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LETTER FROM THE
President

THE EFFECTS OF WHAT SOME are calling the “great recession” continue to linger and are mirrored in the faces of our students, many of whom have been forced to come up with alternative ways of financing their education. Thankfully, Embry-Riddle has ridden the economic storm well, and has been able to assist many of our students and families who were hit hardest.

Your history of giving to our university has helped sustain them. As of June 30, the market value of our collective endowment funds was \$81 million. Giving to endowed scholarships and fellowships is strong. Gifts to these funds increased by 2 percent this

year, despite ongoing recession pressure. Additionally, eight scholarship funds reached endowment level, creating new opportunities for our students.

Thank you for your generosity and commitment to our mission of educating tomorrow’s aviation and aerospace leaders.

Contributions from corporations and foundations are experiencing growth as well. This is a positive reflection of the university’s new emphasis on developing corporate partnerships (see page 10). We look forward to augmenting philanthropy in this area. Just as important, we plan to expand our role as an industry partner. Historically Embry-Riddle has been a leading source of highly knowledgeable and skilled talent, and we will continue to fulfill this valuable charge. However, we also plan to use our unique expertise, state-of-the-art facilities and top-level faculty and students to become a critical business partner for and with the aviation and aerospace industries we serve. Such partnerships stand to increase our funded research base, offer enhanced learning and professional development opportunities for our students and faculty, and heighten our reputation as the leading aviation/aerospace university in the world.

To get to this next level, we are broadening and deepening our research programs and corporate collaborations. *Ignite*, a university-wide initiative that incorporates knowledge discovery into all levels of our curricula and provides increased support for research activities, is one

way we will achieve our goal. Another is the developing ERAU Aerospace Research and Technology Park. With industry research partners and other universities we will focus on patent development, technology transfer, and company start-ups.

Embry-Riddle is also expanding its doctoral programs. Our Ph.D. programs in Aviation and Engineering Physics are well subscribed. Our doctoral students have published 36 research articles to date. Consistent with Board approval, the university will also offer a Ph.D. program in Aerospace Engineering in the fall semester of 2013. In addition, the Human Factors department is conducting a feasibility study for a Ph.D. program in that area. Doctoral degree programs will complement the development of the Aerospace Research and Technology Park. This is an exciting time in the life of our university as we move forward to become an entrepreneurial institution. Quite simply, we wish to become the place where our industry turns for solutions to real world problems.

Embry-Riddle would not be in this position of strength without you. Your heart for our mission, the industry we serve, and the aspirations of our students empowers our growth and vision for the future.

With sincere appreciation,



John P. Johnson, Ph.D.
President and CEO



IMAGINE A WORLD where every student who wants to attend Embry-Riddle can do so without a concern over costs. A world where students could take advantage of world-class opportunities, without incurring student-loan debt.

Across the country, higher education institutions like Stanford University, Harvard University, the University of Virginia and others are working to ensure that every student has access to a quality education by providing families with expanded financial aid packages, which are mostly funded by endowment resources. While these schools may be larger than Embry-Riddle, none of them can outmatch our heart and

passion for what we do. I believe with your help, one day we too will offer a tuition-free education to those who cannot afford it and provide the best student aid on par with other great universities.

It's a dream that I know you believe in as much as I do. It is the reason, time and time again, year after year, that so many of you join with me in making an investment in our next generation of Embry-Riddle Eagles.

In this, my inaugural address to *Lift* readers, I have the opportunity to say, "Thank you," to all of you, and to the donors featured in this issue who have chosen to support the dreams of our best and brightest. Donors like Andrea and David Robertson who, through their support of student projects, scholarships and capital improvements, advance Embry-Riddle's mission of "learning by doing."

Of course, Embry-Riddle has always been distinguished by the innovative ways it brings real-world experiences into the classroom. It is true now, just as it was in 1975 when Col. Charles "Chuck" Graf graduated from the Daytona Beach Campus as part of the first Air Force ROTC Detachment. Today, Col. Graf and his wife, Liz, have dedicated themselves to ensuring every cadet has the best experience possible. They give of their time, they open their home, and with the establishment of the Charles F. Graf Jr. and Elizabeth J. Graf Trust, they have also opened their hearts to help cadets who are struggling financially.

A few days ago, I heard someone say that sometimes the greatest

gifts are born out of tragedy. Sadly, every year we lose members of our Embry-Riddle family— young people whose lives, full of promise, end too soon. In the wake of such sadness often comes kindness. Shaken by loss but determined to find some good in the worst of situations, families like the Cresenzos and Manganellis help others by creating memorial scholarships that honor the lives of their children and give flight to the dreams of others. I am honored by their generosity and humbled that they have allowed us to share their stories with all of you.

Generous, adventurous, caring and daring are just some of the words I use to describe my Embry-Riddle family. You welcomed me and the development team here more than five years ago. Since that time, together we have raised more than \$38.7 million to benefit the students and programs at Embry-Riddle, including over \$7 million last year alone. We know that you could have made this investment anywhere, but you chose Embry-Riddle, and for that, we are grateful.

I hope you enjoy this issue dedicated to you, our supporters. If you have comments or want to learn more about giving opportunities, I hope that you will contact me at **Bernadine.Douglas@erau.edu**.

Keep soaring,



Bernadine Douglas
Associate Vice President
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Fiscal Year 2012

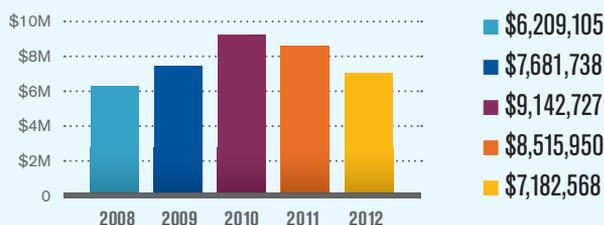
Total Philanthropy: **\$7,182,568**

Fiscal Year 2012 was a solid fundraising year, especially in the areas of student and faculty support. In spite of economic uncertainties, donors continued to invest in people, contributing more than \$4.1 million in scholarship and fellowship support and more than \$1 million in faculty support.

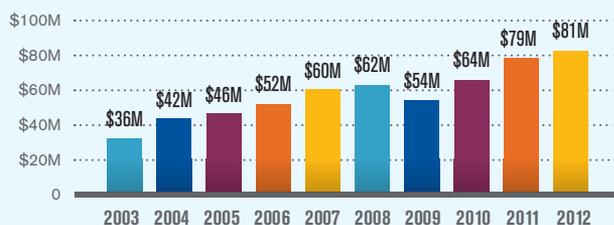
Embry-Riddle made good strides in advancing its corporate giving this fiscal year. With an increase in giving of nearly \$800,000 from the previous year, the university is laying a solid foundation for its ongoing transformation into an “entrepreneurial university.”

On the following pages are the names and stories of those generous supporters who have invested in the dreams of the next generation, ensuring that our students are prepared to succeed and lead upon graduation. As an invaluable part of the Embry-Riddle family, these alumni, friends and vital partners help make Embry-Riddle the great institution it is today—and prepare it for the next great step in its evolution as a 21st century university.

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All contributions in cash, stock and other gifts-in-kind to the university received between July 1, 2011 and June 30, 2012 are reflected in this edition of *Lift*.

Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of these donor lists. Please accept our apologies for any inadvertent errors or omissions.

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Throttling

Up

David and Andrea Robertson commit to a \$1 million gift to the university on the heels of racing success

BY SARA WITHROW

Traveling at speeds of 200 mph for several hours at a time is the norm for David and Andrea Robertson. In 2011, they became the first husband and wife driver team to place in any class in the world's oldest sports car endurance race, the 24 hours of Le Mans, France.

As newcomers to the sport, their accomplishment may have shocked the motorsports industry, but it's no surprise to those who know them. The couple have a track record of giving 110 percent to whatever they undertake and of turning their interests into successes.

Despite their fast-paced lifestyle, Dave, as he prefers to be called, and Andrea make time to get involved with

and support projects that both excite them and stand to benefit generations to come.

At Embry-Riddle, their support has taken a myriad of forms, from the EcoCar/EcoCar2, the SAE Hybrid Race Car and the 2011 EcoEagle/Green Flight Challenge, to the women's SAE Mini-Baja car project, safety science program, campus capital and library funds, and the David and Andrea Robertson Endowed Scholarship.

"It's really a balance," Dave says of their philanthropy. "It's partly about trying to help and also about trying to be involved in something that's really interesting."

A member of the Embry-Riddle Board of Trustees since 2009, Dave's support of Embry-Riddle follows in the footsteps of his father, Trustee Emeritus S. Harry Robertson (HonDoc '72, DB). Known as the "Father of the Crashworthy Fuel System," Harry served as an active member of the Embry-Riddle Board of Trustees from 1997 to 2010, before stepping down to become an emeritus. A longtime supporter of the university and integral to the development of the Safety Science degree program, three buildings on the Prescott Campus bear Harry's name. In addition to establishing the Robertson Aviation Safety Center I and II, he and Dave joined forces in spearheading and funding the creation of the David L. and S. Harry Robertson Simulation Training Center, which was dedicated in 2002.



David and Andrea Robertson display their ALMS race cars and Cessna Citation in Sebring, Fla. Below, the couple celebrate their third-place finish at Le Mans, France in 2011 with driver/teammate Dave Murry.

"In some ways I'm second generation, when it comes to my support of Embry-Riddle," Dave says. "But in other ways, I would be involved regardless of the first generation."

Marrying into this heritage of giving eight years ago, Andrea quickly became a part of the extended Embry-Riddle family. She recently joined her husband in committing a \$1 million planned gift from their estate to the university. Not one to wait for the inevitable, Dave says they will likely convert the planned gift to a cash contribution in the next several years.

GOING PRO

The couple dabbled in racing in their teens and early 20s. Dave drove a Lotus Europa in the 1970s with the hope of running in a few Sports Car Club of America races, but realized quickly that school, work and his involvement with sailplanes left him low on time and money, so the hobby was short lived. Andrea did some drag racing in high



Photos by Kristyna Smith



school; however, neither one of them considered getting behind the wheel of a race car during the 30-some years that followed. Their return to the sport started innocently in 1999, when looking for a shared hobby they decided to join a Detroit-area amateur racing club.

“It was fun, and oddly, after a slow start, we did well,” Dave says.

Boosted by success in the amateur series and in the developmental series in 2006, Dave and Andrea made the decision to go pro; and in 2007, they launched their own motorsports team: Robertson Racing.

Dave, who as a boy in 1966 watched on TV Ford’s renowned 1, 2, 3 finish at the 24 hours Le Mans, took the opportunity to fulfill a lifetime dream of his as well: to revive the Ford GT, an American car, to compete once again against European sports car giants like Porsche and Ferrari. Working with his newly assembled staff of motorsports professionals, they completed a design/



See a series of videos about Robertson Racing, filmed by Johnny St. Ours: <http://vimeopro.com/piraeus/robertson-racing>

build project initiated by Kevin Doran and created a competitive GT2-spec Ford GT in time for the 2008 American Le Mans Series (ALMS) season opener at Sebring, Fla.

Andrea acknowledges the transition from club racing to professional was intimidating at first. “The closing rate of those prototypes versus a GT car is incredible. They can be on you in a blink of an eye,” she says. “By 2009, I was much more at ease behind the wheel. I would coach myself constantly while

driving, and I’d yell at myself for messing up or give a celebratory ‘woo hoo’ when I had a good lap.”

In order to get up to speed with the “big boy” manufacturers in their class, the Robertsons spent hours watching race video and practicing in racing simulators. They also followed a strict fitness regimen to build their physical strength and endurance. “I put a lot of hard work, blood, sweat and tears into this,” Andrea says.

The couple’s leap of faith paid off on June 12, 2011, when they spent their seventh wedding anniversary on the Le Mans’ awards podium celebrating a third-place win in the GTE Am class at the Circuit de la Sarthe in France. Their personal highpoint also made racing history: Dave and Andrea are the first husband and wife driver team to light the Le Mans podium in the history of the race, and Andrea is the first woman competitor of any class to climb the podium since 1931.

“I have jokingly said, ‘our team motto is common sense will not be tolerated,’” says Dave, who admits that their motorsports debut caused quite a ripple in the industry. “We were grandparents and 10 years past normal race driver retirement age when we started. The guys beating us started racing carts at 6 years old.”

True to their modus operandi of exploring their interests, the Robertsons chose to enter the highly competitive, manufacturer-dominated ALMS GT class not because it was easy, but because it allowed for broader experimentation and innovation with technology. “We were there because that’s where it’s interesting,” Dave says.

Robertson Racing experimented with cellulosic ethanol fuels, as well as advanced aerodynamics, in which they received some input from Embry-Riddle alumnus Brian Ma (‘97, DB), a technical engineering consultant. Dave says he would be happy to share their findings. “The data we gathered may help someone else down the line,” he explains.

EMBRY-RIDDLE AFFINITY

Dave’s involvement with Embry-Riddle started in the late-1980s, when he joined his father on an advisory board created to support the newly established Center for Aviation/Aerospace Safety (CASE) at the Prescott Campus. “I was there to represent smaller, younger, airlines,” says Dave, who enjoyed a 30-year airline career, the last 15 years of which he spent at Spirit Airlines as a pilot, director of operations and director of safety. The curricula and programs sparked by CASE eventually evolved into a Bachelor and Master of Science degree in Safety Science. CASE continues to provide professional workshops and seminars and offers a Management Certificate in Aviation Safety.

With a unique educational background in engineering and biomedicine, Dave says Embry-Riddle particularly impresses him with the balance it strikes in providing students with a well-rounded college experience, while preparing them for the aviation/aerospace field, and to become leaders

and productive members of society. He maintains the hands-on aspects of Embry-Riddle’s engineering education, and the exciting projects the students get to work on, produce graduates immediately useful to their employers. In fact, while working for the airlines, Dave hired a number of graduates and experienced this first-hand.

“Being involved with Embry-Riddle is one of the most optimistic things in my life,” he says. “I reside in an area where I see a lot of generational poverty, people who don’t have examples or positive role models. They’re surrounded by thought processes that don’t promote success. When I go to Embry-Riddle, I’m inundated by kids that have dreams and plans, and by god, they go on and do them. The enthusiasm there is inspiring.”

‘AIRPLANE GUY’

A self-proclaimed “airplane guy,” Dave’s first love was sailplanes. He was licensed as a sailplane pilot and Flight Instructor while in high school and flew in the U.S. National Sailplane

PET PROJECTS: Robertsons support student

While renowned for its aerospace engineering program, not everything designed at Embry-Riddle has wings. A number of student projects address vehicles of another sort, namely automobiles—and all have gained the financial support of Dave and Andrea Robertson.

Aligned with the High Performance Vehicle (HPV) track of the Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering degree offered at the Daytona Beach Campus, the projects include students from all class levels and degree programs; and are designed to stretch their imaginations and engineering expertise, while preparing them for careers.

EcoCar 2

The EcoCAR project, a three-year collegiate engineering program, is challenging students to develop what could become the “green” automobiles of the future.

Embry-Riddle was one of 16 teams selected in 2008 to participate in the first EcoCAR challenge, and one of 15 to qualify for the EcoCAR 2 contest in 2011. Now in the midst of the second challenge,



Members of the 2011-12 EcoEagles team beam with pride upon receiving their EcoCar 2 in May.

the EcoEagles’ project is on track to be very competitive.

In July, the team earned a third place MathWorks Modeling Award, recognizing the use of MATLAB and Simulink software systems for model-based design; and in May, the team finished eighth overall in the design/planning phase of the competition.

“This time around the design is simpler,” says Marc Compere, professor of mechanical engineering and EcoCAR 2 faculty adviser. “Because the power system architecture is more straightforward, we plan to get to the testing phase earlier.

We’re hoping the car will achieve 80 miles per gallon by February [2013].”

Sponsored by General Motors (GM), each team receives a 2013 Chevrolet Malibu, seed money, technical mentoring and operational support; however, private donations are also needed. When complete, the EcoCAR 2 will be a front-wheel-drive series plug-in hybrid electric vehicle (PHEV) that will operate on grid electricity and B20 biodiesel fuel.

“EcoCAR 2 gives students practical experience with state-of-the-art hybrid power system components and access to professional engineers and facilities,” Compere says. “From the sponsor’s perspective, it’s an important talent pipeline. We’ve placed more than a dozen students in top quality positions at GM, dSpace, Tesla, Chrysler, and both Argonne and Sandia National Labs.”

SAE Mini Baja

The Mini Baja club adds a unique twist to the HPV program. It is the only project designed, built and tested entirely by women; the only university motorsports

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Championship in the mid-1970s. Since then, he’s accumulated a number of aircraft ATP Type ratings, including Airbus captain, Ford Tri-Motor, DC-9/MD80, B-17, F-27, Fouga Magister, and his Cessna Citation, which he uses for business and leisure travel.

Dave says being behind the wheel of a race car is “completely different” from being at the controls of an aircraft.

“Piloting an airliner is all about staying in the middle of the envelope and leaving lots of margin for



David Robertson signs autographs with his grand-daughter, MacKenzie.

unknown problems. It’s a very conservative thing. In racing, if you’ve got a margin for error, you’re probably going too slow. You have to be right on the edge of losing it.”

Having “spent about as much as we could spend and accomplishing about as much as I felt we could accomplish,” Dave says they are now diverting their

time and funds to other endeavors. They are, however, still showcasing the Ford GT in the historic circuit (about four races annually).

Other interests Dave is pursuing include working with the Michigan Aerospace Foundation to restore the Yankee Air Museum, helping create a charter/magnet school that incorporates aviation into its technical curricula; developing relationships with auto manufacturers, with the goal of producing a street car that can promulgate into a race car; and converting aviation safety and human error concepts and methodologies for implementation in hospitals. He and Andrea are also looking forward to increasing their involvement in applied research projects at Embry-Riddle.

Not surprisingly, Dave’s advice to others seeking success in life is simply: “Follow your interests ... and you will find opportunities.”

motorsports endeavors

enterprise not incorporated into course curriculum; and the sole automotive project that does not incorporate hybrid technology.

An anomaly outside of Embry-Riddle as well, the club is known as the “only all-female student Baja team in the world” and consistently outperforms at least 50 percent of its co-ed competitors at SAE’s annual international contest.

“We usually place around the middle of the road, which in our minds is pretty good,” says Lisa Davids, professor of engineering and faculty co-adviser for the Mini Baja club. “This is meant to be a learning experience.”

Jana Thompson, a junior and co-captain of the 2012-13 Mini Baja team, can testify to the educational aspect. “Baja has helped me learn that a design on paper or in CATIA never comes together exactly that way in the real world. Being on the team encourages all of us to be creative and resourceful,” she says.

The all-women’s club started in 2005-06, and was such a success that the club’s advisers decided to retain its gender specificity.

“The young women working on the project said they had wanted to join a

hands-on team like this, but they were too intimidated or afraid that they didn’t know enough,” Davids says. “The fact that the team is for women only alleviates the intimidation factor and ensures equal opportunities for all of its members.”

SAE Formula Hybrid

The international Formula Hybrid contest, sponsored by the Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE) and the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE), encourages the development of hybrid drivetrains that increase fuel efficiency and performance. Since it began competing in 2005, the Embry-Riddle team has met with overwhelming success,



Watch the Formula Hybrid in action: <http://youtu.be/CuMlu7O-Yw0>

winning two national championships and numerous design awards.

The 2012-13 team plans to redesign the car’s electrical system and enclose the batteries within the chassis of the vehicle, which consists of a carbon fiber shell called a monocoque, says Darris White, professor of mechanical engineering and faculty adviser for the SAE Formula Hybrid.

Fundraising, building a race car that can pass technical inspection and learning how to respond quickly to late requests from contest judges provide the students with a highly applied learning experience that increases their job marketability, he adds.

“The students coming out of this program are the most prepared to develop hybrid systems,” White says. “I think they are going to be a big part of making hybrid vehicles mainstream. Many alumni of the program have been hired by General Motors and Chrysler for this purpose.”

Non-automotive companies, like SpaceX, also recruit heavily from project participants. “While students from this program are well prepared for advanced hybrid technology, the experiences gained as part of this project benefit them no matter what career they choose,” White says.

Lifetime and Legacy Donors

LEADERSHIP GIVING

Through their support and enthusiasm for the Embry-Riddle mission and their passion for philanthropy to the university, members of the Leadership Gift Societies continue to build the legacy that is Embry-Riddle. The Leadership Gift Societies recognize the generosity of these donors.

The Jack R. Hunt Society

Named for Embry-Riddle's first president, the Jack R. Hunt Society honors donors whose lifetime giving to the university totals \$1 million or more.

The John Paul Riddle Society

Honoring a founder of the university, the John Paul Riddle Society recognizes donors who make lifetime contributions totaling at least \$500,000.

The T. Higbee Embry Society

Named for John Paul Riddle's entrepreneurial partner, the T. Higbee Embry Society recognizes donors with lifetime contributions of \$100,000 or more.

The Legacy Society

Recognizing donors who include Embry-Riddle in their estate, the Legacy Society supports multiple generations of aeronautical leaders.

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Rod Casto, left, and Rick Larsen ('78, '79, DB) lead the university's efforts to become a solutions provider for industry.

Toward an entrepreneurial university

BY SARA WITHROW

Standing at the intersection of education, research and industry, Embry-Riddle is poised to become a critical partner and solutions provider for aviation/aerospace businesses.

Enter Rod Casto, associate vice president for research and innovation, and Rick Larsen ('78, '79, DB), associate vice president of marketing, corporate and alumni relations. Together, they are looking for real-world problems that Embry-Riddle's faculty and students can help solve; and developing an entrepreneurial university environment that will benefit businesses and the aviation/aerospace industry as a whole.

"We want to be seen as a 'go-to' resource for the aviation and aerospace industry," Larsen says. "Our focus is on building mutually beneficial partnerships—partnerships that industry sees as critical."

A dual Embry-Riddle alumnus with 30 years of experience working in the aviation industry, the last eight years as vice president of

marketing and communications for the Experimental Aircraft Association, Larsen is ideally situated to build upon existing and create new relationships for the university.

Expanding corporate partnerships to include more collaborative research and development enterprises is a logical next step for the university, he says. "Embry-Riddle faculty, staff, students and programs are already immersed in and largely dependent upon the success of the aviation and aerospace sectors. This makes us uniquely relevant to industry and vice versa."

The university enjoys a number of business alliances. These include among others, managing the Federal Aviation Administration's Florida NextGen Test Bed and related industry consortium; and a unique arrangement with Gulfstream Aerospace Corporation, through which the university provides tailored curriculum and instruction, professional development, collaborative research, and talent—in the form of graduates prepared to hit the ground running.

To move the university toward becoming an even greater corporate partner, Larsen and Casto are working with deans, faculty and administrators to create fast-track systems for joint patent applications and commercialization of intellectual property.

"Industry is looking for deliverables, not a research project, per se," Casto says. "We're developing a culture that can respond to their needs in a business-like fashion."

RESEARCH PARK

Casto, who holds a Bachelor of Science in chemistry/zoology and a Ph.D. in physiology from the University of Florida, is charged with among other tasks helping develop Embry-Riddle's Aerospace Research and Technology Park at the Daytona Beach Campus. As head of the University of South Florida's research park from 2003 to 2011, he transformed 115 acres into a thriving operation, doubling intellectual property licenses and revenues at the school in the first four years. Casto says he hopes to provide this same impetus of success for Embry-Riddle.

With \$8.97 million in state funding dedicated to assist with infrastructure, the 90-acre-plus research and technology park at Embry-Riddle is well on its way to becoming a reality. In addition to offering office and laboratory space for long-term exclusive business relationships, the park will likely include a fee-for-service center that will assist corporations with short-term needs as well.

"It will be a true collaboration, where the university is invested in the success of its partners," Casto says. "Our researchers will be working at the same bench, elbow to elbow with industry."

Larsen and Casto encourage aviation/aerospace businesses to contact them to discuss how Embry-Riddle can be a catalyst for their growth.

"At the end of the day we serve industry," Casto says. "We want to serve them better moving forward and in ways that we haven't in the past."

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Left, students and graduate students prepare the Pelican UAS for a test flight, as assistant professor Patrick Currier and Lindsay Andrian of the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife look on. Below, members of Team Blackbird and their UAS.



Student projects take off with Rockwell Collins

BY KIMBERLY VENEMA ('11, DB)

Embry-Riddle engineering students and their design projects are getting a big lift, thanks to \$30,000 in contributions this past year from Rockwell

Collins, a global provider of smart communications and aviation electronics solutions.

Alumnus and Rockwell Collins representative Diarmuid Strasser ('91, DB) says he is proud that the company has chosen to continually support his alma mater.

“Our charitable grants program for universities allows us to attract students toward the science, technology and engineering fields and cultivate their technical skills,” says Strasser, who also serves as a member of the Embry-Riddle Daytona Beach Industry Advisory Board for electrical and mechanical engineering. “Hopefully this will encourage students to see Rockwell Collins as a potential employer and give them the experience they need to get their hands in the industry.”

Rockwell Collins is a consistent supporter of Embry-Riddle, contributing

more than \$250,000 to the university since 1989. A large part of the company’s latest contribution is helping two groups of student engineers gain critical experience in designing and using unmanned aircraft.

One of these groups, Team Blackbird, recently designed an autonomous aircraft capable of identifying ground-based targets and performing other tasks. The student team will use Rockwell Collins’ contribution to cover the costs of travel and equipment to support their competition in national UAS contests.

“With Rockwell’s funding, our team is better capable of sustaining its operations and ability to compete,” says Richard Stansbury, associate professor of engineering and faculty adviser for Team Blackbird. “These types of projects allow students to gain hands-on experience that include significant aspects of research. Practical engineering experience also benefits students in both professional development, as well as job placement.”

The other student group is partnering with the Oregon Department of

Fish and Wildlife and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to develop a low-cost, portable and waterproof UAS, called the “Pelican,” to monitor seabird populations and salmon predation off the coast of Oregon. The team plans to test Pelican during next year’s cormorant nesting season at Haystack Rock, a national wildlife refuge in Oregon.

Contributions from companies like Rockwell Collins dramatically enhance student projects like these, says Tim Wilson, professor and department chair of electrical, computer, software and systems engineering.

“Our student projects are very hands on and sometimes pricey. External support for student projects provides much needed resources. The donations have been incredibly positive by opening possibilities for the teams to move forward without depending on department money. We are very grateful to Rockwell Collins for this support,” he says.

Supporting Students

Rockwell Collins’ gift provides:

- Program funds for student projects: Team Blackbird and Pelican UAS
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“ Perhaps the single greatest challenge facing our students today is the rising cost of education. Alumni philanthropy that provides scholarship support is helping us to offer our great students the opportunity to achieve their dreams of an Embry-Riddle education. It is difficult for me to overstate the importance of alumni support for scholarship funding and the appreciation of our students for that support. ”



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Blue and Gold gala nets \$160,000 for Daytona Beach Athletics

More than 500 people came together on April 20 to support Embry-Riddle Athletics at the eighth annual Blue and Gold Gala. Presented by Daytona Mitsubishi/KIA for the eighth consecutive year, the event raised a net profit of \$160,000—an increase of \$30,000 over last year.

The primary fundraiser for Daytona Beach Athletics, the gala supports 17 sport programs and enhances the overall student-athlete experience. Additionally, this year's event focused on raising funds for technology upgrades in areas such as academic tutoring, sports medicine and sports information.

As part of their sponsorship, Richard ('86, DB) and Denise Nisbett and the Daytona Mitsubishi/KIA team donated a 2012 KIA Soul, which was included in the live auction.

"In all, there were more than 250 silent and live auction items contributed. This year's event also featured a record number of table sponsors, with more than 52 tables sold," says Julie Rand, director of development. "We are so grateful to all of our donors and supporters. They recognize that their contributions directly support our student athletes and their aspirations."

Other major sponsors included: Sodexo Dining Service, which provided the dinner meal, as well as complimentary beer and wine; Florida Power and Light; Halifax Health; Morgan Stanley Smith Barney; Cobb and Cole; Brighthouse; ICI Homes; Brown and Brown; and Halifax Paving.

The event would not have been a success without the efforts of its all-volunteer committee, Rand adds. Committee members included: Stephanie Mayfield (Chairperson), Romona Menough, Nellie Kargar, Denise Nisbett, Kelly Ferguson, Candy Jaworski, Jeanna Butler, Barbara Perryman, Maurie Johnson, Beth Holcomb and Sue O'Malley.

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Part of the Embry-Riddle fabric

Scholarship honors the dedication of Larry and Brenda Stephan

BY STEVEN BOBINSKY



Most, if not all graduates of the Prescott Campus can recall Larry Stephan's voice, even if they never met him personally. Hired as director of recreational sports at the newly opened campus in the spring of 1979, he began announcing the names of graduates at the first Prescott Commencement in August 1980. A tradition for the past 33 years, his booming voice continues to electrify crowds at Prescott graduation ceremonies.

While rewarding, serving as commencement announcer was extraneous to Larry's primary responsibility upon coming to Embry-Riddle: to establish the building blocks of an award-winning athletics program. What started as recreational activities, quickly evolved into club, intramural and intercollegiate competition under his direction. As the athletics program grew, so did Larry's job. He rose in the ranks from director of athletics to associate dean of students (while continuing to serve as athletics director); and in 2009, he became dean of students. The Prescott Campus now offers six intercollegiate sports teams for men and women and has plans to add four more by 2015; and, this fall marked the program's debut in the California Pacific Conference (Cal Pac).

Above, Larry and Brenda Stephan in their early days on the Prescott Campus; Right, the couple pose at the state-of-the-art track and field/soccer facility.

Larry and his wife, Brenda, were recently recognized by the current director of athletics, Ted Blake, for their years of service and dedication with the naming of the Champions of Character Scholarship in their honor. The fund will continue to support students participating in intramural and intercollegiate athletics.

"Naming the scholarship for Larry and Brenda was an obvious choice," says Frank Ayers, chancellor of the Prescott Campus. "They are the embodiment of Prescott Athletics and our program would not be what it is today without them."

In addition to giving their time and talent, Larry and Brenda are strong advocates for philanthropy and consistent financial supporters of the university. In 1989, Larry and the athletic department created an alumni golf tournament, held annually in conjunction with OctoberWest/Homecoming activities, to encourage Embry-Riddle graduates to return to campus. A secondary, but equally important component of the golf tournament was to create an additional avenue to financially assist students competing in both intramural and collegiate athletics. Over the years, the tournament has raised \$49,000 and provided 27 student-athletes with financial assistance. Moving forward, revenues generated from the tournament will be invested in the Larry K. and Brenda S. Stephan Champions of Character Endowed Scholarship.

The Stephans are working closely with the university to reach out to alumni and friends to encourage additional gifts—in an effort to quickly elevate the fund to full endowment level.

EARLY DAYS

Moving to Prescott, Ariz. in 1979, with Brenda and their young daughter, Alisha, Larry found a campus community low in numbers, but ripe with opportunity.

"When I arrived, 242 students were completing final exams for spring semester, and we were heading into Summer-A with about 75 students," he recalls.



A Storybook Moment Photography



For more information regarding the Stephan Champions of Character fund visit: <http://www.alumnifidelity.com/StephanChmpions.html>

“I organized a softball team made up of faculty, staff and students, and we competed in the City Rec League. We won the Prescott B-League competition that summer.”

With help from faculty members, Larry introduced rugby and soccer as the first club sports on campus. Shortly thereafter, he added flashball, a variation on touch football, which continues to be a popular intramural sport. Using limited budgets and volunteers, Larry worked with Coach Dan Payne to form a wrestling club in 1988; it later became the campus’ first intercollegiate team recognized by National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics in 1991. Volleyball and men’s and women’s soccer soon followed.

Larry, who received a baseball scholarship to attend Ohio Northern University and went on to complete graduate work at the University of Colorado, maintains recreational activities are an important aspect of college life. Coordinating the improvement of recreational athletic facilities for use by all students was a critical accomplishment that he is especially proud to have spearheaded at the Prescott Campus. When he started, there were limited athletic facilities. Now, students enjoy multiple lighted athletic fields, an impressive soccer field with electronic scoreboard, and a state-of-the-art fitness center.

FAMILY AFFAIR

In May of 1980, the Stephans welcomed a son, Joshua “Josh” Cosmo (‘05, PC), to their family. Both of their children ultimately became engaged Embry-Riddle students. Alisha was a founding sister of Delta Phi Epsilon at the Prescott Campus during her two-year enrollment, and Josh earned a Bachelor of Science in Aeronautical Science.

Through the years, Brenda has served as an enthusiastic partner with Larry’s student-focused activities. In addition to serving as a mentor and surrogate mother, she has generously opened their home to feed and nurture students, campus groups and visiting alumni. Brenda has also volunteered as a chaperone for the women’s volleyball team during extended tournament travel.

“Larry and Brenda raised their children alongside our Riddle students and have maintained close contact with many alumni who have shared their personal successes with them over the years,” Ayers says.

“Their children developed strong personal relationships with faculty, students and administrators, as well.

The entire Stephan family is truly a part of the Prescott Campus fabric.”



Embry-Riddle's first cadet gives back

Chuck and Liz Graf create safety net for future cadets with planned gift

BY ANTHONY BROWN

As the very first cadet to enroll in Embry-Riddle's Air Force ROTC program, retired Col. Chuck Graf ('75, DB) has a special place in his heart for what has become the largest university Air Force ROTC Detachment in the nation. Not because he was first, but because the program gave him and Liz, his high-school sweetheart and wife of 39 years, an opportunity for a better life.

It's that kind of turning point that Chuck and Liz hope to create for other deserving Air Force ROTC students with their planned gift to

Embry-Riddle. By designating Embry-Riddle as the beneficiary of their donor advised fund, they will create a needs-based scholarship for AFROTC students (with a preference for graduates from their alma mater, Seabreeze High School in Ormond Beach, Fla.) who show great leadership qualities but might need financial help to continue their studies.

"There are a lot of great potential leaders out there who, for various reasons, might not have the highest grades, but have the ability and potential to do great things," Chuck explains. "We want to help them stay in school and be successful in their careers. It will

give them a safety net that wasn't there before and hopefully create those turning points that meant so much to us."

WORKING WITHOUT A NET

Chuck and Liz know first-hand what it's like to operate without a safety net. In 1971, they were admittedly "pretty poor," but they were young, in love, and determined to do better for themselves and the family they hoped for.

"We both came from a tough home environment," Chuck recalls. "We just decided we were going to be together and get married and do our best to have a better life."

Having a better life meant first and foremost getting an education, but there were concerns. After joining the Aero Club at Seabreeze High School and seeing the Embry-Riddle campus—at the time just a couple of buildings and an old World War II flight hangar—Chuck knew he wanted to go to Embry-Riddle, but his grades by his own account "weren't so good."

"Until I met Liz, I just didn't have much focus or drive," Chuck says.

Left, Chuck and Liz Graf with the Brig. Gen. William W. Spruance ROTC Building at the Daytona Beach Campus in the background; Below, the Grafs attended Embry-Riddle's annual ROTC dinner event last spring.

Liz, a great student with insight beyond her years, knew Chuck was made of better stuff. "It wasn't that he wasn't capable. He just lacked a reason for change and the support to make it happen," she says.

The two quickly found common desires, dreams and goals, and soon thereafter were making plans for the future that hinged on Chuck getting accepted at Embry-Riddle.

"When we mailed his application at the post office in Ormond Beach, we took hold of the envelope and we kind of looked at each other and said, 'This is our future.' I kissed the envelope and I said, 'We'll see what happens,'" Liz remembers.

Liz's blessing proved fruitful. Somewhat to Chuck's surprise, he was accepted on academic probation for the first semester, but did very well, making the Honor Roll at the end of the first academic year.

"We didn't have a big college life. Liz was working a couple jobs and attending what was then Daytona Beach Junior College and I was working two to three jobs as well," he says. "We had little money and our families could provide minimal financial support, so paying for college was up to us. We were waiting for one of us to graduate and get a job so we could afford to get married."

On the rare occasion that they did take a break from studying, Liz says they would "eat out" near the Daytona Beach airport. "We used to get sandwiches at the K-Mart deli-counter and then sit at the end of the runway and watch planes take off."

THE TURNING POINT

Even with all the hard work and frugal living, they were near the end of their resources after the first year. "The flying part of my Aeronautical Science program was just killing me financially, despite financial aid," Chuck recalls. "I thought I was going to have to disenroll for a year or so to earn enough to come back the following year."

But in the spring of 1972, Chuck saw a flyer announcing a new Air Force ROTC Detachment forming

at Embry-Riddle. "I went in to see Lieutenant Colonel Al Hilton, who was the first to lead Detachment 157, and he urged me to take the Air Force ROTC qualifying exam." Chuck ended up doing well enough on the exam that Hilton supported him for a scholarship.

"Colonel Hilton went to bat for me and I received a full Air Force ROTC scholarship for the next three years. That award allowed me to stay in school and graduate," Chuck says. "The ROTC Scholarship paid for all of my

“None of what we’ve accomplished would have been possible if I had not been able to come to Riddle.”

Chuck Graf



educational expenses and gave us a \$100 stipend, the rent for our first apartment, and that was a turning point for us."

"That's when we decided we could afford to get married," Liz says.

Chuck credits much of the success that followed with that moment in his life. "I'm convinced that without that kind of support, we would not have found the level of success that we've enjoyed. I truly owe much to Colonel Hilton for making that turning point happen in my life."

Chuck took advantage of the opportunity given to him. After graduating, he enjoyed a 25-year career in the Air Force and then 12 years as a principal engineer for Lockheed Martin, before retiring back home in Florida, where he now owns and operates a marine

surveying and consulting company in Palm Coast. With three successful, college-educated children and two grandchildren, he and Liz have certainly made a better life for themselves.

"None of what we've accomplished would have been possible if I had not been able to come to Riddle and meet Colonel Hilton," Chuck says. "It gave us a pathway out of the tough situation we were in."

TOUCHING THE FUTURE

After moving back to Florida, it wasn't long before the Grafs got involved with Chuck's old detachment and decided they wanted to give back. They started attending commissioning ceremonies, serving as mentors and hosting dinners at their home for soon-to-be graduating cadets. Chuck was recently asked to become an Honorary Commander at the detachment, which he accepted as a great honor.

"Interacting with Detachment 157 struck a chord," Chuck says. "It brought back a flood of memories and reminders of our own situation as students and of those who went out of their way to help when we needed it the most."

In speaking with Col. Stephen Luxion, the current AFROTC Commander, they learned there were a number of cadets who could use financial help to stay in the program. "Chuck and Liz wanted to see what they could do to help those cadets who were struggling, but have all the leadership potential to succeed in this program," Luxion says.

That's when the couple decided to set up a donor advised fund that would allow them to direct charitable gifts to the causes they cared about most. It also allowed them to designate Embry-Riddle as the beneficiary, so their intentions could be carried out well beyond their lifetimes.

"Setting up the agreement with Embry-Riddle was easy," Chuck says. "Now we know that what we are trying to do with our gift will be executed."

Liz calls it "an opportunity to touch the future" by investing in tomorrow's leaders. "When we talk with the ROTC cadets, we see they are clearly willing to help their country and use their talents toward making the United States a better place," she says. "We want to make it easier for them to make that commitment."



Students help create a culture of philanthropy

SGA, Student Class Council and SAA set strong example

BY KIMBERLY VENEMA ('11, DB)

Students at Embry-Riddle are creating a culture of philanthropy for the university by getting into the act of giving before they become alumni.

That's good news to Bernadine Douglas, associate vice president of development. "Riddle students have always had a great history of campus service. But, recent student gifts reflect a trend that we are seeing across our great nation, as more and more young adults understand the importance that both volunteerism and philanthropy play in the university's success," she says. "When everyone in your organization serves as an ambassador to promote the mission and the importance of giving, you have the opportunity to build something special."

A number of student groups are doing just that, setting a powerful example for their fellow students—and for all who care about Embry-Riddle—through financial stewardship and awareness efforts.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

The Student Government Association (SGA) at the Daytona Beach Campus is giving back to the university and its students in a big way with its recent contribution. Led by 2011-12 SGA President Justin Fletcher, the group allocated \$750,000 in unspent student fees that had accumulated over the past six years to create a Daytona Beach SGA Endowed Scholarship Fund.

"I've had a lot of friends leave because they couldn't afford to go

here, and they were really doing great things here at this university, not just for themselves, but for other people," Fletcher says. "I see this [scholarship] as a little bit of fairness in the system."

Though he was the primary decision maker in the gift, Fletcher deflects any credit given to him, noting that all students funded the gift through the fees they paid (2006-07 to 2011-12).

"This is the student body's way of giving back to those who are giving to it," he says.

For Fletcher, helping students matters, not only for the individuals who benefit directly from the gifts but for the entire university. "The things that elevate the college experience from good to great ... come from the philanthropic dollars given by people who donate to the university. It's really important that people who have gone out and reaped the benefits of the university give back later when they have the opportunity," he says.

SENIOR CLASS COUNCIL

The May 2012 Daytona Beach Senior Class Council (SCC) and its president, Courtney Buzan, also had the opportunity to practice philanthropy recently. The council was empowered last spring to decide where and how to invest an unexpended fund of \$10,000, which was raised by the graduating classes of

Left: Before graduating, Justin Fletcher ('12, DB) and Courtney Buzan ('12, DB) both chose to divert non-allocated student organization funds to scholarships. Right: Daytona Beach student Alejandra Restrepo, center, accepts a ceremonious check representing the inaugural Alumni Association Endowed Scholarship award she received. Also pictured are Michèle Berg, assistant vice president of alumni relations and Edmund Odartey, director of alumni relations.



2000-2006. After careful consideration and assistance from university leaders, Buzan and the SCC chose to contribute the funds toward the Alumni Association Endowed Scholarship. Buzan says they wanted to “keep it home,” in a place where the money would most benefit students.

The Alumni Association Endowed Scholarship was created in honor of the university’s milestone achievement—reaching 100,000 alumni strong in 2011. It assists students with financial roadblocks to pursue their educational dreams. Alejandra Restrepo, a junior studying aeronautics at the Daytona Beach Campus, was presented with the inaugural scholarship award on Oct. 12 at the Alumni Awards Dinner held during Wings and Waves Alumni Weekend. Award recipients will be selected annually from different Embry-Riddle campuses on a rotational basis.

Buzan says she believes the classes of 2000-2006 would be proud of the way the SCC invested their money.

“Now that it’s in a fund, it will continuously give to students. Initially, it was just \$10,000; however, now it will essentially live on forever as their legacy,” Buzan says.

She encourages future SCC members and Embry-Riddle students to give back to the university.

“If students recognize how much they’ve enjoyed their time at Riddle and how much they can better the future Eagles that come to campus, it goes in full circle. We’re benefitting from past Eagles, so it’s only natural to pay it forward and give somebody else a wonderful experience too.”

STUDENT ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The Student Alumni Association (SAA) is doing its part to foster a culture of philanthropy at the university. The organization connects current students and alumni through networking and mentorship opportunities, fosters school spirit, and raises awareness about the benefits of remaining involved with the university after graduation, says Edmund Odartey, director

of alumni relations and SAA adviser.

Part of the SAA mission involves educating students about the importance of giving back. Toward this end, SAA ambassadors participate in a number of events aimed at encouraging student support for the university and other meaningful causes, Odartey says.

For example, this past spring the Daytona Beach Campus SAA partnered with the Fund for Embry-Riddle in a thank-a-thon event, during which ambassadors spent time calling and thanking alumni for their recent donations to the university.

“It was great to witness firsthand the ‘give back’ mentality of our successful alumni,” says Samantha Foy, SAA president for the Daytona Beach Campus. “It’s Eagles helping Eagles. They know what it’s like to be an Embry-Riddle student and some of the struggles and challenges we go through.”

In an effort to make giving top of mind for the entire student body, this fall Foy and the SAA ambassadors sponsored an Eagles Supporting Eagles campaign to benefit alumni serving in the U.S. military overseas. The ambassadors created and distributed Eagle “Squawk Boxes,” and asked the students to fill them with useful items, such as toothbrushes, batteries, sunscreen, non-perishable goodies, and personal notes of thanks. The care packages were then shipped to Eagle soldiers.

“For me, there’s nothing better than helping someone out,” Foy says.

COUNCIL OF 100: Fostering a circle of giving

In celebration of the university’s 2011 milestone achievement of becoming 100,000 alumni strong, Embry-Riddle Eagles are joining together to support a scholarship that will assist future students in perpetuity.

Established in 2011 with initial contributions from the Atlanta and New York Embry-Riddle Alumni chapters, the Alumni Association Endowed Scholarship quickly achieved the minimum level for endowment with the addition of individual donations and a gift from the Daytona Beach Campus Senior Class Council.

This success can also be attributed to a group of dedicated alumni, who created and joined the Council of 100—an

alumni giving club dedicated to building the scholarship fund to \$100,000. “As of September, the fund was just over one-

third of the way toward achieving this goal,” says Yoon Choi, associate director of annual giving at Embry-Riddle. The objective for the Alumni Association Endowed Scholarship is to provide scholarship awards to students with financial need at all three Embry-Riddle campuses

(Florida, Arizona, and Worldwide) on an annual basis.

In addition to pledging \$100 a month to support the Alumni Association Endowed Scholarship, members of the Council of 100 agree to the vital task of asking 10 or more of their fellow alumni

to also commit to giving \$100 a month, or \$1,200 a year.

“No one understands the value or the considerable cost of an Embry-Riddle degree better than its alumni,” says Jamail Larkins ('07, DB), founding member of the Council of 100. “For many students, the financial realities of a world-class education can be overwhelming.”

Linda Weiland ('83, '93, '04, WW), a member of the Council of 100, would agree. “I believe it is important to give back to the entities that have helped me succeed,” she says. “Any amount I can give is a step forward for students trying to reach their educational goals.”



Watch a video about the Council of 100: givingto.erau.edu/councilof100/

Alumni

PRESCOTT

SILVER EAGLES

\$2,500 OR MORE

Mark LaPole ('84)
Sean McLaughlin ('91)

BRONZE EAGLES

\$1,000 OR MORE

Erin Gormley ('97)
Larry ('87) and Debra Gregg
Cheryl ('92) and James Hodge
Susan Latvala ('91)¹ and Jeffrey
Parker
William Thompson ('87) and Sally
Blomstrom

SQUADRON 500

\$500 TO \$999

Jeffery Bloom ('88)
Kenneth May ('03)
Anthony ('83) and Elaine Walsh

SQUADRON 250

\$250 TO \$499

Frank Beber ('96)
Debby Bell ('88)
Christopher ('88) and Cheryl
Bischof
Joseph Brannon ('91)
William ('91) and Michelle Calvo
Rita ('95) and Andrew Ferencak
Sarah Galeai ('12)
Randall ('89) and Celina Gilhart
David ('83) and Kristi ('83) Hess
Jeffery Stine ('11)

SQUADRON 100

\$100 TO \$249

Andrew ('94) and Rosalie Beliel
Jeffrey ('92) and Tina Blackman

Russell Chapman ('91) and
Michelle Fountain Chapman
Jeffrey Dasher ('88)
Vincent ('84) and Marcella DiTore
Ronald Fielding ('86)
Curtis ('84) and Nancy Frost
Anastasia Goldsmith-Mack ('01)
Michael Grinnan ('83)
David ('90) and Jennifer
Gustafson
Donald ('93) and Shelley Harwood
John ('88) and Vamie Hogueisson
Sharon Jones ('84)
Adam Killway ('01)
Ibrahim Koshy ('89)
Robert ('81) and Lynette MacKay
Tina Madovoy ('01)
James ('86) and Roslyn Mooney
Michael ('82) and Jocelyn ('83)
Muscarello
Terry ('84) and Nina Nehls
Devesh Pokhariyal ('97) and
Prachi Kothiyal
Mark Pryor ('82)
Paul ('83) and Linda Rhodes
Andrew Suarez ('93)
Mary Tennant ('88)
Dustin ('94) and Sandra Tireman
Thomas ('84) and Karin Trask
Christine ('94) and Mark Turgeon
Mark Won ('86)
Robert Youkhana ('05)

CADETS

LESS THAN \$100

Robert Adams ('01)
Kimberly ('91) and James Allison
Andrea ('89) and Richard Barber
David ('94) and Mary Barbosa
William Bayliss ('07)
Jenna Berg ('06)
Damion ('03) and Barbara
Blackburn
Glenn Bride ('06)
Brian Bruce ('07)
John ('03) and Karissa Bruce
James ('90) and Marion Chubon

Andrew Cousins ('08)
Jarrett ('97) and Pamela Curtis
Ernest De Spain ('95)
Erica Diels ('04, '07)
Craig Dobbs ('08)
Christopher Dolly ('05)
Guy ('82) and Jennifer Doot
Steven ('96) and Audrey Doran
Lisa ('92) and Jason ('92) Douglas
James ('84) and Shirley Gessner
Heath ('10) and Adriana Gleason
Denna Gollner ('81)
John ('10) and Kelly Hanson
Sara Heffelfinger ('01)
David ('07) and Nicole Hepworth
Brian ('87) and Heather Hoffman
Chris Houin ('93)
Kerrie Miller ('07)
Maria Ngomba ('08)
Seward ('84) and Maria Ogden
Melissa Parsons-Klippel ('06)
Kevin Pewe ('06)
Jeffrey Premo ('07)
Eric Probstfeld ('01)
Heather ('96) and Richard Reuter
Mark ('04) and Katy Rittman
Robert ('98) and Rebecca Robison
Dean ('95) and Kimberly Rosenlof
Brett Ross ('05)
David ('81) and Karen Rowand
Maninder Samra ('91)
Brian ('92) and Thea Sanderson
Anthony Severini ('91)
Scott Stahl ('06)

“ Embry- Riddle alumni are thriving, sharing their success and shaping the university through mentorship, advisory board service, and generous philanthropic support. One example involves a group of Prescott Campus graduates from the inaugural Aeronautical Engineering Class of 1984. They serve as campus and commencement speakers and Board of Visitors participants, and are strong supporters of the Tracy Doryland Wind Tunnel Lab, which now boasts five state-of-the-art wind tunnels used daily by students and faculty. That is the Eagle spirit at work! ”



Frank Ayers
Chancellor
Prescott Campus

James Howery ('04, '08)
Paul Johnson ('08)
Solomon Kaawaloo ('99)
Clinton ('02) and Nicole Kennedy
Kraig Kenney ('86)
Andrew ('03) and Kerianne Kramar
Scott ('88) and Ann Landschoot
Lars Langhans ('01)
Cody Laplante ('10)
Khoa Le ('08)
Cynthia Lundell ('83)
Hector Luque Montoya ('10) and
Courtney Luque Jacobson
Jennifer ('89) and Scott Maples
Dustin ('99) and Melissa May
Daniel Maynard ('02)
Kristen McTee ('10)
Joshua Stephan ('05)
Doreen ('96) and William Stockdale
Edward Sullivan ('04)
Jared Testa ('01)
Bradley ('84) and Rhonda Thompson
Marcos ('98) and Deborah Torres
Brendan Vinchesi ('11)
Brian ('94) and Laurel Visser
Scott ('80) and Melista Vogtritter
Adam ('93) and Lorena Way
Andrew Webb ('11)
Mark ('86) and Jodi Weems
Kevin Winkelhake ('08)
Caleb Young ('10)
Garrett Young ('04)
Stephen ('81) and Mary Lou
Zmijeski

WORLDWIDE

PLATINUM EAGLES

\$10,000 OR MORE

D. Keith ('95, '97) and Alice Mosing

GOLD EAGLES

\$5,000 OR MORE

David Brown ('89)¹

SILVER EAGLES

\$2,500 OR MORE

Kenneth ('85, '89) and Antoinette Dufour
Daniel ('04) and Margaret Johnson
David ('82) and Rebecca Wallenborn

BRONZE EAGLES

\$1,000 OR MORE

George ('03) and Debbie Bowen
Terry ('87) and Terri Cox
William ('82, '84, '87) and Nuala Glennon
Erin Gormley ('05)
Nancy Graham ('42)
James Johnson ('89, '00, '02)
Herbert Schaefer ('98)¹

SQUADRON 500

\$500 TO \$999

Steven ('03, '05, '07) and Stephanie Buckner
Scott ('99) and Catherine Burgess
Deborah ('09) and Howard Creech
Gary ('80) and Karla DeKay¹
Joseph ('85) and Elaine Donofrio
Camilo Dornier ('84)
Peter Dumont ('03, '09)
Bassem Hamadeh ('03)
Charles ('11) and Melissa Horning
Richard ('95) and Charlotte King
Michael ('01) and Cindy MacConnie
James ('75) and Jane Morrical

Kevin ('07) and Kimberley Nykanen
James ('87) and Donna Parry
Linsley Pietsch ('10)
Joseph ('00) and Lisa Radosky
Don Roberts ('95, '97)
Roland Shaw ('95)
Ronald ('86) and Helen Sibley
Jerry Spruill ('97, '99)¹ and Vikki Lynch
Linda ('83, '93, '04) and Steve Weiland¹
Robley ('01) and Sue Withrow¹

SQUADRON 250

\$250 TO \$499

Lisa Anderson Spencer ('03) and Jason Spencer
Frank ('87) and Deborah Ayers
Byron ('95) and Harriet Cobb
Roosevelt ('97) and Young Daymon
Daniel ('83) and Elpa Droogleever
Scott ('81) and Deborah Ford
Douglas ('84) and Margaret Grewing
James ('10) and Brooke Huntoon
Michael ('09) and Diana Jones
Patricia Kabus ('09)
Matthew ('07) and Lisa Kollar
Robert ('57) and Roxie Lewis
John ('83) and Suszann Magner
Kenric ('92) and Shannon Malmberg
Ira ('05, '06) and Pinky Mason
Katherine Moran ('96, '97)
Janet ('10) and Peter Nortrup
James ('04) and Marian Schultz
Wendy ('09) and Nigel Stanley
Robert Walton ('08)
Carl ('91, '95, '96) and Pong West
Alfred ('82) and Katherine Williams

SQUADRON 100

\$100 TO \$249

Gil ('97, '98, '04) and Anna Aguilar
John ('00, '04) and Rosita Allen
Gisele Altman ('10)
Jessie Alvarez ('82)
Kent ('97, '99, '01) and Teresa Anderson

Raymond Areshenko ('07)
Patricia ('83) and Craig Balbalian
Stanley ('96) and Marie Bass
Robert Battisti ('04)
William ('60) and Joelin Bayer
Mark ('04) and Connie Bellnap
Richard ('66) and Gina Bennert
Devika Berg ('10, '12)
Jackie Boenau ('07)
Evan ('10) and Sarah Bogan
David Bonner ('09)
James Braman ('93)
David Brassard ('11)
Kevin ('95) and Pamela Brewster
Gregory Brooks ('01)
Louis ('84) and Margaret Brown
Scott ('00, '05) and Elizabeth Burton
Norma Butler ('03)
Glenn ('94) and Rae Carlson
Helen ('07) and Jesse Childs
Patricia ('00) and Richard Cody
John ('95) and Jennifer Coffey
Vincent ('91, '92) and Sara Corbisiero
Janet Cosman-Ross ('98) and Patrick Ross ('97, '98)
Gerald ('59) and Virginia Cox
Roger Crawford ('64)
Kenneth Curry ('87)
Billy Daniel ('98)
William ('88) and Joan Danzeisen
Frank De Mary ('91, '97)
Thomas ('02, '05) and Anne Decker
Mark Dobson ('05)
David ('81) and Diane Downey
Timothy ('90) and Leslie Duerson
Phillip ('03) and Anne Duffy
Craig Dyer ('91)
Daniel ('88) and Kay Eramo
Paul ('89) and Deanne Feirick
Richard ('00, '02) and Donna Fescoe
Robert Fiegl ('93)
Michael ('11) and Lorraine Geiger
Jeffrey Gooch ('09)
Douglas ('07, '10) and Karen Gordon
John ('74) and Glenda Grones
Fabio ('83) and Lorraine ('84) Grossi
Walter ('83) and Janet Gutsche
Frederick Hammerschlag ('89)
Brian ('97, '06) and Mary Harrity
Thomas Henkel ('04)
Robert ('05) and Regina Hines
John Huhn ('05)
Susan Ireland ('09)
Daphne Jefferson ('94)
Thomas Johnson ('08)
Michael Karageanis ('96)

John Kelly ('01, '04)
William Kerr ('60)
James ('60) and Peggy King
James Klina ('77)
Frederick ('01, '03) and Robin Knipper
Laura Koch ('89)
William Koperek ('11)
Thomas ('01) and Margaret Larvia
Robbie ('97, '99, '11) and Cindy Lasky
Wade ('01) and Debbi Lester
Lenard Lindsey ('03)
Robert Lutz ('88)
James ('81) and Madelyn Lynch
Tina Madovoy ('09)
Michael ('65) and Marilyn Manna
Vernon ('02) and Roxanne May
Glenn McCrorey ('02)
Michael ('09) and Cheryl McDonald
Bobby ('05) and Evelyn McMasters
Kevin ('97) and Nina McPherson
Michael ('99) and Patricia Merek
Garret ('06) and Stephanie Messner
Ralph Miller ('04)
Mark ('99) and Mary Monaghan
Nancy Moran ('06)
James ('90) and Michele Moreland
Terry ('94) and Nancy Mularkey
Douglas ('04) and Sharron Nagy
Michael ('84) and Anita Nemmers
Ronald ('97) and Nancy Nolder
Christopher ('01, '02) and Karen Norfolk
Gabriel ('05) and Terri Ortegon
Quinton ('07) and Travy Owens
Kelly ('11) and Jack Panosian
Daniel ('94) and Debra Peterson
Mark Pryor ('89)
Victoria Ocasio ('99, '03) and Aric Raus
Jeffrey ('92) and Teresa Redder
Bradley ('79) and Elaine Rhodes
Lewis ('07) and Louise Rich
Michael Rymond ('99)
William Sambolt ('87)
John ('88) and Barbara Sand
Willard ('98, '99) and Susan Sawyer
Albert Scheibly ('84)
Barry (HonDoc '89, PC) ('94) and Dorie Schiff
Scott Seely ('02)
Conrad ('62) and Marcia Shad
Joseph ('94, '05) and Donna Sims
Paul Smith ('85)

Alumni

WORLDWIDE (CONT.)

Janice Snyder ('98)
Raymond Snyder ('11)
Brent ('83) and Cheryl Spencer
Helen Stickney ('03)
William ('53) and Yula Swafford
Jeffrey ('04) and Susan Tomei
Joseph Traybar ('88)
John ('05) and Kelly Tringali
Thomas Van Petten ('81)
Court ('83, '88) and Diane Van Sickler
Ricki Vernor ('08)
Hans-Arthur ('97) and Roswitha Vogel
Christopher Waalkes ('11)
Leslie ('07, '10) and Darnisha Wallace
Jeffrey Weiherer ('99)
Cassandra ('97) and Kyle Wexler
Sidney Wheeler ('04)
Charles Williams ('10)
Paul ('77) and Nina Williams
Samuel ('03) and Brenda Williams
John ('95) and Catherine Wright
Vivienne Wright-Shine ('01, '10) and Jeffery Shine
Robert Yonaitis ('07, '11)
Rudy ('62) and E. Jean Yontz
Wayne ('61, '62) and Mary Young
Stephen ('91) and Jo Anne Zemanek

CADETS

LESS THAN \$100

Raleigh Addy ('99)
Ann ('06) and Frank Ade
Ryan ('09) and Tiffany Albrecht
Jodi Allen ('06, '10)
Robert Ambroze ('09)
Enrico ('05) and Faye Anderson
Wallace Ansari ('09)
Keith ('93) and Theresa Arney
Richard ('86) and Mary Arnold
Raymond Assanti ('91)
Norris ('84) and Mary Aycox

Lucille ('97, '03) and Robert Babcock
John Baker ('92, '96)
Donnie Barnhill ('88, '11)
Daryl Bartek ('95)
Mark ('95) and Cheryl Barth
Michael ('86) and Karen Beale
Frank ('89) and Sharon Beckage
Wayne ('84) and Nancy Bell
Howard ('97) and Marie Berg
Drew ('02) and Gina Berman
Glenn ('87) and Priscilla Bingham
Thomas ('02) and Mary Beth Bishop
Damion ('09) and Barbara Blackburn
David ('98, '01) and Cheryl Blackmon
Bethany Blecha ('02, '11)
Charles ('09) and Diane Boehler
Edward ('85) and Peggy Bohlke
Ralph ('87) and Donna Bolander
John ('81) and Patricia Bortner
Jay Bottorff ('08)
Christopher Brady ('91, '97)
Arthur Brecker ('57)
Mark Brown ('01)
Thomas Brown ('10)
Keith ('91) and Susan Brune
Ralph ('94) and Katharine Bulloch
Paul Burleson ('06)
Stephen ('89) and Lucretia Burnley
Mark ('04) and Jean Cady
Kathleen ('09) and Frank Campanaro
Reginald Campbell ('05, '08, '11)
Richard ('87) and Debra Cargo
Charles ('90) and K. Michele Carpenter
Ronald ('05) and Sandra Carr
Daniel ('90) and Cheri Carrell
William ('82) and Carol Case
Charles ('99, '01, '02) and Linda Cash
Leonid ('58) and Elisabeth Chadovich
Scott ('05) and Karen Christner

Kevin ('02) and Amy Connelly
Michael ('94) and Carla Copeland
Scott ('10) and Mary Cropper
A. Murray ('53) and Barbara Cunningham
Howard ('01) and Sheryl Cyrus
David ('88) and Linda Dailey
Hardik ('08, '10) and Dipali Dave
Ernest ('90) and Christine Desimone
Pedro Diaz ('88)
Darryl Diptee ('10)
Floyd ('99) and Lisa Dissinger
Mary Dohr ('81) and Craig Goheen
Edward ('82) and Nancy Douglas
Vernon Dreher ('03)
Otto ('90) and Krissy Eichmann
Von ('06) and Tara Elmegreen
Burton Etheridge ('82)
Jason ('06) and Elizabeth Evans
Gerald ('03) and Mashell Fleming
Jerry ('93) and Patricia Fletcher
Jason Foster ('10)
Jorge Franco ('05)
Bruce ('91) and Denise Fredericks
Joseph ('09) and Jamie Frey
Becca Friesen ('04, '06)
Daniel Garner ('09)
Adam Gartner ('03)
David ('09) and Tina Gast
Jon Gibson ('91)
William ('03) and Gwen Giles
Allen ('96) and Deborah Godfrey
Louis ('91) and Cindy Goffredo
William ('96, '97) and Deborahline Goggins
John ('76) and Jane Goodnight
Keith Gordon ('06)
Steven ('94) and Darlene Gottschalk
Mark ('81) and Carla Grablin
Stanley ('85, '88, '94) and Sandra Gray
Gregory ('95) and Jennifer Green
Clayton Griffin ('08)
Thomas ('94) and Judy Griffin
John ('97) and Helene Gross
Santo ('09) and Carolina Gullo
John Haid ('01)
Amily Hanson ('05)
Hugh Hardy ('99)
Donald ('61) and Bulah Harms
Edward Haseltine ('00)
Joseph ('97) and Joan Hasenmayer
Robert ('85) and Rose Marie Hawkes
Jerry ('91) and Donna Heck
John ('81, '86) and Linda Hedley
Daniel Heggie ('82)

Scott Henshaw ('03, '05)
Jesse ('00, '01) and Decerie Herrera
Steven Hill ('08)
Jennifer Hinebaugh ('02) and Michael Mulrooney
Warren ('89) and Victoria Hobbs
Russell ('89) and Donella Hodgkins
Shawn ('00) and Verena Hoem
Steven ('87) and Brenda Hoffman
John ('88) and Lucinda Hoffmaster
Arthur ('84) and Elois Holcomb
Mark Holkey ('03)
Charles ('83, '85) and Marian Holmes
Thomas ('00, '03) and Etta Holmes
Richard ('93) and Cathy Horn
Richard ('02) and Dina Houston
Zachary Hughes ('04, '06)
Patrick ('95) and Cynthia Hurley
Philip ('85) and Mary Ingraham
Albert Isaacs ('67)
Gordon Isaacson ('06)
Clarence Jacobs ('07, '08)
Charlotte Jones ('06, '08)
Gayle ('90) and Gary Jones
John Jones ('08)
Teresa ('98, '00) and Stephen Jugan
Daniel ('04) and Kimberley Kalenowski
John ('97) and Paula Kane
George ('01) and Deborah Kayser
Thomas ('07) and Barbara Kellner
Anthony ('98) and Audrey Kelly
Kenneth Kessner ('00)
Theodore ('79) and Pamela Key
John Khayata ('89)
Daniel Kill ('97)
Jonathan ('89) and P. Dianne Klaaren
Sandra Kochendorfer ('03)
Robert Kreager ('90)
Edwin ('51) and Roma Krejci
Lisa ('05) and Ryan Krieg
Warren ('64) and Pamela Lackie
Daniel ('06) and Jessica Larson
James Lawler ('97, '99)
David ('08, '09) and Kelly Leckelt
David ('62) and Sheila Leppert
Robert ('01, '03, '06) and Jessica Lesefka
Gregory ('06) and Lonna Lindmark
Victor ('03, '08) and Marlene Liriano
Karen Lloyd ('82)

Olivia ('00) and Maurice Lloyd Drew ('96) and Kimberly Locher Joan Louis-Herelle ('96) and Vincent Herelle
George Maliga ('07)
Todd Manouse ('08)
Kathy ('09, '12) and Scott ('09, '12) Markwith
Thomas ('10) and Sandy Maroney
David Martin ('94) and Kim Sheppard
Malcolm Massung ('78)
James ('04) and Doreen Matheny
Gabriele ('05, '11) and Gary Mathews
Kenneth Matthews ('00)
Theresa ('05) and Edward Maue
Terry ('64) and Nancy Maxwell
Dariel ('88) and Jayme McCourt
Christopher McCullough ('11)
Gretchen ('86, '88) and Jeff McDonell
Jeffrey ('11) and Hollee McNamee
Todd Mead ('94)
Thomas ('86) and Jacklynn Meadows
James ('95) and Lisa Meassick
William Mercer ('00)
William ('04) and Wendy Mesloh
Randell ('89) and Barbara Meyer
James ('05) and Sunny Mihalick
Winfred ('91, '92) and Celia Mihill
Terrence Miles ('04)
Walter ('90) and Corrine Miller
Darrell Monday ('94)
Larry ('01) and Flora Montgomery
Raymond Moreno ('08)
Corvin ('95) and Barbara Morton
Jeffrey ('07) and Lauren Mrozinski
Joel Murphy ('06, '10)
John Murray ('97)
Douglas Musser ('09)
Roy ('07) and Florence ('04, '05) Myles
Robert ('00) and Jane Neuharth
Nicole Nguyen ('10)
Kris Norlander ('02)
Jukka ('95) and Elina Norri
James ('83, '86) and Veronica O'Brien
Michael ('01, '02) and Patricia O'Connor
Michael ('02, '03) and Sandra Ohannesian
Christopher ('94) and Christina Owens
John ('91) and Linda Pacitti
James ('01, '03, '11) and Julia Palmer
Ivan Paulino ('09)

Bradley ('87) and Mary Jayne Pederson
Bryan ('90, '02) and Theresa Persohn
Harvey ('87) and Georgia Peterson
Ronald ('03) and Natalie Peterson
Robert ('04) and Carol Petrillo
Joseph ('97) and Lisa Phillips
John ('95) and Janet Piccirillo
James ('81) and Suki Pierce
Kevin ('08) and Deena Pinto
Stanley ('00) and Kerri Pleban
Terrance ('85) and Katherine Pomeroy
Derik Poppino ('07)

Joey ('09) and Claudia Sanders
Hiroki Sayama ('06, '08)
Thomas Schaffer ('08)
Jennifer ('99) and Robert Schneider
Edward Schopperth ('85)
Carolynne Seeman ('88)
David ('97, '98) and Maureen Seigler
Michael ('02, '06) and Henrietta Semik
Brad ('10) and Laurie Sepe
Robert ('91) and Cynthia Sewall
Lamont ('78) and Katherine Shadowens
Christina ('04) and Christopher Sharp

Chester ('01) and Kimberly Teel
Robert ('05) and Prakob Terhardt
Joseph ('97, '98, '00) and Marion Tessier
Mark ('84) and Vonna Thomas
Jack ('05) and Mary Thompson
Kent ('98) and Joann Tipping
John ('86) and Eileen Topitzer
Jonathan ('85) and Mary Tovani
George ('89) and Deanna Tucker
William Tuite ('98)
Jennifer Turbett ('07)
Joseph Turner ('05)
Travis ('99, '00, '01) and Cassandra Turner
Shawn Turnvall ('10)
Doris Tyler ('02, '08)
Cesar Uribe ('09)
Peter ('01, '09) and Michele Ventres
James Vestal ('09)
Mark Vieth ('86)
Kelly ('09) and Anthony Vilardo
Carlos Villa ('09, '10)
Miguel ('05) and Raquel Villanueva
Barry ('99) and Donna Voithoffer
William ('94) and Kara Wales
Robert ('92) and Martha Ware
Ralph Weber ('80)
Corey ('05, '09) and Richelle Weiland
Geoffrey ('97) and Karen Weiss
Roger ('84) and Cheryl Widholm
Raymond ('44) and Phyllis Wienk
Darryl Williams ('09)
Elliott ('03) and Dana Williams
Kevin Wilson ('03, '04)
Randal Windler ('06)
Henry Wipior ('47)
Kenneth ('02) and Sarita Witcher
Harry ('00) and Jackie Woody
Randall ('96) and Sarah Yentsch
Kyle ('05) and Louise York

“ Our alumni lead the aviation/ aerospace industry and U.S. military missions around the world. We appreciate their generous support of programs that help future alumni reach their educational goals. ”



John Watret
Chancellor
Worldwide Campus

Richard ('92) and Lorette Pothier
Brian Proctor ('05)
Theodore ('88, '90) and Avril Purvis
Kenneth ('11) and Andrea Randall
Nickolus ('84) and Sylvia Rasch
James ('97, '98) and Ana Reeder
Kenneth ('89) and Theresa Rees
Marvin Regensberg ('98)
Steven ('99) and Laurel Rekeczky
Michael ('90, '92) and Catherine Rembert
Heather ('08) and Richard Reuter
Ramon Reyes ('10)
Sebastian Rivas ('07)
Donna Roberts ('10)
Theresa ('08) and Donald ('08) Roberts
Conrad Rodgers ('00)
Kenneth Rodriguez ('95)
Marc Paul Rosario ('08)
Robert Ruffing ('02, '03)
Lawrence ('61) and Susan Russell
Erwin ('86, '88) and Elma Samida

Francis ('83) and Chaluy Shimek
Theodore Shultz ('07)
Tariq ('03, '04, '08) and Tayra Siddiqui
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Veterans give on multiple fronts

BY SARA WITHROW

“A veteran is someone who at one point in his life wrote a blank check made payable to the United States of America for an amount of ‘up to and including my life.’” — AUTHOR UNKNOWN

Men and women serving in the U.S. military are often asked to give the ultimate sacrifice in service to their country. Dedication to God, country, and family is the trinity of their devotion. While further down on their list of allegiance, Embry-Riddle has found a place in the hearts of service members as well – particularly those who earned degrees at one of its more than 150 Worldwide campuses. Herbert Schaefer ('98, WW), Terry Cox ('91, WW) and James Johnson ('91, '01, WW) are three alumni-veterans who have made it a priority to give back to their alma mater.

Herbert Schaefer

A retired senior chief, Schaefer spent the majority of his 20-year military career in Europe, the Mediterranean,

Middle East and Pacific areas as an aircrewman and maintenance technician/chief with squadrons that flew the Lockheed EP-3 and P-3 aircraft. It wasn't until after he retired from the armed forces in 1986, and started a second career as a civilian logistics manager for the Naval Air Systems Command, that he earned his degree in professional aeronautics at the Embry-Riddle Patuxent River Campus in Maryland.

“I always wanted to finish up my degree in the Navy, but I never got enough time on the ground,” he says. Schaefer had plenty of transfer credits when he enrolled at Embry-Riddle, and an associate degree, so it didn't take him long to complete his Bachelor of Science. “I had enough credits for two degrees,” he says.

Born in Germany to a German mother and a career Army man, Schaefer graduated from high school

in Naples, Italy. A month after graduating from high school and enticed by an advertisement soliciting volunteers for the Navy's then-Operation Deep Freeze (the last frontier), a multi-nation program supporting earth science studies in the Antarctic, Schaefer enlisted. Within three years he was with the VX-6 squadron in the Antarctic working as an avionics maintenance technician and earned his first aircrew wings as LH-34 crew chief.

A consistent donor to the university, he says his support of Embry-Riddle is all about creating opportunities for others.

“I wanted to go to college when I was 18, but I couldn't. If I can help someone out in life, so that they don't have to wait 20 to 30 years to go to school, then that's what I want to do,” he explains.

Schaefer contributes to other charitable organizations in addition to Embry-Riddle. As his financial situation improved over the years, so did his ability to support the causes he believes in, he says.

“As I had more, I gave more,” he explains. The retired Navy senior chief plans to continue along this tack moving forward.

Terry Cox

A helicopter test pilot and maintenance officer for 18 of his 24 years in the U.S. Army, Cox says he knew an



From left: Herbert Schaefer, circa 1969, returning to his base in Antarctica aboard an LH-34 helicopter; James Johnson in front of the College of Aviation building during a recent visit to Embry-Riddle's Daytona Beach Campus; the official Army photograph of Terry Cox, a then chief warrant officer 3, in the early 1980s.

advancement opportunities his degree afforded him, Cox says he contributes to the university largely for this reason. "Embry-Riddle was there when I needed them, and they're there for all military. That's why I support them," he says.

Cox's habit of giving to Embry-Riddle started with a small contribution in the mid-1980s—a response to an offer of a lithograph

picture of a B-17, which is still displayed in his home. "From then on, we included gifts to the university in our annual budget," he says.

Today, he and his wife, Terri, who recently celebrated their 42nd wedding anniversary, budget contributions of \$1,000 a year to each of their alma maters: Embry-Riddle, and the University of Mary Hardin Baylor, for Terri.

Budgeting philanthropy helps ensure the dollars he wants to give actually arrive at their earmarked destinations, Cox says. "Basically, it holds us accountable to the commitments we've made. It's the only way I know how to do it."

James Johnson

Johnson can relate to two sides of the U.S. Air Force. He spent his first 10 years as an enlisted air traffic controller and airspace planner and his second decade as an air traffic control and requirements officer.

With a penchant for continually improving himself, Johnson took advantage of military tuition benefits to advance his education. He graduated magna cum laude in 1989, with a bachelor's degree in professional aeronautics at Embry-Riddle's Worldwide Campus at the former Sembach Air Base in Germany. Marking the completion of a long-time personal goal, his mother and

his sister and her family traveled to West Germany to watch him accept his diploma.

"It was huge. I was a ne'er do-well student as a kid. In a lot of respects, I did it to prove it to myself that I could," Johnson says. "A lot of people spend evenings and weekends playing golf and pursuing other interests, I went to school," he adds.

Armed with his first degree from Embry-Riddle, Johnson pursued and was accepted into Officer Training School; and his short-term plan of military service suddenly turned into a career. "We got everything we were asking for; it all just fell into place," he says.

Johnson did so well in the classroom that upon returning stateside, he went on to earn a master's degree from Embry-Riddle. He completed his program at Andrews Air Force Base, with honors, and even gave the commencement speech.

Retiring from the military as a captain in 2001, Johnson immediately found employment as an aviation consultant for the Federal Aviation Administration. Three years later, he and a business partner founded Joint Venture Solutions, a Service Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business. Johnson has made a name for himself in the fields of aviation safety, operational and technical engineering and integration, and management consulting services. In fact, he was part of the team that advised and wrote the initial Next Generation Air Transportation System (NextGen) Plan, delivered to Congress in 2005.

Johnson says his philanthropic leanings were cultivated at a young age. "I grew up going to church with my mom. I can remember seeing her dig deep into her purse to pull out some money for the offering plate. Now, I'm in a place that I can pull some dollars out and give back."

In addition to supporting Embry-Riddle, Johnson and his wife of 27 years, Cara, contribute to Catholic Charities, the Kidney Foundation and to the research, prevention and treatment of Alzheimer's disease, among others. "Embry-Riddle has always been there for me, so it just makes sense to give back," he says. "My experience in the Air Force and my education put me in a position where we can do that."

“Embry-Riddle was there when I needed them, and they’re there for all military. That’s why I support them.”

Terry Cox

education was the way to move up in rank and pay; so as a young warrant officer, he enrolled at Embry-Riddle's Worldwide Campus. "Embry-Riddle offered the best matriculation package. They gave me up to 60 credits toward a bachelor's degree for my flight training. That's a gift horse and you never look it in the mouth," he says.

Cox, who retired from the Army in 1991 as a chief warrant officer 4, earned his bachelor's degree while stationed in Germany. He says the added convenience of having education centers on the air bases at which he was stationed gave Embry-Riddle a definite edge. "Embry-Riddle was very prolific across Europe and they catered to the service members."

After retiring from the Army, Cox became a maintenance technician and test pilot for DynCorp International in Texas, ultimately retiring for good in 2010. Cox credits his education with his ability to smoothly transition to a civilian career. Grateful for the

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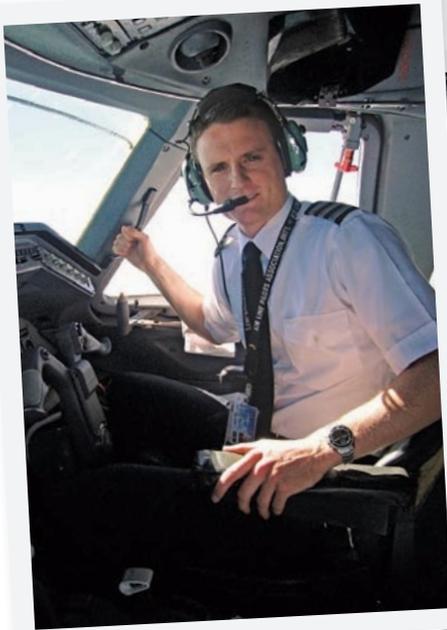
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Gianni Manganelli, left, circa 2007-08, while working as a co-pilot for Trans States Airways. Right, Lisa Cresenzo, a senior at Embry-Riddle, trains inside a United Airlines Boeing 737 in 2005.

Perpetuating dreams

Families honor loved ones with memorial scholarships

BY KELLY CUCULIANSKY PRATT

GianMaria “Gianni” Manganelli ('05, PC) and Elizabeth “Lisa” Cresenzo ('95, DB) never had the chance to meet, but like so many young people with a passion for flying, their love for aviation propelled them to attend Embry-Riddle. Studying at campuses on opposite sides of the country, both completed Bachelor of Science degrees in aeronautical science and were on track to fulfill their ambitions of becoming airline pilots, when their lives tragically ended.

Left behind are proud parents that remember every rating Gianni and Lisa achieved and nearly every model of airplane they ever flew. In honor of their children, the families established endowed memorial scholarships that would perpetuate Gianni and Lisa's love of flight through the lives of future Embry-Riddle student aviators.

'HE WAS A FIREBALL'

Soon after graduating from the Embry-Riddle Prescott Campus, Gianni

became a flight instructor at the West Valley Flying Club in Palo Alto, Calif. He went on to fly for Trans States Airlines on the East Coast and work as a co-pilot for United Express and American Eagle.

The Mountain View, Calif. native was known by family and friends for his inquiring mind, energy and passion for everything from politics and the arts, sports and traveling, to his longtime love of soccer and newfound interest in off-road motorcycling.

“He was very dynamic in the things he did. He was a fireball,” says Gianni's father, Sauro Manganelli. “He poured himself into whatever he did.”

Having newly purchased an apartment with his younger brother, Simone, the siblings were looking forward to living in San Francisco, Calif. and were planning an off-road motorcycling trip in Brazil with their parents, when tragedy struck. On a summer evening in 2011, Gianni, 29, was fatally injured in a motorcycle accident while traveling to a friend's house to watch a soccer game. A large circle of friends and family

members rallied around him at the hospital, where he died on June 18, 2011.

As restless as he was, Gianni also had a passion for helping people, says his mother, Susan Roberts-Manganelli. Whether he was starting and teaching a ground school or helping pilots find a method to settle their accounts at the local flying club, Gianni wanted to help people follow their dreams of flight, she says.

The scholarship fund, which was organized quickly after his death, memorializes that side of Gianni, Susan adds. Instrumental to establishing the scholarship was Gianni's best friend, Robert Youkhana ('05, PC), who helped spread the word about it through Facebook and advertised free flight lessons through the social news website Reddit, in exchange for contributions to the fund. Donations streamed in from friends, family and anonymous donors.

“The big reason why we were so successful was because Gianni was such a great person, with a big heart and had so many friends and family that cared about him. Everyone was willing to give to the cause,” Youkhana says. “We're just glad that we had so many people help us reach our goal.”

The Manganelli family also credits Gianni's friend, Google employee Laura Daener, who encouraged support from coworkers and coordinated matching donations from her employer. In less than a year, the fund reached endowment level, enabling student Julior E. Marroquin to become the first scholarship recipient.

“We're really thrilled that we were able to do that within the first year,” Susan says. “We felt strongly, for symbolic reasons, that someone should win the scholarship the year after Gianni died.”

Raised in the low-income, gang-riddled city of Compton, Calif., Marroquin aspires to become an airline pilot. The scholarship brings him one step closer to achieving this. The \$1,000-scholarship is offered to aeronautical science students in financial need, with

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Another memorial scholarship established at the West Valley Flying Club, also in Gianni's name, will provide financial aid for flight students at the club. Holding back tears, Sauro says it is what Gianni would have wanted. "The most important thing is that someone else gets to fulfill their dreams."

'NOT FORGOTTEN'

"Airplane" was Lisa Cresenzo's third word as an infant, her parents recall, so it's no wonder she was already working on her instrument rating by the time she started attending Embry-Riddle's Daytona Beach Campus in 1991.

Lisa's love for flight might have begun the year she was born (1973), which coincidentally was the year her father, Vic Cresenzo, started flying. "She used to walk around the house in her diaper and a headset," Vic says. "She was 3 or 4 years old when she said she was going to fly airplanes."

Upon visiting Embry-Riddle, the Cresenzos quickly noticed it was a natural fit for their daughter, Vic says.

"One thing that impressed us about Embry-Riddle, was just how focused the students were. Everyone seemed to know where they were headed."

Lisa was no exception. After graduating, she worked for a fixed base operator in Winston-Salem, N.C., where she ran the front desk, gave flight instruction and moved up to chartering flights. She earned her flight engineer certificate and received her Airline Transport Pilot certificate a month before she was killed by a drunk driver on April 26, 1998, at the age of 24.

Empowering other young women to pursue a career in aviation has helped the Cresenzos honor their daughter's life, says her mother, Betsy Cresenzo. "When a parent loses a child, one of the most important things is that they're not forgotten."

Together, the Cresenzos have met about half of the 30-plus Daytona Beach Campus students the scholarship has assisted since it was established in 1999. Each of the young women seemed to be just as focused and passionate about flying as their daughter, the couple says. The scholarship assists female students majoring in aeronautical science in their

sophomore, junior and senior years, who demonstrate a financial need.

"We found that most of these girls were working one or two jobs in addition to going to school," Vic says. "They were very studious, delightful and committed to making their dream come true. We have been very impressed."

Betsy adds, "Lisa would have enjoyed knowing these girls, and we feel really good that we're doing something that she would have appreciated."

Lisa treasured her years at Embry-Riddle and the lasting friendships she made there; and her top-notch educational experiences were reflected in her pilot skills and professionalism, her parents say.

"We are pleased this scholarship can help girls who love flying as much as Lisa did continue their education at this very fine institution," Betsy says.

EDITOR'S NOTE: *The Cresenzos and Manganellis are two of many families who have memorialized their loved ones with an endowed scholarship benefiting Embry-Riddle students. For more information about establishing a memorial scholarship, contact Bernadine. Douglas@erau.edu.*

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