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The ELI Weekly

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Come experience the Middle Ages and join the ELI at the 30th annual Hoggetowne Medieval Faire on Saturday, February 6th! There will be medieval shows, rides, games, and other fun activities! You can see knights jousting, eat Medieval themed food, and even ride a camel!

Where: Meet at 9:30am at Norman Garage. We will be returning from the Faire around 2:00-3:00pm. Remember to sign up on the activities board!

When: February 6th, 9:30am to 3:00pm

Cost: The admission cost is \$17 or \$7 for anyone under 18. Bring an ID that shows your birthday to get the discount. Make sure to bring extra cash for food and shopping.

The Next Trip

Next weekend, on Saturday, February 13th, we will be traveling to **Busch Gardens** in Tampa.

Please reserve your spot on the bus by signing up and paying \$20 in cash, exact change, to Nate in the CIP Office (Matherly 211). You can buy the pass starting on Monday, February 1st, from 9am to 12:30pm. Bus passes are first come, first serve, and they do NOT include the price of Busch Gardens tickets. The Busch Gardens Fun Card is \$99 and is good for a year. Please come early; these bus passes will sell out very quickly!

Weekday Activities

The following is our afternoon activity schedule. Check the Activities Board and the ELI Facebook page occasionally to see if there are any changes.

Day/Time	Activity	Location/Cost
Monday 7pm	Monday Mixer (Anna)	Meet at the Starbucks on Archer Road. Bring about \$5 for coffee or food. Invite your conversation partner!
Tuesday 7pm	Soccer (Katie)	Meet at Norman Field. Free!
Tuesday 7pm	Lollicup (Catherine)	Meet at Lollicup on 34th Street and play board games. Bring \$3-5 for beverages.
Wednesday 7pm	Smoothie Talk (Amy)	Meet at Tropical Smoothie on 34th Street. Bring \$3-\$5 for drinks or food.
Thursday 7pm	Volleyball (Elizabeth)	Meet at Lexington Crossing. Free!
Friday 7-10pm	Café Friday (Danielle)	Meet at Starbucks on Archer Road to talk with friends. Bring about \$5 for coffee or food.

Notes from the Office

Class: First and foremost, go to class. This is the absolute best way to improve your English. Be on time! Second, speak English. Third, do the work. The teachers choose it purposely to help you.

Immunizations & Insurance: Remember to take care of your insurance and immunization as soon as possible. You will not be allowed to attend class until you do. Remember, if you're absent because you're taking care of this, your teacher MUST count it.

Tuition and Financial Guarantees: If you have not paid tuition or provided your financial guarantee you need to see Christine Kunkel in the main office immediately! You will not be allowed to attend class until you do. If you miss class because of this, your teacher MUST count you absent.

Trash: The UF campus has trash and recycling bins everywhere. Please use them to dispose of your garbage properly and keep our campus beautiful.

Note from Daryl

If you would like to speak with Daryl, please schedule an appointment on Mondays, Wednesday, or Fridays. Tuesday and Thursday he will be helping new students before they arrive.

Birthdays

The following are ELI Birthdays for the week of February 1 to February 7:

Students:

February 3: Ebtihal Alsekaity

February 3: Jaekyung Lee

February 3: Hasan Hanafi

February 4: Maria Perez Alarcon

February 6: Josiah Chuku

February 6: Claudia Lanni Avellaneda

February 7: Francisco Sanchez

February 7: Saif Alsulimmani

Staff:

February 3: Maya Shastri

February 4: Scott Challgren

Happy Birthday, one and all!

Manners and Culture

Q: Where can I go if I get sick?

A: During the week, you should make an appointment at Team Red at the UF Student Health Care Center. You can call 352-294-7465, or Emily can make the appointment for you. They are open 8:00am to 5:00pm on Monday through Friday and 12:00pm to 4:00pm on Sundays.

If you get sick on the weekend or at night, you can go to an urgent care clinic. There is a list in the ELI office, or you can just google *Gainesville urgent care clinics*. If it's late at night, you'll have to go to the ER, but if you can wait until morning you should. Remember, the ER really is only for emergencies, so if you don't have an emergency, you'll have a long wait.

Grammar

Q: How do you know which preposition to use?

A: You have to memorize the rules. As you become a more proficient speaker of English, you'll start to develop a "feel" for it.

Q: When speaking English, do we usually say on Feb 2, 2016, or in Feb 2, 2016? Is it right to say in February or on February?

A: The rule for prepositions of time for dates is the following:

Use **in** + month, year, century, or season.

• I was born in March, in the twentieth century, in spring.

Use **on** + date, weekday, weekday morning, afternoon, evening.

- I was born on March 17.
- I was born on Wednesday morning.

Use at + noon, night, clock time, present.

- I was born at 7:35.
- I was not born at night.

Q: What is the difference between **at** and **in** for locations?

A: Generally, **in** is used when you are inside of a place whereas **at** is used when you're somewhere near or around the place. **In** also emphasizes that you're inside the building and **at** is more of the idea of the location.

- I am in Norman Hall. [Inside the building]
- I am at Norman Hall. [Usually outside]

Words of the Week

Look for the words in this Weekly!

emphasize (V) – ______ Word forms: emphasis, emphatic Collocates: importance, need, approach, tend

dispose (V) – to get rid of by throwing away or giving or selling to someone else Word forms: disposable, disposal Other meaning: (V) – to make someone feel a particular way towards something

Quote of the Week

Try to be a rainbow in someone's cloud.

Maya Angelou



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