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St. Patrick's Day

St. Patrick's Day, colloquially *St. Paddy's Day*, is an annual Roman Catholic [feast day](#) which celebrates [Saint Patrick](#), one of the [patron saints](#) of [Ireland](#).

Saint Patrick's Day is widely celebrated in America on March 17 by Irish and non-Irish alike. Regardless of ethnic background, many people wear green-colored clothing and shamrocks, attend St. Patrick's Day parades, and celebrate with Irish foods and beer. The Syracuse [St. Patrick's Day Parade](#) will take place Saturday, March 15 at noon starting at Clinton Square.

Ukrainian-Style St. Patrick's Day Celebration

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day Ukrainian-Style with great Ukrainian food and drink specials.

Day: Saturday, March 15, 2008

Time: 12 p.m.- 6 p.m.

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How to Get an Income Tax Refund

Many international students do receive a refund of federal and state taxes which were withheld from their paychecks, especially in their first year of employment. In order to receive the refund, you **MUST** file a timely application with the Internal Revenue Service (federal) and NYS Department of Taxation. Students always ask: "How do you do this?"

The Slutzker Center suggests that you attend our final tax seminar **Monday, March 24** from 3-5 p.m. in Crouse Hinds Hall, Room 010. [Additional tax information...](#)

An International Soiree

"An International Soiree" with the theme "Joining hands around the world: joining together, connecting one another" will be held on Thursday, April 17th at approximately 7p.m. Student-Athletes Across Borders, the international student-athlete group, is hosting this international culture night in Manley Field House.

We believe this event will be a great accomplishment for the athletic department to show the university and our community the great diversity of our student-athletes. We will open the event to the general public and will have other student groups from campus out to help us. The event will include food from around the world, cultural entertainment, games and an area where we hope all our international student athletes will display aspects of their country and culture at tables for our guests.

My request of you, as coaches, is to encourage your international student athletes to participate in this event. We need volunteers to be at a table for only about two hours this night to share their culture. Also, we are looking for any other student-athletes who would like to volunteer to help us with set-up and take-down and various other tasks throughout the evening.

In addition, since this event is designed to be education, we would ask that you encourage all your student-athletes to come out to the event as guests, so they may learn about their team-mates' and peers' different cultures. It may be advantageous to have this event count toward some study hours for that particular week and it will be a great team event to participate in. There will also be team points awarded for the 'Cuse Champs Challenge for all student-athletes who volunteer or come out to visit the event.

If any student-athletes are interested in volunteering, please contact SAAB at syracuse_saab@hotmail.com by March 21. Thank you very much for your time,

Jillian Drouin
Class '08
Women's Track and Field
SAAB & SAAC President

MayFest Performance Applications are Now Available!

If you and your ethnic/cultural group are interested in performing during the MayFest After Dark International Festival, which will take place on April 22, 2008, please contact Cyre Quinones at cmquinon@syr.edu immediately. Performances will be scheduled between 6 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. A final schedule will be submitted for publicity purposes right after Spring Break. If you would like to be included, you must have submitted your application and been accepted prior to that time. We hope that you will enjoy this event. For pictures from last year, please check out our [website](#).

Support the American Heart Association

Support the American Heart Association (AHA) and their mission: "Building healthier lives, free of cardiovascular diseases and stroke"--Stop by the Slutzker Center for International Services to purchase a red AHA support bracelet (\$2) and/or an AHA donation heart (\$1).

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