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# The ELI Weekly

### End of Semester BBQ at Blue Springs!

Join us on Saturday, July 30th for the end of semester barbeque at Blue Springs, a park in High Springs, FL! It's a chance to celebrate the end of the semester and say goodbye to friends. Swim in the beautiful spring and play volleyball, Frisbee, and soccer! Free barbeque food from Sonny's for everyone!

**When:** Saturday, July 30th. Meet at Norman Garage at 11 AM. You can come back to Gainesville whenever your car chooses to return.

**Cost:** \$8.00 cash per person if you say you are with the ELI. \*Groups of two or more can pay with credit card.

**Transportation:** This is a carpool trip. Blue Springs is about a 40-minute drive from Norman Hall. You MUST sign up on the Activities Board in Matherly 211 or on Eventbrite by 4 PM on Thursday, July 28th.



What to Bring: Swimsuit, sandals, sunscreen, a change of clothes, and a towel

If you have any questions, you can ask Nate, Tate, or Greg in the CIP office.

#### Last Day of ELI Classes

Thursday, August 4th is the final day of ELI classes this summer. Teachers will be submitting final grades and attendance reports on Wednesday, August 3rd. If you are absent on Thursday, August 4th, your absence will not be counted for immigration, class grades, or any petition you have submitted. All absences on August 1st, 2nd and 3rd still count!!! You should not miss class these days!

We hope all ELI students will attend class on Thursday, August 4th. Your teachers and LAs have many fun and interesting lessons and activities planned. However, we know many ELI students are making preparations to leave Gainesville, so are very busy this last week. If you will not be attending class on Thursday, August 4th, please inform your teacher by Tuesday, August 2nd. Your teachers and LAs need to know how many students to plan for.

All of your teachers and LAs will be at the ELI Commencement Ceremony on Friday, August 5th. We hope you will be there, too!

## Commencement at the Reitz Union Ballroom

You made it through the semester! Now it's time to celebrate and say goodbye. Come see all your classmates, LAs, and teachers for the last time. There will be scholarship speeches and the CIP slideshow with photos from all of the activities this semester! Please dress semi-casual: dresses, nice pants, and button-up shirts since many people will be taking photos. Feel free to get lunch with your LAs and teachers afterwards!

**When**: Friday, August 5th from 10:00am to 12:00pm

Where: Reitz Union Rion Ballroom

**Who**: Everybody is invited: ELI students, teachers, Language Assistants, and staff as well as friends and family.

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#### Fall C 2016 Reminders

Want to move to the next level in your classes? Take the CELT, take and pass the final exams in your classes, do the classwork, speak English, and of course, go to class.

Returning for Fall C? Check in online between August 25th and August 29th. If you do not check in on time, there will be a \$100 fee and you may not be permitted to enroll. No students will be accepted after Thursday, September 8th.

Transferring to another school? Talk to Daryl after he returns on August 2nd.

Taking a vacation semester? Talk to Daryl after he returns on August 2nd. If you are a sponsored student, you must have a written approval from your sponsor.

**Expiring I20?** Make an appointment to talk to Daryl before it expires.

Fall schedules: Schedules will be available for pick up on September 6th. Only you may pick up your schedule, not friends and family. Classes will also start on September 6th.

#### Notes From the Office

CELT for Part-time Students: If you're not currently taking Listening Speaking or Grammar your CELT will be Friday, July 29th in Matherly 214. The Listening CELT will be from 12:45 to 1:30 and the Grammar CELT will be from 1:40 to 2:30. Don't be late!

**Infirmary or Library Fees:** Please pay them or we won't be able to give you the commencement packet.

Certificates: If you can't pick up your certificate at Commencement, stop by Matherly 223 by August 4th to fill out a form so someone else can pick it up for you. We can't give you the packet early. If you want to have it mailed or Fed-Exed, see the office for the cost.

#### Manners & Culture

Q: Why do some Americans wear flip-flops with socks?

A: You can see some people at UF sporting this strange fashion, but you may not get a good answer as to why they do it. One reason may be because wearing flip-flops makes your feet dirty, so wearing them with socks keeps your feet clean.

#### Grammar

Q: Can I use future perfect and future perfect continuous with "going to"? Is there any difference in the meaning when I use "will"?

A: You can use both "going to" and "will", usually with very little or no change in meaning. Still, it is more common to use will, especially in written English.

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#### Quote of the Week

A mind that is stretched by a new experience can never go back to its old dimensions.

Oliver Wendell Holmes

#### Birthdays!

The following are ELI birthdays from July 25 to August 5:

#### Students:

July 25: Jean Ciacera Pietrosante

July 26: Nawaf Alalyani

July 26: Minsung Kim

July 27: Yusuke Hidaka

July 28: Mohammad N Almutairi

July 29: Hyewon Seo

Aug 1: Mansour Alajmi

Aug 1: Bruna Artieda Justiniano

Aug 1: Jennifer Frigo Marang

Aug 2: Maria Suarez Añez

Aug 3: Hyejin Seo

Aug 4: Seri Kang

Aug 5: Steven Chang

Aug 5: Can Yaldiz

#### Staff:

July 29: Todd Allen

July 31: Patti Moon



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