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- Do your part!

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# The ELI Weekly

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# **Volunteer Weekend**

Help others while helping yourself!

We are holding our first **Volunteer** 

**Weekend** of the fall term. This is your chance to help out the community while practicing your English in a real-life environment.

**Cost:** Free! Wear comfortable clothes and sneakers. You should bring *water* to each volunteering activity.

When: Saturday, September 14th

Saint Francis House: Help do yardwork and maintenance on a local homeless shelter. LAs will meet you at Norman Garage at 8:30am and take the bus or walk. The activity lasts until 12noon.

**Oak Hammock:** Meet elderly people and talk with them! This activity is especially great for English practice. Meet at Norman Garage at 9am. LAs will drive students. The activity lasts until 11:30am.

Alachua County Humane Society:

Clean and play with dogs and cats who need a home! Meet at Norman Garage at 2:30pm and LAs will drive students. The activity lasts until 5pm.

Project Downtown Gainesville: Help serve lunch to the homeless and interact with English speakers from different cultures. LAs will meet you at Norman Garage at 12:15pm and take the bus or walk. This activity lasts until 2pm.

Please check the board as there may be more opportunities later in the week.

Remember to sign up for the volunteer activity of your choice by Thursday, September 12<sup>th</sup> at 4pm and arrive **ON TIME** at Norman Garage! Please don't sign up for an activity if it is already full. If you have any questions about any of the activities, see Tate in the CIP Office, Matherly 211.

## The Next Trip

Next weekend, we will be going to **Clearwater Beach**. This will be a bus trip. Details will be on the Activities Board and in the next *Weekly*.

# Let's Keep the Place Nice!

UF is a very big place with lots of people, so we all have to do our part to keep it nice.

Please do not write on the desks.



Use the blue recycling bin for cans and bottles (plastic and glass).



Use the canvas recycling bins for papers.



Use the trash can for all your other trash.



#### The Thursday Activity

This Thursday, September 12 from 6-9 pm, we will be going to the Harn Museum for Museum Nights. There

will also be free food! Take bus 20 to the Museum, right across from the Southwest Rec Center.

### **Birthdays**

The following are ELI Birthdays for the week of September 11 to September 17.

Students:

September 12: Donggeon Lee September 16: Juan Perez Jimenez

Staff:

None this week!

Don't forget to say happy birthday to your classmates and teachers!

#### **Manners and Culture**

Q: I don't have enough time between classes!
Where can I eat?

A: The best solution is to bring lunch and some snacks. Pack a sandwich or leftovers from dinner the night before with fruit, nuts, or granola bars. If you do have time between classes, you can go to the Reitz Union or the Hub/Turlington Plaza area, which have quite a few options. There are also many places to on University Avenue just across the street

and in the area around The Standard, as well as throughout the campus.

#### **Grammar**

Q: Sometimes I ask my teacher a question but he doesn't understand me. What can I do?

A: The most important thing is to make sure that you ask a complete question. If you say, "Teacher, comfortable," your teacher doesn't know if you want the spelling, the meaning, or if you're trying to tell her that you're comfortable. If she or he still doesn't understand, try asking it a different way. Here are examples of what I mean:

- How do you spell comfortable?
- What does comfortable mean?
- How do you pronounce comfortable?
- When can I use comfortable?
- Are you comfortable?

#### **Quote of the Week**

Study intensely. Speak English intensely. Play intensely. Live intensely.

Megan Forbes, ELI Director



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