.dk as places are limited.

June 29th - June 30th

Weekend Trip to Langeland

Following the amazing success of past years' summer adventures in Denmark, the International Club is organising another weekend trip to showcase more of Denmark's hidden treasures. On the weekend of the 29/30th June, we will travel south of Fyn to the idyllic island of Langeland. This family friendly trip aims to unveil some of Denmark's natural beauty. Possible activities include: visiting a nature reserve with a flock of wild horses, bird watching, swimming at the beach. For anyone with an interest in history, the Cold War Museum is also close by. We will spend the night close to the coast, in a facility with a large swimming pool and a range of accommodation options. For those who wish to continue their "close to nature" experience, you can choose to overnight in a tent (125kr) or a luxury tent (175kr). Cabins (200kr) are also available for those who don't wish to forego home comforts. A group dinner has also been planned for the Saturday night at a local restaurant. It will include a buffet and a glass of wine/beer (225kr). The International Club will cover the cost of transport (bus), but individuals are responsible for the cost of food (lunch both days and one evening meal) and accommodation (which includes breakfast). The bus will depart ca. 09.00 on Saturday morning and return ca. 16.00 on Sunday afternoon.

Please sign up as soon possible at sqq@sdu.dk as spaces are limited!

A more detailed programme will be sent nearer the time.

Join the SDU Cycling Club!

Do you like to use your bike for more than commuting? Are you looking for a group of people to ride with? Do you want to meet new people who like cycling?

Have you ever wondered where all the good roads and bike trails on Fyn are? The SDU Cycling club is looking for new members. There is currently a weekly road bike ride every Tuesday at 16.00. Meet at SDU's main campus entrance (Campusvej 55), near the black column. If you are interested, please contact:

Jesper (for road cycling) jespermed2012@gmail.com or Alexander (mountain biking) atreusch@biology.sdu.dk.



Like to salsa?

With its sensual moves, stunning postures and colourful costumes, salsa is one of the most beautiful dance forms, great fun and great exercise! If you'd like to learn salsa, or can already dance salsa, come along to Odense's salsa club (osaf.dk). Just turn up to the Drop-in classes every Monday at 19.00 for a 1 hour introduction for beginners and continue at 20.00 with free dancing. There are also courses, parties and workshops. There will be a Rueda evening on 14 June. Join the Facebook group 'OSAF.Dk' to get all the details.

