Daylight Saving Time Ends

This Sunday, October 29th at 2am, Daylight Saving Time ends and standard time begins anew when we set our clocks back one hour. Don’t forget to adjust your clocks and watches to avoid being an hour early for everything! At 2am, you should change your clock to 1am.

Those of you from the tropics and equatorial countries do not normally observe Daylight Savings Time since the length of day and night is similar in all seasons.

The United States began observing Daylight Savings Time during World War I in an effort to save on energy costs. Do you know who first proposed the idea of changing the clocks an hour ahead in spring and an hour ahead in fall? That’s right, Benjamin Franklin.

Midterm Picnic

This Saturday, October 28th, you are invited to the Midterm Picnic. Come and greet the new ELI B-term students and visit with your friends, LA’s, and teachers and ELI administrators. The picnic will begin at 11:30am at Yulee Pit, across from Broward Basketball Courts.

There is no cost, but you must sign up on the activities board by Thursday at 3pm so we know how much food to buy. (B-term students do not need to sign up).

If it is raining on Saturday, call 392-3354 ext. 230 after 9am and listen to find out if the picnic has been moved or cancelled.

Norman Hall Haunted House!

This Sunday, October 29th, your worst Norman Hall nightmares will come true! The ghosts of 100 years will emerge to terrify us all! Do you dare enter? If so, meet at Norman Garage at 7pm. The cost is $3 per brave soul.

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Q: Can you suggest a good hair salon in Gainesville? What is considered an appropriate tip for the hairdresser?

A: After conducting an informal survey in the ELI, the following list has been compiled:

1. Elan, 115 N Main St, Gainesville, FL (352) 378-0072 (Ashley is very good).
2. JC Penney Salon, Oaks Mall, Gainesville, FL (352) 331-4138 (Phil is recommended)
3. Hair Plus, Oaks Mall, Gainesville, FL (352) 331-2252
4. Scissors, 411A SW 2nd Ave, Gainesville, FL (352) 378-0231

Most people generally tip somewhere between 15% and 20%. So, a forty dollar hair cut might receive an eight dollar tip.

Thanks for your input! If you have a question about U.S. manners and culture, please email our ELI Weekly editor, Jen Ramos, at jenramos@hotmail.com, or put questions in her mailbox (marked Ramos in the ELI Main Office).