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The ELI Weekly

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Fanfares and Fireworks

Start your week with fireworks!

Monday July 3rd – Fanfares & Fireworks – 5:30pm -10:00pm

Come celebrate Independence Day with the ELI and the Gainesville community and join the American traditions that we do each year! There will be live music, food trucks and more at this celebration on Flavel Field in preparation for the big firework show at 9:30pm. The ELI will meet at 5:30pm at the Bus stop in front of Hume Hall so that we can choose a location together on Flavel field.

You can bring snacks or drinks (no alcohol) out on the Flavel Field if you like. Bring blankets and/or lawn chairs for this event! You can also bring games, sports balls, and whatever else you would like to enjoy with your friends outdoors! Bring money if you want to buy food there.

Directions to meeting location in front of Hume Hall:

<https://goo.gl/maps/WsRREdw3XLmvEnmg7>

Address for Flavel Field: Woodlawn Dr, Gainesville, FL 32603

Sign up here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0C4BA9A823A02-fanfares1>

The CIP Weekday Activities

Tuesday July 4th – No Activity – Independence Day

Wednesday July 5th – Soccer- 5:30pm – 8:00pm

Come play Soccer on campus at Maguire Field on campus! No experience necessary! Please come on time so we can secure a good spot on the field.

Address: Bledsoe Dr, Gainesville, FL 32611

Thursday July 6th – Coffee Talk – 6:30 – 9:00pm

Socialize with LAs and ELI friends at the **Starbucks** on Archer Road! Play games, speak English, and drink a coffee or get dinner at the restaurants nearby! Take bus 1, 12, or 34.

Address: 3524 SW Archer Rd #160, Gainesville, FL 32608

Friday July 7th – Gator Nights – 6:30pm – 9:30pm

Hang out with ELI friends and see all the fun activities Gator Nights has planned! There are snacks, activities, photo opportunities, and more! Make sure to bring your Gator1 ID card.

Address: 655 Reitz Union Drive, Gainesville, FL 32611

WEEKEND EVENT

This weekend we have two events! Feel free to sign up for one or both! Both are on the same signup.

Haile Farmers Market – 9:30am to 12:00pm

See the cute neighborhood of Haile and explore their Saturday market. Bring some money to spend on things like fresh flowers, food, coffee, and crafts! Meet at Norman Parking Garage. Please sign up to attend this event.

Cabana Beach Pool Party – 12:30pm to 4pm

Soak up the sun and enjoy the summer vibes with ELI friends! We have floaties and water toys along with other games! Bring your snacks to share if you'd like and make sure to wear your bathing suit! Bring a towel and sunscreen. Meet at Cabana Beach Apartments Pool. Take bus 20 or 21. Please sign up to attend this event.
Address: 1601 SW 51st Terrace, Gainesville, FL 32607

Sign up here for both activities! <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0C4BA9A823A02-haile>

Other CIP Reminders

Don't forget to get your CIP Passport hole punched from the activity leaders AT the event (not after). We will no longer hole punch passports after the event. Redeem your completed passport for a small gift and photo for the ELI Instagram! Remember the CIP Pineapple is hidden in a new place every Monday in the CIP office. Stop by and find it for hole punches!

Conversation Partners

Sign up for a CP here: <https://forms.gle/HeU3v2P9xUTqyW15A>
Remember, if you sign up, you must meet your partner at least once a week and respond to their messages. Email conversationpartners@eli.ufl.edu if you have any questions or problems or stop by the CIP office to see Will during his office hours.

Summer Meals for Kids

Free summer meals for children 0-18: Beginning June 5 at most locations, the Free Summer Meals program provides free, nutritious meals to kids and teens 18 years old and under during the summer break. No registration is required. Students **do not** have to be enrolled at a location to participate, and the program is open to any child regardless of family income. For details on free meal sites and serving dates and times, please call 352-955-7539 or visit www.yourchoicefresh.com and search for the summer meal program.

Bags in the Hallway

Why shouldn't I leave my bag in the classroom or hallway?

Theft in the USA is an unfortunate problem. College campuses can be a common target. There are lots of people, lots of bags, and lots of expensive equipment. Bags left behind

in classrooms and hallways are easy to take. UF is a public university. That means anyone who wants to can walk through the buildings, including our hallway. As the fall semester approaches, more and more people will be arriving in Gainesville and potentially walking our halls. The best way to protect your bags and belongings is to keep them with you at all times!

What do I do if I lose something?
If you *do* lose something in Matherly Hall, go to the ELI Main Office (MAT 223) and ask about our lost and found. Also, if you find something you think someone lost in Matherly Hall, please bring it to the lost and found in the Main Office. If you lose something somewhere else on campus, the UF Police Department has a list of the lost and found offices on campus here: <https://police.ufl.edu/contact/>. The RTS Bus system also has a lost and found in case you forgot something on the bus.

Santa Fe Workshop

Representatives from the Santa Fe College will speak to ELI students on Thursday, July 13th, at 3:15pm in Matherly Hall, room 107. This is great opportunity to learn about SF and their admissions process. If you are thinking about attending Santa Fe College, this is a great opportunity to get information and meet their International Student Services team.

Notes from the Office

Independence Day: Tuesday, July 4th, is Independence Day. There will be no ELI classes and the ELI Main Office will be closed on this day. There will be reduced RTS bus service this day.

B-Term Countries Represented

Welcome to our new B-Term students! The following are the countries represented:

Brazil	Haiti
Ecuador	India
France	Saudi Arabia
Guatemala	United States

Birthdays

The following are ELI birthdays from June 3-9:

- Students:
July 5: Renato De Nicola Campos
July 9: Manal Almalki
- Staff:
None this week, but we missed one from last week! Happy late birthday!
June 28: William Speer

Manners and Culture

Q: Why isn't tobacco banned everywhere in the US?

A: Tobacco itself isn't banned in the US. Smoking in enclosed public places like restaurants, however, is banned. Florida has smoking bans in enclosed places except bars, private houses, and a few other places. In addition, the University of Florida has a campus-wide smoking ban, whether inside or outside of buildings. Currently, there are only 29 states that have smoking bans in all enclosed public spaces. One of the reasons that smoking hasn't been banned everywhere is because of the strength of the tobacco lobby. There are also a lot of arguments in favor of personal choice and personal freedom that are against smoking bans.

Q: With so many people killed by drunk drivers, why don't Americans ban alcohol?

A: The US banned alcohol from 1920 to 1933, which we call Prohibition. However, Prohibition also caused organized criminal activity to increase. In addition, many citizens saw the law as unfair to the working class because they were the ones who got in trouble more often. The government also saw an opportunity to tax alcohol sales to increase money. For these reasons, the law became very unpopular and it was reversed. Now, all states have the same minimum law: You can't drive if your blood alcohol level (BAC) is over 0.08. Some states have much stricter laws to protect against drunk drivers.

Grammar

Q: How is it possible to talk about something in the future that will be past before the future comes?

A: You will have learned a lot of English by the time you graduate. We call this Future Perfect.

Q: How would I punctuate this sentence?

One morning I shot an elephant in my pajamas.

A: One morning, I shot an elephant in my pajamas.

Just add a comma to separate the time expression from the rest of the sentence. However, it's unclear who is wearing the pajamas. You would have to rewrite the sentence to make sure the elephant was not dressed in your PJs:

One morning, I shot an elephant while I was wearing my pajamas.

Quote of the Week

Everything you want is on the other side of fear.

Jack Canfield



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