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Chairman's News and Notes



So much is happening at the U.S.ENGLISH Foundation! We have been active on many fronts and I am eager to get this newsletter in your hands to bring you up to date.

We've redesigned our Foundation's webpage and the new site is now live. I encourage you to take a moment to look at www.usefoundation.org. The menu bar is simplified and the information — from our original research to language learning resources — is easier to find.

Speaking of technology, we now have a way for donors to contribute to the U.S.ENGLISH Foundation just by searching the Internet. Read the article, *A Penny Saved is a Penny Earned,* to find out just how effortless it is! Pennies will add up to dollars quickly.

Also, dollars do matter, especially to students trying to pay for college. We believe it's important for English language learners to receive a quality education and for that to happen, there need to be quality instructors. That's why the Foundation sponsors a yearly college scholarship for a postgraduate student. Check out the article for details on how a student may apply — the deadline for the application is May 31st!

There is also a follow-up article on planned giving. Last time we discussed the importance of having a will. This time we explore how easy it is to get the planning and organization for one done. We can even provide resources to help in the process.

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How to Make a Will That Works

In our last newsletter, we discussed how important it is for you to have a will. It's your money and you should have your say in what happens to it. So now what?

The answer is simpler than you might think. It's easy to make a will that works for you with a little planning. The U.S.ENGLISH Foundation has booklets that can help prepare you for the discussion with your attorney. One contains worksheets to help you examine who you may want to include in your will, what property you have (assets and income), and then matching them all up accordingly.

We also offer a booklet that contains a series of 38 common questions and answers that cover the basics of writing a will. All the terms are explained in an easy to understand fashion.

Just call Victoria Renard at 1-800-787-8216 or email vrenard@usenglish.org and she'll send you the booklet(s) you request to help get you organized.

As always, the U.S.ENGLISH Foundation thanks those members who have already drawn up a will and thoughtfully included the Foundation with a planned gift. These gifts create a lasting legacy for you and make a strong statement on your vision for the future.

A Penny Saved is a Penny Earned

Would you like a way to help the U.S.ENGLISH Foundation that doesn't cost you a penny, yet adds up pennies to help our cause?

Simply use <u>www.goodsearch.com</u> to search for information on the web and select the U.S.ENGLISH Foundation as the charity you wish to support.



Then for every search you do, the U.S.ENGLISH Foundation will receive a small donation. It's that easy to help! Plus the site is powered by Yahoo!, so you will get quick, comprehensive results from this well-known search engine.

Amazingly, some organizations have earned over \$20,000 through **goodsearch.com!**

Scholarship Applications Due

The U.S.ENGLISH Foundation is dedicated to helping immigrants learn the English language so they may reap the economic and social benefits available in the United States today.

In an effort to help with this education, the U.S.ENGLISH Foundation sponsors an annual \$1,500 scholarship to a student focusing on teaching English as a Second Language (ESL) for practical application in the United States. The recipients of the scholarship will be American graduates who wish to continue their education with postgraduate study.

Applications for the award must be received by May 31st for use during the next fall semester of classes. To receive an application or for more information on the U.S.ENGLISH Foundation ESL Scholarship, please contact our Director of Special Programs, Victoria Renard, at vrenard@usenglish.org.

New Website Design!

After many months of work, the U.S.ENGLISH Foundation is proud to announce a new and improved website at **www.usefoundation.org**. The existing content has been reorganized and updated to make locating research, learning about educational programs, or connecting to English language learning resources much easier.



Please let us know what you think of our new site!

We Want to Hear from You!

Please take a moment to email our Director of Special Programs, Victoria, at vrenard@usenglish.org with questions or comments. We can also send this newsletter out via email to save funds.





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Thank You

All of these programs, research projects and education initiatives take financial resources. We are able to be on the forefront of Official English because of your valued support.

Sincerely,

Mauro E. Mujica