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## Summer Fun in Spain

¡Hola a todos! While the climate here in the Philippines is rainy, in Spain [and in Latin America], it is summer! Here some of the festivals that are celebrated during the summer:

The **Hogueras de San Juan** (Bonfires of St. John) is celebrated in Valencia from the 20<sup>th</sup> until the 29<sup>th</sup> of June, one of its days being the summer solstice (June 21).



There are a lot of activities for this tenday celebration, among them the selection and parading of a Fire Beauty, fireworks displays and competitions, and a bullfighting festival. The highlight of the festival, however, is the **Nit del foc** (Night of the Fire), when magnificent pre-placed bonfires are lit and a fireworks show is orchestrated just before midnight (the **Palmera**).

There is also the **Running of the Bulls or Encierro** in Pamplona, celebrated from the 6<sup>th</sup> to the 14<sup>th</sup> of July. It begins

# ¿Sabías que...?

San Sebastián is a beautiful seaside city located on Spain's shimmering Basque coast, a stylish and relaxing holiday destination. Ideally situated on the Bay of Biscay, the city is surrounded by verdant mountains and blonde beaches, and is known as **the summer capital of Spain**, whilst also being renowned for its fashionably luxurious lifestyle.



with the txupinazo, which is a rocket fired at noon on the first day of the festival. The main attraction is the running of the bulls every morning of all days of the festival – seven bulls run



running-of-the-bulls.jpg

in the from the town center to the plaza; people who are brave and adventurous enough run alongside the bulls.

In August, Andalucia celebrates the **Fiesta de Verano**, which usually begins on the second Friday of the month, with a fireworks showcase. During the fesitval itself, there is a fair in the center of the city, and people wear traditional Spanish garments, dance sevillanas and malaguenas in the street, and have midday snacks and wine.

### Starting off the school year with a bang!



TEAM BUILDING & STRAT PLAN. -- We got together for some team building and then we planned out our year. We're excited for our upcoming projects!



APPS ORIENTATION. -- It was an afternoon of games and getting-to-know-you as we introduced the apps to what's in store!



DEL ORIENTATION -- UPCH joined the Department of European Languages as they welcomed the freshies to the program. Finally, there is **La Tomatina** in Valencia, celebrated on the last Wednesday of August. This is the craziest food fight in the world, as people throw tomatoes at one another for two hours. It begins at ten in the morning, and it attracts more than 20,000 people annually. More or less, 240,000 pounds of ripe tomatoes are thrown during this festivity, and when it

In the hot summer days, **gazpacho** is a cool favorite among the Spaniards! Want to try your hand at making this refreshingly delicious dish to beat the heat? Here is a simple recipe to try:

> GAZPACHO (serves 4)

Ingredients: 10 oz. bread 21 oz. tomatoes 2 cloves of garlic 2 onions 2 red and green peppers 1 cucumber (optional) 7 tablespoons of oil 2 tablespoons of vinegar 1 1/2 tablespoons of water cumin (optional) ends, people gather in the town plaza for fireworks, food, and drinks.



http://25.media.tumblr.com/ tumblr\_m448lvlCqu1rtc7yvo1\_400.jpg

#### Preparation:

- 1. In a big mortar, mash the cumin, the garlic and the soaked bread.
- In a plastic bowl, mix the chopped onion, the chopped tomato, the oil, the vinegar, the salt and the contents of the mortar.
- Blend well with a mixer and add very cold water to mix everything.
- 4. Add salt and strain it. Keep in the fridge until served.
- Serve with the tomato, the cucumber, the pepper and the toasted bread cut to dices.



Recipe from: http://www.spain-recipes.com/gazpacho.html



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#### Vocabulario sobre el verano



#### ABOUT UP CÍRCULO HISPÁNICO

UP Círculo Hispánico is a non-profit academic oriented organization under the Department of European Languages, duly recognized by the College of Arts and Letters of the University of the Philippines in Diliman.

The organization was founded in 1964 under the name of Círculo Cervantino. It became dormant during a couple of years. And in 1997, it was reestablished as Círculo Hispánico.

UP Círculo Hispánico aims to promote the Spanish language and culture to students and other members of our academic institution. It serves as a venue and support group for students who wish to further their interest in the Spanish language and culture through different activities such as tutorials, exhibits, poetry readings, film showings, etc. It helps in strengthening ties among the Philippines and the Spanish-speaking countries. For years, the organization has been a tool in helping produce esteemed alumni who were and will always be instruments of change in our society and our country.

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