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Airlines expect turbulent times with recession

Reno, Nev. (AP) - The airline industry is in serious trouble and needs the help of the government, says the chairman and chief executive officer of America West Airlines.

In a speech to local business leaders Friday, Edward R. Beauvais of Phoenix, Ariz., said the federal government should take steps to ensure that competition and service remain strong.

"The issue is serious and the staying power in the industry is being tested," Beauvais said. "Something is seriously wrong in our industry."

Faced with war, recession and high fuel prices, several airlines could face major cutbacks in the near future, he said.

Among other things, he called on the government to consider disaster relief to help the industry through tough economic times. He offered no specific aid proposals, however.

Beauvais also called for the elimination of monopolies on computer reservation systems that allow some airlines to "hammer others into submission," violating anti-trust laws.

And he urged the government to ease restrictions on domestic access to the busiest airports, a process some say gives certain carriers an advantage.

America West lost \$56 million in the last quarter of 1990, while the industry as a whole lost \$5 billion over the same period.

But Beauvais predicted America West would survive, thanks in part to increased revenue generated by its recent half-price fare sale to all its domestic locations.

"... We are bottoming out," he said. "Good times will be here toward the end of 1991," especially if the Gulf War ends and the economy rebounds.

Friday's business luncheon was organized by a local air service task force.



Endangered...
More airlines are facing the same problems that caused the demise of Eastern.



Racing with the wind...
Coordinated effort paid off this past weekend for members of the Embry-Riddle Sailing Team.

ERAU Sailing Team sails to national title

by Kelli Young
Special to The Avion

On Saturday morning, December 1, three members of ERAU Sailing Team set out toward Lake Monroe for the Red Lobster Cup.

572 boats were present for this national event.

Sacha Fecchio, Rob Jankowiak and Robbie Feeny sailed to an unexpected first in their class taking home the Ocean Breeze 18' National Title.

This hard earned title was only taken by beating both Rollins College entry's and the boat designer, Larry Landrigan.

This team of three men from the Embry-Riddle WSSC show a wide representation of Embry-Riddle talent. Sacha Fecchio, an AMT/Flight student skippered the Ocean Breeze 18 to three firsts and two seconds. Robbie Feeny, a flight

student, handled start times and sail trim. Rob Jankowiak, an avionics student, ran the foredeck.

The last race of the first day their boat was broadsided by a Hunter 23. Competition was incredible, a battle to the finish line in every race.

The second day was filled with repairing the boat and winning to place first overall in their class.

The Sailing Team is getting ready for the Spring Semester Intercollegiate regattas. Teams with whom they will compete are University of Florida, Georgia Tech, Clemson, and the Naval Academy.

The team is looking good and is working on a National ranking. The team would also like to get a crew together to race in the offshore Swan 441 with the local yacht clubs.

Competition was incredible, a battle to the finish line in every race...

Softball field sees needed renovations

by Keith Towers
Sports Editor

As intramural programs continue to grow at Embry Riddle, it is increasingly obvious that some changes must be made to accommodate all athletes that want to compete.

The first renovations to be made are the softball field and volleyball courts. Construction began on Monday, February 4 with the digging up of the top soil on the softball field. Loads of fill have since been dumped in various locations about the campus.

Future plans are to use the fill on other projects, but for now the fill is turning medians into mountains.

According to J.B. Caldwell, Recreation Director, the initial reason for the construction was "drainage problems." Now, however, since the University has lost the use of the airport fields it is even more imperative that the construction be performed.

For drainage improvement, a grade from home plate will slope toward the retention pit behind the field. Quicker drainage will allow many more games and events to be

completed. The field will not be soggy for long after any rain, therefore sharply reducing the number of cancellations.

The surface of the field will be a high grade of grass called Tifton 419 which is a very plush type of Bermuda grass. This will alleviate all problems of potholes that filled the outfield before renovation.

Also, the infield will be refurbished with new clay being brought in. The volleyball courts will get some much needed improvement also. One big sand pit will be put in instead of four separate ones. This will help to minimize the number of sand spurs that are in the sand and have been such a nuisance in the past.

There will still be four courts, but they will all be interconnected. The volleyball courts will also have new nets installed which have been worn down over many years of use.

Scheduled completion is for April 1, and if all goes well may be done earlier. Some softball intramural games may be played on the field if it is completed early enough, but right now the recreation department is not counting on it.

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Facelift...
Renovations to end drainage problems that have plagued the softball field are progressing.

Mission specialist encourages next generation astronauts

by Roland Houle
Space Technology Writer

Last Wednesday, David Leestma gave an entertaining and very informative speech about his life as a NASA astronaut. The Student Center was filled with interested students, faculty, and staff of the University as he narrated a slide show.

The slide show highlighted the training Leestma went through to become an astronaut and then highlights the two shuttle missions he has already flown on.

In 1971, Leestma graduated first in his class at the Naval Academy. Following this was one year of service at sea before he entered the U.S. Naval Postgraduate School for a masters degree in Aerospace Engineering. He then went through Naval pilot training and flew F-14's.

In 1980 he was selected as a NASA astronaut and four years later flew aboard Challenger on his first space flight. As a mission specialist, Leestma logged 3.5 hours of Extravehicular Activity during a

spacewalk to demonstrate the feasibility of actual satellite refueling.

Leestma's second journey into space was aboard Columbia in August, 1989. He again served as a mission specialist in a five day DOD classified mission.

The father of six is slated to fly aboard Atlantis in April of 1992. During this mission, the Atmospheric Laboratory for Applications and Sciences (ATLAS) will be used to measure long term variability of the total energy radiated by the sun and the variability in the solar spectrum.

Astronaut Leestma's slide show also went through a brief history of space flight. It went from the Wright Brothers to the Mercury missions to current day and then he went on to talk about the future, in particular, the Space Station Freedom.

According to Leestma, Space Station Freedom should be our first priority for our future. From here, lunar missions and later Mars missions could be started.

He stated that although a Mars mis-

sion is not an immediate goal, we should "visit Mars because we haven't done it before and by setting these goals, whether we get there or not, we will learn a great deal."

In addition, the presentation in-

cluded views of various earth based features from space. Some of these views were of Mount St. Helen's, the Persian Gulf, New York City, the Rockies, and the burning tropical rain forests.

The veteran astronaut expressed that only from space can man truly see the harm he is doing to this planet.

During a lengthy Question-and-Answer period after his slide presentation, Leestma answered questions about how to become an astronaut. He suggests that although there is no one "best path" to becoming an astronaut, degrees in Aerospace Engineering, the physical sciences, Mathematics, and Computer Science may help a potential candidate.

If piloting or commanding are the goals, military background is not mandatory, but it is an easier route to reaching the minimum NASA requirements.

Captain Leestma was brought to Embry-Riddle by the Air Science Department and the Student Government Association. Dr. Lance Erickson and Mr. Nick Simatos, faculty of the Air Science Department who worked to get the NASA astronaut, are instructing courses in Space Studies and hoped that the visit would ignite stu-

dent interest in the space program.

The Space Studies program offers four courses which includes the SP 200 course, Space and Planetary Exploration, being taught this semester. SP210, Space Transportation System will be included in the Summer A 1991 term, and the Fall 1991 term will bring SP215, Space Station Systems and Operations, as well as the popular AS110 course, Introduction to Space Flight (to be renamed in the SP series).

These courses are intended to become part of a larger selection of space courses leading to a possible minor in Aeronautical Science. Six other courses are in the approval stage at this time and more information on these future courses and the program will be available as the approval process is completed, if approved.

Questions on the present Space Studies program and courses can be found in the 1991-1992 catalog or by contacting Dr. Erickson, Mr. Simatos or the Department of Aeronautical Science.



In person...
NASA astronaut David C. Leestma was the guest speaker of the Aeronautical Science Department last Wednesday.

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Editorial

Reaccreditation stirs University

Many students are still unaware that Embury-Riddle is undergoing a Self-Study, an extensive evaluation of every aspect of the University. The Self-Study is being conducted by more than 25 committees of faculty, staff and students from throughout the University community. The Self-Study is a vital process this university must undergo every ten years to renew accreditation by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS). SACS is the organization responsible determining that accredited colleges and universities in the South meet or exceed specific criteria regarding educational quality, physical resources, financial dealings, University planning and the overall effectiveness of the University.



David Fekke
Production Editor

SACS Visiting Team when they come to visit the University for an on-site inspection in the Spring of 1992.

Once the team of peers from other SACS institutions analyzes the data received from the University, they will make their recommendations and suggestions concerning what the University needs to do to improve and to remain an effective institution.

Understanding and cooperation of all in the University community is very important to the reaccreditation process. Unfortunately there are some students who do not feel that being reaccredited is important to them. It is, in fact, very important to everyone attending the University, and those who have already graduated.

If a student graduates from a college that is not accredited, it is unlikely that this student would be accepted in graduate school, should he or she desire further study. Potential employers are naturally more impressed by a degree from an accredited University. Many scholarships and grants which aid the financial burden for students are awarded to students unless they are enrolled in an accredited institution.

If a university should lose its accreditation, history shows that the university suffers. Students are likely to leave, having lost faith in the institution.

These are the reasons why the Self-Study is so important. I believe that the Self-Study should be an ongoing process, whether SACS is expecting a report or not. If the University adopts a policy of regular self-examination, it would best serve the interests of all students, faculty, and administrators.

I am the Student Representative on the Self-Study Steering Committee. The best way that students can help in this process is either ask for information or send comments and suggestions to mailbox number 3546.

Letters to the Editor

I am Perplexed

To the Editor:

Why isn't anyone screaming about those lacrosse players who are using our cars as a backboard for their practices? I realize that field space is limited here and I'm very much for the sports programs here on campus, but someone has got to tell those guys to have some respect for other people's property. I'm talking about the field behind the library and the cars that park legally along the side of that road. They could at least do their practice lengthwise on the field. I know how good our lacrosse team is, but I can't believe they never miss.

Name withheld
Box 6629

Mr. Heasley seems very interested in maximizing the services the lab offers. The lab now adopts the policy of computer use by all students. This opens the computers to creative endeavors by students to further diversify their study with wide arrays of software.

Recently, I have spoken to Mr. Heasley about installing a database program in the lab for student use. Presently, Lotus 1-2-3 is offered in the lab, however, Lotus provides only beginning database functions. I am now working with Mr. Heasley to provide a database program for more complex applications. One such application currently under development is to provide on-line access to permanent job opportunity announcements from the Career Center. Overall, the growth and changes of the computer lab are encouraging.

John Luke
Box 7089

PC lab improves

To the Editor:

The computer lab in "C" building has made great strides toward improving its services since last year. Mr. Ron Heasley, the new Director of Academic Computing is working hard toward making the computer lab a great place to study.

The removal of the terminal at the entrance has quickened the pace students enter the lab. By decreasing congestion of lines near the entrance, students are unrestricted in walking in and out. A new network has been installed at the lab as well. This was provided by a grant from Novell and university efforts. The new network is more versatile, easy to use and has more software than ever before. WordPerfect is a great program which the lab has recently added.



Arab oil is cheaper than all others

Much has been said recently about American oil companies and how their greed has caused America to import cheap Arab oil rather than using America's oil resources. As college students who all must take economics, we should all realize the half-truths that these statements treat as true.

Arab oil is cheap. It is cheap because there is more of it, it is closer to the surface, and it is under sand instead of rock.

The oil companies, in what could be called greed, scavenge the globe looking for the cheapest possible oil. If we want to stop buying Arab oil, gas prices are going to go up at least 75%. People seem to think of oil the same way they think about toilet paper. Every sheet costs about the same no matter where it is purchased. This is not the case, however. There are different brands of toilet paper and of oil.

harsh conditions and sent through miles of pipelines. English North Sea Brent must be pumped from remote oil platforms in the North Sea. Storms ravage these facilities, helicopters are needed to transport personnel and wages are high to those willing to work there.

The simple fact is that it costs more money to get our oil out of the ground. Not only is Arab oil cheap, it is so cheap that it can be purchased, put on a tanker and moved halfway around the earth for less than it would cost to



Joe Cambron
Data Tech Editor

dig up a gallon of oil in Texas. Anyone who thinks that oil companies would pay a penny more for oil than they must can not honestly say they are greedy.

America imports cheap Arab oil because of our greed, not because of their greed. The enemy is within us. America has the cheapest gasoline prices in the Western world. A gallon bottle of good spring water costs more than a gallon of gasoline. Yet, every time gas prices go up, we complain. In Europe, oil costs as much as five times what it costs here.

Another thing people seem to forget about these days is the current price of gas relative to the decrease in prices. Everyone should be aware that gas taxes went up a nickel a gallon over the last couple of months, raising gas taxes to near thirty cents per gallon, or 25% of its cost.

Finally, oil company profits have also been under fire lately. They go up, along with prices. A tax being introduced in Congress would take their profits to help pay for the Gulf War. Even with a 100% tax on all their profits, it would barely pay for just the Tomahawk Cruise Missiles that have been fired so far in the war.

Basically, if America is going to support itself in the area of oil, sacrifices will have to be made. Economy cars should be bought, environmentalists will have to relax drilling rules, and we all will have to pay three or four dollars a gallon for gas. It is just a little too easy to blame everything on the "greedy" oil companies.

Student Forum

The Avion asks: Over half a million bikers are expected for bike week, how will you deal with it?



Joe Hesano
AMT

"It doesn't bother me. It's just a second spring break and the bikers are generally better than the spring breakers."



Garrett Sager
Aero. Eng.

"Stay away from beachside."



Mike Sanders
Air Science

"Doesn't bother me. I don't drive, so it's no big deal, but I won't go out as much."



Tad Boyce
Aero. Eng.

"Stay in my room!"



Todd Edds
Business Admin.

"I've been through it for three years, so I guess I'll try to avoid it. If you don't mess with them, they won't mess with you."



Kateri Krus
Air Science

"Avoid beachside I guess."

Fundamentalist church deaths blamed on the devil

Philadelphia (AP) - A pastor Sunday defended his church's reliance on prayer over medicine and urged parishioners to fight fear after four congregation children died in a measles epidemic.

"We're accused as a cult," the Rev. Charles Reinert told more than 100 people gathered at Faith Tabernacle Congregation, a fundamentalist Christian church.

"We're only following what God directed is his word," he said.

During his Sunday sermon, Reinert said there is "no fear when you can see God on your side."

Four children whose families belong to the north Philadelphia congregation have died this year of measles.

Measles is suspected in the death of a fifth child from another fundamentalist church, but the cause of death is unconfirmed.

An infant unconnected to either church also died of the disease in

January. Faith Tabernacle believes in divine healing and opposes all forms of medical care, including immunizations and medication.

Clayton Nixon, 8, from a Faith Tabernacle Congregation in Altoona, Pa., about 200 miles west of Philadelphia, died Jan. 6 of severe malnutrition and dehydration after his ear and sinus infection went untreated, doctors said.

Clayton's parents, Dennis and Lorie Nixon, the son and daughter-in-law of the Altoona church's pastor, were charged with involuntary manslaughter and endangering the welfare of children.

A message from the father of two girls who died of measles was among several read to the Philadelphia congregation Sunday morning.

"God has allowed the authorities to

be so considerate" toward the family, Wayne Johnson wrote in his note. "We believe that that glorifies God."

"We also thank God for our neighbors, who have not harassed or ridiculed us in any way."

Several other notes read at the service prayed for protection for families from authorities.

Later, Reinert said his congregation is handling the situation "very nicely."

"It's drawing us all together as one body," he said.

Since Thursday evening, teams from two hospitals and the city have gone door-to-door to examine children who belong to Faith Tabernacle and another fundamentalist congregation, First Century Gospel Church.

City officials have not condemned the families for their beliefs. But the city Sunday was granted a court order

to have one preschool-age child, whose family belongs to one of the two congregations, admitted to a hospital.

Deputy City Health Commissioner Robert Ross told a news conference that by Sunday night the teams had seen 447 children from 80 families and found 41 ill from measles.

Ross said 30 are recovering and 10 will receive daily home visits. A second child was hospitalized voluntarily. Most of the other children already have had measles and are fully recovered, he said.

During the service, Reinert cited biblical passages to support his church's opposition to medical treatment. "God does the healing," he said. "God's provision is to trust him and him alone."

He warned parishioners against fear.

"The devil has tried to put fear in people's hearts," Reinert said. He used the example of Job from the Bible to urge them to trust God.

"He was robbed of everything he had. He was smitten with sores," Reinert said. "As he went through that trial, he learned through it."

CDC epidemiologists are expected in Philadelphia this week to help the city Health Department investigate the epidemic.

Among the dead are two of Johnson's 12 children, Tina, 13, and Monica, 9.

Two other girls affiliated with the church - ages 9 and 11 - also died of measles.

In recent days, teams from two hospitals and the city have made door-to-door checks of children who belong to Faith Tabernacle and another fundamentalist congregation, First Century Gospel Church in north-

east Philadelphia.

As of Friday, city health officials said 145 cases of measles had been reported citywide this year. Assistant Health Commissioner Dr. Robert Sharrar said he believes the actual number is "somewhere between 300 and 500."

The last outbreak of measles in Philadelphia was in 1954, when it killed 10 people.

The advent of immunization programs and requirements that school children get shots curbed the disease, which is characterized by a rash and high fever.

Until the current epidemic, the city had just one measles death in 20 years. Rubella, sometimes known as German measles, is making a comeback in the United States, largely among young adults who were never vaccinated, the CDC said.

Ross said the outbreak in Philadelphia is not of German measles.

Quick News...

Ineligible students have gotten millions in college loans... (CPS)- There is so little control over federal college loan programs that the U.S. Department of Education and its predecessors have loaned more than \$100 million to ineligible students during the past 25 years, the General Accounting Office reported January 28.

"Critical internal controls" over the program "are missing," the GAO report concluded.

Legislators say no to letting women into VMI... (CPS)- A Virginia state Senate committee effectively killed a bill that would have forced Virginia Military Institute to admit women.

Committee Chairman Elmon Gray ruled the bill was out of order because of a pending lawsuit between the federal government and VMI, whose influential supporters in the state want to keep it open exclusively to males.

"Here we are in Saudi Arabia and one woman has already been taken as a prisoner of war," complained bill sponsor Senator Emilie Miller.

Committee members "don't see that this (refusal to change VMI's policy) is offensive to women."

Staffers Asked to donate pay to balance college's budget... (CPS)- Carlow College employees should donate one day's pay each month to help the school balance its budget, college official John Nodzelewski said January 28, adding the private women's college will also cut four faculty members and shorten library hours next semester.

Budgets unveiled elsewhere threatened to cut \$2.9 million from George Mason University in Virginia and \$3.3 million from the New Jersey Institute of Technology.

At the University of Maine system, officials breathed a sigh of relief that the state's proposed new budget would cut 2.25 percent from their coffers, meaning they would not have to impose a threatened tuition hike this month.

Protester voices concerns to President Bush

Kennebunkport, Maine (AP) - A man at a Sunday church service attended by President Bush stood and demanded the United States "stop this massacre, stop this bombing" of Iraq.

The man, who identified himself as Massachusetts lawyer John Schuchardt, was silenced only after police officers moved into the church and stood by his side. After a second outburst a half-hour later, he was dragged from the church.

Schuchardt was in the front pew of the First Congregational Church, about 20 feet away from Bush and his wife, Barbara. The Bushes sat stonily during the man's outbursts.

The incident began when Pastor Patricia Adams asked members of the congregation if they had any special concerns to express.

"We need to think of the 18 million people of Iraq, half of them are children under the age of 15 years old," Schuchardt stood and said. "We must think what it means to be

bombed every day by 2,000 planes and cruise missiles."

Adams thanked the man for his comments and urged him to sit down. But Schuchardt persisted, saying "the spirit of the Lord is upon me."

The congregation, in a spontaneous effort to stop Schuchardt's speech, rose and sang "God Bless America." But when they concluded, he began anew.

"This is the most vicious, immoral act," he said. "Stop this massacre; stop this bombing."

A man in the church rose and shouted: "This is not a political forum. This is a church of God. Get out of here."

As police were brought into the church, young children were ushered out so they would not witness the confrontation.

The president sat impassively during the episode, but occasionally looked behind him at other parishioners. After being quieted and sitting

silently for 30 minutes, Schuchardt arose near the end of the service.

"I have a word this morning," he said. "I am the voice for the voiceless, for those who cannot worship."

He went limp when police tried to remove him and then was dragged from the church shouting, "In the name of God, stop the bombing."

Bush appeared upset as he watched the man being removed.

But asked by reporters as he left the church if he was upset by the incident, Bush said, "Not in the least."

At the close of the service, the pastor said she wanted to "apologize for what happened, not only to our guests but to ourselves."

"We need to listen to everybody," she said. Schuchardt was taken to the York County jail in nearby Alfred, said Lt. Robert Sullivan.

He was booked there on a charge of disorderly conduct and held pending bail, said jail supervisor Steve Wilder. Bail was set at \$1,000 cash or \$5,000 surety. Arraignment was set for Tues-

day if he does not post bail, or April 4 if he does.

Schuchardt, 51, of Ipswich, Mass., was one of eight protesters convicted in 1981 of burglary, conspiracy and criminal mischief stemming from a 1980 incident at the General Electric Co. plant in King of Prussia, Pa. The protesters took hammers to the nose

cones of two Minuteman 3 nuclear missiles and poured blood on documents.

Police Det. Sgt. Gary Ronan said Schuchardt was affiliated with a group called House of Peace of Ipswich and that he had a "considerable history of arrests dating back 13 years" involving similar civil disobedience and disturbances.

About 60 people attended the service at the church, one of two the Bushes regularly attend when visiting their family vacation home here.

Outside the church, three anti-war protesters beat drums.

"This is the most vicious, immoral act, stop this massacre; stop this bombing."

John Schuchardt

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Student faces suspension after incident

by Malissa Wolfe
Campus News

A minimal quantity of an alleged illegal substance was found inside a student's room in Dorm 1 in the early morning hours of Sunday, January 27. A Resident Advisor was in the hall and detected an unusual odor coming from the room. After knocking on the door and finding no one there, the R.A. entered the room using a key and discovered a small quantity of what was believed to be an illegal substance.

The R.A. called Embry Riddle Security to confiscate the substance. Shortly after, the student, Shaun Mc-

Carthy, returned to his room where he was questioned about the substance. The Daytona Beach Police were

not called in to help out in the case but all confiscated goods were turned over to them.

Embry Riddle's *Student Handbook* states that it is unlawful to have the "knowledge of or being in the presence of the manufacture, use, possession or sale of narcotics, marijuana, sedatives, tranquilizers, drug paraphernalia,

stimulants, hallucinogens, and other similar non-prescribed agents drugs or chemicals. Having knowledge of the above or being present when a violation occurs constitutes equal

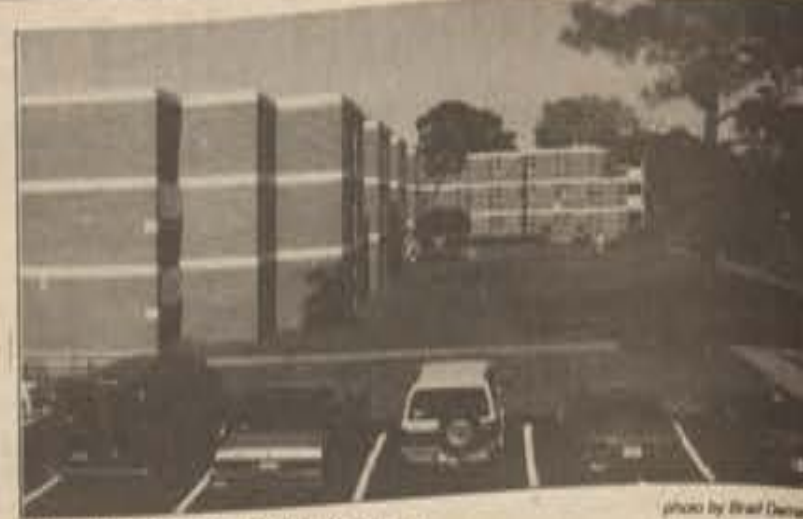
Any involvement with non-prescribed substances is considered dangerous and strictly forbidden by the F.A.A.

responsibility and involvement in the incident."

Any involvement with non-prescribed substances such as outlined above is considered dangerous

and strictly forbidden by the F.A.A. Any such involvement on or off campus is therefore strictly prohibited by Embry-Riddle. If a student is found responsible for such a violation, the minimum sanction he or she may expect to receive is suspension from the University.

The incident was an unfortunate part of college life. Students may decide what is more important, however: risking getting caught breaking a federal law and wasting dollars their parents paid for their education, or getting the best education possible by avoiding drugs, or 'staying clean.'



Smokin in the boy's room... An illegal substance was found in one of the dorm rooms in Dorm 1.

Self-Study report

Strategic planning at ERAU to be examined within Self-Study

by Phyllis A. Salmons
Self-Study Director

The SACS self-study process is intended to assist a member institution, such as Embry-Riddle, in evaluating its attainment of stated goals.

The purpose of self-study is the enhancement of the quality of the educational programs offered by accredited institutions.

One or more of the following desirable results may develop from the self-study: the examination of the institutional statement of purpose and, if necessary, a revision of that statement;

the reevaluation of institutional goals, both stated and implicit, and a reconsideration of these goals if they have proven unrealistic or impossible to achieve; the enhancement of educational effectiveness by developing a plan for the evaluation of educational results; the strengthening of the planning process resulting in a better system of ongoing institutional research, self-analysis, and self-improvement; a plan for the systematic evaluation of educational programs, faculty, educational support services, administrative processes, practices, services, and records; the systematic evaluation of all institutional policies, procedures, practices, services, and records; the identification of the strengths and weaknesses of the institution, resulting in recommendations for changes; and the assessment of the extent to which the institution meets or exceeds accreditation criteria.

Embry-Riddle has been acting on each of these items for some time. For example, recently a revised University Statement of Purpose was adopted by the Board of Trustees based on the recommendations of the Self-Study In-

stitutional Purpose Committee and the University Planning Committee.

All departments have reexamined their individual statements of purpose, internal and external constraints, and their strengths and weaknesses. Prioritized departmental goals and expected outcomes have been developed and strategies for improvement have been delineated.

The design for assessment of strategic plans is currently being developed in all academic and non-academic departments. Several departments are preparing assessment plans on an accelerated schedule to provide a model for others throughout the University.

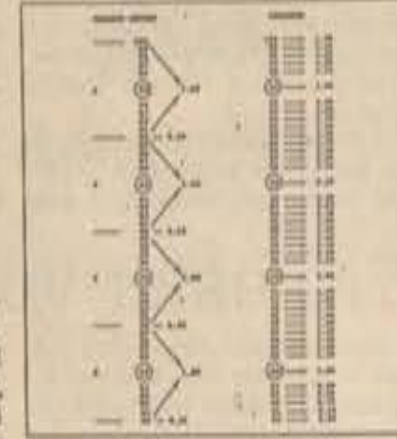
Academic departments, in addition to developing a departmental strategic plan, have also been documenting goals for major programs and will soon be expected to design strategies for assessment of those objectives.

It is important to realize that these planning efforts will continue after the self-study is completed. The University will, in fact, strive to improve the internal planning and evaluation system, incorporated at all levels of operation. Planning is therefore a continuous process rather than a periodic event.

An ongoing program of comprehensive self-evaluation will serve as a foundation for improving and institutionalizing the strategic planning process.

By requiring institutions to reassess goals as a part of the self-study, the intention of SACS is the development of a sense of cohesiveness among faculty, administration, staff and the student body by providing the opportunity for all segments to participate in planning.

It is important to realize that these planning efforts will continue after the self-study is completed.



Your ABC's...
ERAU faculty's proposal for a new grading scale.

by Roland Houle
Campus News Writer

Several Embry-Riddle faculty members support a proposed new grading system, which has been presented to the Academic Standards and Admissions Committee of the Faculty Senate. This system is designed to have the exact course grade rather than the usual system of letter grades as shown in the accompanying figure.

These professors would like to report grades to two or three significant digits because as Assistant Professor Paul Taylor states, "A final score of 92 is not the same as the student who earns an 85. This is the 'B' range for the AMT program."

Associate Professor John Britton, Avionics, submitted this quote and others to the Avion from various faculty members supporting the proposed grading system. Britton is

New grading scale proposed by faculty

eliminate the Russian roulette some students play with their grades, asking themselves, "do I bother to study for the final?"

In a letter to the Committee, M. Lee Britton, Principal of the DeLand High School states the following, "I am, admittedly, fascinated by the potential which this system has for giving students every possible point that they earn reflected in their actual grade. I believe he has an idea which may be

only good to today's world of accountability. This letter is to lead my support..."

Before this new grading system is enacted, it must first be approved by the Academic Standards and Admissions Committee of the Faculty Senate. Another problem that must be overcome before it can be enacted is that fact that the university's current computer system may not be capable of handling the exact digits. However, as Assoc. Prof. Ernest Kimor states, "There are so many software spread sheets and grading programs on the market that average the student's scores in percent and grade points that there would be no extra work submitting our grades."

"I am fascinated by the potential this system has for giving students every point that they earn."

M. Lee Britton

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Basketball team wins on the road

by Todd Hughes
A.P. News Editor

The Embry-Riddle Eagles made the most successful road trip in team history, this past weekend. The Eagles traveled to Miami to face Florida Memorial College and St. Thomas University, two teams among the leaders in the Florida Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (F.I.A.C.). The Eagles played two of their best games this season coming out on top in both contests.

Florida Memorial

The Eagles got off to a sluggish start falling behind by 15 points, which Coach Ridder attributed to the five hour bus ride and having to play almost immediately. But the Eagles got their act together and in the end came out on top.

The Eagles had to battle back from a nine point deficit with only nine minutes left in the game. The eagles had a 98-92 lead with 17 seconds left in the game when Florida Memorial hit a three pointer to cut the lead to just three, and called a time-out.

There was seven seconds left in the game and the Eagles had the lead and the ball, but then disaster struck. The Eagles turned the ball over but Florida Memorial's shot fell short and the Eagles pulled another one out, 98-95.

Tyrone Smith led all Eagles with 21 points hitting on 9 of 13 field goals and pulling down 6 rebounds. Jeff Moore led all players with 13 rebounds and added 19 points.

Owen Busch added 16 points to finish up the Eagles scoring leaders.

St. Thomas

The Eagles opened the second night of play in better form. The Eagles scored first and did not trail the rest of the evening. Although the Eagles did not trail and won 102-88 the game was close and could have went either way.

"The Eagles played one of their best games of the season," said Coach Ridder.

Tyrone Smith led all Eagle scorers for the second night in a row scoring 28 points and hauling down 7 rebounds. Owen Busch dished in 25 points hitting four three pointers and 8 of 13 field goals. Charles Davis added 15 points to be among the team leaders.

Pep Rally

"Explode With Eagle Spirit" Thursday night before the movie. A pep rally will be held in honor of the Eagles basketball team. The rally will begin at 8:00 p.m. in the University Center. A spirit contest will held to show support for the Eagles two final home games.

For those of you who do not know, the basketball team is 20-6 and tied for the lead in the F.I.A.C. and are almost guaranteed a play-off berth and chance at the district title. This has all come about in only the Eagles third season and after a 4-24 record last season.



Reach for the stars...
Davis and Smith have the rim covered.

photo by Rich Lutz

Basketball team wins with ease

by Javier E. Velez
Sports Writer

Trinity Baptist

After their loss against Webber, the Embry-Riddle basketball team was winning the game against Trinity Baptist College, but for a moment one could get the impression that the Eagles were not ready for this game.

Behind this argument is the fact that the Eagles looked without energy and without a will to win the game.

The first few minutes the Eagles looked sloppy, discouraged, and disappointed.

There were turnovers, missed passes and above all, missed shots. However, it turned around right after Coach Steve Ridder asked for a time out. Suddenly the Eagles started to make good shots and scoring points.

Also, the Eagles stop the opponents three point attack, which at the beginning was the strong armament of the opponent.

There were blocked shots by Tyrone Smith (50), Trent Kowalski (44), Derek Durbin (10) and Thomas Fagley (3).

There were numerous of 3-pointers by Owen Bush (33) and Charles Davis (22).

Three slam dunks by Tyrone Smith (50), Charles Davis (22), and an incredible two hand dunk by Mark Ingemi (30) which all got the crowd on their feet.

There were stolen balls created by the press for Derek Durbin (10) and Richie Helton (40). All of this lifted the self confidence of the team.

At every point in the game, the Eagles took advantage of turnovers and missed shots by the opponents.

The Eagles ended the first half with an outstanding lead of 16 points with the score 56-40.

The second half was no different than the first half. The Eagles missed very few foul shots and controlled the boards by grabbing almost every rebound.

Trinity Baptist tried everything to stop the Eagles, but nothing worked. This game was another win for the Eagles 121-83.

Tyrone Smith named Player of the Week

by Keith Towers
Sports Editor

Tyrone Smith, of ERAU basketball fame, is the first Embry Riddle athlete to be named Player of the Week in NAIA District 25 play. This freshman has taken the basketball team by storm as he dominates all opponents in the center position with his aggressive style and numerous moves.

Before coming to Embry Riddle, Smith played on a Semi-pro team in the Navy where he served a three year enlistment period. He came out in great shape because as he states, "All I did is play basketball and work."

He says of the school "I like it here, and I hope to stay." Of being picked Player of the Week, he states "I was very surprised, and very honored to receive the award."

"This is the first time anything like this ever happened to me," he added.

He loves dunking and firing up the team. "If the team needs to be ignited, I dunk. But if I have to go for the lay-up to score easier, it's great too because it is still points."

Smith also likes the excitement of the game and what his teammates have provided him. His most exciting moment was when Charles Davis won the Flagler game by sinking two free throws. He stated half modestly and half jokingly "If the pressure was on me like that, I probably would have missed them."

He received this honor for playing a great game against Warner Southern where he scored 34 points, grabbed 12 rebounds and blocked six shots, a new school record. He has always played solid, but now as he becomes more and more integrated into the team, his play is complemented by the other players. Outside shooting, led by Owen Busch, pulls the defense out, and then a pass to Tyrone is more open and possible. If the shot is missed, Tyrone can be counted on to try to pull down the rebound.

The very important Flagler game is coming up. "I hope everybody will get up there," Smith said.

"We will beat them if we don't make mistakes!" he concluded.



Just plain awesome...

Tyrone Smith, freshman center, is the first Embry-Riddle athlete to be awarded Player of the Week by the NAIA District 25.

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Baseball team suffers losses

by David M. Steinfeldt
Sports Writer

Flagler
Embry Riddle opened their home season with a loss to Flagler College at Jackie Robinson Stadium last Wednesday night. The loss, a 21 to 7 slaughter, dropped the Eagles record to a dismal 1-5.

Troy Taylor was called upon for the start and, like the rest of the team, seemed pumped up for the game. The first pitch was a called strike and the crowd of approximately 90 was pleased. However, it would not be long until things began to go sour for the Eagles, and by the top of the fourth inning Coach Filor would have to go to his bullpen. Troy Taylor managed to go three innings giving up three runs on three hits with two strike outs.

John Morningstar came in to relieve Taylor in the fourth. Morningstar was unable to find his target early on and the Flagler batters capitalized on his mistakes; increasing their lead to 6-0.

In the bottom of the fourth Flagler's pitching fell apart. The bases were loaded because of three consecutive walks and the Eagles were threatening as John Phillips stepped to the plate. Phillips was hit by a pitch and the Eagles got their first score of the game. A wild pitch and another walk brought in two more runs for the Eagles and cut Flagler's lead to 6-3. After a pitching change by Flagler, Chris Herring tagged the first pitch for a base-clearing triple which tied up the score 6-6. Flagler ended the inning when John Robertson went down swinging for the third out.

John Morningstar came on strong in the fifth and sixth innings by striking out two and keeping Flagler scoreless.

The Eagle batters responded by starting a rally in the bottom of the sixth when several batters were walked on base. With a runner on second, Chris Herring came through once again by slapping the ball out of the infield allowing the runner to score from second. This gave the Eagles their first, and only, lead of the game 7-6.

In the top of the seventh inning the Eagle's pitching really fell apart and Flagler began to run away with the game. John Morningstar gave up seven runs and struggled all inning. Flagler took the lead for good and lead 13-7 after seven innings.

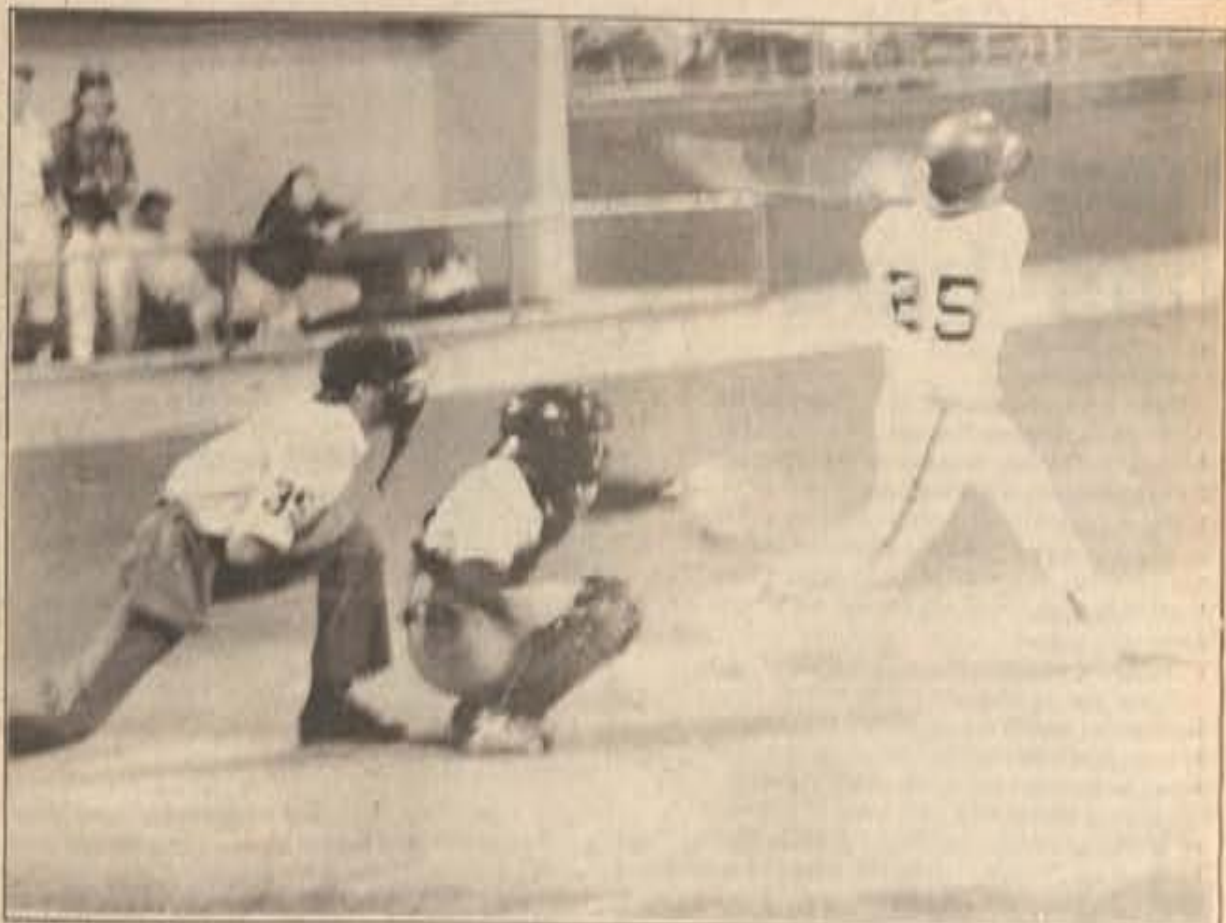
The Eagle batters were shut down for the remainder of the game and did not score another run. The Eagle pitching continued to be poor and Flagler capitalized on it by scoring eight more runs. The final score was 21-7 in favor of Flagler.

Warner Southern

The Eagles continued their losing ways by dropping a double header at Warner Southern last Saturday. These two losses dropped the Eagle's record to a lowly 1-7. The team continues to be plagued by poor pitching and is having limited success at the plate. The first game was lost by a score of 12-7 while the second was dropped by a score of 8-3.

Upcoming Games

Thursday, Feb. 21 Washington and Lee (DH) 5:00
Friday, Feb. 22 South Carolina State 7:00
Saturday, Feb. 23 South Carolina State 1:00
Monday, Feb. 25 Edward Waters 7:00
All games will be played at Jackie Robinson Stadium on Beach St.



Suwing...Batter...
Don Barrett, catcher for the Eagles takes a cut at a ball delivered by a Flagler pitcher.

Tennis team loses close match to FCCJ

by Eric Atkins
Sports Writer

The Embry-Riddle Tennis Team was away this Friday battling it out against Florida Community College at Jacksonville. The Eagles experienced a crushing loss to FCCJ at the beginning of the season, due mainly to the unconditional support the team is fortunate enough to have (eight of their teammates are on full scholarship). The Eagles also suffered a handicap with the illness of one of their players Miles Morgan. Although his effort was valiant, Miles was not able to harness his full potential, and lost his match.

Playing in high speed winds and biting cold, the Eagles came back with a vengeance.

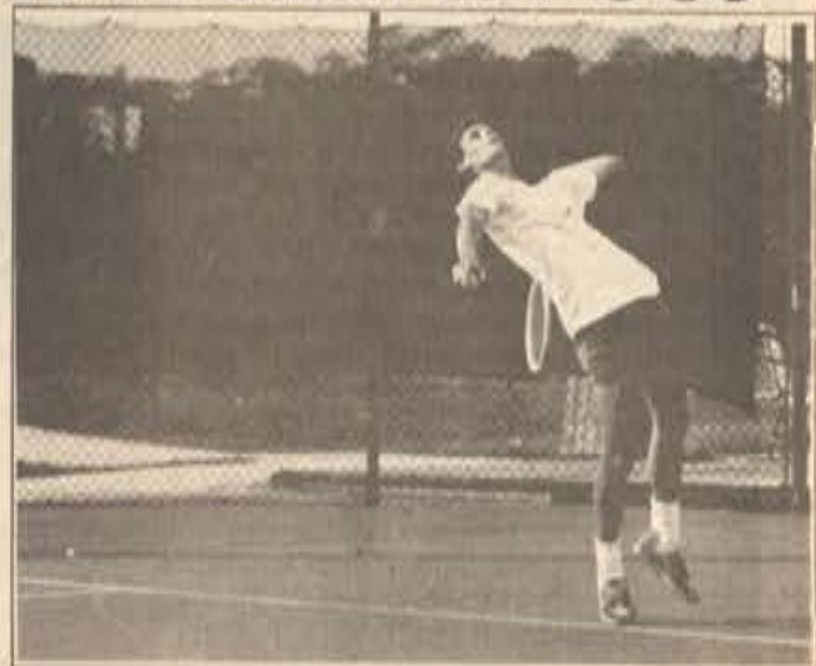
Going 3 sets in three matches, and with wins both in singles by Diego Carbonetti, and in doubles by Jeff Wood and Jason Oberhausen, the Eagles nearly managed to squeeze a win out of Jacksonville. Unfortunately, however, FCCJ ended up on top by

a very narrow margin at 5-4. This is an amazing improvement from the Eagles first meet with FCCJ.

A meet was also scheduled for Saturday against Savannah College of Art & Design, however, reports of snow on the ground, and severe cold persuaded those involved to postpone the meet. The meet has not yet been rescheduled, but most likely will be held sometime in early April.

Tomorrow the Eagles will be playing against St. Leo College for the second time. Although the first match was a 3-6 loss, the team now knows better what to expect of St. Leo, and they are aiming for a 5-4 win.

Monday the Eagles will be playing against nationally ranked Flagler College at our home courts in Pelican Bay (off of Bellevue near AC I). The match will begin at 2:30, so try to be there to offer the team some support. This should prove to be a very exciting match as the Eagles attempt to surprise Flagler, and work for an upset.



Net...
Diego Carbonetti delivers a powerful serve. He helped bring the team within striking distance of FCCJ as he won his match.



Touche...
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According to legend a witch doctor called Wenz-Dae saved the Wy'-Eld tribe from certain extinction many years ago by concocting a secret potion. It seems the people of the Wy'-Eld tribe were just plain bored, boring and uninteresting... and on top of that they they couldn't dance. This potion, legend states, was so inspiring that soon the better part of the dark continent was dancing to the boogie beat of the Wy'-Eld ones. As a matter of fact, partaking of this potion became part of the Wy'-Eld rite of manhood and was known as the ritual of Wy'-Eld Wenz-Dae. Unfortunately, Wenz-Dae took the recipe with him when he went and it remained locked in his tomb for 6,000 years. Then in 1944, Professor D.S. Tillery uncovered the tomb and immediately set about mixing up a fresh batch of the potion... a pinch of sweet rhino horn, a dash of cola nuts, secret distilled grains and the mystic Wy'-Eld incantation "Git Dow'n Witcho Bad Se'l." Inspired by the mixture, the aged and balding D.S. Tillery immediately spouted a full head of hair and was endowed the stamina and sex appeal of a 20 year old decathlete. He was last seen bounding off into the jungle with a bevy of native maidens in hot pursuit, and to this day in memory of Professor D.S. Tillery, Jungle Jims Still Practices this ancient ritual for their patrons who want to Git Dow'n every Wenz-Dae.

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Hammer's new video hits hard

by Jason Simon
Diversions Editor

Well, the world has had M.C. Hammer the music, M.C. Hammer the soft drink and M.C. Hammer's MTV day. But now the world also has M.C. Hammer the home video mix.

The video starts out with a selection called "Let's get it started" which is a live M.C. Hammer performance that features some high powered dancing. It is interesting, but it gets boring very soon.

The next selection is "Turn This Mutha Out." This was one of Hammer's first videos, back when he was a hard core rap artist. This video by far is the best video he has ever made. The high energy dance steps and music make Hammer's legs seem as though they were made of rubber.

The next two videos are "They Put Me In The Mix" and "Pump It Up." These videos are followed by a seven minute documentary about Hammer's movie, *Please Hammer Don't Hurt 'Em*. This documentary is very boring and it quickly fell from grace, under my fast forward button.

The next three videos are from his latest works, "U



Courtesy Capital Video

Do not hurt them...
M.C. Hammer's new video will attract his fans.

Can't Touch This," "Have You Seen Her" and "Pray." Most of these videos feature the dance routines and music that has made the Hammer famous, while "Have You Seen Her" is more of a laid back video.

Overall, *M.C. Hammer Time*, the video will score hits with his fans, except for the documentary section. *M.C. Hammer Time* is available at video retailers and select video rental shops in the area.

Madonna releases compilation of hits

by Tami Strout
Diversions Writer

Madonna's *Immaculate Collection* proved to be the best selection of songs from her first hit album to the recently released collection with the two newest songs, "Justify My Love" and "Rescue Me."

Since Madonna arrived in 1983 the press has had a field day exploiting the way she looks, acts and conducts her personal life. Finally, there is a compilation of all of her hits.

It all started with the first real hit from Madonna, "Holiday," released in 1983. "Holiday" and the string of Madonna dance classics that followed (1984's "Lucky Star" and "Borderline" and 1985's "Into The Groove") virtually defined the eighties emerging sound.

"Dress you up" and the rest of her hit songs forced radio to devise a whole new format to accommodate them. As she grew more popular, Madonna crowned the third week of November 1984 with her first number one single "Like A Virgin," which shocked some and intrigued others.

From there the rest is history. In 1986 Madonna radiantly sang singles from her underrated *True Blue* album. Nearly two years had passed between "Who's That Girl" and the three hits from the album *Like a Prayer*. Critics wasted no time in proclaiming it "Madonna's most frankly personal" single. The number one hit, "Vogue," closed her collection on the next album, *You Can Dance*.



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You can dance to this...
The *Immaculate collection* compiles Madonna's major hits onto one album.

Rightfully, the final honors go to the two just released Madonna originals, "Justify My Love" and "Rescue Me" described as "dark and hauntingly poetic."

In addition, Madonna dedicated this album to The Pope because he was her "divine inspiration." *The Immaculate Collection* is available at record stores everywhere.

Star Wreck lives up to its name

by Jason Simon
Diversions Editor

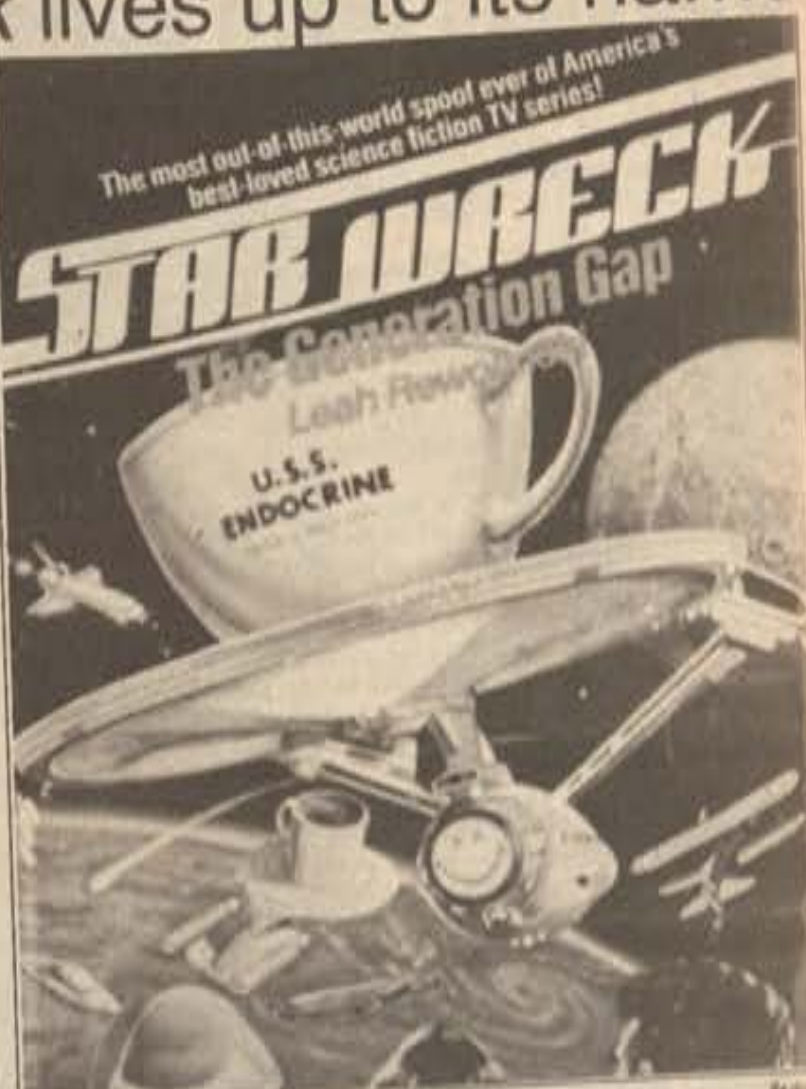
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Star Wreck is the story of the life of Jean-Lucy Ricardo, Captain of the Starship Endocrine. The captain is accompanied by his first officer, the navigator Westerly Flusher and George LaForgery in engineering, and the many others who infest the bridge of the Endocrine regularly.

Unfortunately, Jean-Lucy is faced with a serious problem. Captain Smirk, former Captain of the original Endocrine has come out of his retirement and wants command of the Endocrine again. Jean-Lucy has no choice but submit since Smirk owns the majority of Starfreak's stock.

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After a few boring chapters in the book, Captain Smirk gets bored of the usual routine and decides to steal the main portion of the Endocrine, the cup and saucer section, to go out and party. He leaves Jean-Lucy Ricardo helpless in the main part of the Endocrine.



It's dead Jim...

Star Wreck, by Leah Rewolinski, is unable to reach warp speed due to its severe lack of humor and plot.

While the above passage may seem funny to some, the rest of the book left a dry taste in my mouth. Unfortunately, creative humor is not the author's best skill. Most of the jokes were not funny and some were even stupid. The only redeeming quality of this book were the illustrations that appeared

every three or four pages. As far as this book is considered, *Star Wreck* is an appropriate title. With little humor and a bad plot I see no reason why you should waste your time searching for this title in your local bookstore. But if you have trouble sleeping, this book is for you.

Up and coming area events

- February 20, 1991** AC/DC to play for fans at the Orlando Arena. Gates open at 6:00 p.m.
- February 21, 1991** The movie *Problem Child* to play for students and faculty in the John Paul Riddle Student Center.
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FLIGHT TEAM

by Laura Krista Brewer
Clubs Writer

As the beginning of the new semester flies by, the Flight Team continues to gear up toward competition. Nationals will be the next major event which will be held throughout the week of May 12th in Homa, Louisiana.

How will we do, you ask? Well, of course we will take first place in overall team (just like in regionals), but it is going to take even more of that continuous hard work that the team puts so much effort into.

Practices are held throughout the entire week beginning with Aircraft Recognition and Computer Accuracy on Monday and Wednesday both at 7:00 p.m.

SCAN practice is held on Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. and Thursday at 6:00 p.m., with Simulation and Preflight practice held upon notice. The weather typically determines when the flight practice of Power-on and Power-off landings, Message Drop, and Navigation are held, but usually various competitors will go up at separate times

continuously throughout the weekend. Congratulations to Tom Jordon, our new Vice-President, and Keith Plumb, our new Secretary for gaining a position on the Executive Board. They will be joining Scott Tarves, President, Kirt Williams, Safety Officer, Jack Pollard, Treasurer, and Eric Keifer, Public Relations Officer. We would also like to say thank you to our advisor, Mr. Bill Mason, and Head Coach, Mike Wiggins for all of the time and support they have given the Team.

Also, special recognition goes to our event coaches, Michael Rapuano, John Wassong, J.P. Walsh, Kirk Lideau, and Todd Funte for all their effort and dedication.

Along with hard work comes hard play! And yes, we play hard! The Super Bowl Party was definitely a raging success. Thanks to Scott and Eric, we enjoyed an evening gathering of craziness.

Now, we are all looking forward to the "First Official Team Party" of the semester coming soon. Keep up the hard work team, and "let's get some!"

SIGMA PI

by Lee Yates
Chapter Writer

Stop! Hammer time! For everyone at the camping trip on Saturday, you probably heard that phrase many times. Everyone that went had a great time. Here's some safety tips to make the next trip more enjoyable:

1. Avoid obstacles such as campfires, logs, heads, etc...
2. Exercise caution when dancing on old buses.
3. Be wary of walking in lakes (Lurch).
4. Beware of monkeys playing with fireworks.
5. Watch out for falling trees!

Special thanks go out to Lurch and Dino for rescuing the poor, defenseless Beaver from imminent destruction. Hey Clavin, try to keep your machete under control next time and don't forget to retrieve our most valuable possession.

Congratulations to the initiates of the Nu pledge class. Good luck to Q-

tip, you've got your work cut out for you. From their performance on Friday night, it is obvious that they have some potential. Yet Clavin was victorious over all! If anyone can remember that night clearly, then they probably didn't have fun. Oh... by the way, we love you too, Stairs!

The softball team took their first win by destroying their opponents. They are currently 1-0. The next game will be this weekend. Good luck guys!

Since there wasn't an article last week, I'll take a minute to go back and honor the previous Brother of the week, The previous Brother of the week was Elvis, for his excellent work on Rush. And for all you non-MUs out there, you got what you deserved. This week's Chauffeur... I mean, Brother of the week was Stealth, whose generosity was well appreciated. The DB of the week was Hoagie, for no other reason but for being a Hoagie. The Question of the week: Will the counter ever get fixed?

Naval Aviation Club

by Brian M. Ferguson
Clubs Writer

Welcome to the Spring term 1991. The ERAU Naval Aviation Club is off to a great start in 1991. At our booth at Clubs & Organizations day in January, we gained approximately 20 new active members.

For those who are unfamiliar with our organization, semester dues are seven dollars, and there is no military commitment involved. The purpose of the Naval Aviation Club is to provide information about careers as a US Navy Officer through instructional meetings, guest speakers and field trips.

This past December, a group of five club members attended the commissioning exercises at NAS Pensacola for AOCs class 19-90. Pictures will be posted in the club board in the UC. Our first static display of the semester came in late January when Lt. Bruce Balansiefer and Pilot Cadet Drew Young flew their T-34 Mentor in from Whiting Field, Pensacola. The aircraft remained on static display on

the ERAU ramp throughout the day, and Lt. Balansiefer came and spoke to the club that evening.

An instructor with VT-3, St. Balansiefer was a founding member of the Naval Aviation Club in 1976, and went through the PLC club into the Marine Corps. He later transferred to the Navy as a fleet helicopter pilot.

The Naval Aviation Club is planning a number of static displays, guest speakers and field trips for the semester, and anyone interested should come to the next meeting.

The meeting will be held at 1930 in room A-109 on Tuesday, 26 February. Topics will include a P-3 Orion pilot and NFO, whose aircraft will be on static display on the ERAU ramp.

The new club shirts are also scheduled to arrive, and will be sold at the meeting. Other topics will also be discussed...PLEASE ATTEND!

Meeting times will be announced on the club board, and with fliers throughout campus. We look forward to seeing all of you, old and new... Fly Navy!

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HALF THE SKY

by V.P. Jenn Bailey
Clubs Writer

We have set a date for our trip to Church Street Station later this semester. Lorri and Dawn helped out Monday with a plant sale to benefit I-CARE (independent child abuse relief enterprises).

Many of you have wondered what "Write or Wrong!" means. As a group, we have noticed that there is no organized effort on this campus to support groups such as Greenpeace and International sanctions which exist to protect animal rights. We are promoting a letter-writing campaign so those

of us who are interested may voice our feelings to those in power. Fliers are being placed around campus each week.

These fliers detail a specific company or other organization and an address to which you may write if you wish to join in our effort to promote awareness and help stop needless suffering. Letters can be placed in our club box in student activities. We will mail them.

Meetings times, special events, and other important information will be posted in our glass box in the U.C. Come and check us out!

ROA

by Joseph Augustus
Public Affairs

As the war in the Gulf continues, it is more and more evident that it will take a combined effort of all the armed forces to bring the Persian War to an end.

The Reserve Officer Association is based on this principle of a joint force. ROA is a group of students who are officer candidates, from all the different branches of service.

While the Army and Air Force are well represented, the Marine participation is growing and the Navy interest is becoming evident.

Weekly meetings are held to learn more about each branch of service. Guest speakers provide a great deal of interesting knowledge to get a realistic look on how each service works. Activities are also planned to provide interaction between the students. Such activities include trips to Camp Blanding's confidence Course and the Orlando Naval Air Station.

Other activities include learning to use M-16's, from the Daytona Beach National Guard, and serving the community by inviting the children from

the Volusia House to a softball game and barbecue. Our yearly banquet will also be held on 15 March 91.

Fund raisers are held to support ROA's wide range of activities. Recycling aluminum cans has provided a steady income, so pitch in when you see the bins around campus. ROA worked a beverage stand at the INXS concert and working more concerts, as Spring Break rolls into town, are being put through the works.

The races are here and ROA is trying to work some of them to raise funds, which should be very exciting work.

On a lighter side, an area car wash is being put together to raise funds, which are always fun as well as profitable. If anyone is interested in joining the Reserve Officer Association our meetings are held Wednesday nights at 1700 in E-609, or call 761-9050 for more information.

ROA is a great way to learn more about the different branches of service and to have a lot of fun doing so. I hope all officer candidates will join in on all the fun and excitement.

AAAE

by Martha Tran
Chapter Writer

Are you experiencing stress? The neighbor's dog relaxes in your yard and leaves a mess; you study six hours for a test and the dude next to you pulls out a cheat sheet; he gets a 97, you get a 75; funds are diminishing rapidly so you resort to flipping McDonald's fried burgers. What a life!!!!

Okay, this example is a little extreme. But if you're in the mood for a little relaxation and information, AAAE has it for you. 2/20 - Special guest, Robert LaZenby, Executive Director of Titusville/Cocoa Airport will update members on present air-

port operations and measures taken to safely secure the facilities during the crisis.

3/6 - A job search seminar will be conducted and include resume and cover letter formats, interview and etiquette tips, and more importantly, how to get the job you want.

Plans for Daytona Control Tower tour and United Airlines tour are being organized. There will be more guest speakers to inform and some surprises to reveal.

There is more to come. Our next meeting is Feb. 20 (Wed.) at 7:00 in E611.

Aerospace Society

by Roland Houle
ERAS President

This week we will be hosting our first guest speaker of the semester. Mr. Bob Granath from Lockheed Space Systems Corporation will be speaking about the Space Station Freedom in room W-306 at 7:15 pm this evening. This will be very informative so don't miss it. Also, we are currently selling Laserprints in the Student Center from 9am until 4pm until this Friday only. This may be

our last fund raiser of the semester, so please stop by and help out as much as possible.

Last weekend, we had our Space Camp tour and several members also helped out at the Daytona 500 selling refreshments.

This weekend we have our softball game on Sunday, so Saturday we will be having an important and needed practice session. Check the board or even better, come to tonight's meeting for the details.

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