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Islands of Adventure

Theme Park Fun!

Islands of Adventure is a theme park in Orlando. It has roller coasters, 3D rides, water rides, and of course, the Wizarding World of Harry Potter! You can walk through Hogwarts Castle, drink butterbeer (nonalcoholic), and even buy a wand. This is one of the most popular trips of the semester, so don't miss it!

When: Saturday, June 7th. Meet at the Norman Garage at 9:00am. Please don't be late! We will return to Gainesville around 11:00pm.

Transportation: This is a bus trip so you must have already purchased a pass from the CIP. We have some passes left!

Cost: The cost of transportation is \$20 for a seat on the bus. Islands of Adventure tickets cost \$92.

What to Bring: Your bus pass, Gator 1 ID card, money for an Islands of Adventure ticket (at least \$92), extra money for meals and shopping (at least \$20), comfortable shoes and clothes, sunscreen, and of course, a passion for roller coasters!

The Next Trip

On June 14th, we will not have a weekend activity, since it's the start of midterms week. June 21st, we won't have a weekend activity either since many of you will be traveling for the summer break.

However, we expect you back for the **Midterm Picnic** on Saturday, June 28th! Details will be on the Activities Board and in next week's *Weekly*.

New ELI Offices

In 1979, the ELI moved from 162 Grinter Hall into 315 Norman Hall. On Friday, June 6, the ELI will move again for the first time in 35 years!

On Friday June 6, the ELI main office will be moving to 223 Matherly Hall. The new ELI main office (starting Monday, June 9th) will be 223 Matherly Hall. The CIP Office, Emily's Office, and many of the teachers' offices will be moving to Matherly also.

This also means on Friday, June 6th it will be a little bit difficult for anyone in the office to help you. Of course, if you have an emergency, we can always help right away. But, this Friday, it will be difficult for us to have regular meetings or appointments.

Also, the moving company will be moving many boxes from Norman Hall to Matherly Hall, so it might be a little bit noisy and dusty in Norman Hall.

We apologize, but we think you will like the new ELI Offices. Be sure to come by and see the new space next week!

Emily Out

Emily will be on vacation from June 4th to June 15th. You can talk to Shaye if you have any issues or emergencies. If you have an emergency on the weekend, you can call Emily's cell phone. The message will give you the temporary number to call.

Notes from the Office

Toilets: Please flush the toilet when you are finished.

Cigarette Butts: Please put your cigarette butts in the trash not on the ground.

Summer Break and I-20s: Summer break is only a few weeks away! If you plan to leave the US *at all* during the break—even on a cruise or a day trip to Canada, Mexico, or the Bahamas—please come to the office to have your I-20 signed so that you won't have trouble getting back into the country!

Immunizations & Insurance:

Remember to take care of this as soon as possible. You will not be allowed to attend class until you do.

Manners and Culture

Q: Why do students in the US call teachers by their first names? In my country, this is impolite.

A: Most of us don't. It really depends in most cases on the personal preferences of the professors. In a regular university class, we usually use "Doctor" or "Professor" plus the person's last name. Or, if they don't have a PhD degree, we might use "Mr." or "Ms". At the ELI, though, we are a little less formal—on purpose. We try to foster a less formal and more conversational environment in order to get students talking more.

Q: Is the rumor true that American girls don't like foreign guys?

A: American girls like all different kinds of guys so this is probably an incorrect generalization. While I think American girls do tend to date American guys, I've seen American girls with male ELI students, American guys with female ELI students, and of course, ELI students dating each other. Please remember that the ELI policy prohibits LAs and teachers from dating ELI students!

Grammar

Q: What is the difference between the word lose and loose? When do I use lose or loose?

A: *Lose* is a verb and it means *to misplace* or *to not win*. *Loose* is an adjective which means *not tight*. You'll need to memorize the spelling and the pronunciation. Look at the sentences below to see the difference.

- I always lose my cellphone in my house.
- The players lose the game every time they have to play in the snow.
- My pants are loose so I need to use a belt.

Quote of the Week

I'd rather be a failure at something I love than a success at something I hate.

George Burns



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