SAGA NEWS LETTER

Student Association for Global Affairs (SAGA)

SAGA is an organization for the School of International Studies’ Master Degree students. It is a university-recognized group intended to devise and implement activities that complement the students’ classroom life at OSU. The association elects its own student officers and brings students together for scholarly as well as social purposes. We serve as a medium for representing graduate students to the faculty and administration and as a forum for discussing common concern.

1) SAGA **Shirts**: We are going to make SAGA shirts and need some ideas on what design you would like. Please let us know if you have any ideas.

2) SAGA would like to start a **Buddy-System** to give new students a contact to help them around in town. SAGA members would act as peer-advisors. Please contact us if you are interested in setting this up!

3) **Fundraiser at International Expo**: We would like to sell food during the Expo. Any good ideas?

4) Please visit ieo.okstate.edu and find the IS&O journal. You can get the useful information regarding international relations at Oklahoma State University.

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**Announcement**

1) **SAGA’s general information and Announcement** - SAGA shirts, Buddy System, and IS&O journal

2) **Introduction of SAGA executive officer in Fall 2012**

3) **SAGA executive officer election is coming soon! Everyone get together to choose officers for spring and fall 2013.**

4) **Upcoming events fall 2012! Let’s get together and have fun!**

5) **The detailed information of:**
   - SAGA election/General Meeting/Tulsa Oktoberfest
   - Campus Link membership/Children’s Multicultural Fair/BBQ

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Executive officers Fall 2012

SAGA is currently composed of 5 executive officers: President - Cliff Armstrong (California/ Human Development), Vice President of External Affairs - Matt Nilsen (Virginia/Trade & Development), Vice President of Academic Affairs – Catherine Molleno (Ohio/Human Development), Treasurer - Moritz Rissmann (Germany/Trade & Development), Director of Academic Affairs – Mai Uemura (Japan/Human Development).

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SAGA executive officer election is coming up

SAGA will have an executive officers election on October 2nd at 5:00 in room 109 Wes Watkins Center. The following positions are open: president, vice president of external affairs, undergrad liaison, and treasurer. Once elected, new and old officers start a transitioning period. The new officers will attend the regular meetings and learn what they have to know about SAGA and student organizations at OSU in general. The transition period is supposed to last until the end of this semester. All SAGA members have the right to vote and are expected to assemble on that day. Students who wish to run for a position are asked to email the current president at osu.saga.president@gmail.com.

The candidates will introduce themselves and their ambitions for SAGA to the audience prior to the election process. Please see page 3 for the detailed information.

Contact Us!

SAGA Facebook Page
http://www.facebook.com/groups/284086721603943/

SAGA Webpage
http://ieo.okstate.edu/

If you have any further questions, please contact Cliff Armstrong (osu.saga.president@gmail.com)

Upcoming Events Fall 2012

BBQ Party – September 30 @Boomer Lake
Meet people and have a great time!

International Expo – October 3@International Mall
SAGA will set up a table and serve some traditional food! Staff members wanted!

Executive Officers Election – October 2 @109 WWC

Homecoming Parade – October 20 @Stillwater
Good opportunity to sell food and raise some funds for future events.

Tailgating – TBA Experience the traditional football culture at OSU!

Oktoberfest – October 18〜21 @Tulsa
Are you up for a blast the German way?

Children’s Multicultural Fair – November2@WWC
Introduce international cultures to 4th grade kids from all around Stillwater. See page 3 for more information.

Stay Tuned for Further Updates!
Executive Officers Election
Fall 2012

As announced above, SAGA election will be held on October 2nd, right after the class of Contemporary Issue taught by Dr. Jenswold. The positions that are available are the following:

**President – Spring 2013 to Fall 2013**
**Vice President of External Affairs – Spring 2013 to Fall 2013**
**Treasurer – Immediately to Fall 2013**
**Undergrad Liaison – Immediately to Fall 2013**

If you are interested in running for any of the positions, please send an email to the current president, Cliff Armstrong (osu.saga.president@gmail.com). We would like to remind that MSIS students are automatically members of SAGA. Since they are already a member, we would highly recommend that they make the most of it! This student group will only be able to accomplish as much as the student base contributes to it. SAGA’s officers meet every Monday at 5pm. The meetings are open to all members! Typically we meet in the Wes Watkins Center, the little conference room in front of Donna’s Office.

General Assembly Meeting

Subsequent to the elections, we are planning to gather around pizza and drinks to give an overview on SAGA’s current situation, planned events, and to brainstorm about things you, the members, would like to do with SAGA. Do not miss the chance to have an influence!

Tulsa Oktoberfest
Oct. 18-21

Listen up, friend of the German Stereotype’s lifestyle: The annual Tulsa Oktoberfest is coming up. We can either carpool or use the OSU transit bus. Let us know if you are interested in going and what the idea date would be! Further information at http://tulsaoktoberfest.org/

Be a member of Campus Link!!

SAGA president, Cliff Armstrong invited every member to the SAGA group on Campus Link. Campus Link tracks students’ extracurricular activities and allows you to print prove of it in order to attach it to your CV! Please accept the invitation and register with Campus Link if you had not done so already. Typically, you login with your Okey information. Being registered there will also allow us to promote those of you who run for positions. Please be a member of SAGA on Campus Link!

CHILDREN’S MULTICULTURAL FAIR
NOV. 2, 9:00AM@WWC

Be an Ambassador for your country! Present your country to Stillwater area 4th grade children through games or activities. College of Education students are eager to provide help in presenting your activities. If you are interested in sharing information about your country and culture, please contact Thrasher, Candace (candace.thrasher@okstate.edu) Education Outreach at 325R Willard.

SAGA will be having a BBQ on Sunday September 30th starting at 3pm tentatively. Please try and make it as again, your experience at this university will largely be determined by how much effort you put into meeting other people and networking. We look forward to seeing you all!