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## Flight team gears up for Nationals

Brian Asbury

Advertising Manager

The Embry-Riddle Daytona Beach Campus Flight Team, led by coach David Zwegers, will attend the National Intercollegiate Flying Association's national competition in Murfreesboro, Tenn. early next month. The team will compete against 30 other schools in seven flight events and six ground events ranging from power-off landings, navigation and precision Instrument Flight Rules

(IFR) flight to aircraft recognition and simulated comprehensive aircraft navigation. None of the events are aerobatic, but instead involve knowledge and precision flight skills.

The team will fly their two Cessna 150s. Associate head coach Les Westbrook says the C-150 is crucial to be competitive because it allows 40 degrees of flaps while the C-152 and C-172 only have 30 degree. The extra 10 degrees gives and added amount of precision, according to Westbrook. "No one wins nationals with 30 degree of flaps," he said.

Flight Team President Michael Bernier has been on the flight team for three years and believes the team has what it takes to bring home the trophy this year. "I think we have assembled a pretty good team this year," Bernier told *The Avion*. Bernier explained that this year they have restructured their practices to be more efficient. "We set out to win, and have a good time doing it," said Bernier.

Vice President and President-elect

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BRIAN ASBURY/AVION

**THE FLIGHT TEAM IS** looking to build on the positive finishes of the past few years and try to take home the crown at this year's national competition. Last year, the Daytona Beach team took third, while the Prescott campus took first.

## Delta, Northwest look to create world's largest carrier



MATT SMITH/AVION

**BARRING REGULATORY AGENCIES SIGNING** off on the deal, a Delta/Northwest merger would create the largest air carrier in the world. The new company would keep the Delta moniker and would have a total of 11 different types of aircraft in its inventory.

Matt Smith

Staff Reporter

Delta Air Lines and Northwest Airlines recently announced they would move forward with a merger between the two carriers, creating the world's largest airline. The merger had been hotly rumored on various internet web sites, but it was hinging on contracts between various workgroups within the airlines. The deal is worth over \$17.7 billion and Delta management said Delta shareholders will receive a return after one year. Delta

Chief Executive Richard Anderson said he believes the merger is a good fit because of the two airlines already strong relationship through the SkyTeam Alliance. Anderson also remarked the combined airline, which will retain the name Delta, will be the largest U.S. carrier across the Atlantic, to Japan, Africa and the Middle East. The new Delta will also be the number two U.S. carrier to Asia (excluding Japan) and Latin America.

The new Delta will allow for better amenities for customers in terms of newer aircraft and in flight entertainment due to a higher

cash flow and additional revenue. Anderson also believes they will have an advantage when it comes to buying fuel, as they will be able to buy more in bulk than previously before. Both CEOs stated they do not plan on cutting any hubs; however, Anderson said Cincinnati and Memphis would likely be scaled back.

The merger is still pending approval by the Department of Justice and the Department of Transportation, but many industry analysts say with

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## Outgoing SGA Pres. says goodbye



Nate Clapper  
Outgoing  
SGA Pres.

Looking back over my time at Embry-Riddle, I have seen many changes. The construction of a new track, tennis complex, soccer and baseball stadiums, fitness center, residence hall and the College of Business have all been completed in less than five years. The hurricanes of the fall 2004 semester and the Christmas Day tornado of 2006 provided unique experiences; experiences from which the University showed great resolve and a rapid recovery. Even with all of these brick and mortar changes,

Embry-Riddle has changed in other ways as well.

A new University Administration team has been brought in within the

**“Homecoming and ERAU Airshow were synonymous ... it should be that way again.”**

-NATE CLAPPER

last three years, most departments on campus are more responsive to students than they were during my first years here, and the rift that

separated students, faculty, and staff from University administration has narrowed. The University is working to embrace more green initiatives, such as recycling and conservation, both in current operations and future construction.

However, many challenges lie ahead. Construction will continue on campus as the University works to update and expand its capabilities, but the needs are growing by the day. The College of Arts and Sciences needs a new building that they can call home, laboratory and storage space campus wide is in short supply, and the students need a true Student Union; one that will be the focal point of student life on campus and not

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"I am awfully proud of the team's heart today," Lopez said. "They dug hard to get the job done. The pins were so challenging. SCAD came on strong and the girls knew they had to be patient."

"They all played for each other," Lopez added. "Our seniors were great emotional leaders."

The Eagles were led by Albane Flamant, who notched ERAU lows on both days. Flamant bested her day-one 80 by two strokes to post a fifth-place finishing 158 (80-78=158). The Embry-Riddle sophomore earned All-Tournament honors for the second time in two years.

ERAU's Jocelyn Dunn was one spot and three strokes behind Flamant for a sixth-place finish. Dunn had a three-stroke improvement over her day-one score to finish at 161 (82-79=161). Dunn earned FSC and Region XIV All-Tournament

honors for the first time in her collegiate career.

Tara Allen shot an 82 on Monday to put her two-day total at 162 (80-82=162) while Autumn Gee improved seven strokes between the rounds to finish at 163 (85-78=163). Allen finished in seventh place with Gee tied for eighth place.

Deah Ruebel made her first appearance at the FSC/Region XIV Championships and made a seven-stroke rally to finish in the top 20. Ruebel's 177 (92-85=177) put the senior in 19th place overall.

Carrie Rowe from Webber International won medalist honors with a 152 (71-81=172)

while Katie Decker from Northwood and Katina Ruest from SCAD finished in second and third, respectively.

With the win, the Eagles earn an automatic bid to nationals which will take place from May 20-23 at Lake San Marcos Golf Club in San Marcos, Calif.

All-Conference/All-Region Team

Carrie Rowe, WIU  
Katie Decker, NU  
Katina Ruest, SCAD  
Hallie Cochran, SCAD  
Albane Flamant, ERAU  
Jocelyn Dunn, ERAU

Region XIV/FSC Coach of the Year  
Maria Lopez, ERAU



PHOTO COURTESY REN XUN KWOK

**JOCELYN DUNN HELPED** the women's golf team to their fourth straight FSC and NAIA Region XIV titles. Dunn, along with Albane Flamant made the all-conference team, while coach Maria Lopez took home coach-of-the-year honors.

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**Students to speak out against campus carry ban this week**

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**The Avion looks at the May movie lineup**

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# Students to protest campus carry ban

Andrew Stryker  
Staff Reporter

This week on our campus members of the Firearms Club at Embry-Riddle, as well as several other participants, will join other college students nationwide to protest national and state laws banning the carry of firearms on college campuses. The estimated 20 students will be wearing designated white T-shirts and empty gun holsters as the nationally designated dress for the protest.

Florida is one of 47 states

that do not allow individuals who hold concealed weapons permits to carry weapons on college campuses. One of the few places they are not allowed, many students, parents, and concerned citizens argue that college campuses are one of the places they are most needed.

With the recent one-year anniversary of the events at Virginia Tech, the fear of a campus shooting could not be stronger to many Embry-Riddle students and parents. Though many of these fearful parents say that allowing certified stu-

dents to carry firearms will only lead to more shootings, the other side are the first to argue the contrary. "If a someone is going to start a shooting on campus, they aren't going to care what laws they're breaking," said Brian Asbury, Vice President and founder of the campus Firearms Club. "The current laws ban those of us who are law abiding citizens, certified and experienced in carrying weapons, to be able to protect ourselves and our peers."

In the event of a an occurrence similar to the tragedy at

Virginia Tech, law enforcement personnel can take as long as 10 minutes to even notify their officers the shooting.

Those first initial minutes are crucial and are often when the most lives are lost. These students argue that if they were allowed to carry their firearms, the number of lives lost could be limited

and the shooter stopped in their tracks.

Those who take concealed carry courses receive training in the laws regarding firearms, proper safety procedures, and must demonstrate a knowledge and competency while handling a firearm. They must also receive a background check and be

21 years of age before receiving their permit. The Firearms Club offers this course in the fall semester every year and certifies as many as 20 students in each class.

All participating students are required to sign a waiver and agreement form prior to participating in the protest. To learn more about the subject, students may contact one of the protestors, members of the Firearms Club, or visit the website concealedcampus.com. Those interested in participating may email Brian Asbury at [brian.asbury@erau.edu](mailto:brian.asbury@erau.edu).



## Sororities put up their best steps



MELANIE PUGH/AVION

**LIZIE YANCE WAS PART** of team sexy, the winning three person step squad in Friday night's sorority step competition hosted by Kappa Alpha Psi. The event was held to raise money for the Kappa's charitable organization St. Jukes Children's Hospital. Members of the other fraternities acted as judges for the competitions.

## “PRESIDENT” from FRONT

just a place primarily used as a cafeteria. Additionally, the expressions Homecoming and ERAU Airshow were synonymous during my first years at Embry-Riddle; it should be that way again. A properly planned and executed airshow will not only help the Embry-Riddle community, but will also positively impact the local community as well.

Students are well served by First Year Programs, but after that initial advising, the larger academic programs often struggle with meeting the needs of their students. As

such, a comprehensive advising program needs to be developed and implemented. With the recent events in the loan markets, I have heard several students express their concerns about how they will finance their education in the coming years. Therefore, student debt reduction initiatives should be continued and expanded, as well as opportunities for on-campus student employment.

It is known that the University is very dependant on tuition to fund operations. The Administration has been doing a good job working to expand the endowment, in order to reduce this dependency, and should be commended. Additionally, tuition increases, although

disappointing to students, are necessary to maintain and grow operations. The University Administration has held its promise to the students by not raising tuition more than Consumer Price Index (CPI) plus one to two percent. As a result, students are more able to plan for these increases.

Finally, I would like to thank all of the students, faculty, staff, and administrators that I have had the opportunity to work with over the last few years. I know that everyone will be working hard to keep Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University the number one University in aviation and aerospace in the world.

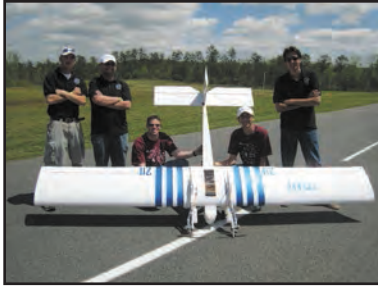
## Campus Briefs

Computer and software engineering professor Tim Wilson will be appearing on an episode of Jeopardy airing Wednesday. The episode will be shown in the IC auditorium at 7 p.m. All are welcome and door prizes will be handed out relating to the questions on the show.



Dr. Fady Barsoum (left) was selected awarded the 2008 Outstanding Teacher's Award. The honoree is chosen by a nine member panel consisting of faculty and students. The award goes to the professor who bests exhibit excellence in teaching and learning. Dr. Barsoum is an Associate Professor of Engineering with the Mechanical, Civil and Engineering Sciences departments.

The SAE aero design team competed in the annual Heavy Lift competition last weekend in Kennesaw, Ga. The team entered in the open class and placed second behind a university from Brazil. ERAU's team was the only open class entry not to crash during the competition and were able to lift 31 pounds.



## Finals Schedule

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Monday, April 28 1015-1215  
Saturday, April 26 0800-1000  
Monday, April 28 1230-1430  
Tuesday, April 29 0800-1000  
Saturday, April 26 1700-1900  
Saturday, April 26 1230-1430

### CLASSES MEETING MW, MWF, M, W, DAILY:

0800 - 0900 Monday, April 28 0800-1000  
0915 - 1015 Monday, April 28 1445-1645  
1030 - 1130 Saturday, April 26 1445-1645  
1145 - 1245 Monday, April 28 1915-2115  
1300 - 1400 Tuesday, April 29 1230-1430  
1415 - 1515 Wednesday, April 30 0800-1000  
1530 - 1630 Tuesday, April 29 1700-1900  
1645 - 1745 Wednesday, April 30 1230-1430

### CLASSES MEETING T, TH, TTH:

0815 - 0930 Saturday, April 26 1015-1215  
0945 - 1100 Saturday, April 26 1915-2115  
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1545 - 1700 Wednesday, April 30 1015-1215  
1715 - 1830 Tuesday, April 29 1915-2115

PHOTO'S COURTESY ERAU, SAE AERO TEAM

## “FLIGHT” from FRONT

Derek Herchko will be competing in two flight events and one ground event this year. He says the team this year is more prepared than last year. "Teams as a whole, we are a lot more cohesive. We are more laid back but a lot more focused," said team member Dan Demmery.

The team says they practice their ground events three times weekly then their flight on Saturdays for eight to 10 hours.

"Three years ago, we set the seeds of the team we now have," Westbrook said about the growth of his team. "We've been getting better every year. This year, I think were the best we've ever been." He has high hopes to win first place this year.

Last year, The Embry-Riddle

Daytona Beach Flight Team took third, while the Prescott Team placed first. In 2006, the Daytona Beach team placed sixth.

The team is made up of about one-third Certified Flight Instructors. "We count that as a strength," Frank Ayers, Director of the Flight Department, commented. "This team is as ready as we've ever seen it," Zwegers added.

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Good luck at Nationals,



Eagles Flight Team!



May 4-10



# Eagles baseball clinches FSC title

Press Release  
ERAU Sports Info.

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. - The Embry-Riddle Eagles baseball team (36-12, 18-3 FSC) picked up three victories on Saturday afternoon as they topped Florida Memorial in a twin bill and picked up the additional win on the Lions forfeit of Sunday's game. The Eagles won game one 8-2 and game two 13-1.

The Eagles pitching staff picked up 16 strikeouts in game one of the doubleheader, with Jordan Roberts tallying 11 to his season total of 107. Roberts currently sits sixth all-time among ERAU pitchers for strikeouts in a season. With the double-digit knockout count, the team had the third most strikeouts in a game by an Eagles pitching staff. Chris Maloney came in as relief in the seventh inning striking out two, before Tucker Jensen came into close the game, throwing 12 pitches to strike out the side in the ninth.

Embry-Riddle picked up

five runs in the first inning, capitalizing on three walks and four hits to take a 5-0 lead going into the second inning. The home team tallied one run in each of the following two innings and marked their eighth run in the bottom of the eighth inning.

James Kissinger and Matt Steele led the Eagles offense, both picking up three hits in the game. Kissinger also had two runs and two RBI, while Steele crossed home plate three times. Aaron Tea went .500 in the game with two hits; he also had one run and one RBI. Colin Gray increased his team leading RBI total with three in the first game. Josh Menchaca, who started at shortstop, also had an RBI.

In game two Corey Bevis pitched a complete five inning game as the Eagles offense produced 13 runs off of 16 hits to 10-run rule the Lions. Bevis struck out seven of the 22 batters he faced, giving up four hits and one run.

The slug-fest began in the first inning as Steele led off with a single into right field.

Tea followed with his fourth home run of the season, over the left-center field fence. This was followed by two more runs as Colin Gray hit a triple down the right field line and an over thrown ball from the second baseman allowed him to score. Meza scored three batters later.

The Eagles increased their lead in the third inning as four extra base hits produced five runs. The flock finished their attack in the fourth inning as Kyle Albright and Eric Ogden hit back-to-back doubles and were driven in by Kissinger. Joel Blomberg knocked in two insurance runs with a single through the six-hole. Kissinger and Matt Tomaszewski scored on the hit.

Seven Eagles had two hits in game two, including Steele, Tea, Albright, Ogden, Kissinger, Tomaszewski and Blomberg. Tea led off the game with two RBI and one run. Blomberg tallied a career-high four RBI, and scored a run. Kissinger was perfect from the plate, going 2-for-2 with two runs and three RBI.



MELANIE PUGH/AVION  
**JAMES KISSINGER (ABOVE) AND** Matt Steele played significant roles in Saturday's victory against Florida Memorial. Kissenger had three hits, two RBI and two runs for the Eagles.

# Men's tennis wins 4th straight title

Press Release  
ERAU Sports Info.

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. - The third-ranked Embry-Riddle men's tennis team won the program's fourth consecutive NAIA Region XIV title with a 5-1 win over ninth-ranked Savannah College of Art and Design on Saturday. Mislav Hizak, Konstantin Lazarov and Tomoaki Yasuda each played the final matches of their Embry-Riddle careers and will leave as the only class to win four regional crowns.

With the win, the Eagles, who are now 16-2 on the year, received an automatic berth to the NAIA National Championship being held in Mobile, Ala., May 12-16.

After falling behind 4-2, the tandem of Mislav Hizak and Konstantin Lazarov rebounded to top Jan Menzen and Dima Chiriacov 8-5 at the top spot. The Bees tied things up at No. 2 as Ofir Weintraub and Willy Frei topped Luke Maricic and Jan Hoekzema 8-6.

The match at No. 3 doubles was very closely contested and in the end it was the ERAU duo of Carlos Bes Comeras and Tomoaki Yasuda who pulled out the 9-8 win over Fernando Horcasitas and Pablo Velez after winning the tie-breaker 7-5.

Bes Comeras and Yasuda carried the momentum from their doubles win into singles play. Bes Comeras was the first to finish his match as he downed Frei 6-2, 6-1 at the third position. Yasuda, who was banged

up after taking a tumble during doubles, played through pain and defeated Mihai Draganescu 6-3, 6-3 at the No. 5 spot.

Just a few minutes later Hizak, the three-time Florida Sun Conference and Region XIV Player of the Year, extend-

ed his unbeaten streak against NAIA opponents by scoring the clincher at No. 1 with a 6-0, 6-0 shutout of Menzen.

By virtue of their top 10 ranking, the Bees (9-6) will also earn a spot in the 24-team national tournament field.



CHRIS TEZAK/AVION  
**KONSTANTIN LAZAROV PLAYED HIS** final match Saturday against SCAD. His efforts helped the team earn a fourth title.

Upcoming Sporting Events

Baseball

Apr. 22 vs. Rollins at Winter Park, Fla. 7 p.m.

Apr. 26 vs. Thomas (Ga.) (DH) at Daytona Beach, Fla. 3 p.m.

Apr. 29 vs. Rollins at Daytona Beach, Fla. 7 p.m.

May 4 vs. Florida Southern at Lakeland, Fla. 2 p.m.

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# Candidates charm citizens abroad for funds

Kevin Sullivan

The Washington Post

LONDON — Sen. John McCain charmed donors over fish pate in London. Sen. Hillary Clinton sent her husband to Dublin and London to hug for dollars. Sen. Barack Obama rallied supporters in Beijing by teleconference and sent his wife to London to pan for campaign gold.

The U.S. presidential candidates have raised more than \$3 million in campaign contributions from Americans who live overseas, an unprecedented courtship of a slice of the U.S. electorate that was largely ignored in previous elections.

“They’ve finally woken up, after years of banging and knocking on their door, to the fact that there’s 6 million of us — that’s a big state,” said Susan Donnell, a member of Republicans Abroad who has lived in London for 15 years.

The number of Americans living overseas is commonly estimated at about 6 million — twice the population of Chicago and greater than that of 33 U.S. states. Britain is home to about 300,000 Americans, nearly the population of Pittsburgh.

The candidates’ pursuit of expatriates is driven by a razor-thin-close, cash-guzzling campaign and aided by Web technology that makes it easy to donate online from any corner of the planet. “It’s huge,” said Jim McGregor, an American investment adviser in Beijing who has organized fund-raisers for Obama, D-Ill. “I’ve been here since 1990, and I’ve never seen anything like this before.”

Only U.S. citizens and green card holders are permitted to

contribute to U.S. campaigns. So at elegant cocktail receptions from London to Tokyo, donors paying up to \$2,300 each (the maximum contribution allowed by law) don’t get through the door without their passports or some other proof of citizenship or permanent resident status.

Through the end of February, nine months before the 2008 general election, donations from expatriate Americans already totaled \$2.8 million, more than double the \$1.1 million raised in the entire 2004 campaign, and nearly six times the amount raised in 2000, according to a Washington Post analysis of Federal Election Commission records.

Obama raised the most by far — about \$1.4 million, more than twice the \$556,300 raised by Clinton, D-N.Y. McCain, R-Ariz., raised \$127,000 through February, although he more than doubled that amount at another London fund-raiser last month. The FEC’s March fund-raising figures have not yet been released.

The candidates have actually raised much more abroad than the records indicate. Many Americans who live overseas maintain U.S. addresses that appear in FEC contributor records. That makes it difficult to track all overseas contributions.

For example, former President Bill Clinton raised more than \$700,000 for his wife’s campaign at back-to-back parties in Dublin and London in November, according to the campaign. He also held another high-priced event in London in October. But FEC records show much less from contributors with overseas addresses.

Former New York Mayor Rudolph W. Giuliani, R, is widely believed to be the pioneer in overseas fund raising. His September fund-raiser at London’s Mandarin Oriental Hotel marked the first time a U.S. presidential candidate attended such an event outside the United States, according to Republicans in London and The Post’s review of FEC records.

Giuliani spoke at a lunch for 90 supporters, who paid from \$1,000 to \$2,300 to join him for salmon at the upscale hotel by Hyde Park. Before he dropped out of the race, Giuliani had raised more than \$250,000 from Americans abroad.

“When you live in the era of 50.0001 percent and 49.9999 percent elections, every vote counts,” said

Timothy Spangler, an American lawyer in London and past president of the British branch of Republicans Abroad.

Republicans have been less prolific fund-raisers abroad than Democrats. But McCain still had no trouble drawing about 100 people, who each paid from \$1,000 to \$2,300, to an event last month at Spencer House, an elegant building in central London built by an 18th-century ancestor of Princess Diana.

A short walk from Buckingham Palace, beneath paintings lent by Queen Elizabeth II, the well-

“*I’ve never given money to anybody in my life...I’ve maxed out on Obama and so has my wife.*”  
-JIM MCGREGOR

heeled donors dined on fish pate and veal and schmoozed with McCain and his wife, Cindy.

Donnell, of Republicans Abroad, said two more “high-profile” McCain fund-raisers are planned for London in June, although McCain is not expected to attend.

In another sign of the growing emphasis on expatriate Americans, the Democrats in February held a “global primary” in which more than 22,000 members of Democrats Abroad voted in 164 countries. Obama trounced Clinton with 65.6 percent of the vote. Twenty-two overseas delegates, each with half a vote, will attend this summer’s Democratic National Convention in Denver.

Americans abroad include military and State Department personnel. Cities such as London, Tokyo, Hong Kong and Mexico City have large numbers of expatriate Americans who work in banking, finance, law and other businesses. “It’s a good community of people to tap into,” said Josh Berger, an American who has lived in Europe for two decades and is president of Warner Brothers UK.

David Gallagher, an American public relations executive in London, said he first heard Obama speak about nine months ago on a YouTube video clip. He said he then went to the candidate’s Web site and started a chat group called London Expats Thinking About Obama.

“We have three candidates with exceptionally broad views of the world, so their campaigns are open to looking beyond the

borders for support from U.S. citizens,” he said. “We have supporters capable of networking and organizing across time zones like never before, so it’s easier to find dollars and votes abroad.”

Berger and Gallagher are among the organizers of an April 28 fund-raising event for Obama at the London home of Elisabeth Murdoch, a U.S. citizen and daughter of Australian-born media mogul Rupert Murdoch.

About 200 Americans are expected to attend the reception at Murdoch’s home in Notting Hill, each paying \$1,000 to \$2,300 to mingle with actress Gwyneth Paltrow and leaders in finance, media and business.

This week in Tokyo, Obama national security adviser Richard J. Danzig will appear at a \$250-per-person fund-raiser. Obama’s supporters in Beijing have held several events at a Beijing bookstore called the Bookworm, including one where the candidate called on the phone.

“A lot of us have never been involved in politics before,” said McGregor, the Beijing organizer. “I’ve never given money to anybody in my life — except for \$200 I gave to Kerry because I was so desperate to get rid of Bush. But I’ve maxed out on Obama, and so has my wife.”

The Murdoch event will be Obama’s third in London since October. Michelle Obama appeared at an event where 400 supporters paid \$100 each to attend a large meet-and-greet, followed by a smaller gathering for people who paid \$2,300 each.

Ruthie Rogers, an American chef and restaurant owner in London, is helping organize the Murdoch fund-raiser. Before she became an avid Obama backer, Rogers hosted a Clinton fund-raiser in November featuring Bill Clinton. The cocktail party at her Chelsea home drew 170 people, all of whom “maxed out” with a \$2,300 contribution to Sen. Clinton — adding just under \$400,000 to her funds.

Rogers recalled that the campaign of Sen. John F. Kerry of Massachusetts, the Democratic nominee in 2004, was deeply ambivalent about expats. Rogers said that, at the request of the Kerry campaign, she organized a fund-raiser at her home featuring a private performance by singer Elton John, but Kerry’s aides abruptly told her to cancel the event because they were afraid Kerry would look “too European.”

“Now,” Rogers said, “everybody’s much more bold and feeling much more confident.”

Washington Post staff researcher Robert E. Thomason in Washington and correspondents Edward Cody in Beijing and Blaine Harden in Tokyo contributed to this report.

# French stretch of torch relay spurs protests

Jill Drew

The Washington Post

BEIJING — A small knot of Chinese protesters demonstrated outside the French Embassy on Saturday, denouncing calls for Tibetan independence and venting anger at those who tried to grab the Olympic torch from a disabled Chinese athlete during the Paris stretch of the relay.

In several other cities across China, hundreds of protesters jammed parking lots in front of French-owned Carrefour supermarkets, waving Chinese flags and calling for a boycott.

The Chinese government generally bans such demonstrations. But in the weeks since protests erupted in Tibet over Chinese rule, the government has angrily attacked what it sees as anti-Chinese bias in foreign media and warned that outsiders were attempting to split the country. Nationalist sentiment is running high, especially in Internet forums, where users exhort one another to fight back.

At the French Embassy, a short line of cars carrying banners that read “Tibet Belongs to China” in Chinese, English and Japanese circled the perimeter, with at least one car blaring the Chinese national anthem, according to witness reports. Police, some in riot gear, quickly cordoned off the area, and the protesters left after about 30 minutes. Streets around the embassy and a nearby French school remained blocked into the evening.

Large protests erupted at Carrefour stores in at least five Chinese cities Friday night and Saturday. Carrefour became a target of Chinese anger after rumors spread online that LVMH, the luxury goods company and largest single shareholder in Carrefour, had given money to the Dalai Lama, the Tibetan spiritual leader, whom China accuses of organizing the Tibetan protests and disrupting the Olympic torch relay. Chinese activists sent a blast of cell-phone text messages calling for a May 1 boycott of the retailer, which has more than 100 supercenters in the country.

In an interview published Wednesday in the French daily

Le Figaro, LVMH’s chief executive, Bernard Arnault, called the rumors “groundless.” Carrefour’s Chinese arm issued a statement Tuesday saying it “has never, and will not do anything that will hurt the feelings of the Chinese people.”

Photos of the protests posted online show large crowds at several stores. In a few photos, police standing nearby make no attempt to break up the demonstrations.

One photo shows a protester in the southern manufacturing center of Shenzhen unfurling a large red banner in front of Carrefour with the words: “We protest strongly against shameless France for supporting the Tibetan split-tists. ... We boycott French goods strongly and we call for all Chinese people with conscience to take action and boycott Carrefour.”

The Carrefour in the port city of Qingdao closed early on Friday night after protesters blocked the entrance, according to one witness.

The Chinese have long had warm feelings for France, which in 1964 became the first large Western country to recognize the People’s Republic of China. The French ambassador to China, Herve Ladsous, met with members of the Chinese media Friday and expressed regret for the disruption of the Olympic torch relay in Paris. He said he hoped to meet Chinese torchbearer Jin Jing, who was attacked during the relay.

The Chinese media have portrayed Jin as a heroine for protecting the torch from protesters in Paris. But she began attracting criticism online after saying in a television interview that she was unsure about the Carrefour boycott.

Jin said in the interview that she supports patriotic activities “on one condition, which is not to hurt Chinese. Carrefour has lots of Chinese employees. I hope it won’t hurt them.”

The official New China News Agency also cautioned that attacks against foreign companies should not get out of hand, calling for “patriotic zeal to concentrate on development.”

News researcher Liu Liu contributed to this report.

# War leaves Abkhazia the ‘open wound’ of Georgia

Megan Stack

Los Angeles Times

LOWER ESHERA, Georgia -- Fifteen years since its bloody war with Georgia, the break-away republic of Abkhazia is a surreal spot where Soviet isolation lingers, the Cold War never ended and people cling to facades of statehood. It is a half-abandoned place of rusting ports and skeleton homes in a land that is recognized by nobody.

Now, with Russia and the United States engaged in a high-stakes power grab in the former Soviet Union, this forlorn sliver of lush beaches and snowy Caucasus mountains touching the Black Sea, wedged between Russia and Georgia, has emerged as a hub of new tensions between the Cold War enemies.

The ethnic-religious conflict between Georgia and Abkhazia was brutal on both sides. In the end, as ethnic Abkhazians emerged as victors, ethnic Georgians were driven out in an orgy of torture, rape and looting.

For Georgia, Abkhazia is an open wound. Thousands of refugees from the region linger in limbo in Tbilisi, the Georgian capital. The Georgian government has vowed to bring Abkhazia back within its borders.

Abkhazians swear it will never happen. “God forbid!” said Tamara Ezugbaya, the mother of five sons, four of

whom died fighting Georgia in the early 1990s war. She is a slight woman with a house in a mandarin orange grove, her gray hair pulled back into a bun, wearing black all these years. Her sons died in quick succession, within six months, the first two in the same battle. Her mother was paralyzed with shock; her husband grieved to death. “I don’t think a single Abkhazian living here will allow this, as long as they’re alive,” she said.

But Georgia is furious over Russian interference. Leaders have called for a boycott of the 2014 Winter Olympics in nearby Sochi if Abkhaz goods are used to build the sports facilities, and have also warned that any more Russian peacekeepers posted to Abkhazia would be seen as “an act of aggression against the Georgian state with all ensuing consequences,” a Foreign Ministry statement said.

Abkhazia has a flag, license plates, visas, border guards and the government. There is also a quixotic campaign to distribute Abkhaz passports. “They are not recognized elsewhere in the world, but inside the country they are very much in effect,” says a government official without irony.

Abkhazia is a vast junkyard of collapsed structures and resurgent nature. Roads are dotted with the shells of homes, picked clean of all but the frame. Staircases to nowhere rise from tangles of vine. Cows claim the right of way on shat-

tered roads, stepping among the bomb craters and puddles.

In Sukhumi, the once-thriving port is a ship graveyard, with rusted craft wedged into the sand. At the airport, out past the destroyed hotels and crushed Pepsi-Cola plant, abandoned helicopters and airplanes litter the runways. No international flights run in or out of Abkhazia these days; the only things taking off now are a United Nations helicopter, crop planes and the occasional flight to the mountains to drop off scientists or skiers.

The factories are blighted, offices shut down. Families have turned to their gardens to survive; to their milk cows and chickens; their fruit and nut trees. The economy is broken, but the people don’t starve.

The government says that more than 200,000 people live in Abkhazia; most independent analysts believe the real number is lower. In any case, the official figure is less than half of the more than 500,000 people who lived in this then-thriving resort and citrus farming belt before the war erupted.

To the dismay of U.S.-backed Georgia, which still considers Abkhazia to be part of it, Moscow has already distributed passports to nearly all the people here and encouraged them to vote in Russian elections. Tensions have ramped up in recent weeks, after Kosovo declared independence from Serbia, a traditional Russian ally. Moscow bitterly objected, warning that Kosovo’s example

would embolden other break-away regions and destabilize Europe.

Russia turned to Abkhazia to drive its point home. Moscow suddenly freed this place from harsh sanctions and hinted that it might soon recognize Abkhazian independence.

But among leaders here, there is a lurking wariness of Russian motives. The powerful northern neighbor is more interested in territorial expansion than in Abkhaz independence, they

fear, and may simply absorb Abkhazia.

Russia’s attachment to Abkhazia is both sentimental and strategic. Soviet-era vacations in the pristine mountains and on the balmy beaches of Abkhazia are still a fresh memory for many Russians. Soviet leaders such as Stalin and Khrushchev vacationed in private dachas here, and many Russians feel a fond entitlement to this strip of fertile, subtropical land where the Caucasus

Mountains slip off to the Black Sea. Russia’s interest is also piqued by the steady encroachment of Western military might into Eastern Europe.

With Georgia striving to join NATO, many observers believe Russia is empowering breakaway republics on its border -- Abkhazia and similarly strife-laden South Ossetia, also claimed by Georgia -- in order to build a buffer zone between itself and its Western-armed neighbor.



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**MANY GEORGIANS WERE FORCED** to flee parts of Georgia during the ethnic wars almost 15 years ago. Now, homes such as these litter the countryside of Abkhazia, the region of Georgia that broke away, making the country much like a wasteland.



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## AED ends on a high note

Kayla Stairs  
**Alpha Xi Delta**

This weekend, the sisters of Alpha Xi Delta celebrated their Founder's Day. On Saturday they were invited to a Tea Party in Jacksonville with the Jacksonville Alumnae Association. Jane Hooper Sutton, past National President of Alpha Xi Delta and current Treasurer of the National Panhellenic Conference, was the guest of honor. It was truly an honor for the Sisters to be invited to this event, and everyone in attendance had a great time. Sunday afternoon, the Theta Omicron chapter had their own Tea Party on campus to celebrate Founder's Day. Several chapter alumnae were in attendance. The afternoon was truly great as the sisters wished Alpha Xi Delta a happy birthday. The sisters also wanted to thank their Xi Man, Jon Mento, for his special surprise in the UC on Founder's Day. Last Tuesday at the Greek Awards, Alpha Xi Delta won

two awards: The Commitment to Excellence Award and the Philanthropy Award for their Annual Holiday Dinner. The sisters were very excited to be recognized. Also, Sister Nina Phanthanousy won the Ritualist Award. Congratulations Nina, and all the rest of the sisters for a job well done.

Over the summer, Alexis Melnick, Abby Soley, and Sarah Fitzpatrick will be representing the Theta Omicron Chapter at Alpha Xi Delta's National Workout. The Workout is a national recruitment and leadership conference. It is a great opportunity for these women to learn more about recruitment tactics, leadership, as well as about themselves and their sisters from across the country. Good luck at the workout, ladies.

The semester is almost over, and that means that graduation is near. Good luck to graduating Alpha Xis. We love you and wish you all the best of luck. For those not graduating, good luck with finals and have a safe summer.

## Tri Sigma celebrates 110th Founder's Day anniversary

Ashley Green  
**Sigma Sigma Sigma**

On April 19, 2008, Embry-Riddle's Eta Tau chapter of Sigma Sigma Sigma celebrated the 110th Anniversary of our Founder's Day with a luncheon at Riverbend Golf Club in Ormond Beach. We have used Riverbend Golf Club to host our Founder's Day for the past two years and will continue to use them in the future. From the excellent food and personable staff to the picturesque setting, Riverbend Golf Club goes above and beyond to make every event they host special and unforgettable.

Sigma Sigma Sigma was founded on April 20, 1898 at Longwood College in Farmville, Va. by Margaret Batten, Louise Davis, Martha Trent Featherston, Isabella Merrick, Sallie Michie,

Lelia Scott, Elizabeth Watkins and Lucy Wright. Sigma Sigma Sigma is the newest sorority on campus and was installed as a

chapter on January 21, 2006. The sisters of Sigma Sigma Sigma would like to thank Riverbend Golf Club for the

outstanding job they have done in helping make our Founder's Day a memorable event for the past two years.



## Sigma Alpha Epsilon destroys competition at Oozeball

Will Gons  
**Sigma Alpha Epsilon**



Last week at Oozeball there was a great showing from everybody. We had some good competition and some close games. But after a semester of rigorous training ΣAE ended up dominating the mud. For two weeks over winter break both of our teams went to Alabama to practice in the thicker mud. Every morning we ran five miles through the Black Warrior River in Tuscaloosa. The first week was tough, but eventually we started making progress. By the end of the training weeks we were unstoppable, except

for Grady, who was not quite tall enough to keep from sinking into the deep mud. The teams that ended up competing were team Boozeball and the ΣAE Lions. After a tough struggle Team Boozeball managed to beat some of the better ranked teams. The assumed reason for these surprise wins must have been the beard that Casey grew, miraculously, that morning. But whatever the reason, everybody did a great job.

It is that time of the year again. Finals are almost here, and so is summer. This means that the seniors will be graduating (hopefully). Good luck to everybody in the years to come.

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**Craig Benjamin**  
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Engineering Physics  
“Papyrus.”



**Katie Demko**  
Junior  
Aerospace Engineering  
“Gothic Old Script.”



**Cisco Fuentes**  
Junior  
Aerospace Engineering  
“Comic Sans.”

Upsetting policies

The following is a list of grievances I hold with ERAU. It is for these reasons that I, and many others, will not become donating alumni. They range from the petty to the imperative, but their collective whole is what makes them so dismaying. I had originally written a lengthy letter explaining many of these in detail; however, I feel that the brevity and unemotional presentation below allows both the reader to gain a broader perspective while I am able to provide one

- Locking of exterior doors to Lehman building when many students come and go
- Childish rules in computer/design labs, such as no food or drink
- Electronic funds not usable at campus dining locations
- Lack of off campus meal plans
- No sponsorship of the most popular sport on campus – hockey
- Athletic Department white elephants
- Last minute swapping of course instructors
- ERNIE vs. Blackboard
- Information Technology
- Student Accounting not prepared for accelerated masters program students
- Student Accounting inability to match funds with deadlines, resulting in warning letters, account holds, and restriction from registration
- Including ROTC stipends in financial aid package
- Cutting equivalent state financial aid from ERAU sponsored scholarships
- Leveling the financial aid playing field
- Computer programming courses indirection in regards to AE Department
- Computer applications taught in computer labs when programming is not
- Absence of parking lot security cameras
- Antiquated equipment/books/procedures and limited resources in laboratories
- Non-uniform, short-lived formatting guidelines of laboratory reports
- Graduate student laboratory instructors ignored
- Tour guide embellishments and outright deception, intentional or not
- AE Department leadership
- Professors without tenure teaching senior design focus courses

- Select professors with tenure unfair/disrespectful treatment of undergraduates
- Lackluster AE-specific Honors level curriculum
- Professors restricting laboratory use from school sponsored extracurricular competition teams
- Discouraging design teams from receiving special topic credit for extracurricular projects
- Crowded graduate classes and overcrowded undergraduate ones
- Professors not compensated for AE 499 special topic courses
- Interest in departing students' thoughts rather than those who are devoted

I realize that these simple one-liners are somewhat vague and not specific enough to warrant efforts for improvement. I wanted to shed light on the reason as to

why so many students are fed up with Embry-Riddle. For a premium education at a highly revered institution, many feel ignored and devalued as both a customer and a student. But, we have precious little time and we must pick and choose our battles. The list above is of the ones I chose not to fight. I cannot, in good conscience, recommend ERAU to aspiring engineers, because, in my opinion, the school has lost the focus of a serious engineering program. Only until a majority of the above list is resolved can I begin to back the institution by word or dollar. I am speaking from the viewpoint of an aerospace engineering student, enrolled in the Honors Program, the accelerated masters program, and an Army ROTC Cadet.

~Greg Lewis

Senior wisdom

As a senior, if I were to look back on my four years as a student at ERAU I think the most life-worthy character improvement for me was maturity. For me that maturity stems to incorporate morals, integrity, respectfulness, and accountability; the latter two being more define forms of integrity, but worthy of mentioning because they are also the most lacking areas that I have experienced on campus. I have not had a single group this year where one or more members were irresponsible. Furthermore, all my classes were with upper-level students (juniors and seniors) and immaturity was still prevalent. It makes me quiver to think that for four years they have gone through the ERAU school system with no motivation to change their actions.

College is for grades, yes, but mostly it is a passage between high school and the working environment. In our current university system, maturity is somewhat resembled in overall performance with an increasing GPA throughout the years at school. Basically, grades become the primitive evaluation of maturity, but if a group

member is immature the others have to become that much more mature to compensate. I believe too much emphasis is put on grades rather than the overall process of character building at universities nationwide. In my final hour, I realize that good grades should be (and are mostly) the side product of a mature individual.

I urge everybody to set goals of becoming mature. Students should focus on communication, responsibility, and integrity by evaluating their performance and determine the level of maturity they showed in specific events. Personal reflection is the most important aspect of becoming a better person. The manner in which you conduct your day-to-day life should be professional. If students believe it is a switch that can be turned on and off, then they will find themselves underdeveloped as a senior. The goal of college should be to develop your personal skills and moral set, so that when you walk in that cheap nylon gown to get you're diploma your able to take the next step without faltering.

~Dan Clark

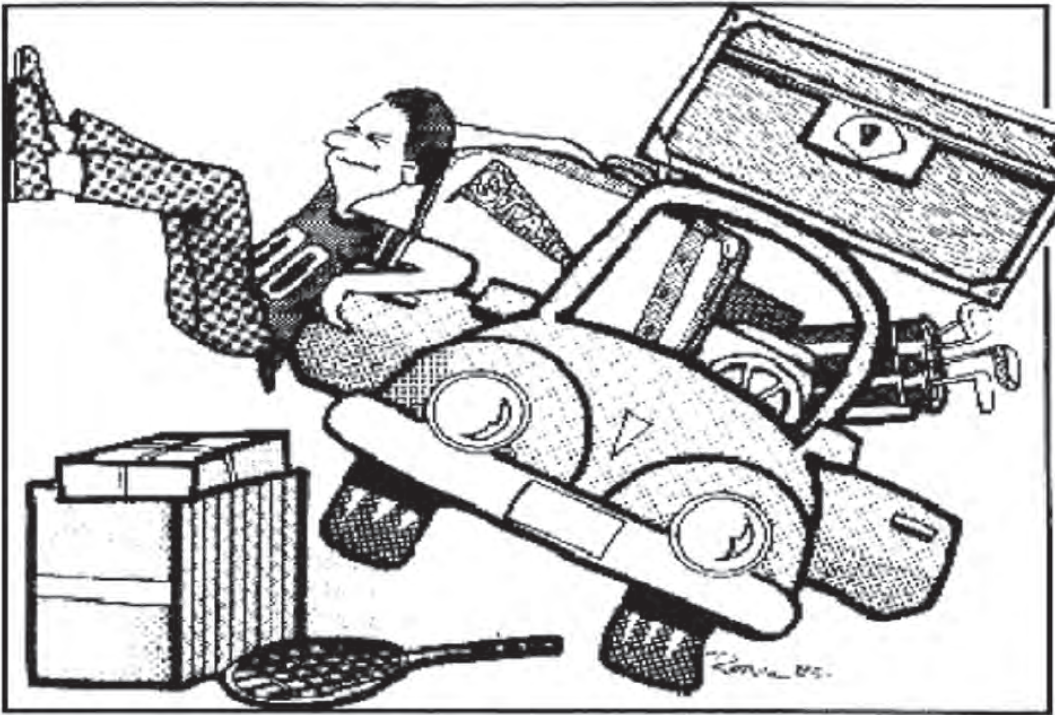
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## Getting involved to serve pays off

Natalie Anaya  
SGA Treasurer

When you are getting ready to go to college the one thing you always hear is “get involved.” I cannot think of a better way that I could have done that than becoming a member of the Student Government Association. Out of my four years here at Embry-Riddle, I have been a part of SGA for three of them and have enjoyed every one. My first year I was a Student Representative for the College of Business and have since served as the SGA Treasurer for the last two years. Now I find myself graduating in two weeks and reflecting on my experience as a member of the SGA.

I have always considered that my priority as a student leader was to help other students be

able to achieve their goals and become as successful as they can at what they do. Being the SGA treasurer, I was able to see all the different kind of events that the Student Organizations have planned or attended and I was also able to see how successful they were at what they did. Leading the Student Finance Board was extremely rewarding since we are one of the groups on campus that gives the Student Organizations the opportunity to go to their competitions, their conferences, or just to plan a fun event for their organization.

The one thing that I learned from getting involved is that you can make a change. The members of SGA have a passion for Embry-Riddle that is shown through the countless hours of hard work that they put into all of the projects that they do. From projects like

the SRB college forums and the budget weekends that the SFB conducts, to the movies and events that Touch-N-Go Productions provides, the events that Eagles FM DJs to the publication of this paper, you have a variety of very dedicated student leaders.

The opportunities that I have had from being involved in SGA are numerous: I have developed many friendships, learned another level of time management and responsibility, and have been able to be a part of projects that will leave a lasting impact on this University. I want to leave by saying thank you for giving me this opportunity to serve you, the student body, and I hope that every one of you gets involved within Embry-Riddle in some way, it might be the best thing you ever do in your college career.

## Endowment award letters being processed and are coming soon

Varun Dewan  
Student Representative

By now, all the students who applied for the scholarships have received a confirmation e-mail from the Financial Aid office. Here’s how a candidate is selected for scholarship.

The Financial Aid office has set up a scholarship evaluating committee in collaboration with the college faculty. The committee comprises of eight to nine faculty members who would be responsible for evaluating the scholarships essays. Based on the requirements of the scholarship, the student would then be awarded the money.

This not only speeds up the evaluation process but also seems fair. Barbara Dryden,

the Director of Financial Aid said “Faculty know the students best. So it’s fair that they decide who should be given the scholarships. This also builds a relationship between financial aid and the faculty members.”

As of today, everything is on track and 75 percent of the scholarship applications have been forwarded to their respective faculty committee for review. As students, we need to realize that it is finals week and our faculty also has to take care of final examinations as well as submission of final grades.

To all the scholarships aspirants out there, awards this year will be publicized well before you expect.

Things to Remember once you get a Scholarship:

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**Follow Up:** Always make sure that your scholarship is credited towards your tuition fees. Sometimes, the scholarship money may be in your student account but not credited towards your tuition. Make sure you check on this with the financial aid office.

Good luck to all the scholarship applicants. If you have any further questions or comments, please feel free to e-mail [varun.dewan@erau.edu](mailto:varun.dewan@erau.edu)

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## THE LOOP - What’s Happening Around the SGA

- ✦ The Diving Board was removed from the pool to have extra money to buy new gym equipment, as it was the only diving board in Volusia County.
- ✦ The library will be open until **2 a.m.** during finals week
- ✦ The SGA has helped to save over **\$9,300** in unintended university spending because of the recycling program.
- ✦ The SGA will be meeting on Tuesday with the Volusia County Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) to finalize discussions on the Clyde Morris Bike Lane.
- ✦ The COA Forum will be held this Tuesday from **4 p.m. to 6 p.m.** in the COA Atrium.

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# American Airlines MD-80 back in service

Matt Smith  
Staff Reporter

American Airlines has put back into service their McDonald Douglas MD-80 aircraft after grounding all 300 of them due to compliance issues with a Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Airworthiness Directive. The carrier was forced to cancel over three thousand flights over the period of a week due to the grounding of the aircraft. The Airworthiness Directive dealt with the arrangement of

wire bundles in the main landing gear compartment. The FAA was concerned with chaffing and exposure of the wires. American Airlines originally completed the work in 2006 only two months after the Airworthiness Directive was published. However, the FAA was concerned with how American completed the work. American Airlines had previously cancelled over 400 flights two weeks prior to the 3,000 cancelled for the same reason. They thought that they rectified the problem; however, the FAA said that it still did not meet the full speci-

fications of the Airworthiness Directive. Over the course of the week American corrected every aircraft, and before the aircraft could re-enter service they were checked by FAA Inspectors. The cancellations stranded over 270,000 passengers over the period of the week, primarily at American's hubs in Dallas/Ft. Worth and Chicago O'Hare where American has a strong concentration of MD-80 flights. In a press conference, American Airlines CEO Gerard Arpey said that the cancellations could end up costing the carrier well over

\$30 million dollars. Aviation analysts say that it the true cost could end up being well in excess of \$40 million. Shortly after the return of the American MD-80's, Americans pilots picketed outside airports due to what pilots called poor on time performance, management bonuses, and poor overall customer satisfaction. The Allied Pilots Association, the Union that represents Americans 12,000 pilots, also ran ads in USA Today and on billboards near the Dallas/Ft. Worth Airport supporting their case.



MATT SMITH/AVION

AMERICAN AIRLINES WORKHORSE JET, the MD-80 is back in service after voluntarily grounding all 300 of them for maintenance issues concerning the FAA airworthiness directives. The airline was forced to cancel over 3,000 flights over the week they were grounded.

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## NTSB reports substantial drop in GA fatalities

By Mary Grady  
General aviation fatalities decreased 30 percent last year compared to the year before, the NTSB reported on Wednesday, down from 703 to 491. It was the lowest annual total in more than 40 years. "The U.S. aviation industry has produced an admirable safety record in recent years," said NTSB Chairman Mark Rosenker. "However, we must not become complacent. We must continue to take the lessons learned from our investigations and use them to create even safer skies for all aircraft operators and their passengers." The overall number of GA accidents was up, rising from 1,518 in 2006 to 1,631 in 2007. Estimated flight hours were down slightly, and the overall accident rate per 100,000 flight hours showed a slight increase.

This year's fatal accident rate of 1.19 per 100,000 hours is the lowest since 1999. The statistics, which are posted online, are preliminary, the NTSB said.

## Army soldiers escape SUV during F-16 strafing in Utah

By Mary Grady  
Two Army soldiers were inside an SUV that was destroyed when an F-16 fired upon it at a training range in Utah last week. The two were able to escape with minor injuries. It was unclear whether the vehicle was hit by the jet's 20-mm cannon fire or if it crashed after the soldiers jumped out, according to The Salt Lake Tribune. The soldiers were taking part in a night training exercise at the Utah Test and Training Range. Live air-to-ground exercises are often practiced at the range, the Tribune said, and can involve firing on abandoned vehicles.

It was not clear if the Army soldiers were in an area where they were not supposed to be, or if the jet pilot fired on the wrong target. Both soldiers were treated and have reported back to duty.

# \$17.7 billion merger creates serious industry change

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the current state of the airline industry it will pass without a problem. Other airlines, such as American, and cities that would lose service as a result of the merger will likely file lawsuits against the merger. Embry-

Riddle Aeronautical Science Professor Joe Clark said he was concerned about ticket prices and less competition should the merger be approved. Professor Clark said he was also worried about the rank and file employees of the airlines should management employees receive large bonuses. Professor Clark was quick to mention even though

ticket prices may go up, they have to; with the price of fuel, airlines will have no choice but to raise airfares. It is unclear whether the new airline will keep all the aircraft from both fleets or if it will retire older models. Without retirements, the new Delta will consist of more than 810 aircraft to include the MD-80,

MD-90 Boeing 737, 747, 757, 767 and 777, Douglas DC-9, Airbus A319, A320, and A330. The only airplane that is common between current fleets is the Boeing 757. Delta will also receive the Boeing 787s that Northwest had on order as well as the additional Boeing 777-200LRs and 737-700s that Delta previously ordered.

Continental Airlines may also benefit from the Delta and Northwest merger. Northwest had previously held a so called golden share of Continental stock preventing any merger involving Continental. However, when Northwest announced their own merger, it allowed Continental to buy back the golden share of stock

for only \$100. Aviation experts believe Continental and United will be a likely pair. It has also been widely rumored that US Airways and United Airlines also have been in talks, again regarding a merger. The two previously tried a merger worth over \$4.3 billion in 2001; however, it was deemed anti-competitive by government regulators.

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# Soyuz crew safe after entry anomaly



THE SOYUZ TMA-12 CAPSULE docks to the ISS April 10 with Expedition 17 crewmembers Sergei Volkov and Oleg Kononenko as well as first South Korean in space So-yeon Yi. The return to Earth of Soyuz TMA-11, with Yi and two outgoing crew, experienced an anomaly.

Bob Scheid  
Chief Copy Editor

The International Space Station (ISS) ended its 16th expedition and welcomed aboard a new crew this past weekend. Expedition 16 Commander Peggy Whitson and Flight Engineer Yuri Malenchenko had been living on the station since October 12, 2007, spending a total of 192 days in orbit. During that time, the ISS crew was joined by Flight Engineers Clay Anderson, Daniel Tani, Leopold Eyharts and Garrett Reisman, and Sheikh Muszphar Shukor of Malaysia and So-yeon Yi of South Korea both stayed a week. Whitson, Malenchenko and Yi returned to Earth aboard the TMA-11 Soyuz spacecraft and landed in Kazakhstan Saturday. The descent began at about 3:40 a.m. EDT and concluded about 50 minutes later with the ship landing nearly 300 miles west from the intended landing site;

another 45 minutes would pass before recovery crews arrived. All three astronauts were reported safe. As of presstime, details were lacking about what caused the incident. However, initial reports from the Johnson Space Center indicate that the reentry might have followed a ballistic path, exposing the astronauts to significantly higher g-forces than intended. Why this occurred is still unclear. A similar reentry occurred in 2003 and again last year, however rumors emanating this past weekend indicate this incident might have been much more serious than a simple a ballistic entry. Whitson now has the most time in space of any U.S. astronaut, a total of 377 days (including her time as an engineer on the Expedition 5 flight in 2002). Malenchenko is a veteran of two previous expeditions to the station and ranks ninth in overall time in space at 515 days. The TMA spacecraft, built by

Russia, is an advanced spacecraft designed to ferry astronauts to and from the Mir station and, later, the ISS. Replacing the older TM module in 2002, the upgraded spacecraft's engines and reentry control system were supposed to reduce the g-loading and increase accuracy during reentry. Expedition 17's Commander Sergei Volkov and Flight Engineer Oleg Kononenko arrived at the station April 10 aboard the TMA-12 Soyuz capsule, which will remain there until the expedition ends in October of this year. Reisman will remain with the crew for several more weeks before being succeeded by Greg Chamitoff, who will arrive aboard the STS-124 shuttle mission, due to launch May 31. During the coming six-month ISS mission, only the one space shuttle mission is expected to dock with the station, delivering the large Japanese Kibo pressurized experiment module to the station.

## Pegasus lofts Air Force sat. to monitor ionosphere

Ben Cooper  
Space Tech. Editor

An air-launched Pegasus rocket carried out its first launch in a year April 16 when it placed a U.S. Air Force science satellite into orbit around the Earth. The Communication/Navigation Outage Forecasting System (C/NOFS) spacecraft will for the first time monitor the planet's ionosphere and help to predict electrical disruptions that can affect ultra high frequency transmissions and Global Positioning System signals. It is expected to increase the warning time for potential disruptions or outages by as much as four to six hours. The Lockheed L-1011

carrier aircraft took off from the U.S. Army's Reagan Test Site in the Kwajalein Atoll in the South Pacific. It was just the second time a Pegasus has ever been launched from this



A PEGASUS DROPS from an L-1011 in a previous launch.

location; mobility is one of the factors that makes Pegasus such an attractive launch system for smaller payloads. After flying well out over the ocean, the aircraft dropped the three-stage Pegasus at 1:01 p.m. EDT and five seconds later the small booster ignited for its trip into space. It was the 25th straight success for Pegasus since 1997 while being used as a launch vehicle. This also marked the first flight for Pegasus since April of last year. The system has only seen a launch rate of one per year since 2005 and there were none in 2004. Another Pegasus launch is slated for later this year, again from Kwajalein, with NASA's Interstellar Boundary Explorer probe (IBEX).

### Upcoming Cape launches

The next launch from Cape Canaveral, of NASA's Gamma-ray Large Area Telescope (GLAST) has been postponed at least a few days after an incident on Launch Pad 17B during stacking of its Delta 2 rocket. During lifting operations in preparation for second stage attachment, an adapter beam fractured and had to be replaced.		
Meanwhile, the shuttle Discovery is on track for liftoff May 31 with processing currently ahead of schedule. Discovery is slated to roll over from its Orbiter Processing Facility and into the Vehicle Assembly Building next week for mating to its Solid Rocket Boosters and External Tank. The 3.5 mile rollout to Launch Pad 39A is slated for seven days later. STS-124 is on track for launch at several seconds past 5:01 p.m. on May 31.		
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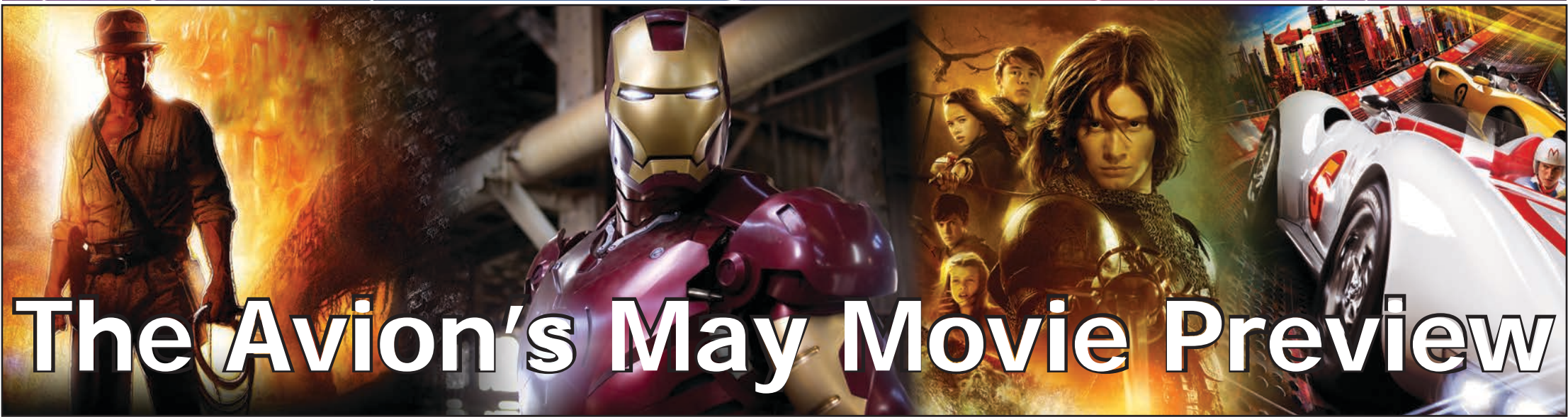
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 <p><b>“Indiana Jones 4”</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Coming May 22</li><li>Not Rated</li><li>Staring Harrison Ford, Cate Blanchett and Shia LaBeouf</li><li>George, Steven and Harrison are back together for a new Indy after 20 years. Shia LaBeouf joins in the fun.</li><li>Despite Ford being a bit old for an action movie, Russians and the 1950s should make things interesting.</li></ul>	 <p><b>“Iron Man”</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Coming May 2</li><li>Rated PG-13</li><li>Staring Robert Downey Jr. and Terrence Howard</li><li>Iron Man comes to life in this live action adaptation of the Marvel comic book hero.</li><li>Expect a “X-Men” type experience. Hours of explosions and quirky Downey humor will likely please.</li></ul>	 <p><b>“Prince Caspian”</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Coming May 16</li><li>Not Rated</li><li>Staring Georgie Henley, Skandar Keynes and Ben Barnes</li><li>The second in the Disney Studios Narnia series. Its been one year for the children but 1,000 years for Narnia.</li><li>More Narnia for the kiddies. This one is supposed to be a bit more dark and still has Qui-Gon as the big lion.</li></ul>	 <p><b>“Speed Racer”</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Coming May 9</li><li>Not Rated</li><li>Staring Emile Hirsch, John Goodman and Christina Ricci</li><li>From the creators of the “Matrix” trilogy comes this effects packed live-action family film.</li><li>Video game style animation, fast paced action and Christina Ricci should make this interesting.</li></ul>	 <p><b>“Sex and the City”</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Coming May 30</li><li>Not Rated</li><li>Staring Sarah Jessica Parker and Kim Cattral</li><li>It is “Sex and the City,” on the big screen. More sex, more city, more awkward moments and laughs.</li><li>While not an editor's choice, this movie is sure to be raunchier than the TV version. Certainly will make plenty of cash.</li></ul>	 <p><b>“What Happens”</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Coming May 9</li><li>Not Rated</li><li>Staring Cameron Diaz, Ashton Kutcher and Queen Latifah</li><li>Couple gets wasted and married in Vegas, then together win big. In the a.m., they have to figure how to share.</li><li>Might be good for some cheap laughs. Ashton and Cameron together should have enough to be funny.</li></ul>
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## Guilty pleasure: Celebreality

Matt Goldberg  
Staff Reporter

Are you one of those people who mindlessly flips through TV channels trying to avoid all the garbage that’s on, because what you’re really looking for is some solid trash to watch? Do you tend to have low self-esteem that can be easily bolstered by watching the lives of people you deem to be of a lesser breed or class? Then you really need to check out the crap VH1 has on their show schedule this season.

**Viva Hollywood**  
This is the newest of VH1’s reality shows, and hopefully after this season ends the show’s contract will too. In a patronizing, or more accurately, underhandedly racist attempt to draw in a Latino audience, VH1 has brought together a group of underachieving soap opera actors who are competing to win a contract with Telemundo. If you already thought soap operas were bad, try watching people with even worse acting skills play out scenes from them. Halfway through an episode of this show and I was trying to figure out how to V-chip out Univision and Telemundo from my channel guide.

**Rock of Love II**  
In case you missed the first season of this show, you can catch up by watching this season which is the exact same thing. It may be hard to believe but they have actually been able to get more than one season out of a washed up 80’s rocker trying to prove he’s

still relevant. Former, shell-of his-former-self-Poison front man Bret Michaels attempts to find love, while repeatedly falling in and out, in and then out again, in then out again, of love. His choice of female meat ranges broadly from gold-digging strippers to plain old groupie-whores, each one with her own unique social or physical defect. As this season ends, I can only hope that America’s trailer parks and low rent bars haven’t run out of desperate, dead behind the eyes women to keep the show on for another entertaining season.

**Flavor of Love 3**  
Ah, VH1 always has their old reliable to fall back on. Now into his show’s third season, Flavor Flav, the clock-bearing Public Enemy rap star, is still searching through women apparently to unattractive and low class for even Bret Michael’s show, to find...well, I’m not even sure. This season has been especially unwatchable, even for this show. The already mentally over-tasked women compete in challenges to prove their undying love Flav and his money. While this show may make people feel better about themselves and their family, it also frightens me to think the people participating in it are allowed to drive cars and reproduce (not at the same time, hopefully).

**Celebrity Fit Club – Boot Camp**  
After, according to the website, five seasons of this show, they are apparently still able to find celebrities willing to come on and make idiots of them-

selves for exercise equipment prize packages. This season, to “spice up” the competition, celebrities who failed miserably in earlier seasons have come back to form one team, while the other team is made up of new people I’ve never heard of because they were never successful. When the most famous people in a celebrity-based show are Screech from “Saved by the Bell” and Buddy from “Charles in Charge” serious questions should probably be answered about its merits. Anyway, once again the celebrities form teams and compete in fitness challenges, before eventually having an emotional meltdown due to some abuse-related event in their past that they’ve just acknowledged. This season is really no different than the rest in terms of content, so if you’re an idiot you should probably tune in.

Some other notable VH1 shows, not necessarily celebrity infested like these, include “I Know My Kid’s a Star,” which features overbearing stage moms ruining their kid’s lives for host Danny Bonaduce’s approval, and “Miss Rap Supreme,” which has an all female list of contestants competing for \$100k to prove who’s the best rapper. And that about winds up VH1’s show list for the spring. While I can’t recommend any of these shows as actually decent because of their likely damaging effects on society as a whole, I can say that if you have nothing to do with your time, there is really no better channel on TV to have a good laugh at.

## The Starting Line rocks HOB

John W. Smith III  
News Editor

After eight solid years of putting the soul back into alternative pop music, Philadelphia native quartet The Starting Line (TSL) will be putting down the picks and taking a bit of a pit stop in their world of music. Headlining across America right now, TSL has been selling out shows to please fans for one last time.

Catching up with TSL April 13 at the House of Blues in Orlando, front man and bassist Kenny Vasoli and crew were in full force as they took the stage for their hour long set.

In support of their latest release on Virgin Records, *Direction*, TSL has successfully planned an aggressive upward course of the band both creatively and commercially.

Their efforts to return alternative rock to a place of power-packed riffs and catchy lyrics

were successful as their four past singles have all debuted in the top 30 on the billboard charts. Spin magazine said that, “If ‘Need to Love’ doesn’t

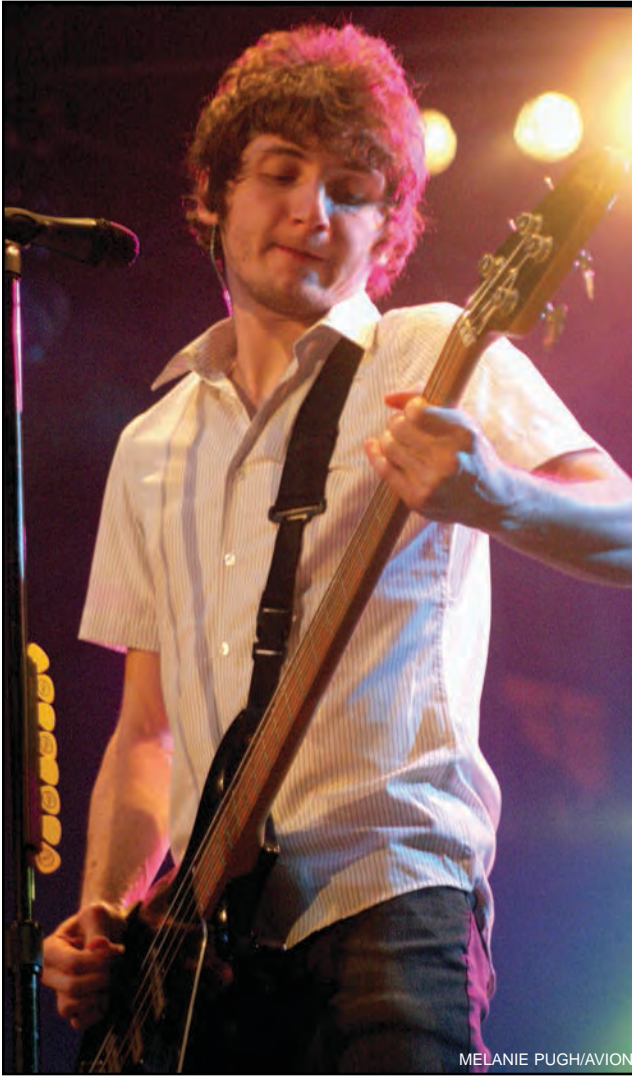
concoct an album that gives pop-music its soul back.”

With an almost full House of Blues, TSL performed for their true fans, which made the experience one not soon to forget.

The stage antics were all there as Vasoli and guitarist Mike Golla jumped with every hard hit of a song and raised their guitars to engage the fans into their music. After performing “Birds,” Vasoli says, “I haven’t slept in a couple of days, so if it seems like I’m being a slut up here, it’s not on purpose.”

Continuing the night with songs like “Island” and “Bedroom Talk,” there wasn’t a lip that wasn’t following the words of the songs. Truly an experience that seemed to finish before the TSL had began. Finishing the night with “Somebody’s Gonna Miss Us” they returned for their encore and performed “Best of Me” which the crowd gave the best response of the night.

Truly an experience not soon to be forgotten, TSL will be missed as they are on their hiatus. But their music will be played forever.



The end of the semester is here and finals are rapidly approaching. The final game of the week for this semester has a goal of venting anger out on geometric shapes. “Boomstisk” is

a game where you play as yet another unnamed hero with a ridiculously overpowered shotgun. The goal of the game is to shoot as many glowing shapes as possible while not running out of ammo. Similar to space invaders, you run back and forth along the bottom of the screen shooting pixelated buckshot at moving targets to

earn points. Throughout the game there are also two power ups players may find useful. The first is the reoccurring nuclear weapon that destroys anything that moves. The second is a speed boost, which turns your character’s legs bright neon green as if he just fell in toxic waste. In this game, toxic waste does

indeed give you super powers. To conclude, those of you who are fed up with geometry, play this game and blow all the shapes into smithereens. ~Andrew Zaback







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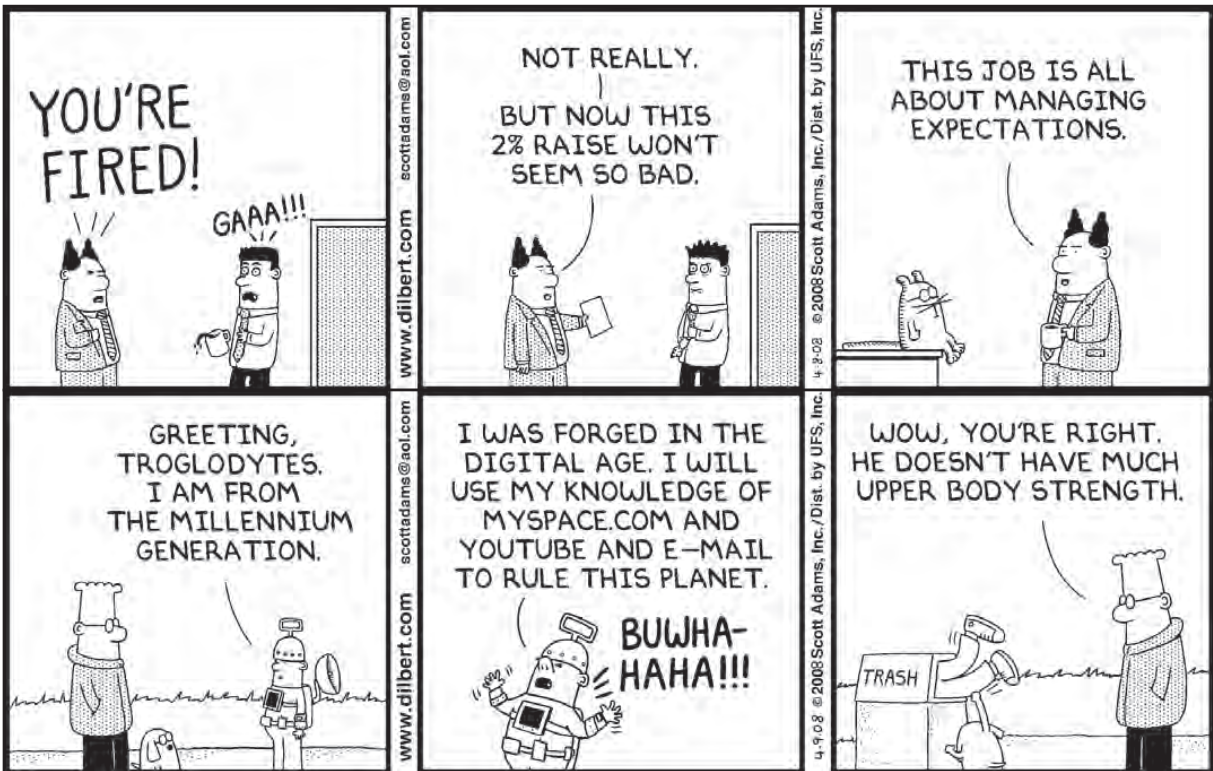
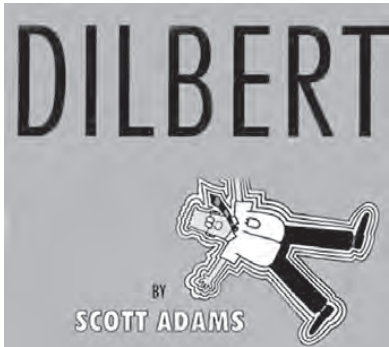
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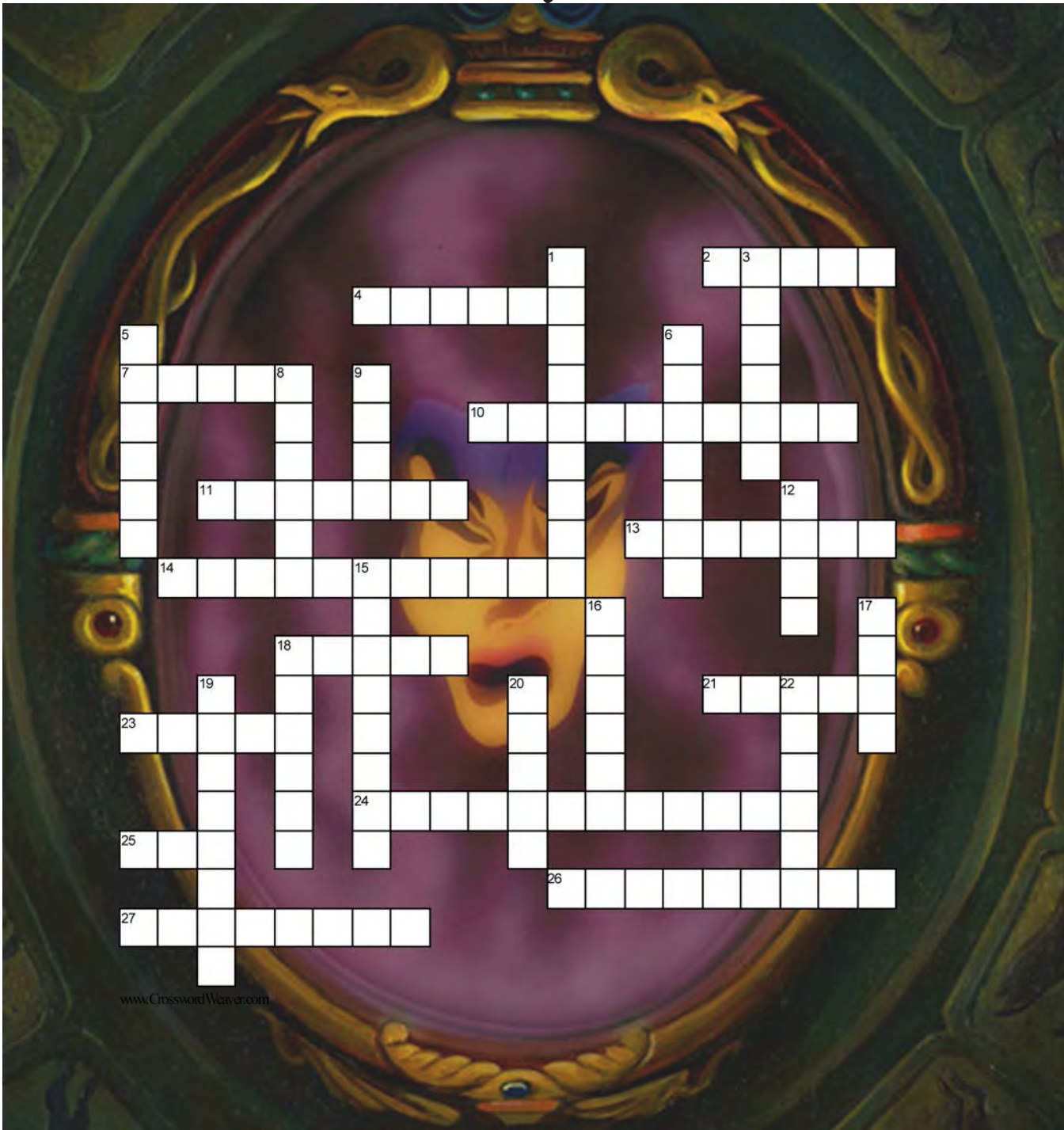
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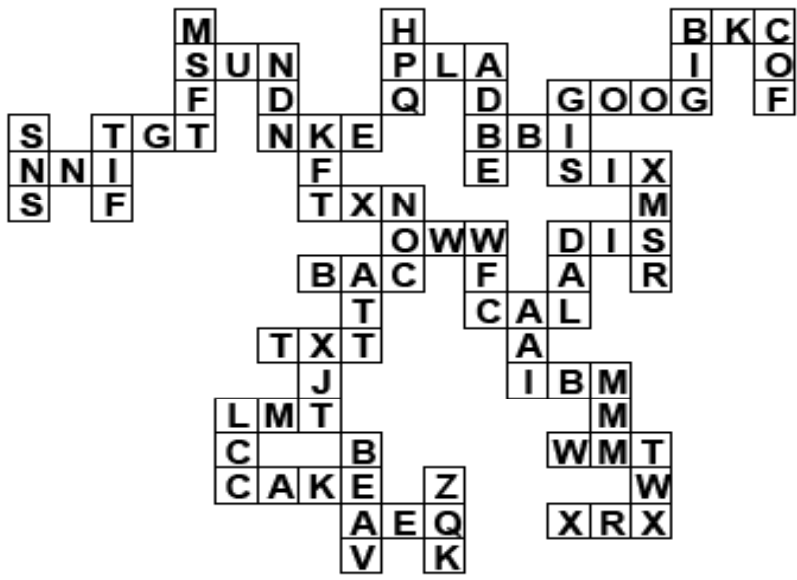


Submit your completed crossword to our office in SC 110.  
CONTEST IS ONLY OPEN TO STUDENTS!  
All correct entries will be entered to win the prize of the week.  
Entries are due Friday by 5 p.m. Winner will be announced in next week's issue. Good luck!

Last Issue

"Wall Street Tickers"

NO WINNER



DOWN

- 1 Evil governor of Jamestown in the search of gold
- 3 A grasshopper that terrorizes ants
- 5 Leader of the Hun
- 6 Gusteau's sous-chef who exploited the late chef
- 8 Hyena voiced by Whoopi Goldberg
- 9 Doesn't end up getting a new groove
- 12 Captain who loses his hand to a crocodile
- 15 Principal who wants to get rid of summer vacation
- 16 She is speared by Eric in order to save Arial
- 17 Ends up being Buzz Lightyear's father
- 18 Each morning he eats five dozen eggs and now he roughly the size of a barn
- 19 Cinderella's Evil stepmother
- 20 Shakes the bag and ends up killing her uncle's present
- 22 Poses as Quasimodo's father after he had murdered his mother

ACROSS

- 2 Will do anything to win a Piston Cup
- 4 Bernard and Miss Bianca set out to try and save Penny from her
- 7 Greek god that tries to over throw Zeus
- 10 Self-proclaimed "mistress of all evil"
- 11 Monster that can go invisible to scare little children to get power for Monstropolis
- 13 A sorcerer who possesses a green magic talisman that gives him magic powers
- 14 The boogie man and is disliked by Jack
- 18 Becomes obsessed with catching experiment 626
- 21 Dresses as an old man to help Aladdin escape the dungeon
- 23 Bowler hat set on taking over the world
- 24 Wanted a black and white spotted coat
- 25 Hypnotizes Mowgli and trap him in his coils
- 26 Pinocchio escapes from working for him
- 27 Not a real superhero but creates technology in order to mimic a superhero



# CLASSIFIEDS

## HOUSING / ROOMMATES

**Room for rent in Palm Coast**  
Room for rent in 4 bedroom 2 bath, 2,400 sq. foot house in Palm Coast. \$350 per month plus half utilities. Very nice area in P section. Available in April. Email Brian at [brian.asbury@gmail.com](mailto:brian.asbury@gmail.com)

### Condo For Rent

2/2, Tile floors, Huge Closets! Near north end of "The Loop". 1 1/2 minute walk to ocean. Great place for nature lovers and joggers! \$777 a month (includes water and cable) (386)405-3687

### 3/2 Bath with Family Room

3 Bedroom, 2 Bath, Spacious Great Room with fireplace. New carpet and paint. Ceramic Tile in Foyer, Kitchen, and Both Baths. 2 carports with Storage building. Refrigerator, dishwasher, Stove, and washer and Dryer. Available immediately \$1,075 first month, \$1,075 security. (386) 334-2173 or (386) 334-2175

### Beachside Home for Rent

Looking for nice couple or serious student in need of cute 2/1 beach bungalow. Walking distance to beach, and just minutes from campus. If interested call; Sheryl (407) 399-5607

### Condo to Share

I 2 Bedroom 2 Bath 900 sq ft Condo 2.5 miles from campus. perfect location nice and quiet place. Looking for serious student to occupy one room. Rent will be 550 plus utilities. 300 security deposit with at least a 6 month lease. Tennis court, pool, fitness center, Internet, cable, and washer and dryer. Bring own bedroom furniture. Available for immediate occupancy. Feel free to contact John with any questions. (517) 795-9982

## HOUSING / ROOMMATES

### Room for Rent

One bedroom available in a three bedroom private home in Ormond Beach, gated community. Full house privileges including washer and dryer. Cable and wireless internet, community pool. Looking for non-smoking, friendly and responsible person, no pets. Just 15 minutes from ERAU. Rent is \$500.00 per month all utilities included, no first and last month's rent needed. No lease. Please call the number below and leave message if interested. (386) 673-2300

### one block from beach!

You've got to see it!...remodeled 2 bedroom, 2 bath apt just one block to beach and Ocean Walk area. Hardwood floors, central heat/air, eat-in kitchen, 2 porches, fireplace, yard. \$795/mo includes water/pest. One year lease, references, security. (386) 212-1578.

### Looking for A Roommate

2 bedroom and 2 bathroom with washer and dryer 5 minutes from ERAU \$425 a month and close to Publix (386) 290-9054

### For rent in Port Orange

2 bedroom 1 1/2 bath, washer and dryer, community pool, newly remodeled, two parking spaces, no pets, non smokers available now phone (386) 679-50042

### Townhouse For Rent

3 Bdrm 2.5 bath with access to gated pool and cabana. Includes washer/dryer and cable. 2.3 miles from ERAU campus in Forest Lake Subdivision. 1,420 sqft of living space. Contact Tony at (386) 214-2579 (cell)/(316) 517-0847 (work) or email at [ahebert@cessna.textron.com](mailto:ahebert@cessna.textron.com)

## HOUSING / ROOMMATES

### Need roommate Immediately.

\$420/mo Located at Sailpoint Bay Complex on South Beach St. Just 3 miles from ERAU. Large living room with deck, kitchen with appliances, shared full bath. Complex contains two swimming pools, tennis court and laundry facility. Rent includes 1/2 of wireless internet access and electric bill. Cable service, water included by default. [Riddleapartment@yahoo.com](mailto:Riddleapartment@yahoo.com)

### Female Roomie Wanted!

\*\*\*Fun, Responsible girl wanted to find a townhouse/apt to share with another fun, responsible girl in Ormond Beach! Starting May 1st! (If you are moving up later just let me know!) e-mail me at [juju.cox@ey.com](mailto:juju.cox@ey.com) or call at (305) 519-3614.

### Houses now Available

Great 4/2 2 year old home in LPGA subdivision has been rented by Embry-Riddle students for last two years. High end home with granite counter tops, maple cabinetry 3 car garage etc..etc..small pond view. Rent 1,600.00 per month. 12 month minimum. Call try-an-properties @ (386) 804-5645 or [Hardhattg@aol.com](mailto:Hardhattg@aol.com)

### Ormond Beach, FL.

3 bedroom, 2 bath, tile floors. 2 car garage, nice yard, quiet and private. Coquina stone fireplace, large screen lanai. Taking applications for May occupancy. \$1,295.00 month. No dogs. (386) 689-6605, (386) 427-0274.

### Roommates Needed

Roomates for 4 bedroom house. Two Bedrooms available, new kitchen, study, private deck with jacuzzi, cable w/internet, fenced yard. All Utilities Included. Room with double bed \$450 per mon. Room with twin bed \$400 per mon. Call Ron (386) 235-2700.

## HOUSING / ROOMMATES

### Female student to share home

House in Daytona Beach near Embry-Riddle. I provide a furnished room with a full bath; full house privileges; w/d; home utilities; internet access. \$450 per month plus deposit. Call Lynda at (386) 383-8621.

### Ormond Beach

Gated community, pristine 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 baths on lake. Pool with closed in lanai, tile floors, 3 car oversize garage, \$1,895.00 month. References, security deposit. No Dogs, immediate occupancy. (386) 689-6605, (386) 427-0274

### 2 Bedroom, 1 Bath

2 Bedroom, Family Room, 1 Bath, Utility Room, carport, fenced yard. New carpet and paint, lots of ceramic tile. All appliances including washer and dryer. Close to Embry-Riddle. \$850.00 per month. First and \$850.00 security. 1 year lease, Available 3/1/08. (386)334-2173 or (386)334-2175.

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### Furnished or Unfurnished

2br/2ba \$950.00 month (2 persons can share) Utilities Included. Clubhouse, pool, exercise & billiards room, Internet room, cable, 24hr security, Very close to school & beach, walking distance to grocery,movies,eateries non smokers,no pets.Call Margie (770)365-3856or(678)513-1054

### IT help needed

Local marketing company is seeking IT help. Position requires some programming, web page design, campaign monitoring and reporting, tech support. Hours are extremely flexible. Salary is negotiable. Please call (386)214-4178 for an interview.

### Summer Camp Job Fair

Florida Sheriffs Youth Camp needs Counselors, Food Service, and Activity Leaders. Come learn more on Sunday, March 9 12 p.m.-4 p.m. 1170 Youth Camp Lane Barberville, FL 32105 (386) 749-9999 - [www.youthranches.org](http://www.youthranches.org) EOE/DFWP

### Looking for A Rommate

To share a 2 bedroom and 2 bathroom with washer and drier. 5 minutes from ERAU \$425 per month and electricity. (386) 290-9054

## HOUSING / ROOMMATES

### New Houses for Rentt

Port Orange-New! 10 minutes from ERAU off Spruce Creek Road. 4 bed, 2 bath, 2 CG all appliances includes washer/dryer. No pets. No smoking- \$1,500.00 mo+security-lawn service incld. (386) 290-7829 or (386) 760-6149

**\$500 includes cable and water**  
This is a 3 br/ 2 ba house with big yard. Owner live in this property and is looking for anyone who can afford the rent and like to live in a quiet, clean and peaceful, no pet, no drugs situation. Please call (702) 379-9565 or email. [y1924325@yahoo.com](mailto:y1924325@yahoo.com)

## AUTOMOTIVE

### 2007 Kawasaki Ninja 650R!

Nine-month old Kawasaki Ninja 650R for sale, asking \$4,800 obo. All documentation available, title in hand. Comes with extended warranty good up to DECEMBER 2011!!!! 5,000 interstate miles, looks like new. Will include Bell Helmet and 2 faceshields and Xena disc lock with alarm (total worth \$200) for free. Includes custom LED taillights, polished rims, custom Corbin seat. Call (386) 212-7244.

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# STUDENTS - NEED HOUSING? DON'T RENT INVEST!! COME FLY BUY WITH US!

## HOW?

There is a Government sponsored FHA student mortgage loan called The Kiddie-Condo Home Mortgage Plan. It was created to provide mortgages for students like yourself so you may purchase a home -vs- renting an apartment during your college years.

Tadpole, Inc. is the owner of several pre-approved 2 & 3 B/R villas that qualify for the Kiddie-Condo Mortgage Plan. We are working directly with Fifth Third Bank to provide you with a home. Together Tadpole & Fifth Third Bank will help you through all the steps of financing for you to become a home owner -vs- a tenant during your college years. We will also jointly assist any faculty member in purchasing a villa.

## HOW DO I QUALIFY?

This program allows you to purchase a home "jointly" with any "blood relative", (parents, grandparents, brother, aunt, etc.). It uses their credit and banking to qualify you for the loan approval. You buy it together. The other requirement is that you must have a "job", part-time, full-time, etc. and be a student, part-time or full-time and it can be in a two year or a four year or a extension for higher education, etc. So you could be working full-time and taking evening classes, or a full-time student and working nights and weekends part-time.

## HOW MUCH WILL THEY LOAN ME?

The Kiddie-Condo Mortgage Plan requires only 3% cash down, plus closing costs. They will loan up to \$230,000.

## WHAT OTHER ADVANTAGES WILL I HAVE?

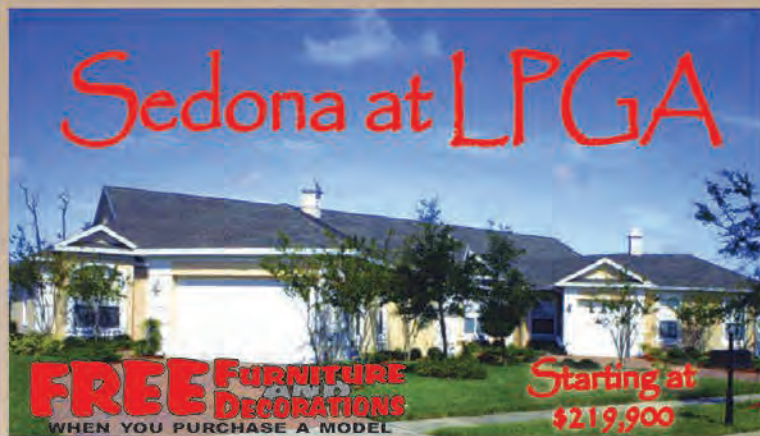
- After you close on the home you or your blood relative can write off the interest & Real Estate taxes from your annual I.R.S. tax return. *An annual cash savings!*
- You can rent out part of your home to another student or students to reduce the monthly overhead.
- Once you graduate you could pass it on to a brother or sister if they were going to enroll in the same school, etc. or re-sell the property - make a profit and not pay any income tax on the gain.
- Daytona Beach Real Estate values currently appreciate annually at an average of 5%. Sometimes more, sometimes less - But home values have always went up annually for the past 50 years.

**For Example:** If the home was purchased for \$230,000 in 2008 and you attended college for the next four years your profit could be  
**4YR X 5% = 20% - \$230K X 20% = \$46K**  
Round it to \$40,000 plus the principle reductions in the mortgage after 4 years of payments. This 40K plus cash profits is not taxable by the I.R.S. as it's the sale of your primary residence so it is tax free. This amount, \$40,000 +/- could be considered as a reduction of your overall educational costs and/or give you the cash flow necessary upon graduation to relocate and begin your new career.

*If you rent you would have nothing (\$\$\$) to show for 4 years of monthly payments except a happy landlord who made money off of you!*

## WHAT ARE THE DISADVANTAGES?

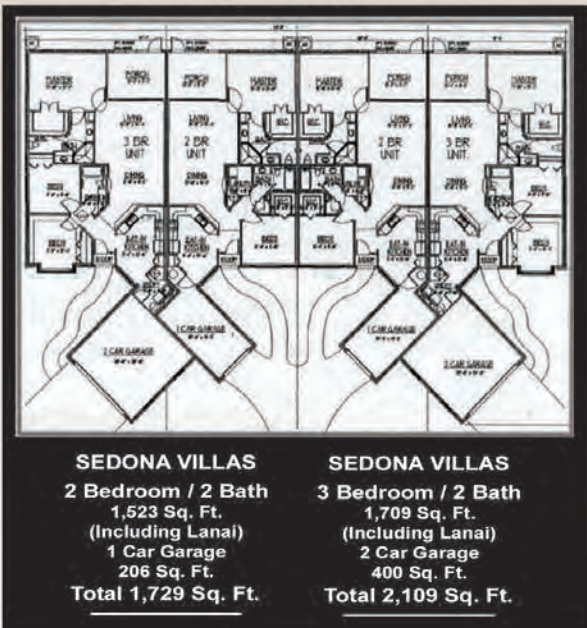
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# Summer plans?



Enroll in an ERAU class



Take an online class from the Worldwide Campus



Catch up on flight



Study abroad

**This summer, you have the opportunity to take a summer class on campus OR take a Worldwide Online class from home!**

## ERAU-WORLDWIDE ONLINE SUMMER SCHEDULE

*This is a comprehensive list of undergraduate classes available through Worldwide Online. The ones marked with an X are available for the Summer 2008 term.*

COURSE #	COURSE TITLE	
AMNT240	General Aeronautics & Applications	X
AMNT260	Aircraft Electrical Systems Theory	X
AMNT270	Airframe Structures & Applications	
AMNT271	Airframe Systems & Applications	
AMNT280	Powerplant Theory & Applications	
AMNT281	Aircraft Propulsion Systems & Applications	
ASCI 254	Aviation Legislation	X
ASCI 309	Aerodynamics	X
ASCI 310	Aircraft Performance	X
ASCI 357	Flight Physiology	X
ASCI 405	Aviation Law	X
ASCI 412	Corporate & Business Aviation	
ASCI 419	Aviation Maintenance Management (Dual course see MGMT/ASCI419 for term schedule)	
AT 300	Air Traffic Management I	X
CSCI 109	Introduction to Computers & Applications	X
ECON 210	Microeconomics	X
ECON 211	Macroeconomics	X
ECON 315	Managerial Economics	
ECON 420	Economics of Air Transportation	
ENGL 123	English Composition I	X
ENGL 143	Studies in Rhetorical Theory	X
ENGL 221	Technical Report Writing	X
GNED 101	Fundamentals of College Student Success	
GOVT 320	American National Government	
GOVT 325	International Studies	X
GOVT 331	Current Issues in America	X
GOVT 340	American Foreign Policy	
GOVT 363	Inter-American Relations	X
GOVT 402	International Politics	
HIST 130	History of Aviation in America	X
HUMN 142	Studies in Literature	X
MATH 106	Basic Algebra & Trigonometry	X
MATH 111	College Mathematics for Aviation I	X
MATH 112	College Mathematics for Aviation II	X
MATH 140	College Algebra	X
MATH 142	Trigonometry	X
MATH 222	Business Statistics	X
MATH 320	Decision Mathematics	X
MGMT 201	Principles of Management	X
MGMT 210	Financial Accounting	X
MGMT 212	Advanced Financial Accounting	
MGMT 221	Advanced Computer Based Systems	X
MGMT 308	Public Administration	X
MGMT 311	Marketing	X
MGMT 312	Managerial Accounting	X
MGMT 314	Human Resource Management	X
MGMT 317	Organizational Behavior	X
MGMT 320	Business Information Systems	X

COURSE #	COURSE TITLE	
MGMT 321	Aviation Aerospace Systems Analysis Methods	
MGMT 322	Aviation Insurance	X
MGMT 324	Aviation Labor Relations	
MGMT 325	Social Responsibility & Ethics in Management	X
MGMT 331	Transportation Principles	
MGMT 332	Corporate Finance	X
MGMT 335	International Business	X
MGMT 390	Business Law	X
MGMT 405	General Aviation Marketing	X
MGMT 406	Strategic Management of Technical Operations	
MGMT 408	Airport Management	X
MGMT 410	Management of Air Cargo	X
MGMT 411	Logistics Management for Aviation/Aerospace	
MGMT 415	Airline Management	X
MGMT/ASCI 419	Aviation Maintenance Management	X
MGMT 420	Management of Production & Operations	X
MGMT 422	Life Cycle Analysis for Systems & Programs	X
MGMT 424	Project Management in Aviation Operations	X
MGMT 436	Strategic Management	X
MGMT 440	Advanced Professional Logistics	
MGMT 449	Strategic Marketing Management	X
PHYS 102	Explorations in Physics	X
PHYS 142	Introduction to Environmental Science	X
PHYS 150	Physics I for Engineers	X
PSYC 220	Introduction to Psychology	X
PSYC 320	Aviation Psychology	X
PSYC 350	Social Psychology	X
SCTY 312	Global Crime & Criminal Justice Systems	X
SCTY 315	Studies in Intelligence I	X
SCTY 385	Intelligence Analysis-Writing & Briefing	
SCTY 400	Airport Security	X
SCTY 415	Studies in Intelligence II	X
SCTY 485	Corporate Security	
SCTY 488	National Security Issues & Terrorism	X
SFTY 311	Fundamentals of Occupational Safety & Health	X
SFTY 315	Environmental Compliance & Safety	X
SFTY 320	Human Factors in Aviation Safety	X
SFTY 321	Ergonomics	X
SFTY 330	Aircraft Accident Investigation	X
SFTY 335	Mechanical & Structural Factors in Aviation Safety	X
SFTY 341	Occupational Safety & Health Program Mgmt.	
SFTY 345	Safety Program Management	X
SFTY 350	Aircraft Crash & Emergency Management	X
SFTY 355	Industrial Hygiene & Toxicology	
SFTY 360	Construction Safety	
SFTY 365	Fire Protection	X
SFTY 375	Propulsion Plant Investigation	X
SFTY 409	Aviation Safety	X
SFTY 410	Design of Engineering Hazard Controls	
SFTY 420	Systems Design for Fire and Life Safety	
SFTY 435	Aircraft Crash Survival Analysis & Design	X
SFTY 440	System Safety Management	
SFTY 450	Loss Control & Insurance	

COURSE #	COURSE TITLE	
SFTY 462	Health, Safety, and Aviation Law	X
SFTY 470	Advanced Occupational Safety and Health Technology	
SOCI 210	Introduction to Sociology	X
SOCI 300	Marriage and Family	X
SOCI 310	Personality Development	X
SPCH 219	Speech	X
WEAX 201	Meteorology	X

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The procedures for Daytona Beach Campus students to take ERAU-Worldwide Online courses during the Summer 2008 are as follows:

- Registration for ERAU-Worldwide Online courses will take place in the Daytona Beach Office of Records and Registration at 226-6336.
- Authorization must be obtained prior to registration.
- Undergraduate courses must be approved by one of the following: academic advisor, program coordinator, or department chair.
- ERAU Daytona Beach special summer online tuition rates are offered exclusively via ERAU-Worldwide during the Summer 2008 (08/U2 term) only – May 15<sup>th</sup> – August 6<sup>th</sup>.
- Registrations - Undergraduate for 08/U2 May 15<sup>th</sup> term will be accepted now through May 1.
- Previously failed courses may not be repeated via Worldwide Online courses.
- Self-enroll in ORNT 001 before online classes begin in May, to get familiar with the online format.
- Students will be limited to three online courses during the May 15 term.
- Students enrolled in internships or cooperative education courses may petition their college department chair to take an online course.
- Tuition - Undergraduate - \$620 per credit hour. Book and incidentals are not included in the tuition.

**For more information about Worldwide Online registration dates and schedules, please call Glenda Jarrett at 226-6336.**



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