The ELI Weekly

Class Photo
Come out and be seen!

The ELI Class picture for Summer, 2011 will be taken at the front of Tigert Hall on SW 13th Street on Tuesday, July 12th, at 10:45am. We will walk over together toward the end of Reading/Writing at 10:30am. If it is raining on Tuesday, we will hold the picture on Wednesday at the same time.

For any and all students not taking Reading/Writing classes, as well as all other teachers, LAs, and any other ELI personnel who wants to participate, we very much would like to encourage you to come and join us for the picture.

The Weekend Trip

This weekend, a local apartment complex will be hosting a party for ELI students. Please check the activities board on Thursday and Friday for more information.

WHEN: Saturday, July 9th

COST: This trip is completely FREE!

Notes from the Office

- Smoking: ELI students have been noticed smoking, not just on campus, but near buildings, in the parking garage, and even on private property. Please realize that if this continues, stronger action will be taken against students in violation of the policy. Remember that you cannot leave your cigarette butts on the ground, or you will get a ticket for littering.

- Appointments: Students, when you receive a note from the office asking you to make an appointment to see one of our administrators, or if you have a need to see someone, please go to our receptionist in the main office to make the appointment. This allows for time to prepare and have an adequate amount of time to discuss whatever issues may be needed. Please realize that you may have to wait for a long time if you walk into the office without an appointment.

- Lost and Found: If you should lose something in the classrooms or elsewhere at the ELI, do come and check to see if it has been turned in in the Main Office, Room 315. Also, if you find something in the classrooms that got left behind, this is the place to bring it!

Birthdays

The following are ELI birthdays from July 8-14:

Students:
July 8: Maria Soledad Zanetta
July 10: Aishah Alzahrani
July 10: Awad Aljuaid
July 11: Abdullah Aldahmash
July 12: YeonJae Jang
July 13: Takuya Hayakawa

Staff:
July 10: CJ Marrero

Happy Birthday, one and all!

B-Term Countries

The following are the countries and places represented by our students in our new B-Term:

- Angola
- Brazil
- China
- Ecuador
- Israel
- Japan
- Korea
- Saudi Arabia
- Taiwan
- Turkey
- Ukraine
- Venezuela
**The Next Trip**

Our next ELI activity will be the **Volunteer Day**, on Saturday, July 16th. Details will be on the Activities Board and in the next *Weekly*.

**Manners and Culture**

*Q:* Why do people in the US prefer traveling by car rather than by airplane?

*A:* Well, we have such a culture built around the automobile. Our roads are really good for the most part, and auto travel is usually cheaper than air travel, even for distances of 1000 miles or more. Also, there are a lot of conveniences built around auto travel. It will be interesting to see, in coming years, just how much and in how many ways this may change, depending on the price of gas!

*Q:* What happens if I don’t give up my seat on the bus for elderly people or pregnant women?

*A:* Nothing much will happen. While in other cultures it is assumed that you will give up your seat, in the United States it’s just a nice thing to do. It’s not absolutely expected of you although you might get a couple of mean looks from the other bus riders (who may now have to give up their seat since you didn’t).

**Grammar**

*Q:* What is the difference between “What do you say...?” and “How do you call...?”

*A:* Well, first let’s correct the questions: “What do you call...?” is a question you can ask when you don’t know the word for something. For example, “What do you call the thing that you use to drain spaghetti?” The person would reply “a strainer or a colander”.

“How do you say...?” is generally used for pronunciation. For example, “How do you say, ‘comfortable’.” The person responding would carefully pronounce it for you.

“How do you say...?” can also be used if you are asking about a word in another language. For example, “How do you say *friend* in Arabic?” The person would then say the word in Arabic.

**Quote of the Week**

Get over the idea that only children should spend their time in study. Be a student so long as you still have something to learn, and this will mean all your life.

*Henry L. Doherty*