



The Marketplace Messenger

Communicating Grinnell Dining news of interest

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From the director:

Wow! Can you believe that this is December, final exam week is here and the end of the fall semester is upon us? As you prepare for final exams I do hope that the stress of this week has been kind to you. I see by the signs posted in the JRC there are many study breaks during finals. Dining Services' traditional Ice Cream Study Break is scheduled for Wednesday, December 14th so do stop by and enjoy not only the break but some delicious ice cream and toppings.

It has been an usually fast semester for Dining but certainly a semester that has seen many accomplishments from the enhancement of Out Takes, to the addition of the Gluten-Free Station, Burrito Bar, Make Your Own Taco, and our Foods of the World series to name just a few. Input from the Dining Committee as well as the student survey proved invaluable. We hope that you have enjoyed the semester. Kudos not only for student ideas but to the Dining staff for keeping the Dining program at the top. The staff works hard to provide the best!

On behalf of everyone in Dining, thanks for a great semester. We wish you a wonderful winter break full of rest and enjoyment. Safe travels and Happy Holidays!

Dick

Dick Williams



'Tis the Season

'Tis the season to begin thinking about your meal plan for spring semester. If you wish to remain on the same plan no action is necessary. If you want to change your plan visit your personal P-Web account. Look under Resources for Dining Plan, click and follow the prompts. Meal plan changes are accepted through January 27, 2012 but don't delay - act now!

Meal plan information can be found on our web site www.grinnell.edu/offices/dining. or if you have any questions call the Dining Office at 3661. We're happy to help!

Holiday Dessert Extravaganza, Tuesday, December 13th at dinner. If you like desserts you will love our extravaganza – over 25 different delicious delights of the holiday season. Each dessert is specially prepared by one of our production staff as one of their holiday favorites. Norwegian lefsa, fudge paddies, gingerbread people, orange cranberry fudge peanut clusters, peanut brittle, decorated sugar cookies, and Oreo truffles to name a few just to tantalize your taste buds. Plus, a handmade gingerbread village. Oh, yes, the venues will be open also!

Chinese New Year Celebration kicks off the start of the spring semester. This celebration has become a tradition at Grinnell Dining. This new year is celebrated with a special event on **January 23, 2012**, the **Year of the Dragon!** The culinary staff has stepped up & created a fantastic menu for dinner – check it out:

Asian Egg Drop Soup
Ten Vegetable Hot & Sour Soup
Teriyaki Salmon, Fried Rice with Shrimp
Crab Rangoon, Carved Chinese BBQ Pork Loin
Stir Fry Calms in Black Bean Sauce, Kung Pao Chicken
Spring Roll, Fresh Sugar Snap Peas /Red Pepper, Jasmine Rice
Fresh Oranges, Almond Cookies, Traditional Fortune Cookies.

The Spencer Grill announces an earlier opening to start Spring Semester. Look for all your snacks beginning a day earlier than in the past on

Saturday, January 21st, 3 pm – 8 pm.

Stop by and join your friends for great food and conversation!

Have a Great **Winter Break** – see you in January!



Holiday Dessert Extravaganza

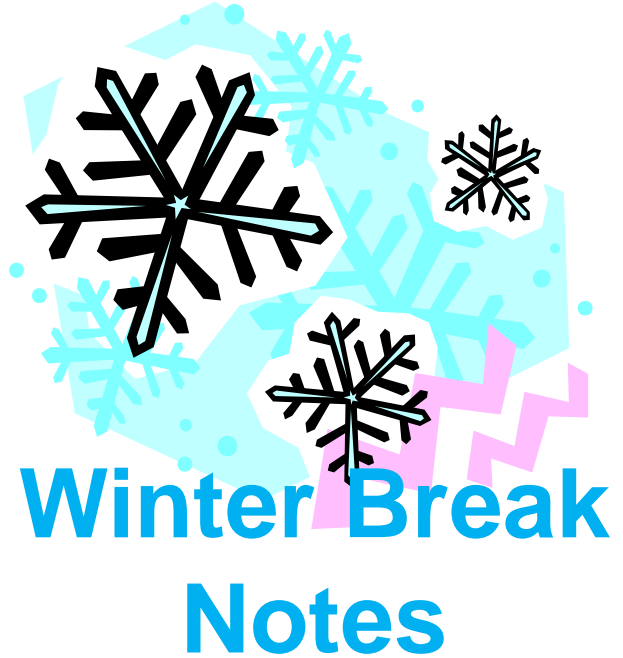
**Tuesday, December 13
Dinner 5 pm – 8 pm**



Ice Cream Study Break

**Wednesday, December 14
JRC Lobby
9 pm – 10 pm**

Join us for a delicious ice cream buffet



Thursday, December 15

**Out Takes
Closes at 10 pm**

Friday, December 16

**Marketplace
Closes after Lunch at 1:30 pm and will reopen on January 22, 2012 for Dinner 5 pm – 7 pm**

**The Spencer Grill
Closes at 2 pm, reopens on January 21, 2012 at 3 pm.**