General News and Announcements

The Chinese division celebrated the Chinese New Year on February 8. Equal to Christmas of the West in significance, Chinese New Year or Spring Festival is the most important of the four traditional holidays. According to the Chinese Zodiac, the year of 2013 is the year of the Snake, which begins on February 10, 2013 and ends on January 30, 2014. New Year's Eve and New Year's Day are celebrated as a family affair, a time of reunion and thanksgiving. New Years Eve, the people decorate their houses with red couplets on their doors, paper cuttings on their windows and New Year pictures on their inside walls. On the New Years day, people wear new clothes and visit relatives and friends, exchanging greeting and presents. Younger generations are given the red envelope from married couples or the elder generation. The Lion Dance and Dragon Dance are the most attractive activities during the New Year celebration.

On Friday, February 18, approximately 60 people, including the students from five Chinese classes and the Chinese instructors, participated in the Chinese New Year Party. The party took place at a Chinese restaurant in the downtown area. The students in Chinese division had a good chance to learn Chinese culture, enjoy the delicious Chinese food, and practice their language.

Meetings

The remaining department meetings of the semester will take place next semester on the following Thursdays, at 3:30 p.m.:
February 28, April 4, May 2.
Meetings will take place in Ritter Hall 222.

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