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Birthdays

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Camping Trip
November 7-9
at

Village
Creek State
Park

Details coming soon!

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My Trip to the Civil Rights Museum

By: Aimee Aholou

My trip to the Civil Rights Museum was very amazing. I will never forget this trip. The Civil Rights Museum is a museum that relates Martin Luther King's life and the fight against the segregation in Memphis in the 1950's. In the 1950's discrimination was a big dilemma for many countries even in AFRICA. In the 19th century the blacks were slaves of the white people and everything was still segregated in the 20th century. Martin Luther King was one of the leaders that fought for getting freedom, equality, and rights for Blacks, but he was killed by someone. It was amazing for me too see the whole story about Martin Luther King and to visit the motel and his bedroom where he was staying and the gun that the suspect used to kill him. I also learned about how many American Black people fought to get rights. I also learned that James Meredith was the first black student to study at the University of Mississippi when segregation was prohibited and you can not imagine how many US marshals (fourteen thousand) were following him the first day of classes at his school. It was a big process to enter at this university. I will never forget this trip to the museum because I learned many things about segregation in the different areas in the USA in the 20th century and I would like to go back there someday.



The Lorraine Hotel



Students Fighting Segregation



My Birthday

By: In Young Kang

October 4 was my birthday, and it is my first time to celebrate in America. I'm here, it means that I'm far away from my hometown, so I didn't expect anything to make me happy because my old friends aren't here; but here are new friends, and my family. My birthday was Saturday and I was supposed to have practice for praise team at church; I play the keyboard. So, I had dinner with my uncle's family on Friday night. Everything was normal until it happened. Late at night, I was preparing stuff to teach Korean in Korean school; I'm a teacher on every Saturday. At that time, one of my church members called me and asked me how about going to drink coffee, but I said it was too late and there aren't any coffee shops that don't close at 11pm. He answered there are the shops like that, anyway he wanted to see me just a second in front of my house. When I went outside, I was so surprised because there were some of the members of the church in front of my house, also they had a cake that was lighted with birthday candles and they were singing the 'Happy Birthday' song. It was a surprise party for me! Besides, they are only men. Four men were in front of my house with cake and singing only for me! HAHAHA. I was so happy even though one of them put my face into the cake. I never expected anything about it; a surprise party! I really thanked them and God, because I was feeling lonely before it was happened. I'm a person who gets love from other people. My first birthday in America was so happy and thankful.



A Trip to the Civil Rights Museum

By: Patricia Rodriguez

Last Wednesday all of the students of the newspaper class went to visit the Civil Right Museum where we could study and see interesting things about Dr. Martin Luther King's history, but for me something very interesting was the bus in which the people were transported during the year 1965 and how the black people were discriminated against by the white people. On this bus, black people must sit in the back, and the white people must sit in the front of the bus. On this bus a recording told black people that they must sit in the back or they would go to jail. Another interesting thing to see in the museum was the bedroom which was used by Martin Luther King and we also saw how the jail was during those years. If you want to know about the history of Martin Luther King, you should visit the Civil Rights Museum.

Bad Boys

By: Mohammed Coulibaly

During the summer, my parents went on vacation for 12 days to my grand father's house and my brother and I were at home with the security guard. My brother and I listened to loud music, and then we invited other friends to come to our house to play with us. Every day my brother and I, and my friends, played video games, and we placed bets on the outcome of the games. I could act like the boss while my father was gone because I was the oldest. On Friday we went to the movies, and after that we went to a party together. When my parents came home, they were upset because the living room and the kitchen were in horrible shape. The vacation gave me memories because my brother and I we did the crazy thing with our friends.

The Family

By: Thanh Nguyen

Family is always strong point of spirit. In any situation, members of the family still believe, live, and mobilize each other. I remember when I was young, every time I got sick my mom always stayed beside me and she did not sleep. When I graduated high school and got a Visa to study in the USA, she was very proud of me. I still remember her face when I told her I passed the appointment. She is the person whom I want to be like in the future. My dad always taught me how to become a good person. Whenever I did something wrong he would show me and give me advice. Sometimes, I did not obey them and then I realized that I was wrong. I often felt that they did not love me like my younger sister, I was usually jealous of her. I thought that they gave her more things than they gave me. All things were just because of jealousy and I wanted to live alone, no adults, nobody to tell me what to do. Now I live far from them, I understand how hard it is when I do not have them beside. Mom, dad, I love you and miss you very much!

Single Females

By: Moctar Konate

Unhappy singles, single by pleasure, single by interest, single for long time, even for always. Single females are surrounded by a lot of prejudice from their families and from society. In today's life there are a lot of female singles because of men. Many people say that in most families, women are more in charge than men. Why is there a lot of prejudice toward women?

Unhappy Singles

Females are frequently abandoned a long time by men that are ungrateful. The majority of these females are females who do not cheer on their boy friends until they get a job. It is when the man's situation improves that the woman's difficulties begin. Abandoned, often with a child to take care, the woman is left while the man starts a new relationship with another girl. It is said that a man has a fear of a woman who knows him too well. Like the women who are abandoned at a certain age, she does not know anything about cheering and she will be cheered by many men. She won't be able to get married again because she already has many children with different men. In each man she saw a good husband. To be continued.....

Freedom

By: Hamza Alnaimat

Last week we went to the National Civil Rights' Museum; it was a fantastic trip because we learned about part of American history. "They can kill the man but they can't kill the idea." I don't know why I still remember those words, but I think that I know that these words will stay with me for ever. I learned how Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. fought until the end of his life to give his people freedom. Now after 40 years I can say to Dr. King, you began your dream when you died and some day your dream will be truth. In the end I want to say to all racists in the world how can you enslave the people since their mother gave them birth with freedom.

Cinderella Man

By: Marouoane Iddir

Cinderella Man is the story that we are reading in the level 4. It's a good and interesting story that talks about a boxer that used to be very successful before the Great Depression. Since 1928 he was not successful any more. The story also talks about the Great Depression and how people reacted to it.

.In this story you can find many families that have many kinds of economic difficulties. I read this story and I liked it. I hope that you that you can read it and enjoy it.





Marcus Crooks

Guten Tag! Wie geht's?

I'd like to introduce Marcus Crooks to our loyal IEI Newspaper fans. Marcus is the Production Editor for the IEI Newspaper and he works part time in the IEI office. Marcus was born in Germany; he moved to the United States when he was 14 years old. He speaks German and English fluently. Marcus is majoring in Political Science at The University of Memphis. He is scheduled to graduate in December of '09. He is an avid soccer player; you can usually find him on a soccer field on Thursday and Friday evenings. He is a great addition to the IEI team. If you don't already know him, introduce yourself to him the next time you're in the IEI office. As Marcus would say, "Tschüss".

Simple Inspirations

Always do what you want to do before it is too late.

Aimee

Nobody is wise, but we all learn. Moctar

No one can make you feel inferior without your consent. Eleanor Roosevelt

If you don't like to climb the mountains, you will always be at the bottom. Hamza

Talk with people who have more experience than you.

Marouane

Take the first step in faith. You don't have to see the whole staircase, just take the first step.

Martin Luther King, Jr.

If you can't avoid your hard times, just enjoy them.

In Young

How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world. Anne Frank

Your age doesn't say who you are. Your knowledge will show them. Thanh

Happiness is the reward that we get for living the right way. Richard Bach

Work hard and everything will be easier for you.

Mohamed

My inspiration comes from my feelings and the things that I enjoy. Patricia



