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The ELI Weekly

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St. Augustine

See the United States' oldest colonial settlement and go to the beach!

Saturday July 10th - St Augustine Beach and Town - 9:00am -9:00pm

Go to the beach and see one of the oldest cities in the United States! You MUST reserve your spot on the signup. Please only sign up for one of the 4 options (I need a ride, self-driver, car-pooler, or waiting list). Please read the signup details and schedule carefully. Make sure to bring a bathing suit, change of clothes, packed lunch, sunscreen, and spending money for dinner! Self-drivers will need to bring some money for parking.

You must sign up on the weekly signup to attend this activity

Sign up for all activities this week here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0C4BA9A823A02-staugustine7>

CIP Weekday Activities

Tuesday July 6th - Soccer - 6:30 - 8:30pm

Come play Soccer on campus at Flavet Field! No experience necessary!

You must sign up on the weekly activity signup to attend this activity.

Wednesday July 7th - Movie Night (Zoom) - 6:30 - 9:00 pm

Come vote on a movie and watch it with LAs and ELI friends as we chat in the chatbox! Stick around for a fun discussion afterward! Movie choices this week are Mulan, Wall-E, and Hachi. Come out and vote for the one you want!

<https://ufl.zoom.us/j/92246818257?pwd=Qk1EUNjOEZmczZxUE51RTZETk5UUT09>

Meeting ID: 922 4681 8257
Passcode: movienight

Thursday July 8th - Rotating Thursdays: Midpoint Eatery - 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Enjoy this cool outdoor space and get dinner from one of the pop-ups while socializing with your friends and playing games! Take bus 46 or just walk 15 minutes from Matherly Hall.

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Student Voices Reminder

At the ELI, we love to read your writing! Do you want to share your writing with the ELI? *The ELI Student Voices* is a great opportunity! Every semester, the ELI publishes a collection of student writing. You can send a piece of your writing to be

published for everyone to read. You can send paragraphs, essays, stories, recipes, poetry, and even photos. For inspiration, you can find previous editions of *The ELI Student Voices* on the ELI website.

To submit your writing, please email Thomas Dolce at tomdolce@ufl.edu. Please include your name and class. The last day to submit a piece of writing is July 16th. We can't wait to read your writing!

Santa Fe College Workshop

Representatives from Santa Fe College will present to ELI students on Wednesday, July 7th at 5:15pm in Matherly Hall, room 214. If you are interested in attending the University of Florida or another undergraduate program in the US, Santa Fe College is an excellent place to start! Santa Fe College transfers more undergraduates to the University of Florida than any other school. Many ELI students have transferred to Santa Fe College and returned to UF two years later to complete their bachelor's degree. The friendly staff of Santa Fe College look forward to answering your questions and sharing more about their school.

Notes from the Office

I-20s Expiring: Please be sure to contact Daryl as soon as possible if your I-20 expiration date is coming up before the Fall semester. Also, if you are in the US now and plan to travel outside of the US during the break between semesters, please be sure to contact Daryl to get your I-20 signed.

Victoria Schedule Change: Due to added teaching responsibilities, Victoria's office schedule has changed for the rest of the Summer Semester. Her new hours are from 9:30am-3:30pm until August 6.

Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion

The ELI wants your help to make positive changes!

The ELI Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee is a group of teachers, administrators, staff, and Language Assistants that hopes to make the ELI a more welcoming and accepting place for people of all races, religions, gender identities, sexual orientations, social statuses and abilities. We are looking for students to be part of a group that will give their thoughts about the ELI and possible changes to ELI policies.

If you are interested, please email Thomas Dolce at tomdolce@ufl.edu

for more information. You can also read the ELI's statement of commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion at <https://eli.ufl.edu/about-us/uf-eli-commitment-to-diversity-equity-and-inclusion/>.

Birthdays

The following are ELI birthdays from July 7 to July 13:

None this week, believe it or not!

Manners and Culture

Q: Why do the American people wear flip-flops a lot?

A: This one's a classic "Gainesville" question. People all over the US wear a wide variety of shoes. Because we are in Florida and it's very hot, people here tend to wear the most comfortable shoes for the temperature and that happens to be flip-flops and sandals.

Grammar

Q: What's a phrasal verb?

A: A phrasal verb is a verb that adds another word (or words), usually a preposition, that changes the meaning of the action completely. For example, "I dropped him" is different from, "I

dropped him off." In the first example, the meaning is very specific...it means that I was carrying him, physically, and I couldn't or wouldn't hold on to him, and I dropped him. In the second case, it means that I was transporting him, most likely in my car, and I drove him to his house and let him out of the car there.

The prepositions don't always make sense if you try to isolate them. Each time you change the preposition, you change the meaning entirely—basically, creating a new dictionary word. The only way to master phrasal verbs is to take notice of how they are used and practice, practice, practice, just like you would with any other new vocabulary.

Here are some useful phrasal verbs:

- I need to *make up* the exam that I missed last week.
- Can I *hand in* my essay late?
- *Put away* your cell phones, please!
- I had to *do* my homework *over* because I had too many mistakes.

Quote of the Week

I am driven by two main philosophies: know more today about the world than I knew yesterday. And lessen the suffering of others. You'd be surprised how far that gets you.

Neil DeGrasse Tyson



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