**WEDNESDAY MORNING COFFEE:** Meets EVERY WEDNESDAY, from 10 a.m. – 12 noon in the lounge except when there’s a luncheon. Open to ALL. If you would like to join some of us for lunch, please bring a bag lunch and stay until 1 p.m. (As most of you know, this schedule is subject to change. You will be notified by email of the schedule on the Mondays before if you are on the distribution list. To get on the list, please email Georgina Sham <gbsham@gmail.com>.

**MOMMY/DADDY AND ME CLASS:** Midori Iwamiya, Naoko Nakanishi, and Tomoe Nakashima are leading the classes alternating weeks with Uhood Alali and Fatemah Raga. The two classes for moms/dads and their children meet every Wednesday. For children 1 – 24 months, the class meets from 10 – 10:40 and for children 24 months to 5 years, the class meets from 10:45 – 11:30. Alice Blake-Stalker is the overall coordinator. For more information, please look at the website: https://sites.google.com/site/ucsdwednesdaycoffee/wednesday-coffee/mommy-and-me-class

**GUS’S ENGLISH CONVERSATION TABLE:** this discussion table is a wonderful way for you to practice your English and learn about the world from the participants. The conversation is led by several Americans, and there is usually a predetermined topic to be discussed. There are participants whom you can ask about traditions, holidays, manners, etc., and you will learn about these same subjects from other world visitors. Please let Nori have your email address so that she can send you the week’s topics to be discussed: Nori Faer <Nfaerweather@gmail.com>

January 7 –This is the first day we're back after the Christmas/New Year hiatus-- we'll do some simple projects (such as Kumihimo or Friendship Bracelets) because starting at 11 a.m. we will have a baby shower for Hanae Kido with games, lunch and more games. You are invited to come, but you must make a reservation by January 3rd with Georgina so that there will be enough food and game pieces.

Jan 14: Card making for fun and special occasions. Katya and Karen will teach us card making—you will make at least 3 cards using paper layering/collage techniques, including one or two Valentine’s Day cards! All materials will be provided.

Jan 21: Hawaiian lunch. We will have a lunch of popular Hawaiian foods: Spam Musubi, Hawaiian Macaroni Salad, Hawaiian Green Salad, and for dessert, Haupia (coconut pudding). As usual, we’ll meet in the kitchen at 9:30 to prepare the meal guided by Keiko and Georgina, which will be served at noon for $5/person.

Jan 28: Beaded earrings. Keiko will lead us in making some adorable and colorful beaded earrings. Materials will be provided for one to two pairs of earrings per person.

February 4: Making pine needle baskets. We will have lots of pine needles and raffia—enough for everyone to make a small basket. If you wish to make more, we can go out and find needles, wash them, and make more! Georgina will lead this activity that was conceived by Native Americans in pre-Columbian times!

February 11: Valentine’s Day craft—Lynn will have baked a lot of cookies for us to decorate, and she will teach us how to decorate the cookies for a special Valentine’s present!

February 18: French Lunch with Alicia Boutonnet. Menu will be Salad Niçoise, Boeuf Bourguignon, and for dessert, Mousse au Chocolat. Please meet us in the kitchen at 9:30 to cook this wonderful meal that will be served to all at noon for $5/person.
Feb 25: T-shirt bags. This fun and successful activity of making shopping bags from t-shirts will take place today with Tashu and Doris. We will need many shopping bags because plastic bags are outlawed in California in July!

March 5: Lynn will lead us in Needlepoint Embroidery. All materials will be provided for a small project. Lynn will have canvas, thread, and patterns for us to choose.

March 11: Yarn decorated jars and bottles. Keiko will teach us how to decorate a plain old jar with yarn to be a work of art. All materials will be provided for one or two jars/person. If you have small jars that can be decorated, please bring them!

March 18: Southern Indian Lunch with Bharat Sridhar (grad student in engineering)

March 25: All about eggs—Silk tie dyeing eggs and/or other methods of coloring and decorating hard-boiled eggs. We will also make deviled eggs, marbled eggs, Hindoo eggs with toast points to enjoy.

April 1: Egg dyeing and Easter Egg hunt for kids in M/D & Me class. Please bring a dozen hard-boiled eggs to be colored then hidden in the garden for the children. The egg hunt will be between the two classes.

Georgina tries to keep the Wednesday Coffee website up to date. The URL is: https://sites.google.com/site/ucsdwednesdaycoffee/
Please visit it! If you have taken photos of our activities, please send them to Georgina at gbsham@gmail.com so she can post them on the website!

We encourage all of you to join the Friends of the International Center, our mother organization which provides us the space and funds to run much of our programming. Pick up a flyer or ask Georgina or Katya how you can join.

**KNIT-ALONG GROUP:** Open to all. This spin off of Wednesday Morning is very popular and well attended. You will learn knitting and English conversation at the same time. Meets every Tuesday starting at noon for a bring your own lunch/conversation followed by knitting or crocheting in the dining room of the International Center under the leadership of Jennie Chin. For more information, email Jennie at enjien1@hotmail.com/

**INTERNATIONAL COOKING EXPERIENCE:** 9:30am to 1:00pm. 2nd Thursday of each month. Formerly known as “Cooking in America”, Tashu Malik and Keiko Hirai offer participants an opportunity to prepare and sample different dishes from around the world including those here in America. This will involve hands-on participation so please bring an apron. Participation is $8.00 per person per class (no substitutions, no guests) payable in advance (cash only) before start of cooking session. Individuals can pay Keiko at the Tuesday Knit-A-Long or Keiko or Tashu at Wednesday Coffee. The maximum number is 15 per session.

**Note:** There is a bulletin board on the wall by the kitchen. Please look at it for information on what is happening at the International Center and other places. If you would like to be reminded of Wednesday events via email, please e-mail Georgina at gbsham@gmail.com and she will send you an email every Monday about what is happening that week at Wednesday Coffee.

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