

New Arrivals

17 November

(pictured right, listed left to right)

Neen, 24, Thailand

Neen likes playing badminton and watching films. She needs to improve her English to study for a Master Degree next year. She will be here for 6 months.

Eugenio, 23, Italy

Eugenio is attending LSI as a refresher, as he is defending his Master's Degree thesis in English. He likes watching old British movies and is very social. He will be here for 3 weeks.

Francesco, 24, Italy

Francesco's hobbies are listening to music, watching comedy films and drawing. He has completed his graduate thesis and will possibly take the IELTS. He will be here for 3 weeks.

Alessia, 40, Italy

Alessia's hobbies are cooking, running, going to the cinema and theatre. She also likes art, design, and travel. She is an accountant seeking to improve her English for better job prospects. She is here for 1 month.

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Welcome to LSI



So, you've finally reached your destination after a butt-numbing transcontinental journey from all points north, south, east, and west. Everything looks, feels, sounds, and smells "different". You're dizzy, starving, and quite frankly, you could use a shower. But don't worry. We've all been there. Every student, every teacher, and every administrator has lived this moment. Every Monday

morning, a new group of jetlagged yet eager EFL students start classes. Old students, if you see them wandering the halls as dazed and confused as you were when you first got here, smile, say hello and help them find their way around. Chances are they're in desperate need of a proper cup of coffee...

Delia Chandler
Editor, *LSI Living*

What is *LSI Living* ?

This is Issue 01 of *LSI Living*, a weekly newsletter published by the students and for the students of LSI. The goal of this publication is to inform, entertain, and ease the transition from your home country into the LSI language school community. Student columnist Mohammed Chirani (Turkey) interviews LSI teacher and *LSI Living* editor Delia Chandler (USA) about how and why *LSI Living* exists.

Mohammad Chirani, *LSI Living*: Hey Delia, first of all, could you please introduce yourself and tell us your background?

Delia Chandler, Editor, *LSI Living*: I'm a 48 year old American with over 25 years of experience in the arts, journalism, and teaching. I was born in Newark, Ohio, a small town in the Midwest, close to Canada. I lived in Chicago for 12 years where I met my husband, a Polish photographer. We have 2 children aged 10 and 12.

MC: In brief, how did you come up with the idea of launching a weekly student newsletter? Could you tell us more about the aim of this publication ?

DC: Production of a student newsletter has been used as an intermediate level class project before, but I wanted to take it to another level by offering students of all backgrounds and abilities the opportunity to put what they learn in class into action, and explore their hobbies and interests in an English language environment. . And, it's a good way to make friends. It's both an academic workshop and social activity.

MC: Don't you think too ambitious to aim for a weekly publication ?

DC: Yea, I was a bit worried at first when the newsletter staff voted to change it from a monthly to a weekly newsletter, but I agree with them that it is very important to present news that is current and immediately relevant. We will start by distributing a hard copy of the newsletter every Monday. Eventually, I see it becoming an exclusively digital publication, once we work out a few logistics.

MC: What are the profiles of the students who are involved in the newsletter ? And what are their interests in doing this?

DC: The newsletter staff is pretty representative of the LSI student body. They are aged 18-30, and hail from Colombia, Dubai, Korea, Libya, Saudi Arabia, Turkey, and Venezuela. They range from university students to working professionals. Their name and country of origin will appear next to their article. What they have in common is an interest in journalism, photography, and graphic design.

MC: Finally, could you tell to the LSI's students how to join your team?

DC: We have story idea and production meetings every Tuesday at 3:30pm in Room 5. If they are a long or short term student studying academic, general, or exam preparation and have an interest in journalism, photography, or Graphic Design they are welcome to pop in, check it out, and see where they fit. All ability levels are welcome.



Five Easy Paths to Self Destruction

Path 1: Eat Junk Food

Last year, at least 400,000 Americans managed to kill themselves based almost solely on what they ate. Heart disease is the country's number one killer and, while some of that comes from genetics, most of it's due to the fat-laden, sugar-heavy junk they put in their bodies. Looking for the most effective, probably most enjoyable way to do yourself in? Have another doughnut. And make it cream-filled!

Path 2: Smoke

They don't call them cancer sticks for nothing: Tobacco-related illnesses are America's number two killer, and the most preventable. But if you're bent on calling nonsense on healthy

living, go ahead and light up; just one cigarette will immediately increase your blood pressure and decrease your life expectancy.

Path 3: Watch TV... constantly

Not only is television entertaining, it can keep us on the couch for hours at a time and several days per week. Being an obese, sedentary TV-addicted couch potato makes for speedy self-destruction, though you may become a little smarter (if you watch those nerdy science channels).

Path 4: Act Like a Vampire

Inadequate sleep (less than 7 or 8 hours a night) has been

tied to many different health problems, including obesity, diabetes and cancer. More importantly, lack of sleep could destroy your heart. If you do not believe me, try being a vampire and don't sleep. But be warned; vampires don't have a heartbeat.

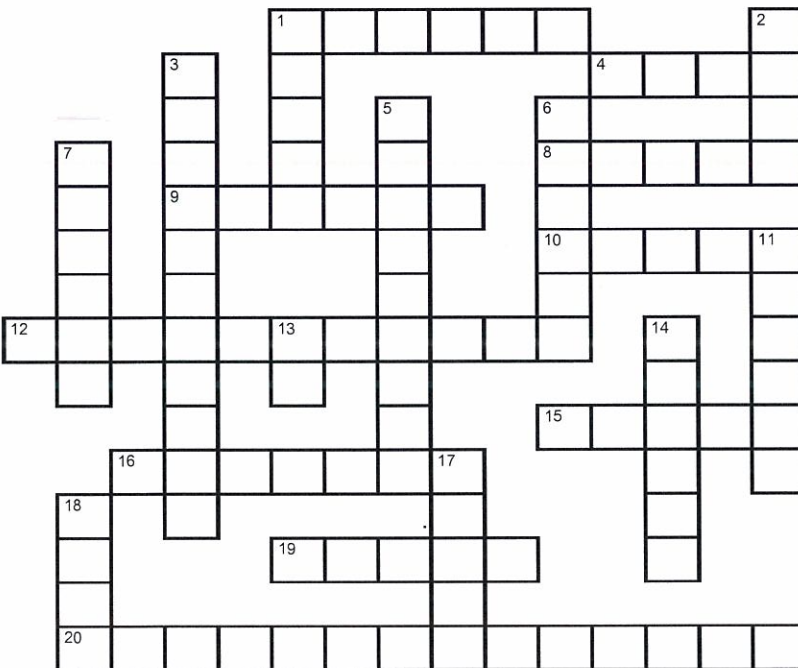
Path 5: Have lots of Unprotected Sex

Most people agree that sex in itself isn't bad, it's how you do it that could mean life or death. The smart self-destructor doesn't use protection, ignores the partner's sexual history, and shuns the annual medical exam. Over fifty million mortals contract sexually transmitted diseases every year. Use it or lose it!

We're not here for a long time, we're here for a good time! If you agree, why not chose a reckless lifestyle? If you'd like to get in on the act, we present our easiest catalysts to self-destruction...

by Mehmet Ali (Turkey)

WEEKLY CROSSWORD ~ AT THE MOVIES



Across

- 1 Part II (6)
- 4 The story. (4)
- 8 A movie award. (5)
- 9 Someone who writes movie reviews (6)
- 10 One of the many people who act in the background of a movie. (5)
- 12 A movie about real life. (11)
- 15 A short movie appearance by somebody famous. (5)
- 16 Where a movie takes place. (7)
- 19 A short segment of a film. (5)
- 20 Lights, explosions, and computer graphics.

Down

- 1 A movie in space. (5)
- 2 A main actor. (4)
- 3 A big movie production. (11)
- 5 A cartoon film. (9)
- 6 A funny movie. (6)
- 7 A scary movie. (6)
- 11 Schwarzenegger's film genre. (6)
- 13 Famous movie alien. (2)
- 14 What you use to film a movie. (6)
- 17 Kind of movie. (5)
- 18 Famous movie shark. (4)



Join our Christmas Show

Every year, the students of LSI produce and perform a Christmas comedy play - known as a 'pantomime' or 'panto' for the enjoyment and entertainment of all.

This year's show will take place on **Wednesday 17th December**, and there will be an afternoon class every day starting from **Monday 1st December** to prepare for the show.

If you are interested in taking part in this extraordinary extravaganza, please find Justin in the teachers' room. Limited spaces available.

Myth Busters

by Raul Verastegui

True or False:

Ostriches bury their heads in the sand when they feel scared or threatened...

Find out the answer in the next issue of *LSI Living* due out **02 December**. Stay warm!!