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# The ELI Weekly

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## Class Photo

*Come out and be seen!*

The ELI Class picture for Summer, 2007 will be taken at the front of Tigert Hall on SW 13<sup>th</sup> Street on Tuesday, July 17<sup>th</sup>, at 3pm. We will walk over together after Listening/Speaking Classes or Listening/Speaking LA hours. For any and all students not taking Listening/Speaking 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. If it is raining at 3pm on Tuesday, we will take the picture on Thursday, July 19<sup>th</sup> at 11am instead.

### IDs for B Term Students and Daytona Tickets

This Friday, we will have a walkover for the B-Term students to get their UF ID cards. We will also be going to the TRiP office to purchase transportation passes for the Daytona Trip. Meet at the NRN Garage at 1:15.

### B-Term Computer Accounts

B-term students, once you have your UFID, you can go to <http://www.gatorlink.ufl.edu/> and create a UF Computer account. If you don't have computer access at all,

you may go to the desk at any of the UF computer labs, and they will help you.

### Notes from the Office

- **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, Scott, 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!

### The Weekend Trip

This weekend, we will be holding our second Volunteer Day of the semester.

The following is a list of the activities; further details, including meeting times, will be on the Activities Board.

**North Florida Rehab and Specialty Care--**Play bingo, chess and other board games with Gainesville elderly! Hear all the fun stories and practice your English skills! We will meet at Norman garage at 1:30pm to head over.

**Interfaith Hospitality--**Come and work with homeless families. We will cook dinner for them.

**Car Wash--**Have fun in the sun while you raise money to help make dinner for homeless families in the Interfaith Hospitality Network.

**Gator Plunge--**Splash into service with the sixth annual Summer Plunge hosted by the Center for Leadership & Service in the U.F. Dean of Students Office. This is your opportunity to get involved with the University and Gainesville community.

## Birthdays

The following are ELI birthdays from July 13-19:

Students:

July 13: Chen-Wei Wu

July 17: Kei Nakamura

Staff:

With apologies, we missed one last week! Happy birthday to Lili Gai, July 8<sup>th</sup>.

Happy Birthday, one and all!



## B-Term Countries

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

Belgium	Panama
Brazil	Peru
France	Saudi Arabia
Israel	Taiwan
Japan	Thailand
Korea	Turkey
Mexico	Venezuela

## Manners and Culture

*Q: Why are there more blond people in the North than in the South?*

A: History plays a real part here! In the early part of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, we had a lot of immigrants from northern Europe, where most of the blond people in the world originated. Many of them settled in northern states, mainly due to the fact that the climate was more similar to what they were used to.

*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!

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

A: This one's a classic "Gainesville" question. People all over the US don't wear flip-flops and other types of sandals as much as you will find that they do here in Gainesville and in Florida. It's warm-weather fashion, and we have a lot of warm weather!

## Quote of the Week

Love yourself first and everything else falls into line. You really have to love yourself to get anything done in this world.

***Lucille Ball***

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