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THE AVION

An award-winning newspaper by students for students

President recognizes faculty and staff leaders

by Bill De Brauer

Campus News Reporter

President Sliwa held the third President's Innovation Review, Wednesday, January 29. Six members of the University's students, faculty and staff were awarded certificates of achievement by the president for their innovations. Members had a chance to present their programs to the members of the audience.

Honored were Dr. Stephen Whitmer, Mr. George Campbell, Dr. Mohammed Katoot, Mrs. Linda Riley, Mrs. Irene McReynolds and Mr. Sam Wiggins.

Dr. Stephen Whitmer

As the University's budget director, Dr. Whitmer was responsible for discovering a loophole in the University's operational budget.

At the end of each year the school has end-of-year encumbrances. These are items which have been ordered but have not been received or paid for. The money to pay for these items is included in that year's budget.

However, when the next year's

budget is figured out and since the items have not been paid for yet, the money needed to pay for them is included. This results in an over inflated budget.

To solve this problem, Dr. Whitmer worked together with Data Processing, and found a utility feature in the Bi-Tech software system that eliminates this problem.

Because of Dr. Whitmer's work, the University has been able to eliminate \$508,000 from the 1992 fiscal year baseline budget.

George Campbell

Mr. Campbell, the University's supervisor of grounds maintenance, is responsible for the design of the blue and gold ERAU sign underneath the Wright Flyer.

The copy of the aircraft that flew the Wright brothers into history is the centerpiece of this University. Families and graduates use the monument as a background for picture taking.

The problem initially was the steep bank of the revetment pond that is just below the Wright Flyer. To maintain this bank would be dan-

gerous for the crew if they used heavy equipment and too ineffective if they used hand held gardening tools.

It was therefore decided that a mulch bed would hold the slope and require little maintenance. The mulch was painted blue and marigolds were planted in the mulch to form the letters ERAU.

Unfortunately, after a few months and heavy rains all the marigolds suddenly died. The dead plants were dug up and replaced by large bricks, which were painted yellow.

This innovation results in a aesthetically enhanced driveway which requires very little maintenance resulting in \$1,600 worth of savings.

Dr. Mohammed W. Katoot

Dr. Katoot has been involved in developing the Compound Superconducting Solenoidal Microprobe (CSSM). The CSSM provides analysis of elements at the atomic level.

What is significant of this microprobe is that the resolution is 100,000 to 1,000,000 times greater than that provided by the electron

microscope.

The scanning electron microscope and the secondary ion microscopy represent today's state of the art ion microprobes.

The reason the CSSM has greater resolution is that it has a revolutionary focusing element using superconducting solenoids.

With today's microprobes, a scientist needs to shoot multiple beams at a sample, in order to have an accurate idea of what the sample is. The energy of the multiple beams usually results in the destruction of the sample.

With the CSSM only one beam needs to be shot at the sample, resulting in no damage. This is particularly valuable in the medical field, where it can be used to find cures for disorders such as Alzheimer's disease.

Dr. Katoot hopes to have a working CSSM here at Embry-Riddle where students have an opportunity to do scientific studies, and where companies can send materials to conduct structural analysis.

See Awards page A11



Recognized...
Innovation awards were presented to those people who gave some imagination in solving campus problems.



1,2,3, Bungee...
It took all of the courage this man had to hurl himself off a 138 foot crane attached only to bungee cords.

Sivjee returns to South Pole

by Gary Fairman

Special to the Avion

Over Christmas break, two members of ERAU's Space Physics Research Lab traveled to the geographic South Pole.

Dr. G. Sivjee, a Physics professor and Director of the Space Physics Research Lab, is Principal Investigator of a project to study gravity-wave propagation in, and thermodynamics of, the upper atmosphere. He was accompanied to the pole by Gary Fairman, an Engineering Physics student who spent three summers in Antarctica during his time in the Navy.

An explanation of gravity waves seems appropriate, since the term may be misconstrued to imply a connection with Einstein's General Relativity theory. Actually, they are far less mystical. You have all seen gravity waves on an ocean surface. If a molecule of a fluid at the water-air interface is displaced from its "proper" position in a gravity field it gains or loses potential energy. When the gravitational force attempts to restore the position, kinetic energy is gained and causes over-compensation. As the two types of energy are swapped back-

and-forth, a wave pattern travels

through the liquid or gas. Unlike water waves, which are generally confined to the surface, atmospheric gravity waves travel in three dimensions. In order to study gravity waves propagating in near-Earth space environment, the light emissions from hydroxyl molecules in the mesopause (80 km from the Earth's surface) are observed. Periodic fluctuation of the brightness of this light as well as the inferred temperature of the light-emitting region indicate the effect of a gravity wave.

For this type of research, the South Pole is an ideal location. The principal advantages of the site are the six-months of continuous darkness which allow un-interrupted observations, the cold temperatures and high altitude which limit water-vapor absorption of the photons, and the featureless terrain which helps to narrow the possible causes of the shorter-period waves.

As an added bonus, the location and instruments being used are ideal for studying the Aurora Australis (Southern Lights). This is a long-time passion of Dr. Sivjee, who has over 20 years research experience in

the field.

The Aurora is more than just a fabulous natural light show. It is caused by very-high-kinetic-energy particles (electrons and protons) entering the atmosphere along open magnetic field lines near the poles; sort of a poor-man's particle accelerator on a truly grand scale.

On the trip South this year, Dr. Sivjee and researchers in related fields discussed future goals that will continue to bring new projects to our research facilities. Among their plans for the coming year is a project which would give one to the Engineering Physics students and opportunity to spend one continuous year doing research in the new \$26M Combined Sciences Laboratory at McMurdo Station, Antarctica.

While Dr. Sivjee and Gary were headed South in December, another student headed north.

Scott Borin, an Engineering Physics student, spent the Christmas break in Sondre-Stromfjord, Greenland (67° N) acquiring one month of continuous data. This will be analyzed and compared with results from the South Pole over the next several months.

Baseball team defeats B-CC

by Dave Steinfeldt

Sports Reporter

The Embry-Riddle baseball team, armed with a new coach and a new attitude, opened their 1992 season last Saturday with a big win over Bethune-Cookman College. The Eagles were pumped up and ready for the new season, and those fans who braved the chilly temperatures and the gusty winds were treated to a very exciting game.

Coach Guilliams, with his demanding coaching style, had the Eagles looking sharp. The team showed a great deal of pride by running onto the field to take their positions and running off of the field at the completion of the inning. The Eagle batters also showed great discipline by running back to the dugout after batting and by hustling to the plate for their turn at bat.

Matt Palisin was the starting pitcher for the Eagles and did an excellent job. Palisin pitched six full innings, struck out seven batters, and gave up only one earned run. Palisin not only pitched well, he also played the field well. In the fourth inning, Palisin made a diving, shoe-string catch when a Bethune-Cookman batter popped up the ball trying to bunt his way onto base. In the fifth inning Palisin was advised by the Eagle's short stop, Monic Sanders, that the B-CC runner was taking a large lead from second base. Palisin responded with a superb pick off move and was able to make the out.

The game started off well for the Eagles as they quickly had runners in scoring position. With Eagle runners on second and third, Bethune-Cookman's second baseman bob-

bled a hard hit ground ball and made an off-balanced throw to first. Even though the first baseman dropped the ball, the runner was called out by the umpire. It was the Eagles' third out and the rally was over.

Coach Guilliams defended his team by protesting the umpire's obvious mistake. As we all know, umpires are very stubborn and Coach Guilliams' plea was apparently ignored. However, on the next play a B-CC batter was called out at first despite being clearly safe.

Bethune-Cookman's starting pitcher was strong. He was suffling Eagle batters for the first six innings with high velocity pitches. Fortunately for Riddle he tired and the pitches eventually became easier to hit.

In the third inning ERAU's pitcher... See Baseball page A11



Safe at third...
Mark Blair steals third base moments before stealing home on a successful double steal which scored the Eagles' second run.

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M-i-c-k-e-y...
Disney opens new attraction at Magic Kingdom. See story in Diversions, page A8...

News in brief...

Runway opens

On Monday, construction was finished on half of runway 16-34 which allowed it to be opened to all operations.

The airport closed runway 7-Right, 25-Left in order to complete construction on the southern end of 16-34. As of right now only 2951 feet of runway is usable.

Mr. Gatti's closes

Mr. Gatti's pizza buffet, the mainstay of many Riddle diets closed mysteriously recently.

"I don't know where I'm going to

eat now," was one disappointed student's statement.

Planes purchased

Unconfirmed reports have it that ERAU has purchased three Mooneys for use at the Daytona campus. Tampicos were purchased for the Daytona campus as well. Tabagos will be used in Prescott for high performance training. General Tigers will also be used in Prescott.

There will be a press conference on February 13 in Washington D.C. announcing the exact details of the planned purchases.



Performing...
Kris Shanahan performs his job well by scoring consistently. See story in Sports, page A6...

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Letters to the Editor

Concern expressed for pedestrian safety

To the Editor:
I would like to let you and all of the students at Embry-Riddle know that I am concerned about the pedestrian situation at the intersection of Catalina and Clyde Morris. We've been working with Volusia County officials on a solution to the traffic problem since December 1990. At that time, the university requested the county put up "Yield to Pedestrian" signs and allow intersections lights to turn four-way red for short periods of time during crossing periods. The county responded by putting up the signs, but has continued to refuse the four-way red light, which would allow students to cross without interruption from vehicles. In October of last year, the county took traffic counts at the intersection of Catalina/Clyde Morris. ERAU's Safety Department also took pedestrian counts on October 14-15 and submitted this data to the Volusia County Traffic Department in another request for the four-way light. The county replied that the data was not adequate to justify a four-way red light but that it is checking into the possibility of programming the lights to four-way red during specific time periods when classes are changing. The four-way red function would work when the cross-walk button is pressed only during those time periods and at other times the light would function normally. We expect a response from the county on whether this programming of the lights is possible. During the last week of October the Safety Department wrote a letter to Sheriff Bob Voget outlining the situation and requesting the posting of crossing guards. We were

informed that there is no precedent in Volusia at Catalina for a situation like ours at Catalina/Clyde Morris. Since the sheriff won't use county guards, we are looking into posting ERAU crossing guards. University crossing guards cannot legally stop traffic, though they could assist students in crossing. During the first week of November, ERAU's Safety Department videotaped crossing activities at the intersection. The tape depicts traffic turning in conflict with pedestrians. Also shown is the disregard by students of crosswalks, cars, traffic signals, and pedestrian signals in a rush to get to class and traffic turning in conflict with pedestrians. The tape and an explanatory letter has been shown to the Department of Transportation (DOT) to appeal Volusia County's decision against a four-way red light. We expect to hear from them mid-February. Over Christmas break, the DOT striped the pedestrian crosswalks to make them more visible to pedestrians and drivers alike. Also, DOT eliminated right turns on red from Catalina on to Clyde Morris southbound. DOT will also do a pedestrian traffic study in late January. The extensive work being done on these other solutions is one reason why the construction of a pedestrian bridge has not passed the "feasibility" stage. If one or more of these solutions is effectively implemented, the need for and expensive bridge to the ASSL will be nullified. Future plans of both the county and ERAU must be taken into account before building a permanent bridge. The location of the bridge is a major concern since approaches for handicapped persons and support piers will need to be set back from the road enough to allow six-laning of Clyde Morris by the county. *see Letters page, A11*

Editorials

Who can we believe in an election?



Greg Rezendes
Space Tech Editor

Who isn't disappointed in politics? I for one, believe that if an elected official doesn't fulfill his or her campaign promises, then they are not entitled to the office. "NO NEW TAXES!" We all knew that was the biggest B.S. routine, but we still voted for and elected President Bush into office. And what about "1000 points of light"? Maybe Bush was talking about the White House Christmas tree. Who knows? I think the guy did a pretty good job overseas in his first term. Maybe he shouldn't have exhausted his dinner all over the table in Japan. But, besides that, we won a war and made more friends. Back home in the old United

States he's done a poor job. Very poor job. But wouldn't you know it, when election time roles around, home becomes very important to Bush. I truly enjoyed falling asleep watching the State of the Union address last week. It's so funny to see the President crack some sort of joke and everyone in the room laugh as if it was the funniest they've ever heard. President Bush demanded that congress pass all his bills before the election, and of course everyone in the room clapped. He doesn't realize or want to realize that more than half the people in that room are backing his opponent. So do you really think they're going to race to pass these bills that can get Americans to like old George again? I don't think so! Congress doesn't work that way. Even so, Bush gave a wonderful speech. Partly because it was written by a woman, and also because it was what every American wanted to hear

(three years ago). Knowing this, why wasn't this speech delivered three years ago? Sometimes I think Dana Carvey (who plays President Bush) on *Saturday Night Live* would make a better president than Bush. At least Mr. Carvey keeps us entertained. Another thing that really bugs me about politics is all the scandals. Bill Clinton is a very good example of this. So he had intimate relations with a woman, I've definitely think this man should be flogged for being human. "Wook him" damn it! I think the press should work more on other aspects of the presidential race. I feel that it's none of the peoples business who sleeps with who. Will it really affect the persons ability to run the country? We're giving them a job, not marrying them. The worst that could happen is that we're paying for the sleazy motel they're staying at, and that doesn't really matter, because if Clinton becomes the president, a house comes with the

deal. And how can people believe those women who confess to sleeping with a politician and then follow up their story with a nice centerfold in an adult magazine. Very credible, aren't they? The pictures really sell the story. I think it's time we make clear what we want the politicians to do in office. Yes, make them work for their pay. Show them that we are not going to take it anymore. Prove that the system works for the common people, not just the criminals. But, this would require almost a new government in this country. That would mean taking all the criminals out of politics. And when your through with that, take all four hard working, non-criminal politicians and give them a pay raise. They truly deserve it. A country without criminals is a country with no government, and we all know that it just wouldn't be "Prudent at this juncture."

If you don't like this editorial then sue me



Jason Piper
Photographer

Money can buy anything, can't it? This University has a big pocketful of money. Can we find a decent American made training aircraft at a reasonable price? The answer is most definitely NO. The aircraft manufacturers would argue that the prices are reasonable. And I really can't blame them, it's not their fault. So what's the problem. If you read any aviation publications or listen to people talk about the American aircraft market you know what the problem is. In the big bad L word, you know it, LIABILITY. This nation has got so wrapped up in the legal system, people would sue their best friend if they slipped on his steps. There is no such thing as an accident anymore. There's always someone who is liable. It doesn't matter that millions of hours have been flown in 172's Cadets, Warriors, Tomahawks and dozens of

other aircraft that are tried and true. If some jerk exceeds his flying skills, for instance VFR into IMC, you hear it all the time. Some guy flies his plane into a mountain in zero-zero conditions and all of the sudden a plane that a 16-year-old can fly is a death trap. In the courts the plane gets portrayed as a wild stallion that the pilot can barely control. The pure facts that the plane will practically fly itself are ignored. A huge mistake on the part of the pilot is overlooked. The FAA knows how to deal with it. Just about every accident is pilot error. Not the courts though. The pilot is innocent always. The grieving widow is blaming that nasty hunk of metal which swallowed her spouse. Never mind he exceeded his limits and ignored all rules and regulations. Picture this- a pilot with a few hundred hours under his belt goes flying on a marginal day. He is overly optimistic about the weather forecast which is close to marginal VFR. Barely legal for his basic private pilots license, he presses on anyway; he doesn't want to seem chicken to his buddies he's taking flying. In the

back of his mind he knows he is making a mistake. His macho attitude blocks it out though. He can't let a broken layer of cumulus keep him down. He takes the guys up house, they fly over everybody's house, do some steep turns and stalls, the normal stuff. They are about 20 minutes from the airport. They have been so busy messing around they didn't notice the weather deteriorating. It's now MVER; they look toward the airport-solid IFR. The macho attitude says, I can do it. There's an ILS I'll just follow the needles below the clouds. Not wanting to go through the inconvenience of landing at another airport and calling to have someone get them. It's too long of a drive. He heads for the home airport. Never mind calling to get a in flight briefing. He'll just follow ATC directions and fly the approach. Never mind the fact he doesn't have the approach plate. Maybe he's had some instrument training and just hasn't bothered to go on the check-ride. You can already see where this is going. One thing leads to another and that plane ends up being a lawn ornament. It doesn't matter how,

vertigo, wind shear, hit an antenna, mid-air collision, or just plain flying it into the ground. The NTSB does a report, it's simple. VFR into IMC pilot error. Open and shut case. It happens all the time. All occupants die, because of the bad decisions of the pilot. The plane performed just like it always has. Now the family wants an explanation and there looking for someone who is liable. Someone is always liable. The steps in front of your house are slippery. It's winter in the northeast. You get snow, things get slippery. Someone falls. Now the finger pointing starts. It wasn't an accident. It wasn't just because it was slippery. The contractor who built the steps is liable, the owner of the house is liable, the manufacturer of the paint on the steps is liable, the person's boot manufacturer is liable. And once someone wins a case like that and gets a pocket full of money everyone wants their piece of the corporate pie. That's how it happened. Bit by bit widows and injured people took the American aircraft market apart. Everybody gets their piece until there's nothing left. Is that the way it has to be?

Student Forum

The Avion asks: What the Department in the University could stand for the most improvement, and why?



Dwayne Pittman Aero Engineering
"The Administration, because efficiency is lacking."

Shawn Stokes Aviation Business
"Safety, because they need to understand their place and purpose at this University."

Eddie Munoz Air Science
"Air Science. I think there are way too many students for the number of aircraft available."

Rob Reichenbach Air Science
"The Flight Department. The flight scheduling is not very efficient and could stand for some improvement."

Dave Fox Air Science
"The Air Science department. A lot of the aircraft should be kept up better than they are."

Angelo Correa Aviation Business
"The Academic Computer Lab. I think they should rethink their system layout and increase the number of high quality printers such as laser printers."

Professor Ann Magaha's play makes its first showing



Writer, director...
Ann Magaha shows her play to the college English teaching community.

by Bill De Brauer
Campus News Reporter

The Florida College English Association held its 1991 annual meeting at the Treasure Island Inn last Thursday and Friday. In attendance were numerous faculty from universities and colleges in Florida and the Southeast.

The meeting gave members a chance to listen to approximately 60

speakers as they presented various papers on the humanities. The meeting also had a play called *Visions and Revisions*, which was written and directed by Ann Magaha, an Humanities Professor here at Embry-Riddle.

The cast consisted of Dr. Roger Osterholm, also an Humanities Professor at Embry-Riddle; Dr. Sam Goldstein, who used to teach here and is now a professor at Daytona Beach Community College; and Lucy Krupp, an actress from DeLand.

Dr. Goldstein played the main character of the play, Sam Block, a Humanities Professor at "Super Technical University," where the students do not just believe in what they listen to in English class, but want proof to back it up.

Being in such an environment puts his students and himself to sleep during class. This gives him severe writers block, making him incapable of finishing his dissertation on the *Effects of Shakespeare on T.S. Elliot*. Without this dissertation he could lose his chance to receive tenure at the university.

Sam Block decides to see Dean

Axeman, a gang-b0 retired Army helicopter pilot, played by Dr. Osterholm. The Dean orders Sam Block to attend an English convention.

On the airplane, he meets another convention goer, Dr. Lucy Lipschitz, played by Lucy Krupp. With her encouragement he decides to attend a lecture by the renowned Dr. David Lodge, also played by Dr. Osterholm.

The lecture, about the dangers of interpretation, is full of sexual innuendo (which caused the audience to laugh throughout the whole speech).

The whole experience leaves Sam Block shaken. But it also seems to have shaken him of his writers block.

He returns to Super Tech where he is able to finish his dissertation, receive his tenure and continue to put himself and his students to sleep.

The play was well received by those in attendance. It is also clear that the play is laced with good-natured puns toward this school and its students. The playwright obviously had ERAU in mind when composing the humor.

Sam Block even mentions that the

pilot of the airliner he takes to the convention was a former student of his. That pilot squeaked by his class with a "passing" grade. There were also a number of aviation metaphors which got many laughs from the Embry-Riddle faculty in attendance.

The play even featured a rap version of T.S. Eliot's *The Love Song of J. Alfred Prufrock*, which included audience participation.

The play managed to poke fun at English teachers, students, deans, Embry-Riddle and aviation, without offending anyone. The result was a great performance by the three actors, and a funny, well written script that all who attended enjoyed.

Ms. Magaha said, "I owe all the success of my plays to the help I have always received from students, not just actors, but the technical assistants."

Technical Assistants for the play were: Anna Mumford, Scott Spaulding, Courtney Gedar and Wade Ilvento.

Ann Magaha has been a teacher at ERAU for 20 years. She is also currently working on a degree in Directing at Southern Illinois University.



The Axeman Cometh...
Dr. J. Roger Osterholm played Dean Axeman of Super Technical University. People may remember what University official he satired.

Career Center assesses Career Day

(Career Center) How successful was Career Day? There are several ways in which success can be measured from a student's perspective. One way is employer attendance, and the general amount and variety of information available about careers. For seniors, the success of Career Day may depend on the number of interviews conducted the following day. Finally, there are those who just want to know the bottom line: How many job offers resulted?

Forty-six companies participated in Career Day on Thursday, January 23, and as usual, student turnout was excellent. Of those companies, sixteen elected to stay an extra day to conduct interviews, which resulted in a total of 255 interviews conducted on-campus on Friday, January 24. Twenty-eight of these were for Co-op or summer jobs; employers

conducting interviews for permanent positions included CIGNA, Delta Air Lines, DISC, F. N. Wolf, Howmet Refurbishment Center, Naval Air Systems Command, Elsinore Aerospace, McDonnell-Douglas, Nassau Flyers, Naval Maritime Intelligence Center and Pratt & Whitney.

Those planning to attend Career Day next year, which has already been scheduled for January 28, 1993, should take note of an informal survey conducted with employers. They indicated that they were looking for the following characteristics in students: 1) High GPAs of 3.0 or above 2) Work Experience, cooperative education, or internships and demonstrated work ethic 3) Relevant military experience 4) Volunteerism and extracurricular involvement 5) Professional appearance.

In addition to the interviews conducted on campus, each company collected over a hundred resumes to hand-carry back to their personnel departments and managers for review. This makes several thousand additional resumes circulated, which saved students a lot of postage.

Most employers will take some time to make hiring decisions based on their needs and the graduation dates of the students, but a number of employers indicated that they would be making immediate job offers within the next two to three weeks, including McDonnell-Douglas, Howmet, CIGNA, DISC and F. N. Wolf, for a total of seventeen offers. In addition, all fifteen of the candidates interviewed by Delta will be flown to Atlanta for final interviews and testing.

Corrections

In a story appearing in January 27th's issue, an error was made.

The story was called *Traffic: report reveals the facts about ERAU parking violations* on page A3.

In the first paragraph the article stated "...students make up only 9.8 percent of all citations compared to the total citations is 11.1 percent..."

This statement is incorrect. The number 9.8 percent applied to B-lot (faculty/staff parking) only. The 11.1 percent was the amount of citations issued to faculty and staff.

Also, in that same issue, an article entitled *US News ranks ERAU as 18th in the Nation* was incorrect. The headline should have stated *US News ranks ERAU as one of the 18 best in the Nation*.



Life after Riddle...
Career Day packed the Student Center two weeks ago.

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Trustee gives photo presentation in Student Center

by Eric Sarnowski
Campus News Reporter

If you were looking for an interesting, yet fun night on Wednesday, then the Student Center was the place to be. Kimball J. Scribner, former chief pilot of Pan American World Airways and a Trustee Emeritus of ERAU gave a humorous slide projection on "The Golden Age of Aviation."

Scribner has over 27,000 hours of flight experience spanning over 46 years in the aviation field. He joked about being the only pilot to start his career in a gas-filled sewer under Washington, D.C. He was the youngest parachute jumper in the United States at the age of 15, and would often perform at various airshows around the country. On one occasion, at the Cleveland Airshow, Scribner jumped too close to the circle where he was supposed to touch down. Instead of "landing in some nice ladies' lap," he decided to pull up over the grandstand and land behind it. As he did so he encountered something he never thought of, approximately 70,000 parked auto-

mobiles. He remarked, "It was then that I picked out a nice one and proceeded to crash through the windshield." After the incident Scribner decided that what the world needed was a steerable parachute. So he set out to make one, only to be put out of business by patent conflicts with the larger companies.

Scribner discussed how he accomplished his first solo, and then later became one of a handful of civilian pilots. He discussed his dilemma of being a Navy Lieutenant, getting civilian pay and flying U.S. Air Force planes. He was involved in the Daily Mail Race which required the best time from the top of the Empire State Building to the Maine-Montparnasse Tower in Paris and back. Through a number of arrangements, Scribner was able to get his daughter there and back in time to win \$6,000. In the beginning of the race he used an ambulance to punch out at the Empire State Building. Subsequently, the drive to J.F. Kennedy International Airport took only 14 minutes. Which for those of

you not from the New York area, is about the same as getting from the Airway Simulated Science Lab to B-building in thirty seconds - next to impossible. The most humorous story of the night was the Cotton Bowl fly-by in a 747 with the Mayor of Dallas "and his entourage" in the plane.

Scribner's career was not all fun and games. He researched clear air turbulence in a sailplane, and was awarded the title of World Sailplane Aerobatic Champion in 1948. He was the first pilot to fly a Boeing Stratocruiser to South America, and on July 23, 1968, he was the first captain to fly a U.S. transport, a Boeing 707, into Moscow, Russia. In 1969 he was elected to ERAU's Board of Trustees, and given an honorary doctorate of Aeronautical Science. In the 1973-74 school year he was given the Champion of Higher Education in Florida Award; inducted into the Aviation Hall of Fame in 1978; and received the Eighth Annual Bishop Wright Air Industry Award in 1979. Perhaps the most prestigious award he has been



What's the hang time on that? Kimball J. Scribner shows off his photo of himself and the Mayor of Dallas "buzzing" the Cotton Bowl in the first Boeing 747.

given was a French gold cross medal, which according to President Sliwa, "...has a really long name and is really good."

Even though the turnout was small, everyone present had an excellent time. For those who are interested in finding out more about

Kimball J. Scribner, he has an autobiography called *Adventures in Aviation*, out in most bookstores.

Thefts hit home during Christmas

by Roland Houle
Campus News Reporter

Over the Christmas Break, while most students were back home visiting family and friends, thieves sifted through some students' properties here in Daytona Beach. Four apartments were broken into early Christmas morning at Apartment Complex II (ACII).

At 1 a.m. that morning, the Embry-Riddle Safety Department conducted a thorough inspection of the complex and noticed nothing unusual. At 3 a.m., a drive-by inspection was done by an Embry-Riddle Safety Officer and again, nothing was out of the ordinary.

The next inspection of ACII was at 10:15 a.m. At this time, an officer noticed that several apartment windows were broken, and he called the police. The Daytona Beach Police investigated the scene, but this investigation has not led to any solutions.

Items that were taken include radios, stereos, surfboards and posters. Kevin Mannix, ERAU's Director of Safety, suggested that because of the nature of the items taken, the thieves may have been young people that just happen to be going by the complex.

Mannix admitted that in a case like this, unless the culprits are caught in the act, it is unlikely that anyone will be apprehended.

Troy Butcher, one of the ACII victims, was not impressed with safety's handling of the affair. He feels it should not have happened at all. Also, safety did not notify any of the victims while they were away. Instead, notes were left for the victims to contact the safety department when they got back to school.

After the break-ins were discovered, a safety officer was assigned to the apartment complex full-time. Before the incident, a safety officer would inspect the area on the aver-

age of twice per eight-hour shift.

At the time of the break-ins, however, the complex had not been inspected in over seven hours.

On the morning of Dec. 29, a vehicle entered the apartment complex with its lights off. As it slowed down, an ERAU safety officer turned on the lights of his patrol car and started the engine. As he approached the suspicious car, the car sped up and fled the complex.

The officer on duty was unable to get a license plate number, but a description of the car was given to the Daytona Beach Police.

Mannix stated that other minor incidents occurred during the Christmas Break. These included another possible break-in attempt at the apartment complex, a bicycle stolen from Dorm II, a cassette player stolen from Dorm II, a telephone and answering machine stolen from

see Theft, page A11

Aeronautical Science professor named as "outstanding faculty"

(PR) Franklin D. Richey, an associate professor in the Aeronautical Science department at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, has won the department's outstanding faculty award given by his peers.

"The award was started two years ago to recognize faculty whose services to the students and University were exceptional," said Dr. Thomas J. Connolly, chairman of the Aeronautical Science department. "Richey has shown great dedication to his students and has worked hard on a self-study project for our re-accreditation effort. He has also helped develop cooperative education programs for our department."

Richey has been on the faculty at Embry-Riddle since 1982 and was chosen as an outstanding faculty member by his students in 1983. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree from U.S. Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, CA, his Master of Business Administration from Pepperdine University in Malibu, CA, and is working on his doctorate. Prior to coming to Embry-Riddle, he worked as director of operations for an air carrier and managed a corporate pilot service. He served more than 20 years in the U.S. Marine Corps as a naval aviator and retired with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel.

Author featured for instruction clinic for flight

(PR) Aviation author William Kershner will be the featured speaker at the first of two Flight Instructor Refresher Clinics conducted by Embry-Riddle, February 21-23, 1992, in Daytona Beach.

The three-day clinic is approved by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), and will offer on-site re-certification to flight instructors, pilots and aviation enthusiasts. Those who complete the course will receive 24 continuing education units. Instructors for the clinic will be FAA representatives, Embry-Riddle faculty and aviation experts.

The clinic will take place at the Treasure Island Inn. Cost is \$135. For more information contact Gary Brindza at Embry-Riddle's Center for Professional Programs, at (904) 226-6187.

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Tom Harkin among Democrats in Primary

by Roger Harnack
National News Editor

Iowa Senator, Tom Harkin, is currently one of the leading democratic candidates for president. Harkin, is not the traditional democrat. He has ideas of his own and many goals to accomplish should he become the next president.

He was on an ROTC scholarship and put himself through college. In 1962, Harkin graduated from Iowa State University with a B.S. in Government and Economics. He enlisted in the Navy and became a jet pilot serving from 1962 to 1967, including a tour in Vietnam. Harkin remains an active pilot in the Civil Air Patrol.

Senator Harkin is experienced in the political arena. He was first elected to Congress as a representative in 1974. He became known early as a leading advocate for human rights worldwide. Harkin went on to win a seat in the Senate in 1984. Since 1989, he has served as chairman for the Appropriations Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services. He also serves as chairman for the Senate Labor and Human Resources Subcommittee on Disability Policy and is a member of

other committees. Harkin has co-authored a book entitled, *Five Minutes to Midnight: Why the Nuclear Threat is Growing Faster than Ever*.

An eight point plan for health care reform stands at the forefront of Harkin's platform.

He wants to guarantee all Americans affordable, quality health care without the "fine print." He emphasizes the need for people to help reduce costs by staying at home. At the center of the reforms is a complete program to cut unnecessary health cost. This includes "red tape," padded prices and bureaucratic waste. Under his plan, Americans will be able to select their own doctor and not be dictated by insurance companies.

He also intends to increase research for many currently incurable diseases. To supplement his health care reform, he intends to crack down on unsafe working conditions and create a National Health Service Corps.

Crime is escalating in America and Harkin has a plan to get tough

on crime. He feels that federal aid is required to provide more police, prison cells, and prosecutors on the local and state level. The program includes improvement of training for officers. Harkin intends to also support legislation for outlawing

semi-automatic assault weapons and requiring a waiting period in handgun purchases.

Another idea Harkin has is to send first-time male offenders to a "boot-camp" prison to instill discipline within them. Harkin supports the Violence Against Women Act to increase penalties and provide funds to stop crimes like rape.

Tom Harkin has outlined a "New Growth Agenda" that redirects priorities to invest in America. The agenda calls for ending subsidization of the Japanese and European defenses.

In order to invest in the American worker, Harkin opposes the U.S.-Mexico Free Trade Agreement. Harkin supports labor unions in that he believes that workers should be allowed to strike without losing their

job. Environmental issues are also of importance to him. He intends to do what is possible to save the Wetlands, Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, and protect endangered species. Global warming is on his mind as well and he believes that standards should be set for reducing carbon dioxide.

Since the cold war has ended, Harkin will move to end foreign defense subsidizing, eliminate 11,000 nuclear warheads from our arsenal of 12,000 and rely more upon the National Guard and Reserve than on active personnel.

Individual rights are important to Harkin. He believes that a women's right to choose should be protected and voted in the Senate to overturn the "Gag Rule." Harkin also gave many intense speeches to the Senate on Civil Rights.

Harkin's platform contains many more issues of importance. Although he is not the leading democratic candidate, he promises a good showing in the upcoming primary. With less than a week until the beginning of the New Hampshire Primary, Harkin will be campaigning hard to get his point across to voters.



One of many... Senator Tom Harkin is among the numerous Democrats running for president in the New Hampshire Primary.

Victim's rights advocates protest trading cards of mass murders

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) - Killer trading cards featuring mass murderers and serial slayers will tear open the wounds of victim's families and glorify notorious sociopaths and their crimes, advocates for victims said Thursday.

"It's offensive. It's obscene. It's outrageous," Marlene A. Young, executive director of the National Organization for Victim Assistance, said in a statement. She noted that many young people collect cards, primarily those of sports heroes.

"The idea of placing on these innocent icons the faces of individuals who have committed brutal, horrifying and vicious acts of violence is appalling," she said.

But Eclipse Enterprises Inc, vigorously defended the cards, part of a "True Crime" series to be released in May. They aren't aimed at any particular age group and are no different than mainstream news coverage of inherently sensational events, the

company said.

"Newsweek ran a cover story on Jeffrey Dahmer. Are these people upset at Newsweek?" said Catherine Yronwood, Eclipse editor-in-chief, referring to the Milwaukee man who

has pleaded guilty but insane to killing and dismembering more than a dozen young males.

"Newsweek will reach more homes. ... Any kid with \$2.50 can buy a copy," she said.

Eclipse Enterprises, based in Forestville about 60 miles north of San Francisco, publishes comic books and books on popular culture as well as collectors' cards, which include series on history and current events.

The new, "True Crime" series will feature 110 cards, to be sold in packets of 12 for \$1. About half depict organized crime figures, such

as Al Capone, and famous law enforcement officials like J. Edgar Hoover.

Fifty-four depict serial killers and mass murderers. Each features an illustration of the criminal and a

250-word description of the crime, how it was committed, the number of victims and the sentence imposed. The names of the victims are not listed.

Killers in the series include such convicted killers as Ted Bundy and Ramon Salcido. The latter has been sentenced to death in the gas chamber for killing seven people - including several members of his family - in a rampage through Sonoma County in 1989.

Catherine Toovey, whose husband, Tracy, was killed by Salcido, still lives in the area. She was appalled by Eclipse's plan to publish the cards.

"I cannot imagine what it would do to my daughter to have a kid come up to her at school and show her the trading card," she told the Santa Rosa Press Democrat.

News of Eclipse's plans has attracted national attention, with company representatives set to appear on the "Today" show on Friday.

Victims' rights advocates said they were horrified by the reports. They said the cards would hurt victims' relatives who have found some solace after notorious murder cases faded from public attention.

"Put yourself in their shoes. ... All of a sudden, their case is back in the public eye," said John Stein, deputy director of the National Organization for Victim Assistance, based in Washington, D.C.

"There has been a resentment all along that their particular murderer was glamorized, somehow made larger than life in some perverse way. Now again, they have been put back on that kind of pedestal," he said, Mark Groubert, a New York City writer and film producer critical of press coverage of infamous criminal cases, also condemned the cards.

"I think it's outrageous. This is a non-eyemaking venture," he said. "It's further glorification of mass murderers in the United States by making them into

cult heroes."

Groubert himself produced similar cards in National Lampoon magazine in 1985 - but said it was to criticize press fascination with infamous murder cases.

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Stein also criticized mainstream news organizations for their intensive coverage of notorious murder cases. But he said there was a difference between them and the collectors' cards.

Yronwood, however, insisted the cards just presented the basic facts.

"People have the idea that because these are cards, they aren't news," she said. "The format may be new, but all we're doing is news reportage."

She pointed out that the cards - unlike standard news media - don't include the victims' names and hometowns, maps of the area where the crimes occurred or detailed information about they were carried out.

"Does this make criminals into celebrities? Human beings are interested in socio-cultural novelties," she said. "This is human nature. We like to read the news. That's all."

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Bungee jumping proves to be a real natural high

by Jason Simon
Diversions Editor

My landlady told me I owed her an extra \$600 in rent.

I had to move to another apartment!

The girl of my dreams has a boyfriend!

My grades were going down the tubes!

So what did I do?

I looked for a cliff to drive my car off of, but alas I could not find one in this unbearably flat state. So, I did the next best thing, I jumped off a 150 foot crane;

but my friends convinced me to use a bungee cord.

Bungee jumping, believe it or not, has been around for

many, many years. It can be traced back to an ancient ritual in a primitive culture and, if you were a fan of *Real People* back in the early eighties, you probably remember some tuxedoed gentlemen throwing themselves off a bridge into a ravine several hundred feet below.

It has not been until recently that bungee jumping has become a sport for those who are daring, and those who can afford it. Fortunately, I fit both of those categories.

It was Friday, January 31 and I had way too much to do. I had an awful week and I figured that this would be the one thing to pull my spirits up. So a group of Avion members and I arrived at World Bungee, conveniently located behind the Ocean Center. As we queued up in line, we watched as the small group of local press ahead of us in line were getting ready for their jumps.

As I stood in line, I was amazed that the crane did not look like it topped out at 150 feet into the air. Considering that the aircraft that I fly catch that much altitude in the first few moments of flight, the jump did not seem that hard to do.

As we stood in line, we were amazed at the people who were willing to jump out of a pink steel cage like some crazed Lemming. We cheered those who were brave enough to lose their senses for a

moment and jeered those who could not step out of the cage once at the top of the crane.

Our group arrived late in the day and when the first in our group was ready to jump, it was nearly twilight.

By the time I was prepared to jump, it was night and very cold. The first step in the bungee process is the signing and initiating of a liability release form. After a quick scan of the form and a few initials, I was ready to weigh in, a necessary requirement in order to determine what type of bungee cord was needed for my jump.

I was instantly in a better mood when I found out that I had lost 55 pounds on my custom Coliseum dancing diet (try it, it works).

After weigh in, I was asked to put on two brightly colored cloth "dickies." These bib-like swatches of material clashed with my purple tie-dyed shirt, but they were necessary accoutrement that allowed the staff to determine which bungee cords were needed for my plummet.

After this, I was asked to remove my shoes, in order to attach the ankle straps to my ankles, and was weighed again. As I watched my friends jump from the steel enclosure 15 stories in the air, I can recall how cold and dark it had become.

I was amazed that only one Avion member chickened out at the top (he will remain nameless, but he was the ONLY man who failed to jump while I was there).

The cage came to a halt at ground level; it was my turn to jump. I was in luck, I had a sexy blonde jumpmaster. As she led me to the neon pink cell she explained to me how safe the process was. I was amazed at how many checks were performed on me (another weigh in) and on the bungee cord and apparatus. All the checks were stored in a computer, via light pen, for reference.

She locked the cage, and we were off; another jumpmaster accompanied us to the top, as well as my photographer and good friend, Len Laughridge.

Well, I was brave enough on the ground, but as the cage began its ascent to 150 feet with a rocky jolt, I began to have second thoughts. My jumpmaster talked to me all the way up; her enchanting accent, and advice, calmed me quite a bit.

As the cage came to a sudden halt, I noted how quiet and dark it was at the top of the crane. The jumpmasters performed their final checks, and when the checks were completed, the computer allowed the cage door to open.

My heart pounded in my chest, the scene was straight out of a thriller movie (the type where someone is stuck at the top of a building with no choice but to jump). I turned to my friend Len, who was securely strapped to the cage, and he uttered "Just do it!"

The blonde jumpmaster told me to set up in the front of the cage, and to look straight ahead, not down. As I placed the tips of my shoes over the bottom of the cage, I noticed that I could see the entire top of the Ocean Center and that I was level with the giant red Marriott sign.

The blonde jumpmaster told me that she would count to three then say "bungee." At "bungee" I was to dive out of the cage and hurtle towards Earth. My heart was in my throat and my logical side was saying, "Your a Masters student who is

about to graduate; you have your whole life ahead of you; Dr. Chadbourne is going to be mad when he finds out you have been killed and will not finish your graduate thesis!" She said "one...two...three" and my daring side said "go for it!" and at "bungee" I leapt from the precipice, like the American Indian in Pink Floyd's "learning to fly" video.

The only way I could describe the next few seconds of my life is "calm hysteria." I watched the Marriott sign disappear from my view and I felt terrified, yet at the same time I felt this overwhelming calm that told me that everything was alright and I was okay.

The few moments that it took for me to reach the end of my cord seemed like forever and I enjoyed the strange feeling of falling. It felt as if I did not weigh anything. It was a spectacular feeling and it seemed like that brief moment lasted ages and ages!

Reality set back in with a snap. Since I had jumped straight out, instead of diving, and since the massive bungee cords were attached to my ankles, gravity and physics had no choice but to rearrange my position. My friends on the ground said I looked like I folded in half; actually I barely felt the whip around.

Staring at the ground, I hoped that the Bungee cords would not snap. They were good for 1500 jumps, but World Bungee stops using the cords after only 500 jumps, making the procedure that much safer. The bungee stretched, sending the blood in my body to my face as I decelerated, and held.

I was catapulted back into space, as the bungee tried to return to its resting position. I screamed with delight, it was one of the best experiences of my life.

Once the bungee stopped its oscillations, I was returned to Earth. One of the World Bungee Staff grabbed me as the crane lowered me and placed me on a padded, neon pink mat. They removed the bands from

my ankles and the blonde jumpmaster congratulated me and said "maybe next time you will dive out of the cage." (After Len, my photographer, came

down from the cage he explained that by jumping straight out I upset the jumpmasters and caused some gyrations in the cage when I snapped around.)

After the ankle bands were removed, I was escorted to World Bungee's trailer. There I was given a T-shirt and an award that proved I had jumped. Despite it being cold outside, I felt no chill. I was ecstatic. I had not felt that good in a long, long time.

Would I do it again? YES. When



Freefalling...

Avion photographer, Jason Piper bungee jumps at World Bungee Jumping, now located at the ocean center.

World Bungee claimed that it was a "100 percent natural high," they were not kidding. They also proved to me that bungee jumping was safe and, with all the checks that they make, they make you feel very secure.

Fortunately, World Bungee will be behind the Ocean Center at least until April (the giant crane can be seen from the mainland, so if you want to go there is no way that you could miss it).

I will be back, and next time I will impress the jumpmaster by diving straight out!

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A schedule

WEDNESDAY, February 5

- J.P. Riddle Student Center:
 - 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.: Flight Deck
 - Displays, Music by ERAU Broadcast Club
 - 8:30 p.m.: Movie: "Good Morning, Vietnam"

THURSDAY, February 6

- All day, wear your favorite 60's outfit and hair-do (students, faculty and staff)
- Student Center, West Lawn "Sit-In"
- 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.: Music by ERAU Broadcast Club
- J.P. Riddle Flight Deck:
 - 11:30 a.m.: Costume/hair-do Contest for Faculty/Staff
 - 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.: Displays continued - Flight Deck
 - 1:00 p.m.: Yo-Yo Contest - Prizes awarded.
 - 8:30 p.m.: Experience the 60's with Barry Drake's "60's, When The Music Mattered" Coffee House, Student Center. Sponsored by Entertainment Div., SGA

FRIDAY, February 7

- 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.: Flight Deck - Displays continue
- 12 - 1 p.m.: Lip Sync Contest, sponsored by ROKKM.
- 5:30 p.m.: Attitude Adjustment, with Barry Drake, Flight Deck.

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CRITIC'S CORNER: Esteves gets himself Jacked in Freejack



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Ah, it was another Friday night, a Riddle guy's nightmare. We sat around bored, broke and stupid. The backroom videos at MegaMovies were all gone (again), and we couldn't even scrounge up enough change to buy a case of Schlitz. We were devastated. Another typical Riddle night was the inevitable prognosis. But to my surprise, I found a few moldy bucks in my bathing suit pocket, so I made a break for the theater - to see *Freejack*.

Freejack is another time travel picture. Anyone who reads my column knows how I feel about them; how they usually fall into the trap of having a good plot, but being poorly executed. I'll withhold judgement for the moment and say only that this film has a fascinating premise.

The world of the year 2009 has developed the technology to save the mind of a dead man in a computer for roughly three days. Technology has also developed that allows time travel. Thus, for a dying rich man living in this era, it is possible to beam a man from the past - preferably at the instant of an untimely death - and deposit him in 2009. He is sedated, and the computer-stored mind of the rich guy is switched with the mind of the "hijacked" victim. In this way, if one has enough money, he can live virtually forever.

Enter Alex Furlong (Emilio Esteves, Billy the Kid from *Young Guns*). He's an aspiring race car driver who is killed (we think) in a fiery car crash, leaving his young fiancée (Renée Russo, *One Good Cop*) devastated. But Furlong is actually sent into the future as a transplant body for a dying - or rather, dead - guy. Furlong escapes

from the man sent to retrieve him (a "bonejacker" played by Mick Jagger). Running for his life, Furlong does what anyone in his undies would do - look for the girl he left behind. The "freejack" (what they call an escaped transplant victim) then goes on a search to discover the identity of the very rich and powerful man who wants to occupy his brain.

The story is great. I could imagine the twists and turns it could take as I sat down to watch the film. But *Freejack* didn't quite come through. The world of 17 years into the future is painted rather bleakly. It's always dark and dreary and people wander around aimlessly, like tenured professors. (Freejack City?). I guess this set a good tone for the film, but somehow I think that the juxtaposition of a classy, high-tech society with the moral outrage of bonejackers could have worked equally well. (I guess opulence equals a higher budget, though). There were some slams on the Japanese again, as I have seen in many movies recently. Apparently, they own most of the earth in 2009.

How were the performances? Okay, I guess. The great question - Can Jagger act - is left primarily unanswered. He did a fair job with his role. His character's boss, played by Anthony Hopkins (*The Silence of the Lambs*), would have been more at home in Jagger's part. Come to think of it, they should have bonejacked each other. Esteves was okay, since the only part he ever plays is that of a young rebel just trying to be left alone. Of note is the bit-part nun, who steals every scene she's in. And keep an eye out for *Die Hard*'s Special Agent Johnson (no, the other one), who plays Russo's bodyguard.

Was the movie worth a case of Schlitz? Of course it was, by God. And it actually was a bit interesting. *Freejack* makes a good matinee flick, although it does come up short.



Beastly...

Beauty and the Beast is but one of two new attractions at the studios.

Two new attractions debut at the Disney MGM Studio

by Jennifer Johnson
and Brian Gerk
Diversions writers

The opening of two new attractions at the Disney/MGM studios complex has given more locals and out-of-state tourists the impetus to make the trip and experience reality Disney-style.

All facets of entertainment are celebrated at the park: film, television, animation and sound. The various special visual and sound effects that lend impact to these mediums are well covered by many feature attractions that usually incorporate some kind of audience participation.

Dennis Miller jumps into his own late night show

by David Fekke
Aeronautica Editor

Those who saw The Dennis Miller Show last week were treated to something not necessarily new, but more entertaining than most late night gab shows currently airing. The format is similar to The Tonight Show. Miller opens up the show with a monologue, and actually tells jokes that are funny. After a commercial, he does a comedy bit or two until the next commercial and brings out the guests.

On his first show he had Tom Hanks, Christian Slater and Bonnie Raitt, but not necessarily in that

The new attractions highlight the two latest animation films that Disney has released in the last two years: *The Little Mermaid*, and *Beauty and the Beast*. These films cemented Disney's reputation as the ultimate champion of animation studios, and the popularity of the movies has been eclipsed only by a few conventional blockbuster hits in the last year.

The debut of *The Voyage of the Little Mermaid* had all the trappings of a major film opening. Long lines, eager children, and heavy publicity marked the occasion. The ride consisted of a well-blended combina-

tion of animation, articulated mannequins (robots) and live actors who performed in front of the riders. Ariel, the main protagonist from the original film, captivates the audience with her sweet innocence. And of course, Sebastian and Flounder are there to boost her spirits and yours.

The *Beauty and the Beast Stage Show* was just that, a live musical that follows the same classic story of the movie. Watching the stage show brought back every emotion from the movie that the viewers in the theater felt. You feel Belle's attraction for the Beast as she begins

to realize that he is a tender creature seeking love to release him from his curse. The appearance of the Beast belies his human side, which eventually emerges because of Belle's compassion for him.

You can always get a Four Seasons Salute pass which gives you unlimited access to the three parks (Epcot, Magic Kingdom, and MGM) for specified time periods until the end of the year. There are also countless other promotions occurring throughout the year, call (407)827-7200 or a travel agent for details.

that he gone to acting classes earlier on, but he could not see himself acting. Besides doing the Weekend Update, Miller had only been in one other skit during the entire time he was on the show.

Now with his new show, Miller offers the same wit that he did when he was on SNL. He also offers entertaining dialogue with his guests on the show.

Many talk shows have bands with often overly goofy band leaders. One of the real treats to *The Dennis Miller Show* is their band leader, guitarist Amy Summers.

For those who need their memory

jogged, Summers was the guitarist for the Police.

Summers adds an extra level of sophistication to the show. The music ranges from grass roots blues to 1990s textural rock. The 49 year old guitarist still offers a good balance for Miller's audience.

After the Police broke up for the last time, Summers did some solo work and movie sound tracks. Summers is probably the most unrecognized talent in modern music, but now everyone can enjoy him with Miller on weeknights.



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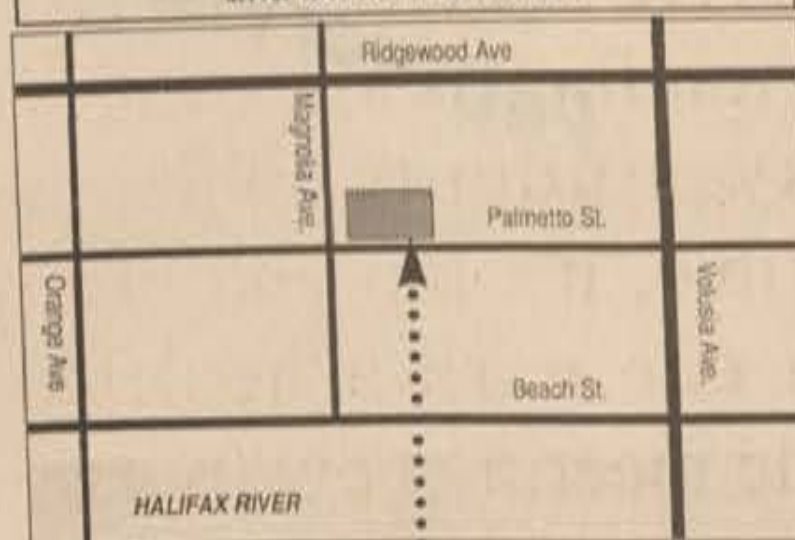
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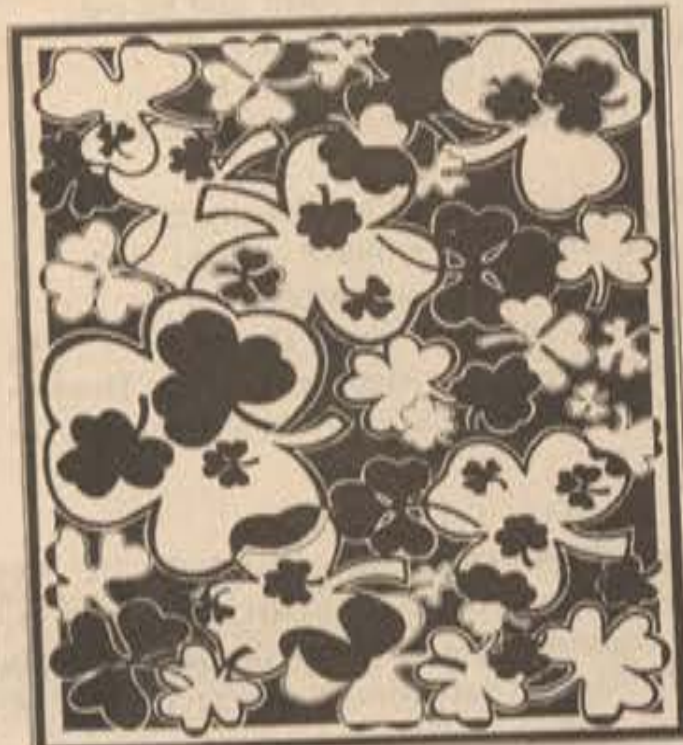
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Delta Chi

by Alex Furiong
Public Relations
Well gentlemen (yeah, right), yet another week has passed, and another series of events continues to unfold before us.

A warm welcome goes out to Kym and Jesse, our newest Delta Chi's. We look forward to a long, fruitful relationship with them, and hope that they succeed in becoming more intelligent and sane than the J.B.'s.

To all perspectives: The most difficult thing to do is making the decision to do it. You have the rest of your life to be boring, so do something a little outrageous now and expand your social horizons in a spirit of Brotherhood like no other.

We look forward to seeing you tonight (Wed. - 2/5) so that you may begin your journey into the brotherhood.

Housing contracts are going fast, so be sure to see Jesse Vose A.S.A.P. to insure a better room

selection. Dirty Don still needs help fundraising, and be sure to show up on time when you're assigned to work.

Don't forget about the 20th Anniversary Alumni Formal (March 14). Turnout is looking better every day, and Lance still needs your money if you are planning to attend. A bus trip is being planned to our favorite club in the Orlando area. Let's see who's going to be the Bachelor this time.

The "Fireman of the Month" award goes out to Ernie for his spectacular performance during the Super Bowl (peanuts, anyone?).

Special thanks to Don for taking care of our problems with the juvenile delinquent. Maybe you're ideal for our youth motivator program, seeing how well you work with kids.

The retreat went so well, that maybe even Wally will be impressed. Remember; Tune in, Turn on, and drop out!

Lambda Chi Alpha

by Marcus Fisher and John Dodds
Club Writers

We want to say Congratulations to all the new Associate Members. Keep your eyes and ears open. These next few weeks will be the best in your life, so enjoy every minute of it.

For those who didn't get in, keep coming around and try next time. We would also like to thank Luke "The Madman" Calhoun and Jason "90210" Ambrosi and their teams for working together and giving us an excellent rush.

The sports scene is happenin'. We lost our first softball game by quite a bit, but they scored that whopping eleven runs in the first inning.

Next time maybe we'll have all the positions covered. The hockey team is almost prepared after a couple grueling practices by Wade "Mr. Agreeable" Iivento.

Those of you who are wanting to run for offices better get off your butt and start getting together with the person holding that office.

Elections will be here sooner than you think. And now for the all-mighty top ten list.

10. To only change my hair color once a month. — Brian B.

9. To stop having those Raffa the SUPER PUBE dreams. — Eric Q.

8. To become even huger and more intimidating. — Murf and Nick.

7. To start my own brewery. — Allen R.

6. To stop using the VOS oil treatment on my hair. — Vinny

5. To finally breaking down and buying a car. — Drew and Eric S.

4. To get those breast implants I always wanted. — Grandpa

3. To get a more powerful scooter. — Blake.

2. To stop giving the Okeschabee wink and taking away all the girls from his loving brothers. — Scott H. And the number one New Year's Resolution.

1. To stop taking all those steroids. — Robbie and Darrell.

Rotoract

by Dan Karger
Club President

Congratulations to the Rotoract members who made the fly-in happen. The event was highly successful considering the club was in its first two weeks of existence.

30 million dollars worth of aircraft was provided at no cost to the school or students. 68 hours of security was provided for the aircraft.

The aircraft even became part of the curriculum when at least one maintenance instructor bought his class out to the ramp to inspect the Starship and study the "leading edge of Technology" aircraft. The F-16 supported our theory that the best part of an airshow is when the aircraft arrive and depart!

The club is already considering exotic aircraft for next year's display. The Confederate Air Force wants to bring P-51's next year and hopefully we will encourage more interesting aircraft and people to attend.

This fly-in has incredible potential for putting ERAU students in

direct contact with the industry and current technologies. It also provides a responsible environment to grow in. This club is dedicated to ERAU community and community service.

Rotoract is the college division of Rotary International. This club has strong ties to the business people of the community. Seeking to unite the strengths of the established business community and the college community, this club hopes to provide ERAU service and community service.

This international club gives the ERAU student a means to develop his or her business skills and make contacts through activities and fundraising events with business people, aviation industry personnel and VIP.

Currently this club is looking for some ambitious individuals to work on the ERAU Homecoming Rotoract Fly-in project. Start making contacts now!

For more information contact Dave Lewis at 756-5760.

Riddle Riders

by Jeff Hall
Club Writer

IS IT BIKE WEEK YET? Three more weeks and that familiar rumble of thousands of motorcycles will be heard. The Riddle Riders will be enjoying as many of the events that they can.

On the agenda are: the Harley Davidson demo rides at the speedway, the custom chrome show, a poker run, and of course Main St. and the annual motorcycle parade (last year we rode in it with 120,000 other bikes).

The Riddle Riders will be coordinating an Advanced Motorcycle riders safety course with Chuck Spizer (of the Motorcycle Safety Foundation) towards the end of this semester.

If you are interested in participating, please contact the club through

the student activities office.

The Riders have been active this semester; with weekend rides and our Friday night race videos at Mr. Gatties (now called the Italian Buffet). We meet at 8pm Friday's for pizza and race tapes on the big screen.

Last weekend 17 bikes rode to Deland airport to see R.C. jet airplanes. There were scale F-15's and A-4's, flying at speeds over 200 mph. Over 40 R.C. pilots from all over the country were flying their ducted fan jets.

We have the ERAU R.C. club the Screaming Eagles to thank for letting us know about the event at the activities fair. After to model airplane airshow we went for a ride through the country, enjoying the Florida weather.

Keep the rubber side down!

Aerospace Society

by Roland Houle
Aerospace Society Historian

Well, I finally got around to writing an article for the paper! Our next meeting is tonight, of course. It will be in room B-513 at 7 p.m.

"What glorious things will be doing?" you may be asking yourself. Well, I'll tell you. We will be having a guest speaker who works at the Kennedy Space Center and is a

student here at Embry-Riddle.

A few other activities we have coming up are a trip to Space Camp, a car wash, and maybe even a huge party at our Grand Exalted Ruler's (Brian) apartment where we will be allowed (and encouraged) to trash the place and get him thrown out. Also, the Speaker's Bureau is always looking for new members to help them.

SAA

by Eric Stevens
Club Writer

This past Saturday members of the SAA turned out to help with a barbecue for incoming freshmen in the fall.

The prospective students were happy to talk with members and have questions answered. This was the second barbecue that the SAA has helped the Admissions office with. We hope to continue this tradition as it follows our motto of "Helping students Past, Future, and Present."

Items discussed at the meeting on January 28th included the canceled talent show and what to do with the parking spot. Several good ideas were presented and a decision should be made by the next meeting.

Our display in the glass case near the vending machines received third place in judging during activity day. For many of us this was the first time being finger printed and we hope to stay that way.

Also discussed during the meeting were the committees. In order to maintain membership in the SAA all members must try to belong to at least one committee.

The Funds and Events committee plans out future events for the SAA as well as fund raising for the semester.

The Publicity committee advertises the SAA around campus and at various school events. The Finals Kit committee is responsible for the selling and distribution of Finals Kits at the end of the semester.

These committees are fun to be involved with and everybody is encouraged to take part.

We meet every Tuesday in the Spruance Hall boardroom at 5:30 p.m. The meetings are open to everybody who wishes to attend.

To become a member in the SAA, one only has to attend three consecutive meetings and participate in SAA activities.

See you at the meeting!

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Alpha Eta Rho

by Jason Piper
Stand-in Writer

Outstanding. Simply outstanding. I think that all of the brothers will agree that the Friday night Rush party at Kokomos was a huge success.

Congratulations goes out to all of the brothers who planned the party, to Pledge Master Craig Hughes for jumping into the job, and to all the other brothers who helped make this work. Over 200 people attended the beachside bash, and we have 70 interested freshmen and continuing students.

Thanks to everyone who made the night one to go down in history. Dave Garvin did a great job with the "tunes". Thanks to the Theta Phi's for stopping by, we hope everyone had fun. Dry rush has met with

equal success.

This semester is shaping up to be one of the best in everybody's memory. Sundays softball game went well, with Rho battling to an 8-3 win over the Corleone Family. Wacko had a nice homer, Fran did a great job chasing down fly balls, and Sam almost got ejected for breaking some "new rule" nobody knew about. The team looks great this year, were destined for success.

If anyone is interested in a fraternity that is serious about aviation, it's not too late. All perspectives, male and female should come to 1st interviews on THURSDAY AT 7:00 PM IN ROOM B-504.

Finally, on a serious note, Glad to hear that Merle is O.K., and Hops, hope your back on your feet soon. Word!

Sigma Chi

by Pete Zaccagnino
Club Writer

CONGRATULATIONS Rushes, We look forward to guiding you along your long worthy Journey.

Brothers and friends keep working hard to achieve the short term goals and your long term goals will fall into place...If any members of the student body know how to say, "On your knees slave" in French

please let us know by dropping a note in our mailbox in SGA.

We have finally found a Beech Baron to add to the fleet of aircraft, but when we went to pick it up, the right engine had a cracked cylinder. Hang on brothers we will soon find a new aircraft!

We at Eta Iota would like to congratulate Sleepy on being so "FAITHFUL".

CFC

by Jane Doe
Christian Fellowship Club

Hello, once again! And welcome to a new semester of CFC. I hope you were all able to stop by our booth at the Activities Fair, and join us for our Desert Storm Anniversary.

Upcoming events for this semester include a musical presentation by the group Cornerstone, an overnight camping retreat in

Tomoka State Park, a trip to the Jacksonville Air Show in April, and much more!

As always, our regular meetings are every Saturday at 6:30 p.m. in the Student Center Conference Room across from the information desk, and refreshments will be served.

So consider a friendly alternative this Saturday night! Hope to see you there!

Safe Environment

I had a dream I was a cameraman filming a documentary about someone who discovered a nerve agent in a big vat of Taco Bell hamburger meat. He was quite a hero. Unfortunately, his arms were burnt off.



ERAU fuel trucks were pumping the contaminated meat into storage tanks under Spruance Hall. I noticed an old girlfriend of mine was overseeing the operation. Hah! funny seeing her here.

After I finished my shoot, I was packing up my equipment when I was suddenly approached by a small furry foal, who insisted that he was an ancient and mighty wizard. Then he kicked me in the nuts.



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Letters

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in the future. Building a bridge with such a tremendous span will be very costly since the bridge will not be able to have support piers in the middle.

Location is also important since a permanent bridge will be more useful if it's the most convenient way for students to cross Clyde Morris. Because of our dynamically changing campus, I would like to include the bridge concept in our master planning project for our recently purchased land across from Spruance Hall. Also, the potential move of several administrative departments off-campus may permit some classes that are currently taught at the ASSL/AWS to move to new classrooms on campus, reducing the number of students who'll need to cross the dangerous intersection.

As you can see, we are working hard to improve the situation at Catalina/Clyde Morris as soon as possible. We are trying to do it cost-effectively, but with the greatest benefit to the safety of all students.

Steve Sliwa
President, ERAU

What really happened to Pan American

To the Editor:

I would like to address the article written about the failure of Pan American World Airways.

The demise of Pan Am was caused by several factors, the most important of which was the United States Government's treatment of Pan Am. Specifically, the government did not allow Pan Am to compete on an even keel with other airlines, both in the domestic and international marketplaces.

I happen to have had the opportunity to work for one of Pan Am's competitors, and in that position, I was able to observe some of what actually happened to Pan Am. First of all, the United States Government's aviation policy allowed domestic airlines like American, Delta, Continental Eastern and People's Express to fly international routes in competition with Pan Am, while at the same time disallowing Pan Am's request

for a domestic route system. These domestic airlines were allowed to operate on Pan Am's most profitable routes, cutting Pan Am's profits while increasing theirs. The United States Government did the same with foreign air carriers. It allowed these subsidized carriers to fly routes in direct competition with Pan Am, a non-subsidized carrier. Competition is good, but let's make it fair. If this is what was considered fair by our government, I hope I never stand in judgement before it.

Pan American's unions, whom you have called greedy and one of the causes of its failure, had the most to lose of any party involved in this American tragedy. That is just why it is a tragedy. Thousands of dedicated American workers, members of the union, lost their jobs to foreign competition and a blind government who apparently does not care.

Pan Am's labour gave everything they could to preserve their jobs, benefits, pensions, and company, all or part of which have been lost forever. There are no golden parachutes for labour as there is for management; labour's hopes and dreams are gone.

Pan Am suffered more than the domestic airlines when the fuel crises of the 1970s came. The United States Government limited increases of fuel prices on the domestic market, but Pan Am had to pay a four-fold increase in the price of fuel on the international market. International airlines had to pay the increase also, but were subsidised by their own governments. When it came time for the terrorists to strike out at the United States, Pan Am became the victim. After all, who represented the United States overseas more than Pan Am? Once again our government failed to lend a hand to this failing company, and all the Americans who worked for it.

With the short-sighted government of this country we will continue to see American companies fail while overseas governments laugh all the way to the bank.

Robert W Routh
TWA Retired

Thefts

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Dorm II and some cleaning supplies being taken from an apartment at ACII.

In these cases, no signs of forced entry was evident. The bicycle was secured to the bike rack with a low-weight chain.

Mannix suggested that students use the school's Lease-A-Lock program. To date, no bikes have been stolen while having the Kryptonite U-locks that are available properly applied.

In the past month, deadbolt locks have been put in ACII as well as additional lighting. Mannix acknowledged that the deadbolt locks would not have stopped the break-ins that occurred.

Butcher feels the locks are a waste of money because anyone can still break a window and open the door from the inside. He also stated that if the University cannot protect the students' property and the University is not responsible for any losses, that the safety department's budget should be cut. He said that safety's purchase of a new Crown Victoria patrol car was a waste of the student's tuition dollar.

Mannix stated that the break-in was the first for ACII and that improved measures will be taken in the future. Full-time patrols may be stationed at the complex over the break, and also having the housing department have residents living in the complex during breaks, so there will be activity around the complex.

The safety department urges all members of the Embry-Riddle community to report any incidents to the department. In this way, they will know what problems there are so they can be acted upon.

Awards

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Linda Riley and Irene McReynolds

The human resources department is charged with the hiring of staff for this University. It is also responsible with hiring temporary workers in the event a full time staff member is sick, or away on business or vacation.

Hiring temporary workers from an agency has several problems. The cost for this service is very expen-

sive. They are often not skilled enough in the software that the University uses, and are unfamiliar with Embry-Riddle procedures and rules.

The person needing the secretarial services then has to spend valuable time teaching the new worker, who will only be there a short time.

To cure this problem, Mrs. Riley, personnel specialist, and Mrs. McReynolds, manager-employment and employer relations, decided to try using a "floater" system.

The "floater," Mrs. Sheila Tamm, is a permanent employee here at Embry-Riddle. The fact that you probably have seen her working all over campus is testament to the success of the program.

For now Mrs. Tamm will be the only "floater." The school has a few part-time workers who can be used if needed, and the school will continue to use the agencies for other temporary positions.

Because of Mrs. Riley and Mrs. McReynolds' idea the University has been able to save \$20,000.

Sam Wiggins
When Mr. Wiggins was an AMT student here at Embry-Riddle, he was instrumental in establishing the Society of Commercial Aviation Technicians (SCAT). SCAT is a club created specifically for AMT students.

Mr. Wiggins recognized a serious lack of interaction between the school and the aviation industry as it pertained to AMT students. Many had no idea what the industry was like and the type of jobs that were out there.

He decided to start an organization that would solve this problem. With the help of his friends, the club went through all the student activities' procedures and became an official club in January 1990.

The club went from an initial membership of 30 students to the present day number of 80.

The organization hosts guest speakers and makes field trips to aircraft manufacturers and airline maintenance facilities in the area.

This organization clearly provides an invaluable service for AMT students both in the present and in the future.

Mr. Wiggins is currently working as a mechanic for AMR Eagle, a

company that provides commuter service for American Airlines. He was supposed to be here to accept his award but wasn't able to attend due to the flu. SCAT's treasurer, Ken Floyd, accepted the award on his behalf.

The University finds it important to recognize those who have done their best to improve the University and its campus. By awarding these people, the University is showing its appreciation for the exceptional work that has been provided by the winners.

Baseball

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er Matt Palisin helped his own cause by poking the ball through the infield for a base hit, picking up the team's first RBI of the year. Palisin's hit put the Eagles on top 1-0.

Riddle added another run in the top of the fourth as an Eagle runner successfully stole home, extending ERAU's lead to 2-0.

During the fourth and fifth innings B-CC was able to pick up three runs due mainly to a few miscues by Riddle fielders. Only one of the runs was earned. By the end of the fifth B-CC led three to two and it looked as if the Eagles were headed towards defeat.

The Eagles went into the seventh inning with their heads held high and were able to start a rally. Senior John Phillips started the rally by drawing a walk. Phillips advanced into scoring position when Paul Cugno hit the ball sharply for a single. Then Jim "Baby" Coletti calmly stepped to the plate and picked up his first and second RBI of the day as his single drove in Phillips and Cugno, giving Riddle the lead for good. Rob Shoemaker joined in on the fun and helped out the Eagles by stroking a single and scoring Coletti. The Eagles now had a slim two run lead and were full of confidence.

"Baby" Coletti relieved Matt Palisin in the seventh inning and was able to shut down Bethune-Cookman for the rest of the afternoon.

Coletti played an outstanding game. He was the winning pitcher, pounded out four hits and picked up two RBIs.

ERAU was able to pick up another run in the top of the ninth when Rob Shoemaker scored from third on a wild pitch. This ended the scoring and gave the Eagles a very satisfying victory over a NCAA Division I school.

Coach Guiliams was very pleased with the team's performance and pointed out that the hard practices and strict team rules are just beginning to pay off. The team has worked hard on base running and base stealing. This was quite evident as the Eagles were able to accumulate six stolen bases during the game. Unfortunately one Eagle runner was gunned down by the opposing catcher. However the Eagle runners looked sharp on the base paths and ran aggressively.

The team played hard for the whole game and picked up a well earned victory. Coach Guiliams knows the team has great potential and is hoping for more performances like this one. "Pitching is what wins ball games, and if our pitching is good the team will do well," Guiliams said. The pitching looked good Saturday and hopefully will continue throughout the season.

The Eagles travel to St. Leo, Florida Tuesday to take on a powerful St. Leo College team. This will be a tough contest for the Eagles and should prove to be a good building block for the rest of the season.

On Wednesday the Eagles are back in town for a double header against Miami Christian College at Jackie Robinson Ballpark at 2:00. Saturday the Eagles open conference play when they travel to St. Augustine to take on an experienced Flagler College team. Sunday, the Eagles are on the road again as they travel to Lake Wales, Florida, to play conference foe Warner Southern.

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