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Eagles' talons strike at lacrosse opener

Benches cleared during ERAU's season-opening game

by Todd Hughes
Managing Editor

This past weekend the Embry-Riddle lacrosse team opened the season by traveling to Jacksonville to face-off against the JU Dolphins. The Eagles arrived in enemy territory with their game faces on, ready to avenge their loss one year ago on the same field.

The game did not start out well for the Eagles, with the Dolphins scoring the first goal.

Jamie Kreppin scored his first goal as an Embry-Riddle lacrosse player, tying the game at one apiece soon after the first JU goal. The Eagles went on to take a six to one lead, and the game had the look of being a blowout. The first quarter ended with the Eagles leading over the Dolphins seven to two.

The Eagles ruled the second quarter scoring three goals, shutting out Jacksonville. The Dolphins finally broke the Eagles' momentum by scoring their third goal of the game. Immediately following that goal, Embry-Riddle defenseman Bill Riter and a Jacksonville

attackman faced off in a disagreement that led to a fight. The other players on the field stepped in and the benches emptied onto the field. It took the lone referee 20 minutes to clear the field. Fortunately for both teams, no one was hurt or ejected from the game—due to the fight.

ERAU coach Don Tilden blamed the fight on "frustration on the part of the Dolphins because our defense was playing a physical game."

The first half ended with the Dolphins scoring another goal and the Eagles leading 10 to 4.

The game was marred by minor clashes and missed calls by the referee. There was a major tournament in Atlanta on the same day, so only one official was available for the game.

"One official is not enough to a game in this league," the referee said after the game.

The Embry-Riddle defense played what may have been their best game to date, stopping anyone who ventured into the inside and down all possible alleys. The Eagles' defense was led by Bill Riter,

Dave Nagy, Jim Miner and Rhett Milito. Milito is a first year player and is the final addition to a very strong defense for the Eagles. Mick Sycki made 20 saves for the Eagles and kept the defense in good position with his commands.

Before the fight started the Eagles were dominating every aspect of the game, but after the bench-clearing brawl momentum went to the other side. The Dolphins started the second half by scoring four unanswered goals, pulling to within two points of ERAU, at 10-8. The Eagles soon turned the tide back in their favor, scoring twice to take a 12-8 lead. The third period ended with Embry-Riddle in the lead 14 to 10 and back in control of the game.

The game ended when a collision between Bill Riter and a Jacksonville attackman resulted in the Jacksonville player being taken off the field in an ambulance.

The Eagles won the game 17 to 13, avenging the crushing loss they suffered on the same field one year ago.

The team scored on 95 percent of their extra man opportunities, which are similar to a power play, and picked up 44 of 60
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"Went to a fight and..."

The mood turned vengeful at the lacrosse team's first game last weekend, where a bench-clearing brawl resulted in injuries that required one player to be sent to the hospital. In the end, the Eagles were the game's victors.

International Day shows off many cultures

by Chris-Olvin Santiago
and John E. Luke
Campus News Reporters

Embry-Riddle's International Day literally puts the world on display. This year's International Day was held on Saturday, Oct. 19, from 1 to 5 p.m. The John Paul Riddle Student Center was busy with action as tables were set up early Saturday to provide students and the Daytona Beach community with the information and cuisine of many cultures.

Customs from 30 nations around the world were displayed. Approximately 8.6 percent of Embry-Riddle students are from foreign countries.

Participants at the event said that students are sometimes unaware of the diversified culture on campus. One student admitted to the *Avion*, "I thought Africa was only one country!"

Two Aviation Business Professors were asked by the *Avion* how they believe the University can improve international services at ERAU and how international students can interact more on campus.



Worldly entertainment...

The Korean booth was one of numerous colorful booths that showed off cultures of many lands last Saturday in the S.C.

Professor Joseph Obi stated that "the international office should be expanded, along with duties and responsibilities and pay. An international center for students could also be beneficial."

Dr. Amenechi stated, "It's a global economy and America is a multicultural country. I think Aviation Day should be more emphasized."

Jesse Turner released as hostage talks advance

UNITED NATIONS (AP) - Jesse Turner, who had been in captivity since Jan. 1987, was released Monday. At an American hospital in Germany, Turner was reunited with his mother and wife on Tuesday.

Turner's release added to the hope relating to efforts in setting up a trade of hostages for Arab prisoners.

A U.N. envoy's efforts to arrange a trade of Western hostages for Arabs held by Israel is moving forward, Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar stated last week.

The U.N. mediator, Giandomenico Picco, held a marathon 20-hour session of talks in Lebanon with representatives of Lebanese kidnappers and returned to Damascus, Syria, on Wednesday, sources in Lebanon said.

One of the security sources in the Mideast characterized the talks as

"tough and complicated," but would not elaborate on the substance of the session, which began early last week. Following the talks, Perez de Cuellar appealed to all parties in the Middle East to cooperate and said the process was "moving forward."

It was not known if Picco would return to Lebanon for further talks on his present mission, continuing those begun in the Syrian capital last week. The sources said Picco was driven Tuesday in a convoy of four Mercedes limousines with Syrian license plates to Nabi Sheer, a village in Lebanon's Syrian-controlled Bekaa Valley 10 miles south of Baalbek. The sources refused to identify the men Picco met with there.

Nabi Sheer is the hometown of two senior officials of the Iranian Hezbollah, which is believed to be the umbrella group for the kidnappers: Abbas Musawi, secretary-general of the group, and Hussein Musawi, his distant cousin. Picco was accompanied by several plainclothes Syrian security officers who waited outside as he entered the house where the talks were held, the sources said.

Four groups have claimed the abduction of most of the nine missing Westerners—five Americans, two Germans, a Briton and an Italian.

The longest held hostage is American journalist Terry Anderson, who was kidnapped on March 16, 1985. Another Briton, Alec Collett, was kidnapped in 1985, but British officials say he is presumed dead.

Picco had returned to the region this week after holding separate talks in New York with Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati and Uri Lubrani, the top Israeli involved in the hostage issue.

The Lebanese kidnappers are seeking the release of about 300 Arabs held in Israeli jails or at the Khiam detention center in the Israeli-occupied enclave in southern Lebanon. Israel has demanded firm word on the fate of six of its soldiers missing in Lebanon.

Iran, eager to improve its relations with the West, has said it would use its influence with the kidnappers if Israel freed the Arab prisoners.

U.N. intervention was requested by the kidnappers in a letter they sent to Perez de Cuellar via British journalist John McCarthy, who was released on Aug. 8.

ERAU misrepresented in U.S. colleges report

by John Luke
Campus News Reporter

According to US News & World Report's "America's Best Colleges," Embry-Riddle's most popular degree is Business and Management, its graduation rate is 35 percent and its freshman retention rate is 66 percent. Embry-Riddle is also listed as one of the best engineering schools in the nation.

While Embry-Riddle searches for ways to question and clarify US News & World Report's representation of Embry-Riddle, the publication is now on sale at newsstands all over America.

US News & World Report characterizes Embry-Riddle as a "suburban" private university in Daytona Beach, FL. Also according to the magazine, Embry-Riddle's student body consists of 4,305 full time and 670 part-time students. It stated that ERAU's student body consisted of 89 percent males and 11 percent females. Ethnically, it broke up the University's students as being 3 percent Asian, 4 percent black, 81 percent caucasian, 5 percent other, 7 percent foreign national students and 19 percent Floridians.

According to the publication, ERAU students are enrolled as follows: 48 percent

of students are taking Business and Management, 23 percent are in Transportation and Material Moving, 15 percent are in Learning

Engineering, 11 percent are in Engineering Technologies and 2 percent of ERAU's students are majoring in Computer and Information Sciences.

Embry-Riddle's faculty has 217 full-time and 43 part-time members. 37 percent of the full time faculty have Doctorates.

Under admission rates, the magazine indicates, for the 1990-1991 freshman class at ERAU: 4,174

applied and 2,644 were accepted; average SAT scores were 469 Verbal and 555 Math, 23 composite average ACT score.

The report showed that Embry-Riddle students earned a 1030 average SAT score.

The report said that there was a 63 percent acceptance rate, and a 20:1 student to faculty ratio.

High school class rankings of present day ERAU students found 19 percent in the top tenth in their high school class, 47 percent in the top quarter and 78 percent in the top half.

Expenses for 1991-1992 were estimated at \$6,200 for tuition, \$3550 for room and board. The write-up for Embry-Riddle concludes with financial aid information listing that 60 percent of enrolled undergraduates and 53 percent of enrolled freshmen receive financial aid.

A total of \$10,117 in spending per student (estimated annually), 35 percent graduation rate, and 66 percent freshman retention rate was also cited.

Of particular interest is the most popular degree of Business and Management, the classification of Embry-Riddle as one of the best Engineering schools, and the low graduation and retention rates as published by US News & World Report.

... questionnaires sent to ERAU generally have rigid parameters which restrict accurately depicting degree programs ...

A concern at ERAU is that potential students read publications on colleges and make choices based upon the information presented in such published materials.

Darryl Niemeyer, Director of Admissions at ERAU, was asked by the *Avion* if the most popular major accurately represented Embry-Riddle.

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Diversions...

The new album from country singer Nanci Griffith is called her "best." See review, page B10.

News in brief...

Alumni Company Expo

The 1991 Alumni Company Expo will be on Nov. 8 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. It's happening at the Flight Deck, inside the Student Center. For more information, contact Karen Suarez in the Career Center (ext. 6054). See related article in Campus News, page A4...

Food service meeting Oct. 29

On Tuesday, Oct. 29, the Food Service Committee will be holding an open meeting at 2:00 p.m. The meeting will be in the Student Counseling Center in the front of the

Student Center. Anyone can attend the meeting and speak up about their view of the food service on campus...

Greek Week continues

Every day at 5:30 this week, ERAU fraternities will have events leading toward this year's champion. Delta Chi has the odds on winning, but maybe another group will upset their cumulative record. The competitions will be taking place on the soccer field, and perhaps elsewhere...



Innovative people...

President Siwa gave one of his Innovation Awards to a student recently. See story, page A4...

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Editorials

ERAU students should be more involved

A community group surges with nationalistic patriotism, following a charismatic leader who explosively rallies his troops to defend their homes against an airborne aggressor.

A person whom we all know is branded with a four letter word when he goes into a local business and tries to write a check in payment for their services and is denied that payment approach because he's "ERAU."

Sound familiar? More than once I've seen the public discontent over what the community perceives to be Embry-Riddle. Psychologically we all use stereotypes to classify and fill in concepts we do not fully understand, and this is happening to us. Why are Riddle students being singled out?

Are we all pilots who come from foreign countries? Are we super-human since we float through something called air that we cannot even see? Do we fly our planes low over the countryside 24 hours a day? When we are not buzzing the cars on Volusia Avenue, can we be seen near the closest keg? Right?

Well these perceptions might not be too far off of those from the community. Are they totally wrong, no. Yet they are more wrong than right. Those stereotypes are definitely present but changing.

In the last two years I've seen students becoming more involved and conscious of their surroundings, and for you pessimists, take a look at



Greg Naccarato
Human Resource Director

these items. Did you know that 897 people voted in last spring's Student Government Association election, up from 530 the year before.

In just two days, over 1000 of you signed a petition supporting the school buying the land across the street. More than 2000 of you were interested in learning more about student clubs and organizations on-campus, from C & O Day last September 11. In addition more than 10 new clubs have been chartered at Embry Riddle.

Why is there this new interest in community involvement? We as a society are becoming aware that we must look out for our neighbors in

order to help save this rapidly dwindling resource we call earth. From this new world point of view, even we students can't help accepting it and becoming pro-active.

Let's prove the community wrong that we don't fit their stereotypes and that we are people just like them, except with a different "barrel-roll" twist. Let's show them that we can be good neighbors.

Ponder these points as you make your way home tonight: Be responsible. The old catch all character "It's not my fault" does not exist anymore.

Respect your neighbors wishes and treat them as you would like to be treated. In fact, go out of your way on occasion to say "hi" to a person you do not know. We all like friendly attention, so give a little, and you may be surprised at the response.

Lastly, freedom is every American's right, yet that freedom cannot infringe upon other's rights, so please be considerate.

All Volusia County seems to want from Embry-Riddle at times is our money, but we have to be around to spend it. Maintaining and/or creating a positive economic as well as social reputation within our community starts with a small effort from we who are ERAU. Put Riddle at the forefront of Daytona Beach, we are after all only human, but we can be super.

Letters to the Editor

Is the University overspending?

To the Editor,

When I first saw our brandy new "security" vehicle, I just felt soooooo safe. I mean if our school is willing to pay for top of the line cars, I guess that means our security officers must also be top of the line.

I know these big, big guys are nothing but the best, especially now that they can play policeman in the big car. (Don't forget to share!)

I read last week that Embry-Riddle paid over \$15,000 for this Crown Victoria and that this was a great deal. It is unfortunate that nobody offered to sell us a Rolls-Royce at the low, low price of only \$75,000 (\$25,000 off the retail value) because Riddle would surely own a fleet of these fine automobiles.

I am sure that all of the features of this beautiful car will be utilized and are absolutely necessary. For example, the heavy duty engine that can propel the car at speeds in excess of 100 mph will come in handy when in hot pursuit of the hundreds of villains that lurk on our campus every night.

The heavy duty suspension can then be used when going over the many speed humps at this high velocity. It can also be used when security officers illegally cross over the curb in front of the library.

Overall, I feel enthralled that three years of my tuition money went towards this lovely car instead of more practical transportation like DBCC uses with little problem. I mean after all it's looks that count, right?

I hope all of the other university departments have taken notice to this. Don't settle for anything but the most expensive. Don't buy Crusaders, buy Learjets, they're much more fashionable, and certainly don't settle for a right-turn-only intersection when you can buy a \$40,000 stop light.

One last comment to the Safety Department, I saw some ignorant students laughing at your police security car because it did not look fancy enough. I suggest purchasing a high speed light bar for the roof, then everyone will pay their rightful homage to the almighty security officers (in the form of doughnuts, of course).

Name and box withheld

Special to the Avion

Submitted by Mr. Leonard Callahan

Courtesy of the Indianapolis Star
DEAR DAD: Things are pretty good here at School, but they could be better. Some things are needed most desperately. I hope you can guess what I mean and Send Some Soon.

-Your loving Son

DEAR SON: Nothing is new here. I know that you are doing better NOW than you have been. Write another letter soon. I want to get this off in the NOon mail, so I'll sign off NOW.

-Love, Dad

Last week, the world was transfixed to the confirmation hearings of Justice Clarence Thomas to the US Supreme Court. The issue of sexual harassment hit center stage, and all of us paused to ponder the issues of harassment and abuse.

However, the issues were complex, difficult and time consuming to completely research; and besides, none of us had any direct knowledge about the allegations, so we made conclusions on the process and went on with our lives. This is the way people normally think; to simplify and make quick judgments rather than rationally review all facts involved in a case.

Harassment, is the abuse of another while substance abuse is the abuse of oneself. Harassment may be sexual, physical, emotional or racially based. And as university students, we should ponder these issues seriously for we are all bound to run into abuse in our lives.

As time goes by, our society is losing its innocence. People are



John E. Luke
Staff Reporter

becoming increasingly secretive, insecure and self-serving. As Styx sang many years ago, rumor has it that "these are the best of times" and "these are the worst of times"; people are locking their doors and hiding inside, it is the end of paradise.

This is caused by the breakdown of tradition, respect and fundamental values in our society. Lawsuits, false charges and moral turpitude seem to be growing as the status quo in America today.

What is the source of abuse? Social climate, ignorance, stereotypes, conflicts, personal beliefs and

attitudes are some of the reasons why people abuse themselves or others.

And how do we evaluate others in situations of alleged abuse? Clearly, laws and procedures must be established and followed.

Thomas' confirmation was a test of the American democratic system, not a referendum on whether harassment is taken seriously — as some would have had it. A terribly immoral person leaked the information which the committee had already reviewed early in the confirmation process.

In an actual crises, how would we handle or deliver allegations of sexual harassment? Thomas was extremely keen and believable throughout the hearings, but so was Anita Hill. Either could have been correct, but the only fact that we do know for sure is that we can not know for sure who was lying and who was telling the truth. Since new evidence was not found, the hearings on harassment should have been irrelevant and not held.

However, to the contrary, the hearings of the last week polarized the confirmation process into one of the most powerful domestic political struggles in recent history. To the Senate's credit, a vote was taken in a timely manner so as not to delay the matter and further show the circus which was playing out in our own Senate.

Suddenly, the issue was not whether Thomas was qualified to be on the court, which had already been debated and decided by the committee, now the liberals had to play

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Student Forum

The Avion asks: If you had the power to ask the student body a question, what would you ask?



Sheldon Rasquinha
Aeronautical Science

"What do you think about the food service?"



Diego Carbonetti
Aeronautical Science

"Ask yourself what are you doing here."



Roxana Cretu
Aeronautical Science

"Why do you have to ask me this question?"



Jim Villano
Aeronautical Science

"Where do you go to find more girls?"



Chad Vischer
Aeronautical Science

"Where the hell is the gym?"



William Kwak
Aviation Business

"Do you think the teachers are helping the students to their fullest ability?"

**Take
one
black
cat...**



Sliwa presents an Innovation Award to ERAU student

By Chris Olvin Santiago
Campus News Reporter

DeAnne Burt, senior in aeronautical engineering, was the first student to receive the President's Innovation Award. She created a program that gives ERAU's female population more recognition on campus.

What she has done encompasses the creation of the Riddle Sisters Program. This program is targeted at providing new female students with a point of contact upon arrival at the University.

Additionally, it encourages their involvement in activities and services on campus. In the Riddle Sisters program, continuing female students wrote to six prospective females each. They also got together during freshman orientation to meet with them.

Burt is also credited with organizing the Committee on Campus Climate for Women.

The committee is working for the addition of more activities related to women's issues, such as recruiting and retention.

Burt also formed aerobics classes here on campus. This program was created for women who want to exercise but feel intimidated exercising with male students.

The classes are held on Mondays and Wednesdays at 5:00 p.m. and

Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6:15 p.m. for about an hour.

There are currently 500 to 600 women enrolled at Embry-Riddle. This represents 12 to 13 percent of the student population. This is an increase from 7.7 percent in the fall of 1988.

The number of women enrolled is growing each year. When asked what can be done on campus to unify women's interactions, Darryl Niemeyer, Director of Admissions said, "I think more sororities should be started."

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Students may submit Innovation Summaries to faculty advisors or department chairs for academically oriented innovations. Members of student groups or organizations must go through Student Activities to be sponsored.

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Student involvement pays off....
The Innovation Awards given by President Sliwa are not just for faculty.

Affairs for review.

Faculty and staff must go to their supervisor and they in turn submit it to the respective department head. Finally, it is passed on to the President for review.

The University recognizes innovative contributions which involve all activities including student designs, money saving ideas, energy efficiency, and new teaching approaches, etc. These innovations should be completed/implemented actions rather than ideas or proposals which have not been staffed or approved.

Other innovations presented were Lee Hayes and Nancy Perkin's Ministry, Dr. Gibson's Research and Creative activities brochure, Chuck Fountain's Capital Venture Projects, Drs. Gangadharan's and Nair's AIAA National Student Design Competition in "Space Systems Design," and Bill Halliday's Audit System for Utility Billings.

Embry-Riddle faces retention problem

By John Luke
Campus News Reporter

Embry-Riddle is aware of and is working on the problem of retention and improving the University. When asked, Daryl Niemeyer, University Director of Admissions, and Deborah Osborne, Director of Institutional Research, both admitted (at separate interviews) to the Avion that the University is not pleased with the 35 percent graduation rate and 66 percent freshman retention rate. Both indicated that the University is taking efforts to improve these factors. Osborne concluded her interview by saying, "We're working on that [retention] right now."

Dr. Charles Martin, Provost of the Daytona Beach Campus, outlined two main ideas in operation to maximize retention right now; the course SS 102 "College Success," and the recent development of a Provost's ad-hoc advisory committee on freshman services, chaired by Dean Sarah Fogle.

The Freshman Services committee's accomplishments include two important new programs, according to Martin. A mail registration program to allow entering students to advance register in the mail after advanced registration is accomplished by present students, and in cooperation with Admissions is sponsoring parent weekends in which entering students visit the campus during the summer and receive early orientation and registration.

Martin has ideas to improve services at the Daytona Beach campus. When asked what is on the horizon for changes at the Daytona Beach campus, Martin heralded improvements in tutoring services and making degree programs easier to switch between by trying to put the bulk of the similar courses amongst degrees at the earliest points as possible in the student's requirements. Martin also said that improvements should be made in faculty advisement.

Vast changes have occurred in the past few years at the Daytona Beach campus, according to Niemeyer. He

cited the Student Center's expansion, steps in front of the Airway Science building, added study room and hours at the ERAU library, and having a sports program as prime examples of positive growth.

Martin reported that 30 to 40 percent of the freshmen as prime examples of positive growth. When drop out rates are not returning they are dropping out, Martin tell the University why they are dropping out, Martin says that most say it is for financial reasons.

Martin believes that this is masking the real reason, which is that for some reason or combination of reasons, getting the education they originally set out to receive is no longer worth the money to them.

Martin closed his interview by setting a goal for the University. He said, "I believe we can set a goal of getting down to [a freshman drop out rate of] 15 percent. This would make it much easier to keep costs down and would also provide us a much more stable student body."

Martin admitted, as an example, that his real concern with the new radio station is that so many of the leaders are now upperclassmen and should be graduating soon. He implied that a more stable student body would be helpful in areas such as starting a radio station.

However, new programs and services of the University are not a panacea for retention; students must bear some of the responsibility for retention.

The Avion also interviewed Martin Lynch, who is an SGA Aeronautics Science Student Representative and is the Student Representative Board Chairman, and John Desmarais who is a freshman in Aerospace Engineering, to get student perspectives on the retention issue.

"The vast majority of people, in my [personal] opinion, believe that flight is expensive. Some students just think the money is coming, (from their parents and other sources without any problems.)"

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Faculty Profile: Dr. Jim Harrison speaks of renovations and his unique involvement with ERAU

by Ron Barber
Campus News Reporter

The behind-the-scenes work of Embry-Riddle's faculty and staff provides the backbone to this educational institution. Not many students know who these people are, but they provide a service that helps to make ERAU what it is. One of these dedicated professionals is the Director of Facilities Planning, Dr. Jim Harrison.

Look around the campus. As Director of Facilities Planning, Dr. Harrison has had his hand in much of what you see at Embry-Riddle's Daytona Beach Campus. In his eight year career at Embry-Riddle, Dr. Harrison has overseen the construction of such buildings as the Jack R. Hunt Memorial Library, Spruance Hall, the Aviation Applied Research Center, and renovations to the Student Center, the Flight Complex Buildings, and academic building A.

Dr. Harrison expresses his sense of accomplishment upon the completion of his past projects. Aside from his other responsibilities, Dr. Harrison has also been teaching on an adjunct basis for the past five years.

He has instructed for courses such as Principles of Management and Graduate Managerial Economics, and he presently teaches Micro Economics.

When asked why he teaches, Dr. Harrison replied, "I really enjoy being around young people. I really get a charge out of that!"

Why jump out of a perfectly good airplane? Dr. Harrison did. He spent 22 years in the Army Airborne Infantry, a lot of which time he spent jumping out of "perfectly good airplanes." He also obtained his



A man behind the scenes...
Dr. Jim Harrison not only teaches but is Director of Facilities Planning as well.

Bachelor's degree at the University of Omaha while in the Army.

Dr. Harrison indicated that he had a really great career in the Army. Dr. Harrison stated that he retired from the Army as a Colonel due to his desire to pursue a career in public education.

It was then that he returned to his home state of Georgia to study at the University of Georgia, where he completed his Masters and Doctorate degrees.

Next his credentials led him to be hired as Superintendent of Schools in Savannah, Georgia, where he stayed for the next four years.

Dr. Harrison next came to Florida, where he worked three years as Director of Facilities Planning for Brevard County before coming to Embry-Riddle. Dr. Harrison appears to be enjoying his career here at Embry-Riddle and he has a lot to say about the student

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"Education ought to be an enjoyable experience, but that doesn't mean to say that it's not hard work...."

Dr. Jim Harrison

Attitudes adjust without alcohol

by John Luke
Campus News Reporter

Lynn Trefzger was the comedian at last Friday's attitude adjustment. And a different atmosphere prevailed in the John Paul Riddle Student Center as those in attendance were served "Sharp's" and "O'Grady's" non-alcoholic beer for free. Soda was also sold for 25 cents per can and was given away for free at the end of the show.

It was an attitude adjustment during substance awareness week. During substance awareness week, University policy strictly prohibits the consumption of beer and alcohol, Associate Dean of Students, The beer was provided to make it easy for students to try the non-alcoholic beer and make the attitude adjustment seem as normal as any other.

Sponsored by the ERAU Entertainment and the Substance Awareness Committee, the attitude adjustment had an underlying theme of identifying and avoiding drug, alcohol and other abuse. All facets of the show had awareness undertones and suggestions for those in

attendance to learn from.

Tim Rupe, Assistant Director of Housing, introduced the show by announcing the peculiarities of this attitude adjustment.

Rupe commended Embry-Riddle to actively promoting awareness of abuse and preventing it.

The ERAU Drama Club performed a short comical skit on the dangers of alcohol and drug abuse before Trefzger's completely hilarious routine. They used a format similar to Bill & Ted's Excellent Adventure in which members represented several historical figures with hysterical changes in their personalities based upon substance abuse.

Trefzger is a ventriloquist. She had seven dummies during the show; correction, four dummies and



Who said that???
Lynn Trefzger rocked the crowd with laughter as she voice imitated dummies and students.

three volunteers from the audience who acted as dummies on stage for Trefzger to speak through.

Trefzger's performance showed several types of abuse in a comical fashion. Substance as well as harassment were tackled by her witty style. She showed stereotypes, preconceptions and funny lines about how abuse occurs. For example, her dummies, in a completely comical and humorous manner; threatened the audience and showed preconceptions of sexuality and tone of voice with her three volunteers.

Greg Nelli will be missed at ERAU

by Ron Barber
Campus News Reporter

Embry-Riddle students and faculty recently suffered the loss of Flight Instructor Gregory J. Nelli. Nelli passed away Friday, October 11 after battling a fatal illness.

Nelli's funeral service was held at Baggett and Summers Funeral Home on October 15. Over 50 friends, relatives, and co-workers attended his funeral service to pay their last respects.

Friends spoke of Nelli at the funeral in a dignified manner. They told of how Greg Nelli lived doing something he loved to do, flying.

Nelli graduated from Embry-Riddle over 20 years ago and has been working as a Flight Instructor since then.

Nelli's friend and colleague, Roger Kenney, commented by saying "He was an outstanding instructor. There was no question about that. ... He always kept

current with the continuing changes in the aviation industry."

Nelli was also strongly involved with the Delta Chi fraternity as an advisor for many years. He had no immediate family in the Daytona Beach area, but the Delta Chi fraternity was said to have been his family.

As President of Building Corp., Nelli would oversee all house operations for this fraternity.

Also, Nelli was on the Delta Chi Board of Regents for the southeast section of the United States. Nelli devoted much of his time and money to the fraternity.

In August of 1992, Delta Chi will nominate Nelli for the Order of the White Carnation. Scott Simko, President of the Delta Chi fraternity said, "That is the highest honor that any Delta Chi member can achieve... we believe he will get it." Simko continued, "Our fraternity probably would not be here if it were not for him."

"He was an outstanding instructor ... he always kept current with the continuing changes in the aviation industry."

Student Government gets informal

by John Luke
Campus News Reporter

The Student Government Association held its monthly meeting on Thursday. Instead of having a sit down agenda throughout the meeting, a few opening remarks were made, the SGA member of the month was awarded and a vast majority of the meeting was spent with SGA members and University administrators talking informally, eating cookies and drinking soda.

Much was accomplished in terms of communication. President Stephen Sliwa, Provost Charles Martin, Dean Sarah Fogle, Dean Robert Rockett, Dean Dan Kelly and Associate Dean Kelly Robertson were among the University administrators present. In fact, a who's who of those who affect student policy at the Daytona Beach campus could have been written from the attendees of the meeting.

The SGA Member of the Month was Joan Hendricks. Hendricks said, "Vinny [Stefano, SGA President] and Brian [Murphy, SGA Vice President] decided to start presenting this award. It was a part of their brain storming at the beginning of their term in office."



SGA changes style of monthly meetings...
The SGA decided to hold an informal monthly meeting where none of divisions gave their monthly reports.

Brian Murphy, SGA Vice President, said, "When we first took office we wanted to establish the communications link with the student body." Murphy went on to confirm that communication was the platform under which he originally ran in the elections last spring. Murphy indicated that Stefano had originally invited President Sliwa to the meeting, and the developments of forming the meeting were handled by Stefano and Sliwa.

"This is a good way for everyone to get together," said Stacie Forto,

Aviation Business Administration Student Representative. "I wouldn't have met these people [University administrators] any other way," she concluded.

The Avion asked Martin Kammerman, former Student Representative Board Chair, How do you feel about the new Monthly Meeting format? "I think that the invitation of Embry-Riddle's high administration officials," Kammerman said, "is a welcome change to the Monthly Meetings."

See Meeting, page A10

Career Center announces Alumni Expo

Alumni Company Expo is a information fair which gives current students the opportunity to interact and network with alumni who are already employed in a variety of fields, in order to gain insight into the many career paths they could follow.

These representatives may not be hiring new employees; this day is mostly for information gathering and networking rather than for interviewing and getting a job.

It is a Homecoming event sponsored by the Career Center, and will be held from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. on Friday November 8, on the Flight Deck in the John Paul Riddle Student Center.

All students, but especially underclassmen, are encouraged to attend, as this is an opportunity to get first hand career information directly from the experts- Embry-Riddle Alumni!

Due to the uncertain schedules of many alumni, especially pilots, the Career Center expects to have many last minute additions to this event, but the following is a partial list of the alumni planning to represent their companies.

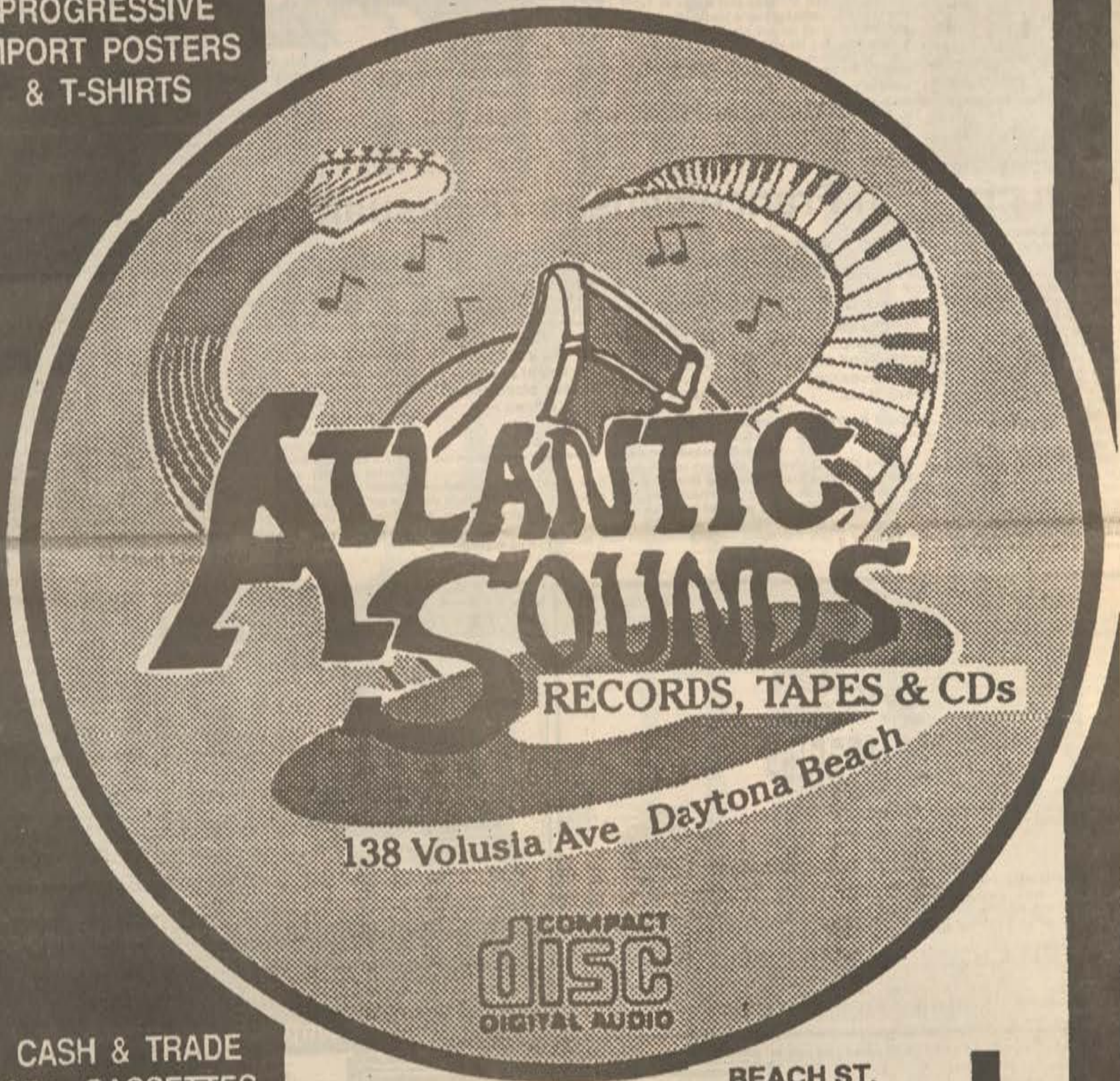
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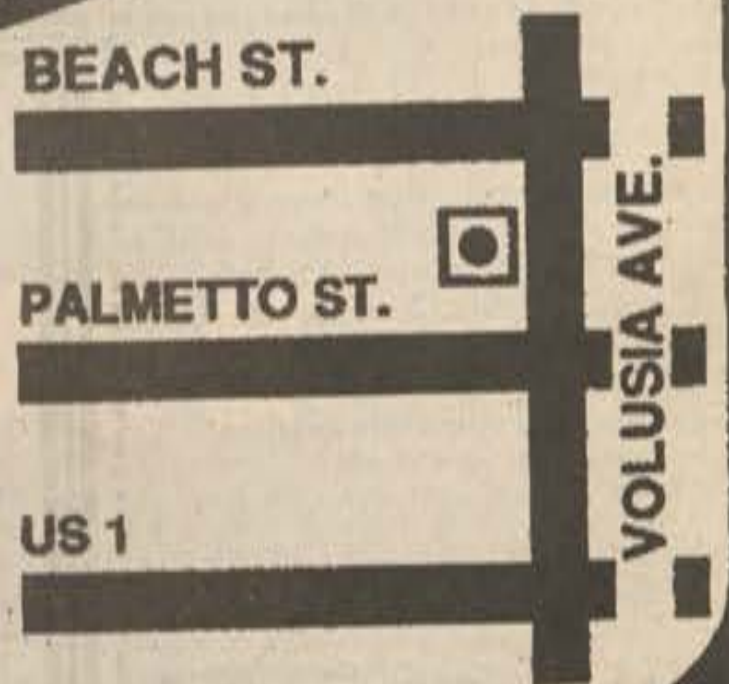
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King Hassan II of Morocco visits the U.S.

by M. Fahit Hakam
World View Writer

His Majesty King Hassan II of Morocco left Rabat-Sale Airport (the capital's) on Monday September 23 to New York JFK. His Majesty arrived on the same day at 5:35 p.m. King Hassan II stayed in New York until September 25, where he met with other heads of states present in the United Nations.

At the airport, King Hassan was greeted by Mr. Frederick Vreeland, vice secretary of state, Mr. Michael Usery, Ambassador of the United States in the city of Rabat, Mr. Mohammed Belkhatat, Ambassador of Morocco in Washington, and many other personalities. The king had also been those in the Moroccan community living in New York and its area.

On Thursday, September 26, President Bush offered a dinner in the White House in honor of the King, Her Royal Highness the Princess Laila Meryem (King's daughter), Mrs. Bush, many other American personalities and the whole Moroccan delegation attended the dinner.

Morocco was the first country to recognize the United States... on December 20, 1777.

In his welcoming speech, President George Bush said that Morocco is the oldest friend of the United States, since Morocco was the first country to recognize the United States as an independent country on December 20, 1777.

President Bush added that Morocco and the United States have always fought side by side, defending the world's freedom; stating that 300,000 Moroccans joined the allied forces during World War II, and that Morocco sent troops to Saudi Arabia last year to join the allied forces.

At the time King Hassan II was ending his official visit in Washington, many American personalities stated the importance of the Royal sojourn. Mr. John Sununu, the White House chief of staff, talked about a "big day" for two countries having "historical relations." The vice secretary of state, Mr. Lawrence Eagleburger, paid homage to the "international political stature and judgement" of King Hassan II. Mr. Patrick Leahy said that the honor



Allah, Al Ouatan, Al Malik...
God, the Fatherland, the King, the priorities of a Moroccan's thoughts. King Hassan II on his throne.

reserved to his majesty witness "the strong friendship of President Bush toward the sovereign."

His highness left New York on Wednesday October 2 at 1:20 p.m., bound for Morocco.

Religious strife strikes north Nigeria again

LAGOS, Nigeria (AP) - Muslims in the northern city of Kano carried on their hunt for Christians.

Officials said at least eight people have died in the riots, which began Monday when more than 12,000 Muslims held a street protest against a police decision to allow a Christian revival in Kano, an Islamic stronghold in the Muslim-dominated north. Just weeks before, Muslims had been denied a permit to invite a South African imam to Kano.

Christians who were the target of attacks set up barricades of burning tires.

The Christian revival was canceled. It was to have been led by the Rev. Reinhard Bonnke, a German preacher whose missions are popular in Africa.

A U.S. Embassy official said a group of Americans from Nashville, Tenn., who were to have taken part, left Kano and were in Lagos on Wednesday, preparing to fly home. The group included John Blount Hooker, son of a former U.S. senatorial candidate, John J. Hooker of Nashville.

Nigeria's military president, Gen. Ibrahim Babangida, cut short his visit to Harare, Zimbabwe, for a Commonwealth summit and returned to Lagos on Wednesday night.

According to Nigerian radio, "Gen. Babangida said he was glad the crisis was not as serious as the Western media had wanted to paint it. The president remarked that the unfortunate religious crisis should be seen as an act of God."

The president told reporters some foreign press accounts of casualties were exaggerated. An unconfirmed report in the Lagos Tribune said 300 people died. Other papers reported seeing about 20 bodies.

Thousands of people, mainly Christians, have flooded army and police barracks in search of protection. Other inhabitants have fled south to the nearby towns of Kaduna and Jos.

The hardest hit neighborhood was Sabongari, which has a large population of Christians from the south of this west African nation, which with as many as 119 million people is the continent's most populous.

State Gov. Col. Idriss Garba announced an official toll Tuesday night of eight dead and 34 injured. He said a church and a mosque were burned down and other places of worship damaged, and that dozens of shops and houses were set ablaze. Reporters counted more than 120 shops burned.

Police fired tear gas to disperse the mobs in various parts of the city Monday, but sporadic street battles erupted throughout the night and the looting and arson continued Tuesday.

Reporters said fire fighters initially were attacked by stone-throwing protesters, but returned later Tuesday with armed soldiers to protect them as they tried to control the blazes.

See Nigeria, page A10

Train crash in France causes 78 casualties

by Philippe Le Scao
World View Writer

An overnight passenger train bound from the Riviera to Paris careened head on into a freight train Thursday, October 17. Sixteen people were killed, 62 injured, 22 seriously. Railway officials said the freight train rolled into the passenger train's path while switching tracks at about 6:30 a.m. near the station in Melun, 30 miles southeast of Paris.

Jacques Fournier, president of the French national railway, said both trains were travelling 35-45 mph. A black box recovered from the passenger train indicated it was going 25 mph at that time. Fournier said the freight train passed by a signal, but he did not know whether the light was red or green at that time. It was reported that the train signal was in working order.

Witness said the front sleeping car was ejected 30 feet

in the air and landed atop the passenger train engine. "I was in the corridor in the second car when I felt a violent shock and was thrown against the compartment wall," said one passenger, who did not give his name.

"Most people were still asleep." The crash left a 550

yard trail of buckled metal, bloodstained pillows and other debris. Scores of ambulances, rescue vehicles and helicopters converged on the scene with more than 200 fire fighters and rescue workers. They used ladders to climb into the wreckage in search of victims. "Some of the injured were totally panicked, and we had to comfort them before we could evacuate them," said Lt. Col. Guy Bernoux. Among those killed was the engineer of the freight train. Most of the other casualties were in the lead sleeper car.

Fournier told a news conference the railroad was "fully responsible for the accident and must draw the

necessary conclusions [regarding safety]." Transport Minister Paul Quilès announced an immediate inquiry. Prime minister Edith Cresson visited the morgue and expressed condolences to grieving survivors, as did President Francois Mitterrand.

The train was carrying about 100 passengers. At peak vacation times, the Paris-Nice overnight train has more cars and carries as many as 500 people. It was the worst train accident in France since June 1988, when 56 people were killed in an underground collision at the Gare de Lyon in Paris. France's worst train crash was on December 12, 1917, when about 800 soldiers died in a derailment near Grenoble.

The passenger train was not one of France's famous high-speed trains. While those trains use the Nice-Paris route, a slower engine makes the overnight run to give the passengers more sleeping time.

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...railroad was fully responsible for the accident and must draw the necessary conclusions."

Jacques Fournier

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Embry-Riddle golf team hosts annual fall tourney

by Keith Towers
Sports Editor

This past weekend, the Embry-Riddle golf team held their annual fall tournament at the Palm Harbor Golf Club in Palm Coast. The invitational saw 18 teams competing for the title on a well-conditioned course.

Leading the ERAU team in scoring was Paul Adam with a 54 hole total of 237 on the par-72 course. Following the team captain was Rocco DeFrancesco with a score of 254, followed by Allan Wingate with a 255, Kenny Corbin shot a 257 and Mike Scherer rounded out the

Eagle field with a 270.

The team placed 15th in a field of 18 with a total of 996 strokes. The University of West Florida won the tournament with a team total of 889. Taking second place was Florida Atlantic with 898 for the total. Third

Leading the ERAU team in scoring was Paul Adam with a 54 hole total of 237

place went to Brevard Community College with 903 strokes.

Individual honors went to Florida Atlantic's Mike Meehan who shot a three-day total of 218.

West Florida dominated in individual and team play by placing three men in the top five for the tournament.



Lead on...

Team Captain Paul Adam makes an approach shot in the Embry-Riddle tournament.

ERAU golf team travels to Air Force Academy

by Keith Towers
Sports Editor

On October 3, the Embry-Riddle golf team set a new precedent in ERAU sports history. They became the first team to travel via commercial air to the Air Force Academy's 1991 Falcon Golf Invitational in Colorado Springs.

The ERAU team fared poorly, finishing 22nd out of 23 teams that competed.

"You could say that we were a bit 'outclassed'," said Coach Dick Bryant of there being 18 NCAA Division I schools present. There was only one other NAIA school in competition at the tournament.

"It was a college golfer's dream," stated team captain Paul Adam about the quality and excitement the tournament provided.

The team was caught off guard by the weather and the greens. The first day of the competition saw the team playing in 35 degree weather with snow flurries.

Also, the greens were very tricky as described by Adam.

"You might think the putt will break one way, but you had to look

at which way the mountain sloped, because the putt would roll away from the mountain," Adam added.

"Another thing to consider is that in the thinner air, it is possible to hit the ball further," Adam went on.

Adam led the ERAU team in scoring by shooting a three day total of 245 on the 7,200 yard par-72 course.

He was tied for an individual placing of 68th in the field of 113 golfers.

The remaining Eagle golfers failed to place in the top 100. Mike Scherer shot a 257 three day total followed by Dave Pospychala with a 261, Chris Tetler with a 262 and Kenny Corbin shot a 270.

Winning the individual honors from Texas Wesleyan University was Alvaro Ortiz with a three day total of 219.

Colorado won the team award for shooting a combined low total of 897. Taking second place was Texas Wesleyan University with 926 and third place was awarded to Wyoming which shot 928. Embry-Riddle in placing 22nd shot a total of 1025.



Chip it...

Rocco DeFrancesco chips out of the rough on his way to a great save for par in the Embry-Riddle tournament.

Two ERAU grapplers place in tournament

by Roger Harnack
National News Editor

The Eagle Wrestling Club earned eight team points on the way to a fourth place finish at the West Orange Challenge. Only two ERAU grapplers placed in the tournament on October 19. The tournament was won by the Oviedo/UCF Wrestling Club. Rich Roberts and Roger Harnack both placed in the tournament.

Harnack weighed in at the 142 pound class and Roberts at the 150 division. Both wrestlers received

forfeits in their respective division. Rather than receive the forfeits, both grapplers opted to wrestle in the 171 pound division where they would each have several bouts.

Ironically, the two ERAU wrestlers were the lightest in the division, however, both would make it to the championship bout.

Rich Roberts won his semi-final match in a narrow 11 to 7 victory. Roberts defeated his opponent by taking him down three times during the bout accounting for six of his points.

Roberts waited patiently to see if his opponent would be Ricardo DaSylva of the Hornet Wrestling Club or teammate Roger Harnack.

Harnack's semi-final bout against DaSylva initially brought Embry-Riddle fans to silence as DaSylva took a quick two point lead. The bout would turn in Harnack's favor as he escaped and took DaSylva to his back. Harnack defeated his opponent 17 to 2, a technical fall.

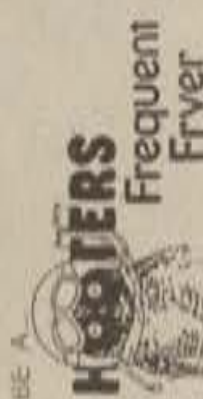
The Championship match faced Harnack and Roberts against each other. In a very close bout, Harnack

defeated Roberts by a score of 7 to 3. Embry-Riddle earned all of its team points in this bout.

At this point in the season, the Eagles leading wrestlers are Roger Harnack, Derek Wasnick, Christian Carter, Rich Roberts and Ken Brown.

The Wrestling Club travels to Longwood on Saturday, October 26. Opponents expected to be there are University of Florida and the University of Central Florida. The team van departs at 7:00 a.m. from in front of the SC.

Football Pool



Sunday, October 27

- ✓ Pittsburgh at Cleveland
- ✓ Cincinnati at Houston
- ✓ Dallas at Detroit
- ✓ Denver at New England
- ✓ Minnesota at Phoenix
- ✓ San Diego at Seattle
- ✓ L.A. Rams at Atlanta
- ✓ Green Bay at Tampa Bay
- ✓ Chicago at New Orleans
- ✓ Washington at N.Y. Giants
- ✓ San Francisco at Philadelphia



Monday, October 28
Tiebreaker

- ✓ L.A. Raiders at Kansas City

Total Score

Name and Box Number

Last week the Avion went 5 of 11. The winners were Jarrett W. Furrh, Rob Proctor and Ed Rodowicz, who all picked 8 of 11 correctly. Not only did it come down to Monday Night scores, but Ed Rodowicz and Robert Koprivnikar were tied for third. A random drawing was then held to decide the winner.

Circle each selection. Fill in the total score of the Monday night game as a tiebreaker. Also, don't forget to put your name and box number down. Completed entries should be returned to the Avion office no later than Friday at 5:00 p.m. The first prize is a \$15 dinner certificate from Hooter's. The second prize is a \$7.00 gift certificate from Morrison's to be used at the flight deck. Third prize is a \$5 gift certificate or a free pizza from Morrison's to be used only during Monday Night Football.

Soccer team suffers humiliating defeat

by Keith Towers
Sports Editor

The soccer team played three games in the past week losing two and probably winning one. This did not hurt their chances for a playoff berth as they had to beat Warner Southern, which they did providing Warner Southern does not protest.

Warner Southern

The Embry-Riddle team traveled to Warner Southern College in a crucial game for the Eagle playoff hunt. They had to win this game, which they had control over at half-time, 4-0. Inclement weather stopped the game at this point. Although the win is unofficial at this point, Warner Southern is not expected to protest.

If they do, however, this would mean the Eagles would have to make the two and a half hour drive again and start the game all over at 0-0.

Boca Raton (Lynn University)

The team that recently changed their name, ranked #1 in the nation, held nothing back as they crushed the Eagles 14-0. The Eagles were held to only two shots on goal for the whole game. Boca Raton dominated by shooting 22 times, and scoring 14 times. The opponents averaged a goal every five to 10 minutes.

The mostly European team toyed with the Eagles while scoring off

bicycle kicks, and not taking the game too seriously. Individual showboating abounded when the whole game only three goals were assisted.

Covenant

On Monday, the soccer team played their last home game of the season, losing 2-0 against Covenant College from Lookout Mountain, Georgia. The Eagles played a fine game, with goalkeeper Rui Pereira making many critical saves, but with the offense unable to produce, the team came up short in the end.

The game was very physical with a total of four yellow cards being handed out. Two were handed out to Covenant players, one was given to an ERAU player, and one was given to the Covenant coach.

Playoff Picture

The two losses did not hurt the team's playoff chances as they had to beat Warner Southern, and it appears that they did.

The last game of the season against the University of North Florida will decide who goes to the playoffs as the fourth District qualifier.

Either North Florida or ERAU will go as the fourth seeded team. Right now Boca Raton is the first seed, with either Flagler or Nova being second and third seeds. This means that even if ERAU gets a playoff bid, they will have to face Boca Raton in Boca Raton.

Flag Football Intramural Records

| | |
|--------------------|-----|
| Wrath | 4-0 |
| Integrated Society | 3-1 |
| A.F.U. | 3-1 |
| Violators | 4-1 |
| Mud Ducks | 3-2 |
| Droopy Dawgs | 3-2 |
| Sigma Chi | 3-1 |
| Air Assault | 3-1 |
| Penetrators | 3-1 |
| Breakers | 2-2 |
| Vets Club | 3-1 |
| Delta Chi | 2-2 |
| K.Y.A. | 3-1 |
| A.H.P. | 1-2 |
| Aardvarks | 3-2 |
| Falcons | 2-2 |
| Lambda Chi | 1-3 |
| 69ers | 1-3 |
| Tailhookers | 1-3 |
| Army R.O.T.C. | 2-2 |
| Nads | 2-2 |
| Sigma Pi | 0-3 |
| Bears | 1-3 |

6-on-6 Volleyball-Final Standings

| | |
|------------------------|------|
| 1. Bloody Facials | 10-0 |
| 2. Hammertime | 10-1 |
| 3. Bad Attitude | 8-2 |
| 4. Won By One | 6-2 |
| 5. No Joke | 8-3 |
| 6. Poundcake | 7-2 |
| 7. Sphincters | 5-3 |
| 8. King's of the Beach | 4-3 |
| 9. 3.0 North | 4-5 |
| 10. Delta Chi | 4-5 |
| 11. U.A.E. | 4-5 |
| 12. Spikers | 4-6 |
| 13. J6 | 4-6 |
| 14. Loopholes | 4-7 |
| 15. Devil Dogs | 3-6 |
| 16. Contra | 3-7 |
| 17. Legends | 3-7 |
| 18. Da Boyz | 2-7 |
| 19. Grad Stud Club | 2-10 |
| 20. Team #3 | 1-11 |

Intramural soccer results Sunday October 20, 1991

| | |
|----------------|---------------|
| Sigma Chi-6 | Goalbusters-1 |
| A.A.A.-3 | E.R.-0 |
| Polar Bears-7 | One world-0 |
| Ron Con Coca-2 | Lambda Chi-1 |

Soccer records

| | |
|--------------|-----|
| A.A.A. | 3-0 |
| E.R. | 2-0 |
| Polar Bears | 2-1 |
| Al Salam | 2-1 |
| Sigma Chi | 1-1 |
| One World | 1-2 |
| Ron Con Coca | 0-2 |
| Goalbusters | 0-2 |
| Lambda Chi | 0-2 |

Flag Football Results Sunday October 20, 1991

Field #1

| | |
|-------------------|-----------------|
| Penetrators-19 | Mud Ducks-13 |
| A.H.P.-24 | Vets Club-27 |
| Violators-35 | Droopy Dawgs-19 |
| Bears-25 | Sigma Pi-8 |
| Nads-13 | Lambda Chi-0 |
| Breakers-6 | Sigma Chi-13 |
| KYA over Sigma Pi | |

Field #2

| | |
|------------------------|----------------|
| Integrated Society-0 | Air Assault-13 |
| Army ROTC over Pirates | |
| Delta Chi-7 | Trojans-18 |
| Wrath-34 | A.F.U. |
| Falcons-19 | 69ers-6 |
| Tailhookers-20 | Aardvarks-27 |



No stoppin' 'em...

The Boca Raton team ran over the defense of the Eagles at will. Here defenseman John Osei tries to stop a Boca attacker.

1,000
screaming
ghouls...

*and what
do you
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Harrison
(continued from page A4)

body. When asked how he regards the overall student body at Embry-Riddle, Dr. Harrison responded, "I appreciate the character of the students at Embry-Riddle. I think really highly of the overall caliber of the [Embry-Riddle] students. ... It's a unique University and a unique student body."

Given the opportunity to voice his advice to students, Dr. Harrison thoughtfully responded, "Education ought to be an enjoyable experience, but that doesn't mean to say that it's not hard work. I think that can be said about life. You should never be content until you do your absolute best, whatever you're involved in."

Outside of his responsibilities at Embry-Riddle, Dr. Harrison is a family man. Dr. Harrison has three children with his wife Lois, and two grandchildren. Dr. Harrison's daughter Denise, by the way, is an Embry-Riddle graduate with a degree in Aviation Business Administration.

When Dr. Harrison has some free time, he enjoys the woodworking

craft. He spoke of one of his most rewarding accomplishments with his hobby which was when he hand crafted a crib for his first grandchild. He enjoyed that so much that he made a second one for his next grandchild!

What does Dr. Harrison have in store for this campus? As far as approved projects, a chapel is on the agenda for construction to meet the diverse religious needs of students. Also construction of Phase I of the Engineering Science Building has been approved.

For all those who are wondering what will come of the land on the east side of Clyde Morris Boulevard, there are no definite plans as of now.

Dr. Harrison said that a committee will meet in January of 1992. The committee will form a campus master plan to chart the growth of this campus for the next 20 years. From there, they will be able to decide what to build on the 35 acre lot. Some of the possible outcomes are a "badly needed" gym, a dormitory and a play field.

Retention
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Lynch said on student retention. Lynch continued, "A lot of dreamers come here. Once they realize the sweat and work involved, they get out."

Lynch continued, "Every degree has 'shake-out' courses which test your will power. College is about learning how to learn." When asked about the "shake-out" courses, Lynch responded, "The first two flight courses are shake-out courses, FA 110 and FA 200." Lynch concluded that financial constraints coupled with academic difficulty squeeze students out of the school.

"Retention has a lot to do with the student," Lynch said. "It is unreasonable to ask for tuition to be lower. Students should make the commitment to go all the way. ... I consider myself lucky to be here."

Lynch cited tutoring services as the main area needing attention at Embry-Riddle to improve retention. He said that the Writing Center and Mathematics/Physical Sciences tutoring labs operate on "shoestring"

budgets. He also proposed that organized tutoring for flight courses would be beneficial to flight students. However, he made the observation that there is virtually no availability of aircraft for this purpose from Embry-Riddle.

On the issue of retention, Desmarais told the Avion, "They don't get what they expected. Some come down here for the sun, ... tropics and fun." Desmarais asserted that some students just party and drink alcoholic beverages a lot, instead of concentrating on the purpose of their presence at Embry-Riddle to get an education. People just seem to think there is always a way out."

Desmarais added, "They think that they can rely on others, and that is not why they are in college." He was then asked to elaborate on why students should be here. He charged, "They should be down here to study and do their work. I know a lot of people who came down here just to party. There are people here to study too. It's just that they [those that come to party] see the school down here and say, 'Hey, what the heck?'"

Meeting
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This gives the division and student representatives a chance to address their concerns and speak directly to the University officials that can execute change."

"My only concern is," Kammernan admitted, "that the presence of these officials might adversely affect any decisions that need to be made by the students." He refers to a vote taken by a previous Student Representative Board involving the implementation of athletic scholarships.

"The University administration including Dean Rockett and Dean Kelly, was pushing the idea of the scholarships. After they presented their ideas, a vote was taken on the issue by the Student Representative Board with the University officials present.

The fact that these highly respected officials were present during the discussion and vote may have unduly influenced the Board's decision. The Representatives may have been intimidated by the University officials. It would be tough to say no to them."

Kammernan was further asked if there were any changes to the meeting format when he served in the SGA. "For the most part the Monthly Meetings ran according to established SGA guidelines. On occasion," he responded, "former SGA President Maxine Kilgore would try a different approach designed to get the division representatives to communicate more openly, with some success."

He went on to explain an example in which Kilgore demonstrated the teamwork concept by weaving string amongst members sitting in a circle, placed a book on the middle of the web of string, and showed that anyone letting go of their string would drop the book.

Robert Rockett, Dean of Student Affairs, was also interviewed about this unique meeting style. Rockett said, "We need... to see students outside of the classroom and see students more holistically." Rockett added, "The physical, spiritual and emotional sides of students affect learning."

"Learning isn't done in a vacuum," Rockett added. "Students who are involved are a good source for the University. It is great to see."

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Thomas
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dirty by attempting to turn the issue into a battle over the importance of sexual harassment.

I thought the British House of Commons was bad in terms of decorum and manners from watching them on C-SPAN, but when I heard Senator Orrin Hatch read Hill's testimony about "Long Dong Silver," which described "a black man with an elongated penis" to Thomas on nationwide multi-channel television, I was raging mad and wanted to puke!

What is sexual harassment? Any unwelcome touching, suggestions or conduct which infringes upon the personal security and liberty of another, in my definition. But, many other definitions exist. The fact is that there are so many meanings, that the meanings become meaningless; and the charges become less and less credible.

What kind of garbage pit has our country become when people are charging others with abuse and worse, sometimes convicting those charged without evidence beyond a reasonable doubt. Back off, and be nice!

We all need to remember that our society will function best if we are sincere in our participation in it. Abraham Lincoln said, "America is the last great hope for mankind." Let's be a little bit more mature. We need to stop abuse, now!

Nigeria
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Army and air force troops were deployed to help riot police, but were still unable to master the situation Tuesday afternoon.

Witnesses said Muslims continued looking for Christian victims over Tuesday night, despite a curfew, and that many more people were killed.

The sources spoke on condition

of anonymity.

Police headquarters in Lagos, the capital in the south, said police nationwide were ordered to a higher state of alert in case the unrest spread.

Deadly clashes between Muslim and Christian zealots are frequent in the north of Nigeria.

In April, between 50 and 80 people were killed when fundamental-

ists Muslims attacked Christians in Bauchi City, southeast of Kano.

Muslims are believed to outnumber Christians, but the question is so sensitive an upcoming national census will not ask people to identify their religion. Three previous attempts to conduct a census were abandoned because of religious and ethnic manipulation of the counts.

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Lacrosse
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of their groundballs. The Eagles out hustled and played a more physical game than the Dolphins. Embry-Riddle pressured Jacksonville attackmen every time they touched the ball.

The Eagles' scoring was led by their impressive front attack of Jason Witaker, Scott Clark and rookie sensation Jamie Kreppin, who all scored four times for the Eagles. Jason Witaker and Scott Clark added four and two assists respectively. Will Langmann and another rookie, Chad Vischer, scored three and two goals respectively from their midfield positions to finish off the goal scoring and Langmann added an assist to his scoring total for the Eagles. The remainder of the scoring was down by Craig Bentley who had three assists and Rhett Mjilto who finished off the scoring with an assist.

The Eagles have three very strong rookies on this year's squad that are contributing a large part to the Eagles' success. Jamie Kreppin finally gives the team its third attackman to complete the attack. Chad Vischer is an all around player who plays both attack and midfield and has incredible endurance. Rhett Mjilto strengthens and adds depth to the Eagles defense.

The team's next game will be October 26 at Florida State University in Tallahassee. The Eagles' first home will be the Saturday of homecoming against the University of North Florida. So come out and check them out as they claw their way to the top.

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