The ELI Weekly

Fanfares and Fireworks
Independence Day Fun!

Come celebrate the United States’ Independence Day with music and fireworks. On Tuesday, July 3rd (the first Tuesday after Summer Break), we will walk to the UF Bandshell to hear patriotic music and see the fireworks. This is a wonderful way to experience a long tradition in the United States... and to have a great time!

WHEN: Tuesday, July 3rd at 7:00 PM.

WHERE: We will meet at Norman Garage, and then walk across campus to the UF Bandshell and Flavet Field.

COST: This trip is FREE!

WHAT TO BRING: Bring a blanket to sit on. You can bring something to eat and drink if you like, or you can bring some cash to buy food. We will walk over, so wear walking shoes. You should bring bug repellent as well.

Midterm Picnic

On Saturday, July 7th, we will be holding our Midterm Picnic. This is also the Welcome Picnic for the new B-Term students. All ELI students, staff, and friends are invited. This will be a picnic at Broward Beach. There will be sports, games and great conversation. It is possible that the pool will be open, so bring your bathing suit just in case. There will also be lots of great food!!!

WHEN: Saturday, July 7th at 11:30 AM. If it is raining call 392-3354 extension 230 after 10:00 AM to see if the picnic has been moved to Sunday. Even though this is not a carpool trip, you must sign up on the activities board by 4:00 PM on Thursday, July 5th so we know how much food to order.

WHERE: Behind Broward and Yulee Halls (Across 13th Street from the ELI).

COST: This trip is completely FREE!

WHAT TO BRING: Wear tennis shoes and sunblock. Be sure to bring your bathing suit and a towel in case the pool is open! We will provide the food so come hungry!!

Notes from the Office

- **Summer Break and I-20s**: Summer break is next week! If you plan to leave the US at all during the break—even on a cruise or a day trip to Canada or Mexico—please remember to come to the office to have your I-20 signed so that you won’t have trouble getting back into the country!

- **July 4th Holiday**: The week that we come back from break, on Wednesday, July 4th, there will be no classes and the ELI Main Office will be closed for the Independence Day Holiday. Please remember that Monday and Tuesday, July 2nd and 3rd are regular days of class and that missing them will count as absences!

The Next Trips

This weekend, we are having our Busch Gardens Trip Reschedule, and then we have summer break! Our next scheduled activity after that is Fanfares and Fireworks,
Gainesville’s Independence Day celebration. Also, we will be holding our Midterm Picnic (which is also our Welcome Picnic for the B-Term students) on Saturday, July 7th.

**Birthdays**

The following are ELI Birthdays for the week of June 22-July 5:

Students:
- June 25: Bruna Cavalcanti
- June 26: Pei-Li Chen
- July 3: Adriana Rangel
- July 5: Do Kyung Kim

Staff:
- June 23: Maisa Haj-Tas
- June 26: Tom Ratican
- June 29: Valentina Komaniecka

Happy Birthday, one and all!

**Manners and Culture**

Still no manners! Folks, instead of running old columns this week, I thought I’d just let you know that I really need some questions from you guys! Surely, there must be something that you would like to ask about!

**Quote of the Week**

Make the best use of what is in your power, and take the rest as it happens.

Epictetus