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Attention please! Attention please!
It’s yellow! It’s new!
It’s for you!

Choose!

Contest: Who’s who??

Instructions: This contest tells you some ESL faculty members with a secret message about them. You just have to guess which message goes with which teacher. If you submit the right answer first, you win a special prize! First come, first served!
Letter by the EDITOR

Everyone alive and well after midterm? Hope so😊

Now you are reading the 4th edition of Newsletter!, and it has some new looks doesn’t it? The last color, purple, was somewhat dull, but our staff members are proud to represent to you adding some more of that sparkle!

The contents you would be reading on this newsletter are based on the activities of the ESL students, submissions form the ESL mail section, and contents of what would be fun for you to read. This month we have started on introducing the ESL teachers (you should remember by now😊) and also various cultures that are highly recommended for you to observe. If you have any comments, the ESL staff will be more than happy to answer you. Hope you enjoy and have a nice day!

Chika Nakamura (editor of the newsletter)

Ask Dr. Sparkle

Dear Dr. Sparkle,

Greetings! My name is Heart. I read your column many times and I definitely agreed to your advices. I am personally writing this letter to you because I have a problem that I couldn’t figure out what to do. I have a 16 months old son, his name is Pot-Pot. Since he was 1 month old I didn’t put into practice to put him into his crib at night. …In my country we don’t usually put the baby into crib to I sleep besides I want him sleep to with me. My problem is I want him sleeping to his crib, but when I transfer him he woke up and cry, and I knew he doesn’t want to sleep alone. He also fell twice in our bed and I don’t want to happen that again. Please give me some advice on putting my baby at night on his crib alone…

Response

Dear Heart,

First, thank to write to me, it is my pleasure. I see what your problem is, and there is some advice I think it could work. The first one I suggest is you can stay with him until he fell asleep, because this way can clam him. Children usually will not feel fear when they have something which is important to him or some thing he trust. Or, if that doesn’t work, you can put some toy, his favorite one, with him. If both of them do not work, you problem is in a very serious situation. I can only advise that you put his crib next to you and you move it a little bit a far every night. I hope these advices can help you. Good luck.

Take care
Dr. Sparkle

*Please note that if you have any interesting question for Dr. Sparkle, you may send with your name and your topic on the heading hwceslnewsletter@hotmail.com
...I met my first love when I went to see the Auto Show… I called after her ‘Jee-Hee’. She turned and looked at me in a while… We did not see each other for 7 years. Everything was really good except some news that she will get married. After I went home, I could not sleep… I should have showed her my good looks… However, people’s matters can not be beyond people’s control. Actually I want her to get good life, and God bless her…"

Submissions

Brazilian student Carla Chang talks to Ephrem Rabin, Harold Washington College's Blackboard manager… Carla Chang's Blog address http://crazyforcoffee.blogspot.com

Manjiao (Joy) Guo

Seung Young Kan

Jacqueline Serrano

"...I chose art class this semester… We always paint pictures in the corridor. Some funny guys always crack a joke with us. They often make ugly face then intentionally and suddenly appear in front of us. You can hear our laugh in corridor during our art class. We always paint figure for fun. I always have a happy time."

The Funny One:

Q: How many letters are there in the alphabet?
A: Twenty-four, because E.T. went home.

Q: What do you call Santa’s Helpers?
A: Subordinate clauses!

If you have “The Funny One”, send them to hwceslnewsletter@yahoo.com

"I daydream if I am driving a 2006 Ferrari F430 Spider.” Xinyu Li (Phillip)

Sometime I am big, sometime I am small
It depends on you are rich or not
You see me everyday, because I am part of your life
I see you cry, I see you smile
You just have to spend some time with me
And I will give you whatever you want
I am so good to be your friend
But I am not good with your life
Because of me you get yelled from your mother
Because of me you leave your friend forever
However even so much happen between you and me
You stay with me because you love me
And who am I
I am a little computer in your room

Chi Ming Lei

Reflection: Most memorable activities in class this semester

"Getting the job in the Harold Washington College library was and still one of my memorable things, I was so excited about it."

Hong Xia, Ke

"...I have to say, since I was born, this was the largest auto show I have ever attended. Moreover, I have experienced one of the largest exhibition places in the world. If you cannot imagine how big 1.2 million sq. ft. is, you will have to visit McCormick Place to see for yourself.

Jeep

...In this event, I saw over a thousand vehicles in one time, including concept vehicles, sport utility cars, the world’s fastest car, and luxurious cars of different sizes. I believe you can find just about any car you can name in this auto show…

I would like to recommend the Auto Show to my dear classmates. We all know that living without a car in Chicago is like living without a pair of legs. It is very inconvenient to get around town without a reliable vehicle. Therefore, we should compare different cars and find the right one for ourselves as a smart consumer should be.
Word Gift:
The Integrated Level 6 (FH) class gave each other gifts - the gift of words. Each student prepared a special word, wrapped it as present and gave it to another classmate.

Quiz: Self Reflection
Instructions:
Grab a pencil and piece of paper, and then you may begin the quiz! The analysis is on the 6th page.

1) What is the first animal you see?
2) What is the second animal you see?
   Imagine now there is a hut in front of you....
3) Do you:
   a) Bypass it
   b) Knock before going in
   c) Rush in.
   Imagine yourself in the hut....
4) There are 20 candles in it, how many will you light up?
5) What is the shape of the table that you think is in the hut?
   Is it square or round?
6) How many chairs do you see around the table?
7) There is also a jug in this hut. What do you think the material of this jug is?
8) State the amount of water in it?
   a) no water
   b) 1/2 full
   c) 3/4 full
   d) totally full.
   Imagine that you are out of the hut....
9) You have reached a beautiful waterfall. How fast do you think is the speed of the waterfall? (1-9) (1 is the slowest and 9 is the fastest)
10) How many swans are there that you see near the waterfall?
11) Now you have reached the river bank and your destination is just opposite. How do you go over?
   a) jump into the river and swim across.
   b) find another way to cross it.
12) What are the first words that you will say when you get over?
   Finally...
13) Give 3 words to describe the sky.

*Sponsored by www.personalityquiz.net

Culture Capsules:
Food and Bowing

In the Opening Doors of Vietnam

A crazy long week, really!!! But I had a special day in the February 28, which was my birthday. It was an unforgettable day. I had fun with my friends Meriem and Ibithal... The restaurant where we went was one of the best in Chicago the name of it is le colonial they have Vietnamese and French food. Le Colonial offers a dining experience faithful to Vietnamese culinary traditions... I love that place and there food... they have such delicious food with a great taste. You should give this restaurant a try...

Le Colonial is located at 937 North Rush Street

Tawzar Hammouda

Bowing in JAPAN

Bowing (ojigi) is a very important custom in Japan. Japanese people bow all the time. It depends on the social status or age of the person you bow to. If the person is higher status or older than you are, you should bow deeper and longer. The most frequent bow is a bow of about 15 degrees. You might feel strange to do it, but try to bow in Japan. You will be considered very polite!

Next Topic: KISSING

Joseph and Jane were in love and since Sunday was a beautiful day they decided to walk in the park. They found a cozy bench and sat. After a while, they started to gaze each other and passionately kissed.

How would you react to this? How would your culture differ from the action of, "kissing"

*What do you have to say...?? Please send with the topic and your name on the subject heading to...hwceslnewsletter@yahoo.com
**Writing Corner**

Submit your writings with the topic and your name on the subject heading hwceslnesletter@yahoo.com

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**City of College Event**

I decided to attend Global Friendship Club meeting...When I came in, the room was crowded. People around were talking to each other and smiled. I felt a very friendly atmosphere there. …

I’d introduced myself to students around and then some guys from Middle Eastern Africa (Iran and Ethiopia) started telling about their culture (traditional clothes, customs, food, education...everything) and showing amazing pictures of cities, luxurious motels for tourists coming there, restaurants on the mountains...Most of information wasn't new for me but I didn't know that Ethiopian alphabet contains more then 300 letters and coffee has been discovered there (in the town Cofe). Also I knew that alcohol in Iran in public places is forbidden but it's OK for private parties. Traditional clothes in Iran and Ethiopia are long dresses either for men and women.

I think this meeting was a little bit spontaneous but guys did well and I could see everybody was interested and students asked a lot of questions. I would recommend it to others.

*Marina Yusupova*

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**Morning Has Broken**

Admiring the brief beauty of the sunset
I try to guess - where did the day hide itself away?
The light clouds are nostalgic little flags
Flakes of delight trembling tenderly
for all that has already gone.

*Carla Chang*

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**My Kitchen Table**

...It holds the weight and take the heat that I cannot. It has never let me down. It is dependable. It does its job better than any other. It knows family secrets and will never tell. It has heard all the stories, jokes, and knows which cards you hold in a game of poker. It's always there when you need it. It doesn't complain if you make a mess on it. It doesn't talk back. It stands still and stays firm especially when I clean it. If I didn't know any better, I'd say it was human.”

*Teresa Rodriguez*

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**Fun stuff to do during your spring break!**

These Museums are Free on the following days:

**=Monday**

Chicago Historical Society
Clark Street at North Avenue
312.642.4600
www.chicagohistory.org

**=Tuesday**

Art Institute of Chicago
111 S. Michigan Avenue
www.artic.edu
312.443.3600

**=Wednesday**

Clark House Museum
1827 S. Indiana Avenue
312.326.1480
http://www.cityofchicago.org/CulturalAffairs/ClerkHouse/ClerkHouse

**=Thursday**

Peggy Notebeart Nature Museum
2430 N. Cannon Drive
773.755.5100
www.naturemuseum.org

**=Friday**

Spertus Museum of Judaica
618 S. Michigan Avenue
312.322.1747
www.spertus.edu

**=Sunday**

DuSable Museum of African American History
740 E. 56th Place
773.947.0600
www.dusablenuseum.org

Go for a walk in the city! Go to North Park Nature Center http://www.chicagoparkdistrict.com/index.cfm/fuseaction/parks.results/sort/name.cfm?keyword=park=North+Park+village+nature+center

Visit the Riverwalk Gateway: A Public Art Installation by Ellen Lanyon. The mural tells the history of Chicago and its river. The murals are installed under Lake Shore Drive on the south bank of the Chicago river.

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**Origami Portfolio**

Handing in a portfolio the Origami way

*Natalia Sotirova*
**Self Analysis**
(from self reflection page 4)

1) This question symbolizes the "reflection of your life".
2) This question symbolizes the "character of your life partner".
3) a) bypass means "not ready for relationships"
   b) knock before going in means "ready for relationships"
   c) Rush in means "you are desperate"
4) This question means "your generosity...the more you light up, the more generous you are"
5) If you have a square table this means that you are "stubborn", if you have a round table this means that you are "flexible"
6) This actually shows your "hospitality". The more the better!
7) Depends on what you say, this refers to the "material of your heart"
8) This refers to the "amount of love that you will give to your partner"
9) Speed actually refers to your "sex drive"
10) The number of swans, refer to the "number of best friends you have"
11) a) This means "that you act without thinking"
    b) This means "that you think before you act"
12) This refers to the "first words you will say on your wedding night"
13) This 3 words describe "your point of view to love"

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**Guess and Enjoy:**
In which part of the world do I walk?

1. India
2. China
3. Greece
4. Morocco

*So which shoes goes with which country? You may send your answer to hwceslnewsletter@yahoo.com*

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**Calendar: April**

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To all ESL students😊,
PLEASE add submissions!!!!! We are in need of great stuff that you guys have in your wonderful computers. Especially the students from level 4 feel free to submit anything at...

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From your Newsletter Crew
Global Friendship Club presents

International Festival

Where: Washington Hall
    room 103

When: April 18, 2006
  From: 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

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