HOLIDAY HELLOS

Spiritual Life — at DU

Learning about our neighbors one tradition at a time!

HELLO my name is

Maghi & Lohri

[Sikh; Hindu]

[Go online to find this year's dates and add here!]

A bit about me!

"Maghi is the regional name of the Hindu festival of Makar Sankranti...It follows on the heels of the mid-winter festival of Lohri which is marked by bonfires...The next morning Hindus see as an auspicious occasion for ritual bathing in ponds and rivers. For Sikhs it is a community gathering to commemorate martyrdom of forty Sikhs (Chalis Mukte)...Sikhs make a pilgrimage to the site of the war, and take a dip in the sacred water tanks of Muktsar."

[Source:rfpeurope.org/calendar/hindu-and-sikh-maghi]

"In the Hindu calendar, [Makara Sankranti] is dedicated to the deity Surya (sun) and is observed with social festivities such as colorful decorations, children going house to house, singing and asking for treats (in some areas), melas (fairs), dances, kite flying, bonfires and feasts....[P]eople [also] take a holy dip in rivers.. The bathing is believed to result in merit or absolution of past sins. They also pray to the sun and thank for their successes and prosperity... The time...signifies a period of families socializing, taking care of the cattle, and celebrating around bonfires. in Gujarat the festival is celebrated by flying kites"

Source: kellogg.campusgroups.com/ewdei/lohri-maghi]

Woods

Festive; Celebration; Family; Food; Community

Some greetings

Wishing you Happy Maghi;
Happy Makar Sankranti;
Wishing you and your family a very Happy Lohri;
May your life get as bright as the fire of Lohri

Some foods (may differ by denomination or region)

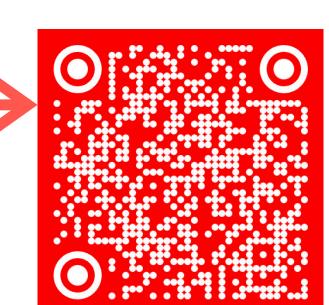
Sticky sweets of sesame and sugarcane; Kheer (rice cooked in sugarcane juice)

Possible accommodations

- Community members may have busier than average schedules with pre-holiday preparations and may require time for holiday traditions
- Community members may be traveling to spend time with friends and family

SPIRITUAL STORYTELLING

Share YOUR _____ favorite holiday memories/insights!





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