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Come play a game of paintball on a team with your ELI friends at First Strike Paintball in Newberry, Florida!

When: Saturday, March 22nd from 12pm to 5pm.

Where: First Strike Paintball in Newberry, Florida. We will meet at Norman Garage.

Cost: The cost per student is \$17(cash) or \$20 (credit card) for 200 paintballs. This will cover the rental fee for your gun and safety equipment, and use of the field. Bring extra money if you want more paintballs.

What to Bring: Please wear dark clothes, long pants, long-sleeved shirt, and closed-toed shoes that are comfortable for running. Bring water!

IMPORTANT: Students under 18 should see Nate to pick up a paintball waiver which their parents will need to sign **before** the trip. Please sign up on the Activities Board as soon as possible. There are only 40 spots available and they go quickly!

The Next Trip

Next weekend, we will be going to **Paynes Prairie!** Details about the trip will be on the Activities Board and in next week's *Weekly*.

First Strike Paintball!

Have fun but be safe!

Talent Show – Tryouts

We're so excited about the Talent Show! We have a long list of students and faculty that want to participate. In order to be part of the show, you'll need to come to **all three** rehearsals:

Tuesday, April 1 at 5:30 in Broward Basement
Tuesday, April 8 at 5:30 in Broward Basement
Tuesday, April 15 at 4 in University Auditorium

If you want to make a video, the due date for the video is Monday, March 24. This is also the last day to sign up to be in the Talent Show.

We also need a Master of Ceremonies. Tryouts for MCs will be March 21 at 1pm in Norman 311. We will provide a script for the tryouts. See Jessica for more details.

Notes from the Office

Daryl out: Daryl will be out from March 24th to 27th. If you have questions about immigration or transferring, you can make an appointment with Emily in Norman 316. Daryl will return on March 28th.

No Smoking: UF is a smoke-free campus. This means smoking is not allowed anywhere on campus. If you are smoking on campus, you risk getting fined for littering. Definitely,

do not throw your cigarette butts on the ground. If you want to quit, Emily has some great information on her office door.

Noise in the Hallways: Classes are happening all the time in Norman Hall and other halls on campus. Please try to keep your voices low when talking in the hallways. As always, **SPEAK ENGLISH!**

Immunizations & Insurance: If you received a green note from Emily, you need to take care of it immediately. Please see Emily or Shaye in Norman 316 if you don't understand the note. **If you have to miss class because of an issue with immunizations or insurance, it counts as an absence.**

Spring B Places of Origin

The following is a list of the many places of origin of our new Spring B students:

Argentina	Kuwait
Brazil	Libya
China	Peru
Colombia	Russia
Iraq	Saudi Arabia
Japan	Taiwan
Korea	United States
	Venezuela

Manners and Culture

Q: I asked someone "how old are you?" and they told me that it's rude. Why is this rude?

A: Age is considered a taboo topic that Americans are uncomfortable discussing, especially a woman's age. Other taboo topics that you should not ask about are weight, why someone doesn't have children, why they aren't married, how much money they make at their job. Many of the taboo topics deal with money and numbers.

Q: Why do Americans talk on their cell phones in the bathroom, even the public bathrooms?

A: I haven't the foggiest. Really. I can't understand this either. I guess their conversation is more important than their shame.

Grammar

Q: Are there specific rules for the prepositions that apply everywhere? What's the difference between: At the top of the paper, on top of the paper

A: The first one means something is written on the paper towards the top. The second one means something is covering the paper.

Q: What's the difference between to people and for people?

It depends on the context. *To* can mean that it's going towards someone. *For* can mean that it's being done as a favor. Here are some examples. Can you tell what the difference is?

- David threw the ball to Scott.
- David threw the ball for Scott.

- I'm donating this money to the organization.
- I'm donating this money for the organization.

Q: What is the difference between kind, sort, and type?

A: *Type* is the most specific and clearly defined of the three. *Sort* is used more often with people. However, *sort* and *kind* are used more freely, although there is overlap with all three. *Sort* and *kind* are generally followed by *of*; we don't make compound nouns with them. See the examples below:

Type: blood type, personality types, skin type

Sort: What sort of person is he?

Kind: What kind of dog is that?

Incorrect: blood sort, blood kind, dog kind

Quote of the Week

I am enough of an artist to draw freely upon my imagination. Imagination is more important than knowledge. Knowledge is limited. Imagination encircles the world.

Albert Einstein



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