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Leadership Program comes to ERAU

by Greg Naccarato
Campus News Reporter

Are you interested in getting involved in a school club or organization? Do you see yourself as a potential student leader? Or do you want to learn the techniques of becoming one? If you answered yes to any of the above, then Embry-Riddle has a program especially for you.

The Student Leadership Development Program is a series of workshops/seminars that gives the interested student the opportunity to develop and use their potential leadership skills. Beginning the program will be a two day retreat designed to help build trust and cohesiveness within the participating group.

This retreat will be coordinated by a professional facilitator from "Designs for Development," a consulting

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firm that costume designs programs to meet the needs of each individual school.

Some topics to be covered throughout the semester include: Ethics and Values; How to Run a Meeting; open discussion on benefits of getting involved in ERAU student organizations; and presentations by members of different departments within the University.

This is the first program of its kind here at Embry-Riddle. There are other leadership training programs on the departmental level, like Orientation Team Leader training or Resident Assistant training for the dorms. But this new one is open to students throughout the University with no one incurring a formal obligation afterwards.

Six goals of the program help to focus the contents for this elusive trait known as leadership. These goals are: To Focus on the value of the educational programs beyond the classroom and to provide students the opportunity to develop effective leadership skills. Believe it or not, leaders are trained, not born that way.

To provide a network of communication among all members of the campus community. Student involvement is created by understanding and

communicating with other students as well as faculty and staff. If that understanding is present a link has been formed between students and administration, making them committed to each other and to this school.

To create a comprehensive student development program that prepares students for the present as well as the future. This asset of knowledge can be carried forth by the individual and never taken away.

To familiarize the students with the organizational structure of Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University. Learning about the different departments within the institution helps students understand the how's and why's of school policy and the way this affects everyone at ERAU.

A group of 25 students will be selected from the fall semester 1990 and the spring semester 1991.

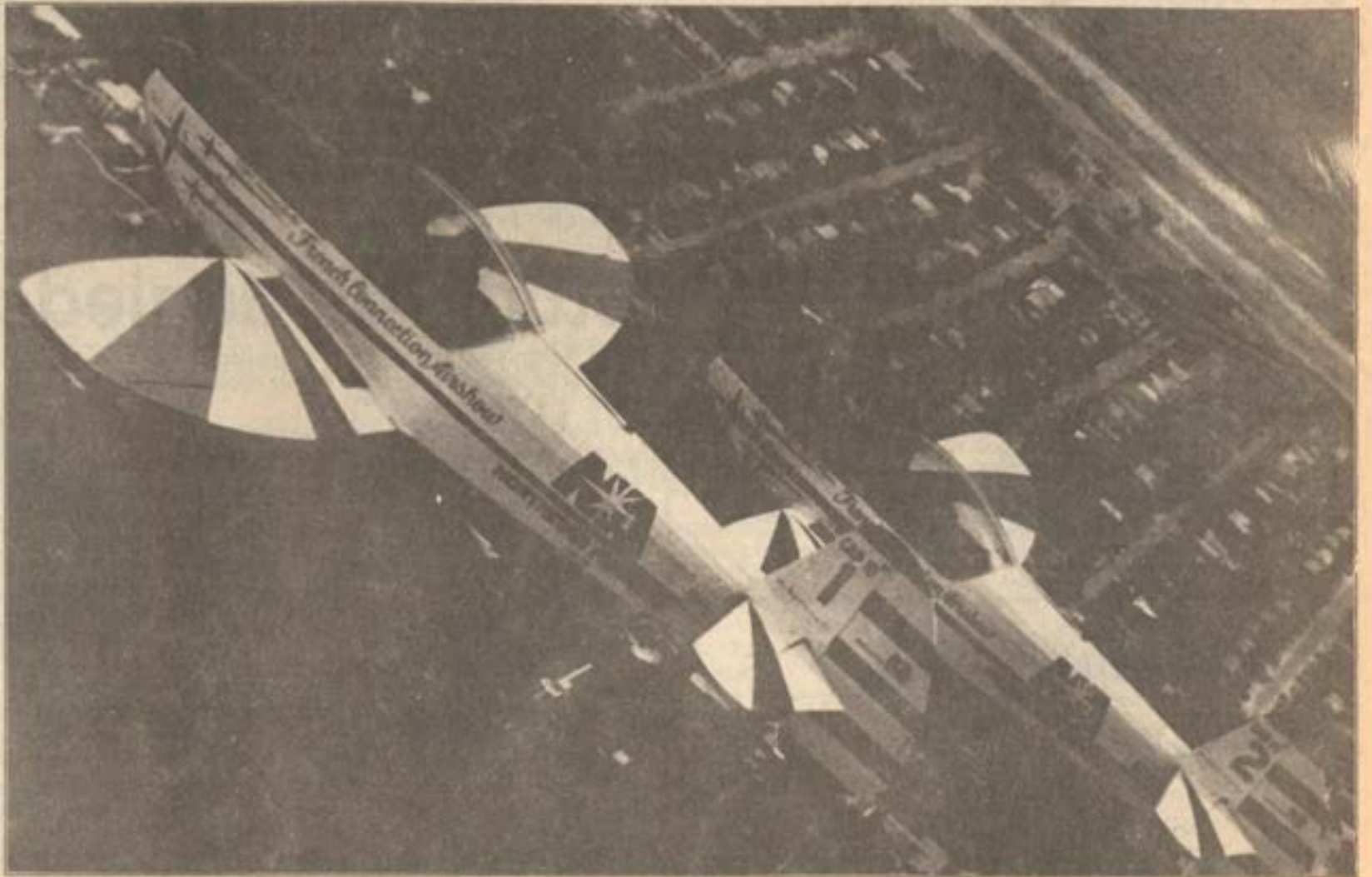
Those students successfully completing the Student Leadership Development Program will be honored at the end of the spring semester with a reception.

The group will meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4:00 to 5:30 p.m. beginning Fall Semester 1990. Requirements for selection into the symposium include: students should be of sophomore standing or above with a minimum of 27 credit hours completed. A minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.0 is also needed and the program will not be open to those seniors graduating in December, 1990.

Potential and current student leaders can pick up applications in the Student Activities Office across from the information desk in the Student Center. The applications must be returned to Gene Fitch in the same office by March 26, 1990.

Following the deadline date, a committee will screen the applications and choose appropriate candidates to come back for a formal interview prior to final selection.

If you think you fit the mold or are interested in getting involved, pick up an application. The secret to being successful and enjoying school is taking that first step.



Up in the air...

The University is contemplating the addition of an aerobatic course to the existing flight program.

Flight curriculum may expand University considering aerobatic training

by Brian Cerni
Campus News Editor

A survey was conducted by the Embry-Riddle Aerobatic Club a few weeks ago to determine the level of interest among students in aerobatic flight training at Embry-Riddle. Survey forms were sent to students asking whether they have an interest in aerobatic flight training, if they would like to see aerobatics offered as an elective or a required course, and if they wished to have a competitive aerobatic flight team represent Embry-Riddle.

Although only 177 of 1412 questionnaires were returned to the Aerobatic Club, the results strongly indicate a student interest in aerobatics; 166 students said they have and an interest in aerobatics, 168 indicated that they would like to have an aerobatic flight course as an elective, and 154 expressed an interest in having a competitive aerobatic flight team. But the majority were not in favor of aerobatic flight training as a required part

of the commercial flight course.

Surprisingly, there is more than a bit of interest within the University Administration to see aerobatics incorporated into the flight curriculum as well. Both University President Kenneth Tallman and Chancellor Eric Doten are proponents of aerobatics and are trying to convince other University faculty members of the importance of aerobatics in civilian flight training.

"Having an understanding of how an airplane responds around all three axes and being comfortable enough with it to be able to recognize a situation and take the appropriate action is pretty important for all pilots," said Doten.

Chancellor Doten, a former military flight instructor, represents one of two schools of thought surrounding the issue of aerobatic flight experience in commercial aviation. "Even if a pilot never plans to exceed 30 degrees of bank, so many things can happen unintentionally," said Doten. He mentioned

unexpected violent weather and wake turbulence as things which frequently catch pilots off guard, inflicting fatal consequences.

On the other side of the argument is Paul McDuffee, Chairman of the Flight Department. Although he is not totally against aerobatics, McDuffee said, "I question their ultimate value in the kind of training program we offer."

McDuffee defended his position pointing out that Canada requires spin training for all private pilots, but there is no evidence that stall/spin accidents have declined per 100,000 flight hours as compared to U.S. statistics.

Interestingly, aerobatics were once required for private pilot certification in the form of spins in the United States. But during the late 1940's, the general aviation manufacturers brought about an initiative to eliminate spin training from private requirements because they were discouraging trainees from becoming pilots. *see Aerobatic, page A11*



Wet and wild?...

Embry-Riddle students have been waiting patiently for two months for the campus swimming pool to open. It is now slated to re-open sometime next week.

photo by Ron Roberts

Lithuania's independence hailed with caution

(AP) Governments from Australia to Italy on Monday cheered Lithuania's declaration of independence from Soviet rule, but congratulations came mixed with caution. The Bush administration expressed support for Lithuania's move, while saying the United States will delay formal recognition of the breakaway republic until the Lithuanians are "in control of their own destiny."

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater reiterated the administration's call for the Soviet central government to "respect the will of the citizens" in the Baltic state. The newly elected non-Communist legislature of Lithuania on Sunday

voted to declare its independence 50 years after the Soviet Union annexed the sovereign state of Lithuania on the basis of an agreement with Nazi Germany.

The United States and other Western nations never recognized the Soviet Union's forcible annexation of Lithuania in 1940 and its Baltic neighbors Latvia and Estonia while under Red Army occupation.

The three states had gained independence after World War I. In Ottawa, External Affairs Minister Joe Clark said Canada will encourage Moscow to negotiate Lithuania's reclaimed independence.

However, Clark also said there are "legitimate and prudent" concerns

that the Baltic independence movements might touch off similar, rapid developments by other Soviet republics.

He asserted that Lithuania "would not necessarily constitute a precedent in other cases." Foreign Office Minister William Waldegrave said in London on Monday that Britain is "fascinated" by Lithuania's action, but has no immediate plans to recognize Lithuania as a country separate from the Soviet Union.

"The legal right of the Lithuanian people to seek self-determination is not in question. But when it comes to the recognition of states... we haven't quite got to that point yet. We may well do so," Waldegrave

said in a British Broadcasting Corp. radio interview. Waldegrave said "a considerable negotiation" with the Soviet Union would have to take place before Lithuanians "know the full extent of the implications of what they are seeking."

Fitzwater, too, remarked at a news briefing that Washington was not recognizing the new government at once "because we would want any recognition to take into account a final government that was in control of their own destiny, and much of that has yet to be negotiated with the Soviet Union." Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev called Lithuania's move "alarming" when he opened a *see Caution, page A11*



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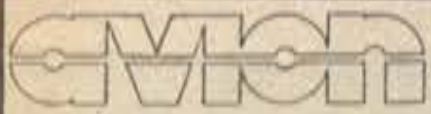
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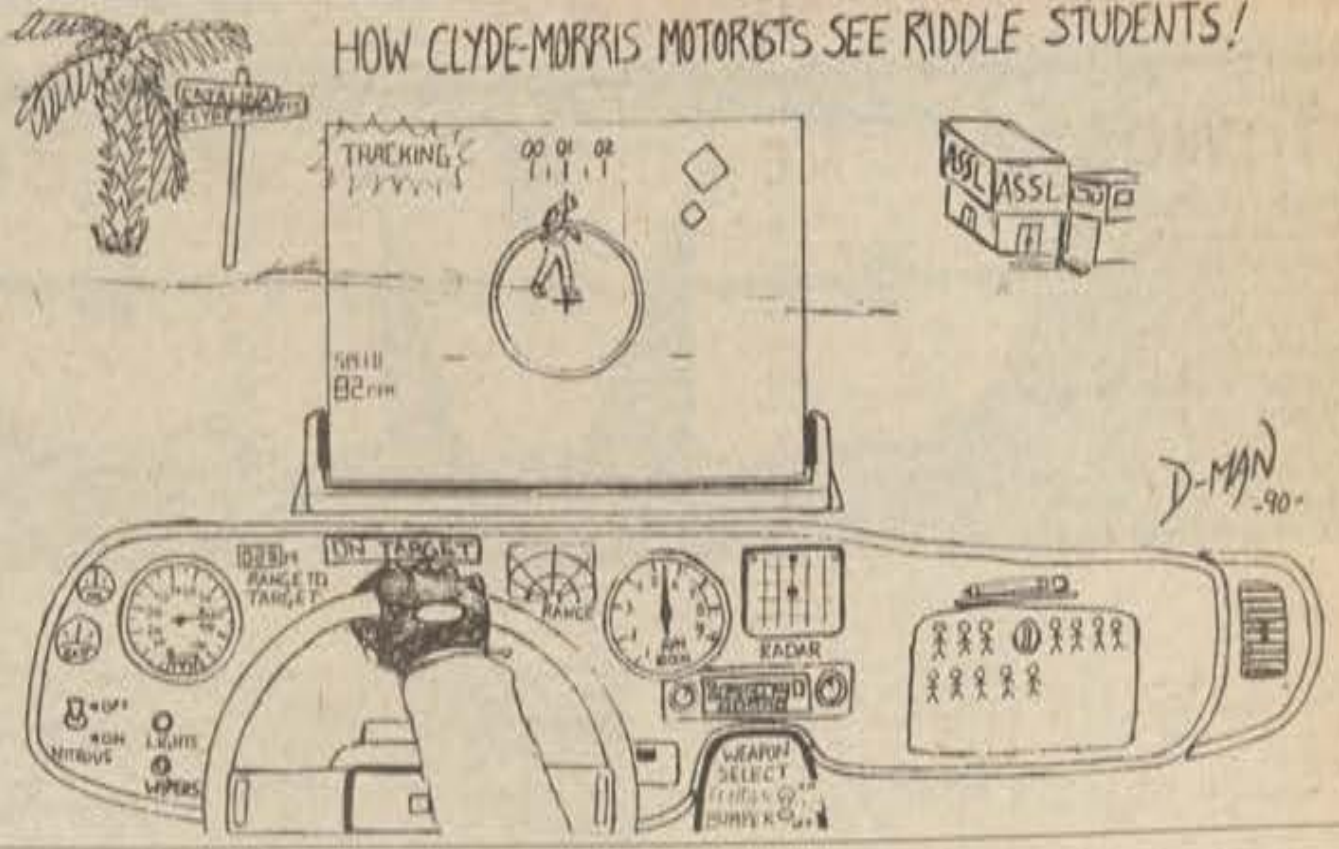
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Editorials

Students denied a valuable resource

Any student who is enrolled in a meteorology course for the Spring 1990 trimester is being ripped off!

A meteorology student's whole learning experience revolves around using the computers, maps, and equipment. At the time of this article, most of this equipment has not been hooked up since it was moved from the Airway Science Simulation Laboratory into the Airway Science building.

The equipment in the weather lab, worth about \$200,000, was purchased with grants given to Embry-Riddle from the FAA.

The equipment consists of two Trimet systems, two Vista systems, a wind indicator, a Hitachi photographic printer, and a Metpack which consists of alphanumeric and maps. At least half of this equipment is not hooked up for the students and professors to use.

What needs to be hooked up are: one Trimet that has not been repaired since October, both Vista systems in each meteorology classroom, the wind indicator which is still in a box, and the Hitachi photographic printer.

The weather lab is not even properly furnished to have the equipment effectively set up. Display tables are needed for alphanumeric such as hourly



Michelle Boulianne
Staff Writer

forecasts and terminal forecasts. Encased tables are needed for the printers to reduce the amount of noise they make while printing incoming information. And a case for the

\$3,000 wind indicator is needed so it is not stolen. The cost to properly set up the lab would be approximately \$3,000. Work orders had been submitted last year for the furnishing of the lab, but were rejected. Recently work orders have been resubmitted and are waited upon for a response.

The professors are barely functioning with less than half of the resources being available to them. Due to the non-functioning equipment, a good amount of information is received, but not utilized.

This is terribly affecting the meteorology students. Most do not bother going to the lab to use the computers to their full potential because nothing is working except one Trimet and one computer.

The printed maps and reports cannot be compared because they are all put in a pile and cannot be spread out anywhere.

Students are more or less learning inefficiently from books because they cannot experience what they read. Experiencing the weather is the whole idea of the course.

The University is denying the students the ability to get the maximum educational potential out of these courses.

Three thousand dollars should be an investment in hundreds of students education not looked upon as an expense.

Letters to the Editor

Add/drop praise?

To the Editor:

The editorial "Add/drop desperately needs improvements", published in the March 7, 1990 edition of the Avion, creates the impression of vast numbers standing in long lines for registration and add/drop. This is not a true reflection of the facts.

During registration and add/drop for the current semester (January 8-12, 1990), lines too long to be accommodated within the U.C. occurred on only three occasions. One was due to a computer outage of roughly 30 minutes. The backlog was cleared approximately 45 minutes after the computer became operational. Another occurred at the beginning of registration for continuing students who had not taken advantage of pre-registration. In this case, the backlog was eliminated within 30 minutes. The third occasion was prior to the opening of add/drop when some students did voluntarily begin standing in line prior to 5:00 A.M. Appointment slips were distributed to all students waiting in line at 0730 (approximately 300) before add/drop processing began at 0800.

During the spring 1989 semester, a task force was formed to examine the add/drop process. The task force membership consisted of faculty, staff, and a student representative from the S.G.A. Many ideas were formulated and several are already operational. Those along with suggestions and questions in the editorial will be addressed in this letter.

Pre-registration: Allows students to register for up-coming semesters in advance, and activate

that schedule the day before classes begin. Without pre-registration the actual registration process for the fall and spring semesters would take approximately 5 days, thereby requiring students to be back on campus much earlier. Appointments for pre-registration are based on two criteria: (1) First semester students-deposit date, (when they paid the tuition deposit to admissions.) (2) Continuing students, credit hours earned and CGPA. In this manner, students are scheduled in 15 minute appointment blocks to avoid any unnecessary waiting. One of the task force suggestions was a new process which became operational last fall during pre-registration for the current semester. This is a computerized closed course waiting list which enables students to be added to the wait list by the terminal operator and avoids the need for unnecessary running around to department offices by students. Wait lists are produced at the end of pre-registration and sent to department chairs for action and student notification. Although the new process was successful, further enhancements have been made, which will be operational this spring to provide the lists in order of priority. It is hoped that with this information available before the beginning of the semester, the department chairs can take the necessary action to accommodate the student needs during the continuous add/drop process.

Continuous add/drop: When the registration and records staff return to the office at the close of the pre-registration process, continuous add/drop begins. Students who

see Add/drop, page A11

Apathy prevents me from finishing this headline

Today's topic, class, is one that is not very debatable, dynamic, or controversial, but it is the key to all the issues that are controllable at this University.

How?
GET OUT AND VOTE...This may be a trite and meaningless phrase to those who plod through life thinking their opinions mean nothing.

Well, your opinions may mean nothing when they are not voiced, but I have plenty of faith in mine and I intend to make them clear from the vantage point of the ballot box.

What?
This page is entitled "Opinions" and it is so called because this is where students voice their feelings on issues that affect them. In the reader's eyes these opinions may be right on target, or entirely ludicrous.

The point of these editorials is not solely to complain, it is to inspire change. Once per year the students are given the chance to bring change to the comedy of errors perpetrated on them by those who were elected last year, or simply continue along in the same vein.

One of those chances is nearing, and a page in this very newspaper is dedicated to helping you decide who you support.

I could endorse a candidate if I wanted to, but I am not.

You could read the hollow rhetoric and meaningless sludge offered to you by the candidate's

posters. What I ask of you is the most complex solution possible.

Do some research and vote for an SGA President and Student Representatives that support your positions.

Who?

See related stories on page A5...

Is your money and happiness not worth the effort? Perhaps you enjoy being miserable, ripped off, and ignored; but at least show a little respect for the rest of us.

Scholarship athletics, SGA, ERAU Entertainment, Call A Ride and Live, and drug testing are all issues that the SGA members you elect "have a say in."

This election is effectively your only real chance to bring change.

Why?
Is it really necessary to remind you that people are dying throughout Central America, China, and Europe for democracy? By not exercising your rights, you spit on their efforts.

Often as little as 10 percent of the student body elects to vote in this election, and for those who do not vote-they do not serve the right to appear on this page.

In the past the Avion may have been partly to blame for not giving students enough information about the candidates, but I pledge that will not be the case this year.

When?
The election will be held this Thursday between 9 am and 4 pm.
Where?
The student center and AMT building will host the election with convenient and quick service.



Joe Cambron
Managing Editor

Student Forum

The Avion asks: Would you like to see more Humanities classes offered here?



Tara Alexander

Yes, I believe more varied classes would produce a well-rounded person.



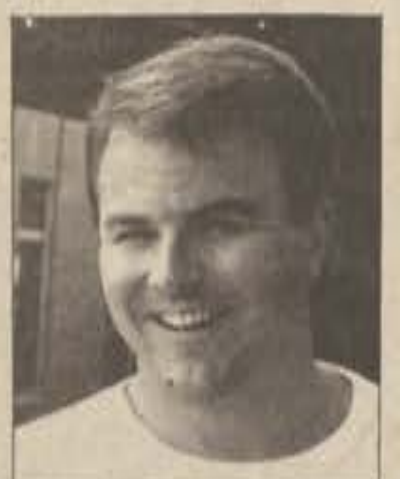
Jose Montero

I don't think so. The classes currently offered are enough for what a technical school needs.



Tracey Fish

I would like there to be more liberal arts classes. Day after day of math related classes can get very boring.



Joe Collins

Being well rounded is important, but I believe we need revisions in some of the classes currently offered.



Kurt Mackey

Everything has its place. I feel that if an individual wants a liberal arts course, they should attend DBCC.



Mary Ann Sheldon

I feel that Humanities and arts are very exciting subjects, but ERAU is a technical school and should remain that way.

Northwest Airlines crew arrested for alcohol consumption

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) Three Northwest Airlines crew members were arrested on suspicion of operating a jetliner under the influence of alcohol after landing a Boeing 727 with 91 passengers without incident.

The three arrested were the captain, first officer and second officer in charge of Flight 650, which left Fargo, N.D., at 6 a.m. and arrived at the Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport about 7 a.m. Thursday, said airport police Lt. Dale Gormanson. Douglas Solseth, a safety inspector for the Federal Aviation Administration, reported to police about 6:45 a.m. that he suspected the flight crew piloting the jet was under the influence of alcohol, Gormanson said.

FAA officials had received an anonymous call indicating the trio had been drinking in the Fargo area Wednesday night, said Alan Muncaster, vice president in charge

of corporate communications for the Minnesota-based Northwest.

Airport police met Solseth at Gate 21 on the Red Concourse, where Solseth made citizens' arrests of the three pilots, Gormanson said.

Airport police officers took custody of the three, who all consented to provide blood samples, Gormanson said. The pilots were released about 10:40 a.m. pending test results, he said. Muncaster said the results of the blood-alcohol tests won't be known for several days. "Until we have those results, the pilots have been removed from ser-

The airline has a rule that requires a 12-hour interval between the time a pilot consumes an alcoholic beverage and then flies the plane.

Kevin Whalen

vice," he said. "But they have not been found guilty of anything and that's why we are doing an investigation," said Kevin Whalen, Northwest's direc-

A statement released by airport police said Solseth conducted a "preliminary investigation" before arresting the trio. The police statement said the crew members are from Tennessee, Colorado and Georgia.

The men were arrested on suspicion of violating a state law that prohibits operation of an aircraft while intoxicated. Violation is a misdemeanor and carries a maximum fine of \$700 and 90 days in jail. Whalen said the airline has a rule that requires a 12-hour interval between the time a pilot consumes an alcoholic beverage and then flies the plane. Federal regulations set the interval at eight hours. State law prohibits pilots from flying with a blood alcohol content of 0.05 percent or higher. Charges can also be filed if the alcohol content is between 0.03 and 0.05 percent and there is additional relevant evidence under state law, airport Police Chief Jim Welna said.

Radio transcripts show controllers may have been distracted in plane accident

ATLANTA (AP) Newly released radio transcripts indicate an air-traffic controller was so busy with other problems that an Eastern Airlines jet pilot had to tell him three times the jet had struck a smaller plane on an airport runway.

In the Jan. 18 accident, the Eastern jet, a Boeing 727, sheared off the top of the smaller plane, a Beechcraft King Air, killing the smaller plane's

pilot and injuring another person on board. No one on the airliner was hurt.

Jack Barker, a spokesman for the Federal Aviation Administration, told reporters Tuesday that the controller at Hartsfield International Airport is back on duty after

several weeks of decertification and retraining.

The controller erred in not seeing the Beechcraft King Air on the runway...

Barker said the controller, whose name has not been released, should have issued a "go-around" immediately to Eastern flight 111, a Boeing 727, potential emergency with still another plane making an unscheduled land-

quire a controller to make sure a runway is clear before clearing another plane to land.

Barker said the controller, whose name has not been released, should have issued a "go-around" immediately to Eastern flight 111, a Boeing 727, potential emergency with still another plane making an unscheduled land-

ing. But the controller told federal investigators he was distracted with communications problems with a third plane and a controller talked just twice to Eastern Flight 111 during that time.

The controller already had cleared the King Air to land and had no additional communications with it before the accident. But in the two minutes before the accident, the transcripts show, the controller and a Continental flight already on the ground tried to communicate 14 times while the controller talked just twice to Eastern Flight 111 during that time.

Eastern reportedly refusing strike concessions from pilots union

ATLANTA (AP) Eastern Airlines has refused an offer of \$40 million in concessions from its pilots union in exchange for getting strikers' jobs back, according to a newspaper report.

The report in Thursday's editions of The Atlanta Journal-Constitution quoted unidentified sources familiar with contract negotiations under way in Washington.

Last March, Eastern's pilots and flight attendants unions struck the airline in sympathy with the striking Machinists union.

Although the sympathy strikes ended in November, no former striking pilots and only 215 former striking flight attendants have been called back to work.

The Machinists union remains on strike against Miami-based Eastern, which has been operating under the supervision of a federal bankruptcy court since March 9, 1989.

In a separate development Wednesday, the House sustained President Bush's veto of a bill to have the government intervene in the Eastern dispute, dealing a blow to organized labor and Democratic leaders. Also, the Justice Department said it has no objections to Eastern's proposed sale of its valuable Latin American routes to rival American Airlines.

Eastern says its pilot jobs have been filled by 800 pilots who refused to strike or who crossed picket lines and by 1,000 new replacements.

Leaders of the Air Line Pilots Association say about

1,400 former striking pilots want their jobs at Eastern back, while an equal number have retired or found jobs elsewhere.

On Monday, a federal mediator called ALPA and Eastern negotiators into a new round of talks, the Atlanta newspaper said. Spokesmen for the union and Eastern said they couldn't discuss details of the talks, but Eastern ALPA Chairman Skip Copeland told the newspaper, "We're willing to make enormous concessions."

The concessions totaled more than \$40 million, the paper reported. The report said ALPA has insisted that Eastern honor its contract by awarding pilot jobs according to seniority, a request that Eastern has refused. If that were done, most former strikers would displace the replacement pilots.

"It appears to be a philosophical impasse, not an economic impasse," Copeland was quoted as saying. "What they're trying to do is break the union." If the National Mediation Board decides further negotiations wouldn't be worthwhile, it can trigger a 30-day period after which Eastern could impose contract terms and the union could strike.

If that happened, or if Eastern asked the bankruptcy court to void ALPA's contract, the union probably would ask members to vote on whether to return to the picket lines.



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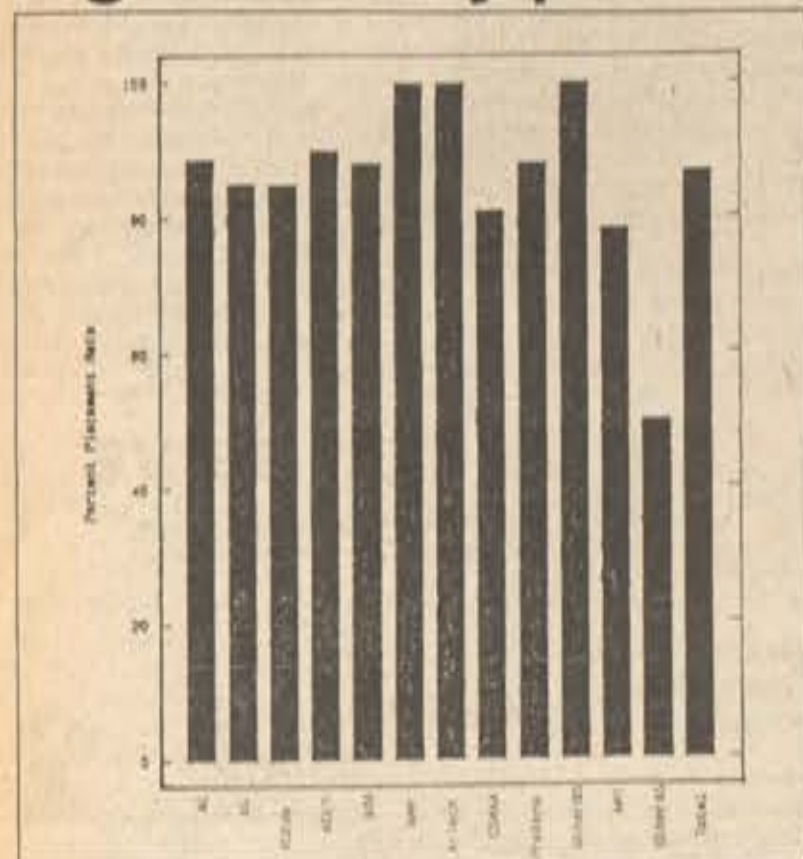
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Embry-Riddle graduates show high industry placement rate



by Deborah M. Osborne
Director of Institutional Research

In an effort to determine placement statistics for the Daytona Beach and Prescott campuses, graduates in the fall 1988 and spring 1989 were asked to complete a short survey. The overall response rate to the survey was 70.3%.

Tabulation of the survey results showed the total placement rate for undergraduates at the Daytona Beach and Prescott campuses during this time frame was 86.9%.

This placement rate was calculated using the total numbers of employed graduates divided by the total number of graduates seeking employment (total seeking employment is defined to be the total number of survey respondents minus the total number of foreign students minus the total number of students continuing their education minus the total number of students not seeking employment).

The accompanying graph depicts the overall placement rates for all undergraduate majors with at least five graduates seeking employment.



Presenting... The Omicron Delta Kappa insignia is proudly displayed in the Student Center.

ODK inducts new members

by Greg Naccarato
Campus News Reporter

On Saturday evening, March 10, the Omicron Delta Kappa Leadership Honor Society (ODK) held its semi-annual induction ceremony at Kapios restaurant.

Darrell Hawkins opened the banquet with an invocation followed by President Michael Garrow with the introduction of the club officers and the Faculty Secretary, Dr. John Wheeler.

President Garrow then called the new members to come stand behind "The Laurel Crowned Circle," while asking the members to stand before the circle that stands for success achieved in worthy undertakings. The initiates then repeated an oath to serve this country, this school, and the ideas of ODK at a local and a national level.

The new members then signed the organizational charter book and shared in a time of fellowship with their new found friends in the Icarus Circle of Omicron Delta Kappa.

The night progressed with the serving of dinner and conversation among the attendees. Afterwards Dr. Pope spoke on the activities of ODK and thanked Michael Garrow for building the club back to what it is now.

He continued with his speech mentioning the high qualities of an ODK member, saying that one must have a high grade point average, and be leaders in various clubs. Dr. Pope also emphasized the idea that "You can go anywhere in the U.S. and find leaders with ODK backgrounds." So membership is an honor open to only the very best collegians in the country.

The major theme of his address was the idea of charisma and being a charismatic leader. He pointed out that

there are two types of charismatic leaders, naming President Abraham Lincoln as the light side and Adolf Hitler representing the dark side of such leadership.

Dr. Pope further mentioned the ideals gleaned from the book *What I learned in Kindergarten*, like sharing with others, playing fair, and remembering to wash your hands. The rules learned while in kindergarten form a practical guide for living and interacting with all people on this earth.

Michael Garrow closed the initiation ceremony by thanking everyone for their hard work and urging members to partake in the ever upward progress for success and service.

New programs in the thought process include the "Sophomore of the Year" plaque, hosting an ODK alumni breakfast during Homecoming, and compiling a list of alumni to act as a network for

current members. Those students recently inducted into the Icarus Circle of Omicron Delta Kappa at ERAU include: Mohamed Abdulrahim, Doug Aldrian, Razig Ali, Amy Aronoff, Christopher Auger, David Carpenter, Brian Cerri, John Cozen, Stacey Cummings, Anthony De Lauro, Amit Gupta, Michael Henderlong, Thomas Jordan, Gerald Kowalski, Volker Kusserow, Greg Naccarato, Jose Nieves, Vincent Pepke, Edward Rodowiz, David Salvi, Michael Sherriffs, C. Babette Steimer, Michael Stelzig, and Michael Wynn.

Referring to old and new members of the Honor Society, Garrow said "I'd really appreciate it if you took this club and go," meaning to soar for the clouds in all one attempts in life.

"You can go anywhere in the U.S. and find leaders with ODK backgrounds."

Self Study questions answered

by David Fekke
Divisions Editor

Dr. Alexander of the University of Mississippi met with a number of committees and individuals at Embry-Riddle last week regarding the self study process recently completed by his University.

Alexander visited the campus to share his insight regarding the project at the University of Mississippi and to give advice concerning how Embry-Riddle might maximize efforts to improve the Daytona Beach and Prescott campuses, and the College of Continuing Education Residence Centers across the United States and Europe.

The "Self Study" is a broadly-based comprehensive participative multi-year process by which a University examines all aspects of its operation against the Criteria for Accreditation. Findings will be organized and reported in a self study document and appropriate recommendations for improvement will be included.

Embry-Riddle recently initiated its

own self study process, which will provide a mechanism by which institutional effectiveness can be determined.

The self study will assess every segment of the University, involve all representative components of the University community, and analyze strengths and weaknesses across the University.

The exercise will emphasize the effectiveness of the institution and its component units in accomplishing the respective goals and objectives.

As a result of the self study, Embry-Riddle will develop a plan for following up to ensure that the recommendations are being implemented properly.

The self study effort at Embry-Riddle was initiated with the naming of the Embry-Riddle Self Study Steering Committee as reported in the February 28th edition of the *Avion*. The primary responsibility of the committee is the overall design and supervision of the self study and the

compilation of the results into a meaningful and coherent report.

The Embry-Riddle Self Study effort is intended to improve openness of communication patterns, trust, and listening in order to heighten effective group functioning and to help face and solve problems at all levels within the University community.

The self study effort will guide the University in maintaining and improving institutional effectiveness and provide reliable professional judgements about the educational quality at Embry-Riddle.

Dr. Alexander met with the Steering Committee, the Outcomes Assessment Steering Committee, the Dean's Council, and a number of other key individuals on campus concerning how to go about the self study process.

Initial reaction to his visit was very positive, as he answered many important questions involving the self study process.

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Kammerman and Auger lead the Alliance for Students

by Greg Naccarato
Campus News Reporter

A new concept for the SGA elections has surfaced this semester. The Alliance for Students (AFS) is a group of fellow classmates who are running under a common goal. Their main objective is to serve the student body by capitalizing on the collective resources of the individuals, thus making the work of each person more effective. AFS hopes this will allow for increased productivity and less time spent getting proposals floored and into action.

The two leaders of the AFS who are running in the election comprise Martin Kammerman for President and Chris Auger for Vice President. The AFS members campaigning for positions on the



Martin Kammerman

Student Representative Board and Student Finance Board are Robert Damsky, Richard Greenwood, Niloufer Mukadam, Samuel Soremekun, Jason Simon, Tammy Strout, and Pankaj Raval.

Martin Kammerman brings much experience to the candidacy for SGA President. He is a member of the Entertainment Committee and is a coordinator on the Phoenix yearbook staff.

Martin has worked on the Avion Newspaper staff for the past two years where he is currently serving as News Editor. In addition to those three positions within the SGA he also serves the students as a Writing Tutor. Running for Vice President of the SGA with Kammerman is Chris Auger, who knows

the inner workings of the Student Government Association from his post as Chairman of the Student Representative Board. He is also learning valuable attributes of leadership from his perspective in Army ROTC and was recently inducted into the Omicron Delta Kappa Leadership Honor Society.

Utilizing the strength of the AFS for the students good, Chris feels that "by supporting each other, we allow for a larger group of our fellow classmates to be informed and we offer improved communication to the students on the issues at hand."

The goals for the AFS encompass many areas of university life like achieving more student satisfaction from Morrison's, encouraging additional stu-



Chris Auger

dent involvement on campus, and supporting more activities for women at ERAU.

Forming a cooperative of students to further the effectiveness of the SGA, the Alliance for Students hopes to help not only the student body, but the whole University. Summing up the qualities describing the AFS, Martin explains "I feel the Student Government Association will work more closely together as a team, students will be better informed, and more services will be provided by the SGA if we are elected."

Stressing the potential role of the AFS in the SGA, Chris affirms "It's time to accept the challenge of change, vote for the future, vote for the Alliance for Students."



Matt Hanson and Marcus Valdes

Effective communication the goal for Hanson and Valdes

by Greg Naccarato
Campus News Reporter

Becoming an SGA President or Vice President is not an easy task to accomplish. Much hard work, planning, thinking, and coordinating goes into the process of running an election campaign.

Two such candidates working towards that goal of representing the student body are Matt Hanson for President and Marcus Valdes for Vice President of the Student Government Association.

Matt is currently serving as President of Sigma Chi, and held the position of fraternity Secretary in the past. He also has been a member of the Water Skiing Club at one time.

When asked what is an important qualification for serving as President

of the SGA, Matt commented, "Being able to deal with people effectively. As President, you are a student resource to the Board of Trustees, administration, faculty, and most importantly the students." He continues "You must communicate effectively in order to get things done."

A long time friend of Matt's, as well as his running mate for Vice President, Marcus Valdes has much to offer in the way of real world experiences both in the classroom and beyond. Marc has a 4.0 grade point average which shows his commitment to Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University and his courses.

While working in the Student Employment Office Marc has had many chances to meet and interact with fellow students, staff, and facul-

ty. Last semester he also served as a FAA Air Traffic Control Trainee, giving him first hand knowledge of the duties and responsibilities of those voices on the aircraft radios. He asserts, "I learned a lot about how to handle situations including people and the importance of effective communication."

Matt is a junior in Aeronautical Science and Mark is a sophomore in Aeronautical Studies with a concentration in Aviation Maintenance Technology.

When asked to name a strength of their election, Marc responded "I think we're good at dealing with people and the issues."

Continuing, Matt said, "Being a good SGA President is being able to see Goals, page A11"

Kilgore and O'Brien can serve the students with experience

by Greg Naccarato
Campus News Reporter

A pair of Student Government Association Presidential candidates to be reckoned with are Maxine Kilgore for President and Scott O'Brien for Vice President.

Both bring an inside knowledge of the workings of the SGA and the University. Maxine had worked as the SGA office assistant, thus "becoming the eyes and ears within the SGA," she said. If a student came into the office to talk with a Representative on an issue, Maxine usually had the opportunity to listen in on the conversation, giving her a unique ability to hear the current problems, concerns, and strengths of ERAU.

Serving in student government is nothing new to Maxine either. She spent the last eight years in some capacity leading and directing the general desires of her classmates. She asserts, "I know how to get things done working with a group."

An AMT member of the Student Representative Board since last fall, Scott O'Brien brings an insider's point of view to the Vice Presidency. His knowledge of the financial aspects of the Student Government Association help make Scott a prime contender. According to Maxine, "He is inquisitive about issues pertaining to the student body. And with his insight to the University, he knows the channels and people to get correct information and get things done."

When asked about picking a Vice Presidential running mate, Maxine commented, "Scott was the one person whom I knew his basic opinions, and we have a lot of similar views."

Maxine Kilgore, an Aviation Business Administration major, and Scott O'Brien, an Aeronautical Studies major with a concentration in Aviation Maintenance Technology, combines a diversity of experience and knowledge to serving the students.

Goals for this dynamic duo are many. A few include working to better relations with Morrisons, of which Scott



Maxine Kilgore and Scott O'Brien

is presently Chairman of the Food Services Committee, through student involvement, and to help AMT students get better service in the new snack pavilion. Asserting the importance of being a good SGA President, Maxine mentions "communication is the link between the administration and the students." She further said, "Being able to talk in a level headed way is a must when dealing with potentially heated issues."

Being realistic in the power and the responsibilities of leading the SGA, this candidate believes that "being President and making radical change is not the way to go, but to make subtle changes with the students help."

Creating student awareness by attending club meetings, talking to people in classes, and being visible in the Student Center are the major components of bringing their campaign to the students of Embry-Riddle. Assessing a skill needed for SGA President, Maxine commented, "You have to have confidence in yourself before you can expect students to have confidence in you."

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Sorority completes fundraiser

by Coreen "Rockit" Floyd
Clubs Writer

We hope all the fraternities had a fun and successful fundraiser at the races.

All the sisters who worked at the races had a lot of fun and were happy to have the chance to work with the guys from the fraternities.

The pledges are doing very well thus far and we hope they will keep up the great work.

They received the traditional Theta Phi Alpha big sister ritual. As a personal note, I'd like to say to Becky and Erica that if you ever have any problems what so ever, just talk to any of the sisters, we are here to help you.

We are very excited to announce that Judy has returned.

We missed you very much, welcome back.

Management Club to host speakers

by Michael Mackaman
Clubs Writer

The Assistant Manager of Daytona Beach Regional Airport, Cheryl Gallagher (an Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University graduate), will speak to The Management Club on Tuesday, March 27th, at 7:30 p.m. in room E-611.

She will explain the new plans for the airport, and talk about existing and future airport operations.

The FAA Administrator, Admiral James B. Busey, IV (Retired), will be on campus April 10.

He will tour the campus, visit some classes, and inspect the new Airway Science and Simulation Laboratory.

Also, he is going to speak to the members of The Management Club and some Faculty/Administration. This is an invitation only event; first come, first serve.

So when you receive your invitation, respond immediately to secure yourself a seat.



Rigging Up...
Members of the ERAU Sailing Club finish preparations on their boats, before taking part in their first official Regatta, the HSA's Thunder Mug, on Sunday, March 4.

Sailing Club participates in Thunder Mug

by Dave Pauffer
Clubs Writer

The Windsurfing/Sailing Club participated in the Halifax Sailing Center's Annual Thunder Mug Regatta this past weekend.

This was their first trial at competition with the newly acquired Coronado 15's. Four of the six crafts were race worthy, and these all put in a strong showing with their crews.

Teams competing in the monohull class consisted of Jim Brady with Ray Neubig, Sacha Pecio with Doug Duggan, Tom Kellef with Chris Walquist, and Mike Zable with Robbie Pettus.

The club advisor, Dr. Cunningham, with his wife Cl

took part in the catamaran division.

This week we will start training for the upcoming Rollins' Invitational. Hopes are high for the first inter-collegiate regatta Embry-Riddle will participate in.

The Summer Series, which will start in two weeks, will start at the Halifax Sailing Center. Best wishes go with the Sailing team as the school's crews prepare to make a mark in this arena of sailing.

This week we will start training for the upcoming Rollins' Invitational.

Spring Regattas:
March 17, Rollins College Regatta, Winter Park, Florida.

Teams: Georgia Tech., U. of Florida, U. of South Florida, Eckerd College, ERAU.

April 28-29, Mount Dora Regatta.

Kappa Alpha Psi works with community

by Derek Johnson
Clubs Writer

The Brothers were very busy this weekend, in the community. A program masterly planned by officer Brenda Merritt started off with a carnival for the children in the program. Our man in the field Brother William Charlton informed us about the program and the Brothers were all too glad to participate.

In fact, some of the Brothers were having more fun than the kids.

The carnival took place at Dickerson Center on Martin Luther King Boulevard. Various organizations and people were in attendance: churches, parents, and Brothers of Kappa Alpha Psi. The program is more than just a carnival, as stated by a member of the staff, "It's a school

away from school." The program takes place from 3-6 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Brothers can spend time with the children tutoring and helping them with the subjects. One day, I had the chance to talk to some of them.

Henry Carter, a nine year old in the fourth grade, who's very sharp in math, tells me he would like to be a veterinarian.

Aliki Sharpe is a 10 year old fourth grader who would like to be a therapist, because she likes to work with people. Kristie Long and Yvis Perry both want to be lawyers, but Yvis also wants to play basketball, he knows he can be the next "Air" Perry.

I enjoyed myself and saw a little of myself in every one of the children, especially the one named "Little Doc."

Flight Team prepares for an upcoming competition

by Michelle M. Boullianne
Clubs Writer

The Flight Team has been immensely busy preparing for National competition being held at the University of Illinois next month.

Final cuts for the events are beginning to be made. For the SCAN event the competitors will be Steve Brazao, Hector Arenicibia, Joe Simpson, Jack Pollard, Kevin Sheppard, and Jay Maiato as alternate.

For the Computer Accuracy event the competitors will be Hector Arenicibia, Steve Brazao, Joe Simpson, Kevin Sheppard, Jack Pollard, and Amy Brimeyer as alternate. Landing cuts will be on March 17.

Standing Ovation awards were presented to Jack Pollard and Shawn Phillips for their contributions to the team and community.

Last week Chris Nicholson went to Jimmy Ann Boulevard Elementary School to speak on aviation.

On March 3, Flight Team members Kevin Black, Michelle Boullianne, Hassan Chahine, Kathy Mullins, Stephen Murphy, Ray Neubig, Ann Marie Pillis, and Kevin Sheppard battled high winds to re-paint the compass rose at New Smyrna Airport with

the ERAU and Spaceport 99's.

Erik Keifer and Doug Whitson went to Milwee Elementary School on March 9 to speak to 1200 students on aviation and safety.

On March 20 Cory Mahjoubian and Scott Tarves will be representing ERAU at New Smyrna's College Fair.

The Flight Team had a cookout on March 11 at Flagler Airport. They had a great time releasing some of the tensions related to competition preparation.

The FIT Falcons Flight Team and Alpha Eta Rho are sponsoring an Aviation Day at Valkaria Airport on April 7. There will be power-on and power-off landing events. ERAU will be attending and entering the final competition in the landing events. The rest of the team will also be in attendance to check out the 30 to 40 aviation company and organization displays.

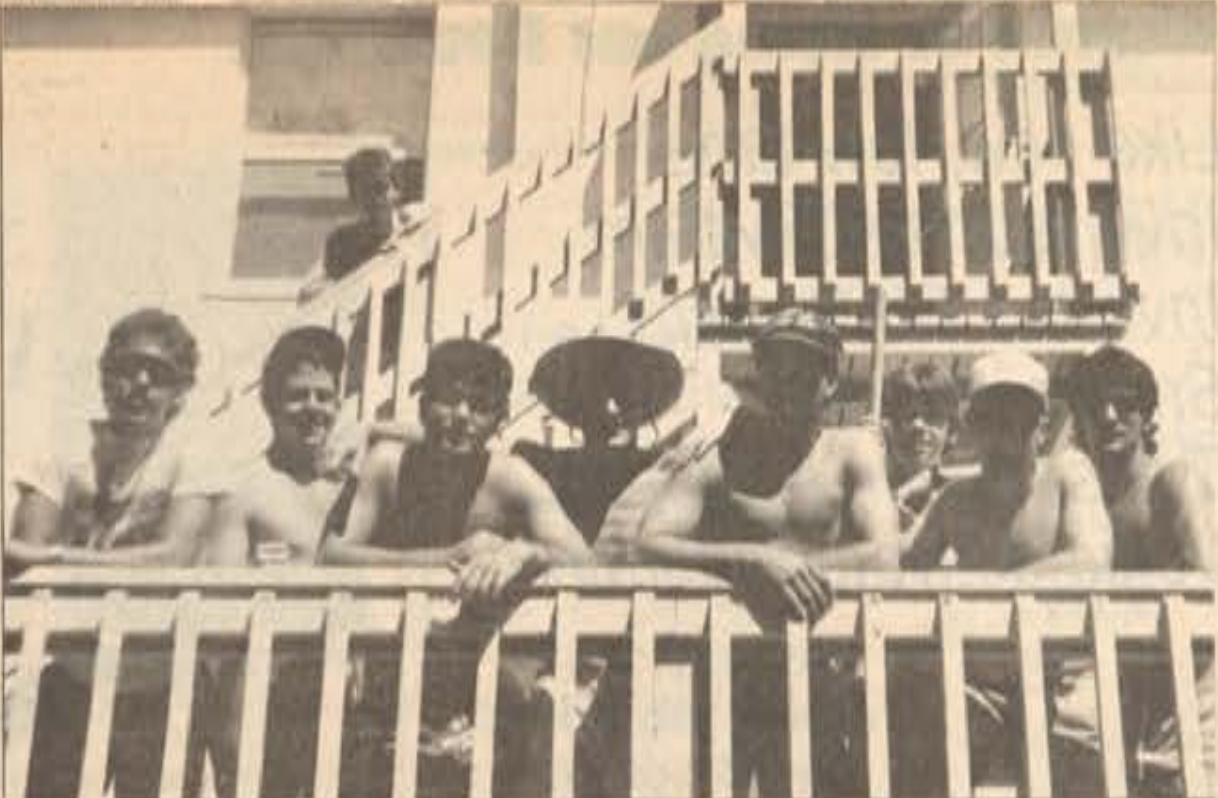
On the safety side, Adrian Haddad has been keeping the team's safety awareness up by weekly asking questions about preflight and in-flight problems.

Good luck to those competitors waiting for cuts! Keep team spirits high we need the motivation!

proceeds will be going to the Conklin Center. Pick up your team registration forms in the recreation office.

This Friday is the Softball marathon, come out and play and support the team. The marathon is being held for the March of Dimes and is being run by IFC.

Associate Members, Brother's vote is right around the corner. Get to know all the Brothers and keep your eyes and ears open. Don't just let your presence be known, but let it be felt. This week's word of wisdom: excel/dic'sel/verb, to rise, project; vt: surpass in accomplishment or achievement.



Taking a break...
The Sigma Chi fraternity Brothers were seen taking a break after working hard cleaning up after one of their parties Saturday night.

Sigma Chi celebrates 19 years on campus with birthday bash

by Robert R. Pacheco
Clubs Writer

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO US! The Eta Iota chapter celebrated its 19th birthday on March 6 with a keg of Hakashuro and some American Beer to help it down. But the real festivities begin today and culminate on Saturday the 17 at the party.

Our thanks to John Belleau and his assistants who have planned for this B-Day to be one of the best.

The past two weekends at Sigma Chi have been chock full of fun. The canoe trip was beyond compare our thanks to Rich Schooley for his contribution.

And of course the Hoe-Down was one for the record books, never have so few wanted so much from so many,

and gotten it.

Our thanks to Brother Bogdan and the U.C.F. chapter of Eta Pi for their assistance.

The Brothers are proud to say that we assisted Easter-seals in earning a majority of the \$60,000 that came from the raffle of a Harley Davidson during bike week; good job Brothers.

As mentioned earlier, B-Day is upon us, and dozens of our beloved Alumni Brothers are coming into town, to see the house improvements and share once more the awesome Brotherhood that is Sigma Chi.

So lets receive our Brothers with welcome hands and warm hearts as we always do.

SAA joins Space Coast alumni for graduate dinner

by Kelly Hall
Clubs Writer

The Space Coast Alumni Chapter held a dinner party February 10 for 1989 graduates. Representatives of the Student Alumni Association joined the alumni and their guests for the evening.

Al Martin, President of Rockwell International at KSC, was invited as guest speaker.

Mr. Martin was very informative and interesting. In his presentation, he complimented Embry-Riddle, citing the fact that the University combines the theoretical approach to learning with practical applications.

He also spoke about current and future plans for the Space Program. Plans are currently underway to develop a new brake system for the orbiter.

The new system will be composed of carbon which will be more energy absorbent and efficient. Drag chutes

will also be placed on the next orbiter Endeavor, which is in the process of construction, to further lessen stress and load factors during landings.

A new instrument panel is also being developed for the orbiter, one that will feature a glass panel and more sophisticated instruments.

Mr. Martin also talked about the Space Station that will be built in the 1990's.

To assure the return of the crew to earth, a back-up vehicle is being developed. Known as the ACR (Assured Crew Return) vehicle, it will be placed at the Space Station and be available for emergency use if something should go wrong with the orbiter.

The last development in the Space Program that Mr. Martin spoke about was the government's plans to begin purchasing equipment for the Space Program directly from the manufacturer rather than contracting out the work to manufacturers.

To assure the return of the crew to earth, a back-up vehicle known as the ACR is being developed.

Air Force ROTC cadets prepare for field training

by C/2LT Michael Hall
Clubs Writer

Preparation for Field Training (PFT) is an optional eight week program sponsored by the Air Force ROTC detachments to prepare their cadets for the rigors of summer Field Training.

Eight sessions are held on Saturday mornings and got underway this year on Jan. 27.

Only those cadets who plan to attend Field Training in the up and coming summer are allowed to attend. AFROTC uses Field Training as a tool to measure cadets' potential for becoming officers.

Since Field Training is very important for cadets, they need to give it their all in order to rank as high as possible among their peers.

Det. 157 believes its PFT program is one of the best. Our PFT staff consists of six dedicated cadets who all graduated with top honors at earlier

Field Training encampments.

The staff does a good job recreating the Field Training environment. Every session begins at 0500.

A typical day consists of approximately five hours of physical training and includes running, push-ups, sit-ups, and much more.

Generally, one or two hours are used to teach the cadets something new about camp.

The rest of the day is dedicated to parade practice, briefing and various athletic events that the cadets will have to participate in at Field Training.

The PFT staff believes this high level of training will give Det. 157 cadets an advantage over other cadets. PFT works.

Previous classes from Det. 157 have graduated from Field Training with a high success rate, and we believe this tradition will continue.

ODK speaker a former Pan Am captain

by Michael Rouse
Clubs Writer

Omicron Delta Kappa announces Kimball J. Scribner, Trustee Emeritus of Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, as guest speaker March 20, 1990 at 8:30 p.m. in the John Paul Riddle Student Center.

Captain Scribner, Pan American World Airways Master Pilot and Chief Pilot, retired in 1977.

He had 46 years of flying experience--over 36 years with Pan American, and 35 years as a Captain.

He flew the first Boeing Stratocruiser to South America. He was Captain of the first U.S. Transport--a Boeing 707, to fly into Moscow, Russia, he flew the first Jet Transport to Johannesburg, Africa. In 1970 he was one of the first to fly the Boeing 747, and flew the inaugural flight of the Boeing 747--New York to Paris. Captain Scribner's flying time with Pan America exceeds an impressive 27,000 hours.

Captain Scribner has been inducted into the Aviation Hall of Fame by the OX-5 Aviation Pioneers, October 1978.

He invented and tested the first steerable parachute. His accomplishments are endless. Omicron Delta Kappa would like you to share in Captain Scribner's experiences and achievements.

Captain Scribner has just completed his autobiography entitled: "Adventures in Aviation" which will be available to Embry-Riddle students at the end of the Spring semester.

Lambda Chi Alpha visits Tomoka Farms for fun

by Andrew "Swifty" Soares
Clubs Writer

Last Saturday, the Brothers and Associate Members went over to Tomoka Farms for a night of fraternity education and good times.

Thanks goes to Brothers Chip, Steve Paik, and Bentley for setting the event up.

Coming up on March 24, will be Lambda Chi Alpha's first annual Charity Volleyball Tournament for the Conklin Center for the Multihandicapped Blind.

There will be prizes given to the 1st through 3rd place teams in this double elimination play tournament. All

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Chess Club holds tournament

by Ben Brennan
Club Writer

A four-round tournament will be held on Saturday, March 24 from 0900 to 1400 in the Landing Strip Meeting Room. Pre-registration is \$3 until Wednesday, March 21 and registration at the door is \$5. For information on how to register, contact the Student Activities Office. For those interested in competitive play, it's not too late to enter our ladder tournament. Ranked

in the top position is Rajiv Gunasena, followed by Jarvis Blackshear and John Palmeri in the second place spot. The Chess Club also owns a Quad-rochess board. If you are interested in play quadrochess (4-way chess - a truly unique variation indeed), we will try to arrange bringing in the board for our next meetings. Our meetings are held every Tuesday in the Landing Strip Meeting Room at 1830. Call Ben Brennan at 257-3905.

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Eagles optimistic about Jamboree outlook

by Bill Miller
Sports Writer

The First Annual Baseball Jamboree continues tonight at 7pm when the Eagles Baseball Team play their second game of the tournament against the Cadets of Army.

This may not be the NCAA tournament but the Jamboree promises to deliver some exciting action. In addition to the games against Army, the Eagles will lock talons with Yale on Friday night, Colgate on Saturday afternoon, Yale again on Sunday afternoon, Wisconsin on Monday night, and Kean College on Tuesday night. The tournament concludes next week with the Eagles taking on Colgate on Wednesday night the 21st, and Cornell on Friday night the 23rd.

Head Coach John Filor is optimistic about his young squads' chances against some of the best teams in the country. In the last few games the Eagles have begun to display the talent and coherence of a unified team.

The Eagle hitters have awoken from their February slump, and the pitching staff finally recorded a complete game victory. The Eagles second victory of the season came on the road against Palm Beach Atlantic College on March 3rd. After losing their next game against district foe

Boca Raton, the Eagles returned home last Wednesday to face Flagler College. The game against Flagler was the most impressive game that the Eagles have manufactured.

Manufactured is the best adjective to describe the game. The contest was a cat and dog fight the whole game with neither team able to establish the upper hand. Starting pitcher Chuck Smith looked a little shaky in the first couple of innings but improved steadily. After five innings the game was tied at 3-3. After Chuck retired the Flagler team in order in the top of the seventh, the Eagles began to manufacture some runs. In the bottom of the seventh inning the Eagles took their first lead of the game.

Robbie Brown's RBI single gave the Eagles a 4-3 advantage. In the same innings, the Skillern brothers made their presence felt. Both Scott and Sean Skillern were able to reach base which set the stage for Third Baseman Bryan Rackard's 2 RBI triple. Bryan's triple, which increased the Eagle advantage to 6-3, proved to be the eventual game winner.

Neither team was able to score in the eighth in-

ning, but that was not the case in the top of the ninth. The Flagler team mounted an impressive comeback, highlighted by a titanic two run homerun blast.

After the homerun, it looked like the Eagles would once again be the victims of a heartbreaking loss. Thankfully Chuck Smith was able to recover and keep the tying run from crossing the plate. This victory was especially satisfying for Chuck because he was finally rewarded for his outstanding pitching efforts after tossing the complete game.

As of Friday's double header against Widener College the Eagles improved their overall record to a respectable 3 wins against only 8 losses. The Eagles desperately need fan support as they start the hardest part of their schedule.

At press time it looks as if the Major Baseball League Opening Day is in jeopardy, with no resolution in sight. If the students of Embry-Riddle want to witness some of the best college baseball action in the country, then their attendance at Jackie Robinson

Ball Park is required. The First Annual Baseball Jamboree is an event that the Embry-Riddle Community can be proud of and is also an excellent opportunity to see your Sports Activity at work. See you at the Ball Park.

The Eagle hitters have awoken from their February slump...

The Eagles desperately need fan support as they start the hardest part of their schedule.

West Side Story

by Steve Slyker
Special to the Avion

Hello, all of you Embry-Riddle sports fans! My name is Steve Slyker and I am a student at the University of California, Santa Barbara. With the wonders of modern technology, this article was sent over a modem from a Macintosh in my apartment in Santa Barbara to the Avion in Daytona Beach.

I look forward to serving as a guest columnist each week for the next several months. My plan is to, in each column, give a brief view of the past weeks goings on in the world of college and professional sports.

My goal is that after reading my column, you will have the minimal sports literacy that I believe a person should have; when you are at a party or in conversation, you can talk about the X's and the O's, the slam dunks, the pennant races and everything in between.

Before I start, I'd like to say that I am an avid sports enthusiast and tend to have an opinion on most every topic that comes up. I will try to keep the overblown convictions to a minimum, but my views - though they may jump out at you - will not bite.

Lastly, I would appreciate any kind of feedback on what I present. Being out of touch physically with the campus isolates me from what you think of the column and I welcome suggestions and/or criticisms.

I will also have a trivia question weekly and the answer will be at the end of the column. This week's question will jog the boxing fan's memory. Muhammed Ali, in 1981, fought in his last professional fight and lost it in a split decision. Who was his opponent and winner of the fight?

And now, the meat and potatoes. Major league baseball is going through yet another labor dispute and the start of the season has

been postponed at least 5 days and will possibly be pushed back farther. The main issue that continues to be a thorn in the side of the negotiations is arbitration.

Arbitration in baseball occurs when a player and a team cannot come to agreement on a contract and the player exercises his right, as stated in the Major League Rules, to seek a neutral third party whose decision is binding. What the players want is the option of arbitration to become available sooner for players than what is now the status quo, that being at least 4 years experience in the major leagues.

The arguments are likely to go on for the next few weeks and our nation's pastime continues to suffer as the boys of summer are denied the opportunity to play ball. The sentimental baseball fan should also note that this certain abbreviation of the season will likely

jeopardize Wade Boggs' quest for 8 straight 200 hit seasons which would tie the record set by Willie Keeler. Another American Leaguer, Rickey Henderson, will

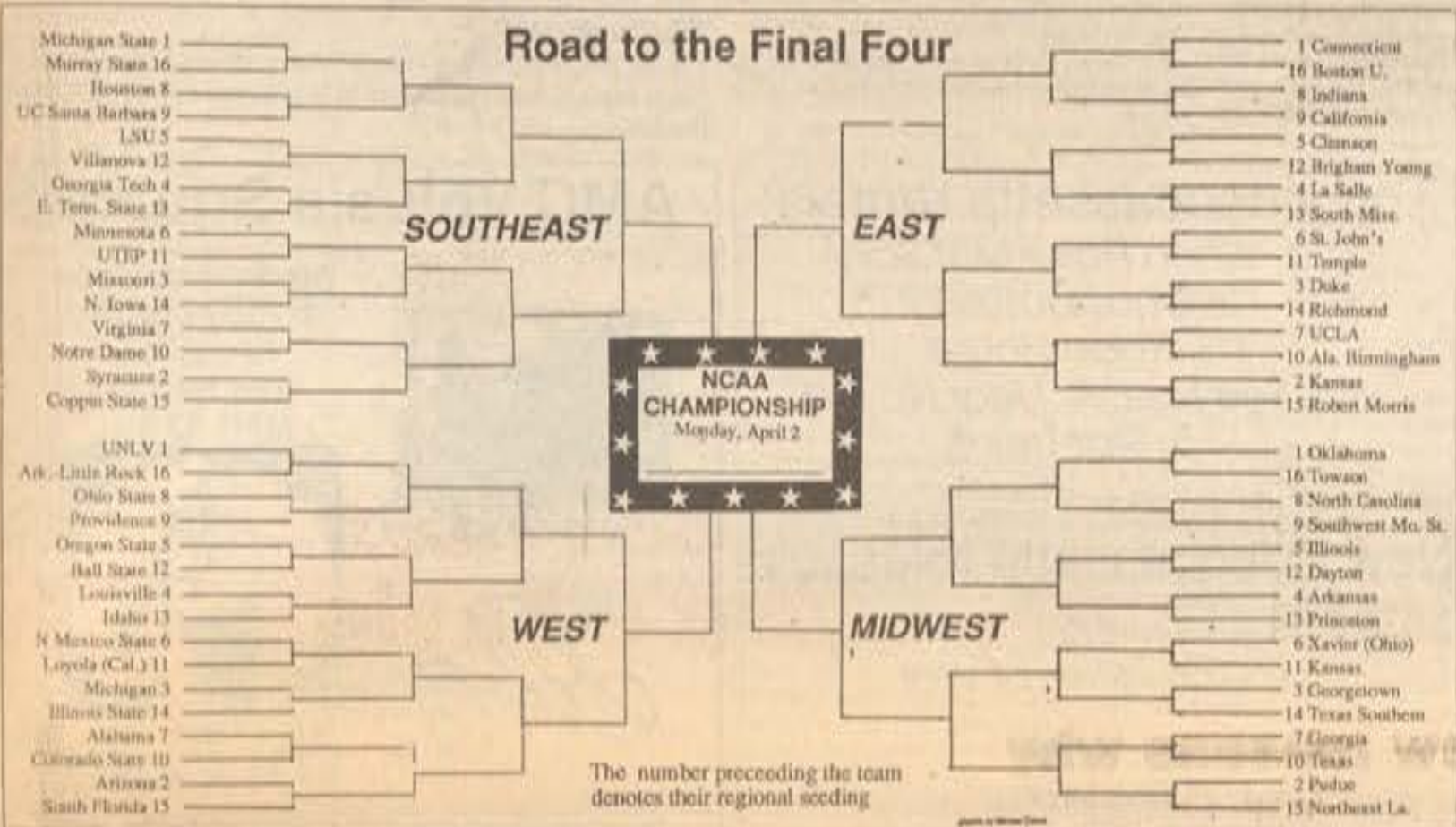
vie for Lou Brock's stolen base record total of 939 and with Oakland's quickest thief nodding 68 thefts to catch Brock, every game will be critical if he wants to accomplish the feat in 1990.

Its March, and what that means for obsessed hoopaholics all around the nation is none other than the beginning of collegiate basketball's version of Russian roulette; the NCAA men's basketball tournament.

If you have ESPN on your cable TV menu, you will be able to enjoy complete coverage of all the action. It's a daunting challenge for the all-sports network to televise every game, but with the brilliant work of excitable color announcers like Dick Vitale and Bill Raftery, it

should be a smooth ride to the Final Four which will be hosted by me. see Slyker, page A71

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Dear Mom,
I did not know what to expect from the convention. It is the first time I have been to one of these things. From talking to past staff members who went to conventions, there seemed to be mixed reactions. Never the less, I was excited.

I set my alarm clock to go off at five, but I woke up before that. The next thing I knew, I was in the back seat of some one's car being tossed back and forth through Orlando traffic to go to the airport on time.

The plane trip cross-country was fun if you do not mind four hour lay overs in Denver. Once we arrived in San Francisco, I grabbed my luggage and was whisked away to the hotel.

On the ride over to the hotel I noticed some distinct differences between California and Florida. Being a Florida resident I am not used to all the hills. Some buildings and streets are on inclines as much as 45 degrees.

Another thing I noticed were these signs all over the place, saying how everyone in the vicinity could die of cancer and their children could have birth defects because of chemicals. It was a fright because about the only place I saw these signs was in restaurants, the hotel, and the airport.

I was fortunate enough to be staying in a hotel that was one block away from the Hard Rock Cafe of San Francisco. I went there twice while I was in San Francisco. There were guitars from people such as Danny Elfman of Oingo Boingo, to people such as Neal Schon of Journey and Bad English.

San Francisco is a real city in every aspect of the word city. It has everything from tall buildings to several forms of mass transportation. If you do not

have a car, (which was my situation), you do everything from hailing a taxi, to taking a cable car ride. The cable cars cost two dollars for a two hour interval. At first I thought this was pretty steep, but is really one of the best bargains you get. By taking the cable cars, you can see just about the whole city.

One of the noticeable things about this community was the people. Like many cities in the U.S., several different cultures exist, but in harmony. There is of course the Chinese community, but there are many other ones in this city.

I was impressed by the hippie community near the corner of Haight and Ashbury. This area is

The majority of collegiate journalists are of the female gender.

flooded by little cafes, restaurants, and record stores.

This area was the free love center of the universe during the sixties, but now seems to be an outlet for tourism. However there still are many elements of radicalism. Our group was asked to sign a petition against the government's involvement in the election in Nicaragua.

One of the things I noticed at the journalism convention was that the majority of collegiate journalists are of the female gender. This, of course, is very exciting to someone who goes to a university where the male to female ratio is eight to one. So, on a Saturday night, a friend and I took these girls from Utah out dancing at a club, not so different

from some of the clubs here in Daytona. Unfortunately, after only 20 minutes, the girls wanted to leave. We spent 10 bucks each to get in.

One of the most interesting things that I saw in San Francisco was how the city had recovered from the Earthquake. There really were not that many visible indications that anything had happened there. The thing that I did see that caught my eye was the double decker highway. The Bay Bridge has been open for some time now, but the highway is still closed.

My favorite place in the city was Fishermans Wharf. It combined dining on fresh seafood along with an excellent view of the bay. You can get a ride over to Alcatraz for a mere 15 dollars. I opted for the 25 cent binoculars. You can also get a good look at the Golden Gate Bridge, and it is truly something to look at, especially at night.

The weather in California is different from the weather in Tampa. It does not creep up on you unexpectedly like it does in Tampa. However, they do get temperature inversions which cause that smog we always hear about.

All in all, I enjoyed the convention a great deal. I learned many things about Journalism, and the city of San Francisco. Everyone says, "Why would anyone live there?" I can see now why someone would live there. I would like to live there some day. However, I will not go driving on the double decker highways.

Love and Airplanes,
David Fekke.
P.S. I never got to go down Lombard street, but maybe sometime in the near future I will be able to go back.



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Haight and Ashbury is the cultural center of the San Francisco area. It was the capitol of the Hippie movement during the 60's.

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Add/Drop

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have pre-registered are allowed to change their class schedule any time during office hours 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. daily, right up to the actual registration time for that semester, except during the week of final examinations. Many students already take advantage of this process.

Registration: Depending upon the semester/term, registration is a one, two, or three day process immediately preceding the first day of classes. This process is primarily to accommodate new incoming students, transfers, and freshmen, and also for continuing students who did not take advantage of pre-registration. The average time to

process a registration varies from two and one half minutes at the beginning of the period to slightly more than five minutes near the end when more sections are closed.

Add/Drop: In order to avoid students standing in line for hours (as in the past), an appointment system was implemented in 1987. Appointments are issued on a first come, first served, basis at 7:30 a.m. in the student center on the first day of add/drop. Signs are posted, and advance communication is given, as to what time appointments will be issued. Many students do prefer to arrive early and wait in line for several hours on the somewhat shaky

assumption that by being early they will improve their chances of getting a particular class choice. This is not necessarily true, since if a section is full, the only way the student can get into that section is when a student already registered for the section decides to drop it. Appointments are scheduled at a rate of one hundred to be processed each hour, and additional appointments are issued throughout the add/drop process.

Another new process from the task force began Fall 1989 which allows students in academic difficulty, (warning and probation) to complete their required add/drop process during the day of

activation, thereby allowing them to attend all classes on the first day. Most department chairs are unavailable at the area of add/drop due to classes being in progress, but representatives from the mathematics and humanities departments are available at the student center to accommodate student requests.

The writer of the editorial addresses "Touch-tone telephone registration systems." The administration has seriously looked at several systems, and has decided to defer purchase of a system at this time. Although they are quite expensive, this was not the main reason for the decision. A number

of schools that already have these systems were contacted and, in general, they are only able to use touch-tone registration during their pre-registration process, and have experienced problems during registration and add/drop. Most of these systems are designed for campuses of 10,000 students or more and the size of our residential campuses does not warrant purchasing such a system for pre-registration.

Also suggested in the editorial was assigning a specific date and time for each pre-registered student to add/drop. This would be extremely difficult as it cannot be known in advance which students

will need to add/drop. Less than 25% of all enrolled students participate in add/drop. Also, how could individual appointments be assigned to students who just attended registration?

The university is constantly looking for ways to improve student academic services. It is believed that the computerized wait list program, and continuous add/drop process will reduce the frustrations associated with add/drop considerably, but the administration always welcomes students to come forth with their ideas.

Norman J. Clark
University Registrar

Slyker

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city of Denver this year. As always, there is a great amount of speculation as to which teams will be chosen to fill the coveted 64 spots in the tournament. The general barometer that goes into selection is the 20 win plateau, as well as the strength of schedule.

In looking at the state of Florida's chances of getting a participant in the tournament, it is a very dubious proposition. The University of Miami, the University of Florida, and Florida State all have sub-500 records and South Florida is 17-10 in the Sun Belt Conference- not known for its basketball powerhouses.

Excuse my hopping on the band wagon, but UCSB, my school, is 20-7 and upset #2 UNLV a week ago in a game that was nationally televised. We are definitely on the "bubble" and the selections will be announced in less than a week, so we Gaucho fans are keeping our fingers crossed. As of Saturday, March 3rd, the NBA's leaders were the L.A. Lakers in the Pacific Division, the Utah Jazz in the Midwest, the New York Knicks in

the Atlantic and the defending world champion Detroit Pistons top the Central Division.

In the NHL, the Calgary Flames, Chicago Black Hawks, New York Rangers, and Boston Bruins all lead their respective divisions.

The NCAA's #1 basketball team is Kansas, but that will surely change on March 5th, when the new rankings come out. Who will be #1? Well, how about Oklahoma? They only beat the #1 Kansas Jayhawks last week and then soared past the #2 Missouri Tigers less than 48 hours later.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: Dick Vitale, when asked the biggest surprise of his life: "When my wife said 'I do.'"

SHOCK OF THE WEEK: All-American standout and a sure-to-be NBA lottery pick Hank Gathers collapsing on the floor 6 minutes into a WCAC semifinal game in Los Angeles and subsequently dying in the emergency room afterward. **TRIVIA ANSWER:** Trevor Berbick

Aerobatic

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ing and sales. That line of thinking has held up throughout the years, and currently, spins are only required for a flight instructor rating.

McDuffee however did say, "The only thing that I would support is the opportunity for an elective course to be offered only to students who have completed the entire basic flight training program."

Supporting Doten in his cause is Michael Polen, the President of the Aerobatic Club. Polen, a flight instructor who has logged more than 250 hours in aerobatics, feels especially strong about having flight instructors receive aerobatic training. "It is best to learn aerobatics from an experienced instructor rather than your primary flight students," said Polen.

He continued by saying, "Aerobatic training has several spin-off benefits, not the least of which is the confidence to comfortably fly an aircraft under duress. Whether you are facing mechanical or environmental threats, being able to keep your cool in an emergency can easily make the difference between success and failure."

Polen's goals for aerobatics at the University are exten-

sive, and include basic aerobatics for commercial certification, such as spins, loops, and rolls, more advanced maneuvers in flight instructor training, and a senior level elective in aerobatics tailored to each student according to skill level, interest, and previous experience.

Doten does not seem to be that enthusiastic though, saying, "I don't feel that you really need to have a full aerobatic course to achieve the level of comfort that I think you need to be an aviator in today's crowded skies."

Because aerobatic training in any form has not even reached the planning stage yet at ERAU, Doten said, "The first step probably for this campus is to get the flight faculty more amenable to looking seriously at this kind of proposal, and the second step is probably in the hands of the general manufacturers of this country. And that is to provide an airplane that we can operate safely and efficiently in this role, or we'll have to buy from overseas."

The aircraft currently fulfilling that requirement the best appears to be Mudry Aviation's Cap 10B, a French built high performance, single engine, low wing aircraft designed in the late 50's as a primary flight trainer for the French Air Force. Costing about \$118,000 a copy, the plane seats two, side by side, with 180 hp under the cowling, and is stressed to +6 & -4.5 G's.

Serve

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Through serving and working in the SGA, Maxine Kilgore and Scott O'Brien know what it takes to be President and Vice President. As Maxine observed "With the students help we can get things accomplished, they just need to come and see us in the SGA office."

Goals

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deal with people and standing up for what they believe in."

Some goals of this team are to increase the amount of communication between the SGA and the student body, primarily through articles in the Avion. Not being involved with the SGA before has not diminished these two candidates drive for serving the students of ERAU.

Bringing in new views and expertise to the elections, Matt commented that "Rather than making a bunch of empty campaign promises, we will simply promise to work hard for you."

Caution

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congress of Communist Party deputies Monday in Moscow, but gave no indication he plans any action to prevent Lithuania from seceding. The Solidarity-led government in Poland expressed hope Monday that neighboring Lithuania would be able to achieve statehood in a peaceful way.

"The Polish government supports nations' self-determination, including self-determination leading to separate statehood," government spokeswoman Malgorzata Niezabitowska

said in a statement on the nightly news.

Earlier Monday, Solidarity leader Lech Walesa expressed his joy at the decision in a message sent to Vytautas Lansbergis, Lithuania's new president, adding that he hoped the process of separation would be peaceful.

Historical links between Lithuania and Poland date to 1386, when the Lithuanian ruler Jagiello married a Polish princess. The Jagiellonian dynasty ruled until 1569, when the two nations joined in a commonwealth that lasted until Russia took over in 1795.

Members of the Lithuanian com-

munity in the Polish town of Pusk, which lies near the border, put up Lithuanian and Polish flags after watching the independence declaration on television, the state news agency PAP reported.

"The Italian government, which has never recognized the annexation of Lithuania by the Soviet Union, salutes the declaration of independence," Foreign Ministry spokesman Giovanni Castellaneta said in a statement.

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