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THE AVION

An award-winning newspaper by students for students

Aircraft chosen to replace aging fleet

New planes to end years of waiting

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By David Fekko
Aeronautica Editor

Both Aerospatiale Tampicos and American General Tigers will be purchased by Embry-Riddle as announced in a press conference held in Washington D.C. last Thursday. The University will also be purchasing Mooneys and possibly Beechcraft for their high performance fleet.

The press conference was held in Washington D.C. last Thursday morning, and was organized by GAMA (General Aviation Manufacturers Association). The press conference was held in the Textron/Lycoming facilities. Many organizations attended, such as *Time Magazine*, *L.A. Times*, American General, Aerospatiale, Mooney Aircraft Corp. and many others.

The new aircraft will replace the aging fleet of Cessna 172s and the Piper Cadets (PA-28). When Piper Aircraft Company went under new ownership of M. Stuart Millar in the late 1980s, plans were made to replace the fleet of C-172s with Cadets, but when the company found themselves in financial hardship, the University was left with trying find replacements for their aging fleet.

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→ New aircraft: Aerospatiale Tampicos and American General Tigers new to fleet.

Embry-Riddle Press Release

DAYTONA BEACH, FL— Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University has announced its intent to acquire training aircraft from American General Aircraft Corporation, Aerospatiale General Aviation, Mooney Aircraft Corporation and Beech Aircraft.

Embry-Riddle operates a combined fleet of over 140 training aircraft at its Daytona Beach, FL, and Prescott, AZ, campuses. The University expects to take delivery of 14 Aerospatiale TB.9 Tampico Club aircraft for use in Daytona Beach, and 10 American General AA-5B Tigers for its Prescott campus. The new aircraft will replace aging aircraft in the respective fleets. Embry-Riddle's fleet of single- and multi-engine aircraft are integral components of the University's four-year Aeronautical Science degree program. Graduates are trained for careers as professional cockpit crew members through an integrated mix of in-flight training and advanced simulation training techniques.

"As a leader in aviation and aerospace education, we are committed to the support of general aviation manufacturing and the resumption of its growth in America," said ERAU President Steven Sliwa. "Our commitment to general aviation manufacturers will assist in revitalizing the industry while providing support to Embry-Riddle and professional flight training."

Aerospatiale General Aviation has announced their intent to begin implementation of a new assembly center at Grand Prairie, TX, which

will include the manufacturing of the TB.9 Tampico Club. Both the TB.9 and the American General Tiger, manufactured in Greenville, MS, are low wing, fixed gear aircraft powered by Textron Lycoming engines and will be equipped with Bendix/King avionics.

"As we deliberated the future fleet configuration, our goal was to choose the option which would add the greatest value for our students' training dollar," said Sliwa. "We examined a number of important considerations, not the least of which was the safety and suitability of the available aircraft alternatives. It was important that the manufacturers were willing to develop a long-standing relationship with our University in support of our training efforts."

During the next six to 12 months, the University will continue evaluation of both aircraft. Subsequent orders will be placed as the relationships with the manufacturers develop.

Embry-Riddle will also purchase from Mooney Aircraft Corporation, Kerrville, TX, three additional M20J aircraft. This order will complete the University's Mooney fleet with a total of 15 aircraft in Daytona Beach.

Anticipated future changes in Embry-Riddle's flight curriculum offerings will increase the emphasis on high performance, single-engine aircraft operation at Prescott. As a result, the University is exploring possible use of the Beechcraft F33A Bonanza.

According to Sliwa, "The F33A Bonanza appears to meet the upcoming need, and as a result, discussions with Beech Aircraft Corporation, Wichita, KS, have begun. No specific delivery date has been established."



Embry-Riddle has decided to purchase two types of aircraft for its two main campuses. The Tampico (above), manufactured by Aerospatiale, is to be added to the fleet at the Daytona campus, while the Tiger, by American General (left), is to be added to the fleet at Prescott. A total of 24 aircraft will be purchased immediately. More purchases are planned for the near future, according to the Administration.

Students can voice concern about Flight

By Bill De Brauwier
Campus News Reporter

The Student Flight Advisory Board has set up a service to help students voice their complaints or problems to the flight department.

The service, called the "Student Services Center," is designed to work as a liaison between the students and the flight department.

Students and instructors can visit the center to ask questions, ask for advice on problems, submit suggestions or complaints about anything they may find wrong with the flight department. Everything is completely confidential.

Anything that cannot be handled on the spot will be forwarded to Paul McDuffy, the department chairman, who will take appropriate action if necessary.

The Student Flight Advisory Board is comprised of students. Their primary function is to rule on student no-show petitions, forward questions and comments to McDuffy, and allay any rumors or misconceptions about the flight department that may be going

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This car was damaged as vandals carried it into the ditch beside Dorm II and then stood on the hood while posing for a picture.

Car vandalized in dorm parking lot

→ Damage: Approximately \$200 of damage was done to the lawn and car by vandals.

By Eric Samowski
Campus News Reporter

Witnesses told ERAU Safety that a gray Mazda was pushed into grassy ditch on the northwest side of Dorm II by several Embry-Riddle students early Sunday morning. In addition, witnesses saw two students jumping on the car, causing a dent in the hood.

Last Sunday, a "hatchback, was pushed into the drainage ditch between Residence Hall II and the airport fence," said one witness. "The vandals then proceeded to jump on the car which resulted in the hood being dented." Another witness who claims to have seen the incident stated that, "It was some members of Random Violence, no doubt about it ... others were also involved."

Random Violence is an intramural hockey team that has members living on the north side of Dorm II.

The witness also stated that "the car was then used as a trophy of sorts when the vandals posed for

pictures on and around it." ERAU safety reported that witnesses told them that, "A white female with blonde hair took pictures of the proceedings." It was then left in the drainage ditch until security discovered it.

Another witness who observed the incident claimed that the students involved were from the northwest side of Dorm II, which is inhabited primarily by the Random Violence hockey team.

Jaylin Billig, a friend of some of the members of Random Violence, said, "Random Violence didn't do it ... We watched as other people did it." She continued by saying that two of the people involved in the incident were from the opposite side of Random Violence's wing in Dorm II.

"Those three people were picked up from a party earlier that night," she stated. When asked where the idea for the vandalism came from, she said, "Random Violence suggested it ... we were laughing about it beforehand, definitely not after."

She continued by saying that she talked to ERAU Safety and they asked her "generic questions," for

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Basketball team loses their first home game against Florida Memorial.

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News in brief...

Spring break is here, sorta

This week, Spring Breakers from the colleges and universities of Canada arrived in town for the annual rites of middle-of-the-term freedom.

The Canadians do not tend to get the same high octane entertainment that U.S. breakers get, but they're out there, and so might be some added entertainment for the local college students.

The official Spring Break festivities begin the first week of March.

Facelift

The *Avion* is undergoing a major facelift in layout and design. Check out this week's changes on the front page and future design improvements.

We would love to hear from you regarding how the front page looked this week. Please call the *Avion* office at extension 6049 to let us know what you think about it.

Student Council Meeting

The next meeting is today at 6:30 in room A-201.



Apple Macintoshes go portable. New notebook computers are put through their paces by *Avion* staff.

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Editorials

Updating our ideas about religion



Sean Le Douarin
World View Editor

Christ's philosophy of morality promotes the duty to act solely in the interest of others. It also includes the Ten Commandments, which set rules we should not break. According to the Church, we must be good to all and every valuable should be shared (Anyone got 10 billion bucks? - Leave me a message at the Avion).

I don't agree with this because it does not motivate people to involve themselves more with progress. To be a perfectly good Christian, it only takes to be good to those around you and confess your sins if any were to be committed (have you watched the David Letterman show today?). You (hardly) don't have to do more than that. You can be a lazy mole and be sitting next to God 24 hours after the judgment day (faster than UPS!). Those who do not respect these rules can also live a wonderfully quiet life made of abuse and profit over others' backs. Pray and be prey! That's

not fair - I mean it.

The Bible doesn't prescribe an intensive, world-wide concern about others. Amnesty International does. Besides the fact that AI is indeed more concerned and committed than the Bible - let me know if I'm wrong - it seems clear that the Bible does not fit today's world, or maybe that it has been inspired by someone who had not a single idea of what the world would be like several centuries later (God, send us a '92 revised prophet!).

A limit of our concern in others' well-being is not acceptable. With the progress of transportation and more specifically of our awareness of what is going on in the world (Thank you, the Avion), I think we should commit and involve ourselves much, much more than the Bible demands. We are responsible for things we do, but we are responsible for things we let happen too. All right, the Redskins have won the Superbowl; so what? Does this help to solve the Middle-East problems? No, it doesn't. Now I must recognize that the Americans have been easier than most prone to understand the importance of involving themselves in large scales of concerns (\$\$\$ help). The Student Government

Association already told you, "Get Involved!" There's no doubt about that, we can make things change ... (Raise the flag!).

Therefore, I think that everyone of us should always place himself in a universal perspective, in contrary to a local or national one. This is not only the consequence of our at least moral responsibility for what happens on our dear planet, but also for what might happen. Opportunities are also a moral issue. Morality does not only deal with what we do, but with what we are set to do. What if there were actually extra-terrestrial forms of intelligence observing us? (They'd have a few laughs and saucily home to watch the end of the game!)

Now even more bitter; how come the Bible doesn't deal with the respect we owe to ourselves? Is it so difficult to understand that the very first respect we owe to others is our self-respect; this need of consideration, confidence and pride in ourselves? Otherwise, we would simply not do any good! Men have goals, and feel satisfaction and pride when they reach them (same as in football). Those whose single goal is the judgment God will have of them are still human and basically only obey

a superior sense of self-pride, which is relevant to the accomplishment of their discipline regarding their beliefs. They are good to others because it is the only factor they believe to be valid to justify their self-love.

The Vatican is nevertheless a big, huge, probably the best and most convincing example to prove that things should not just be shared. Take wealth; I think that it shall also be used as a mean to pursue goals, like the Vatican uses theirs to finance or back-up the cost of their "propaganda" worldwide. (They might send Bibles to other galaxies soon, says my neighbor.)

The issue of power is likely to be an ultimate sin according to the Bible, which definitely takes our stupidity for granted (they are right only up to a certain extent...). How could we organize a social life without rules and governments? Again, isn't the Vatican the best example of nonsense in the Christianity? The Church is organized like an army. The Church is an army. It has sacked, repudiated and disgraced, when not tortured and/or murdered during the Inquisition, millions of men. What does the Church do with

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Commentary

We are working for you

by Vincent Stefano
SGA President

I'd like to take this opportunity to notify the students about what has been going on inside the SGA. Most students are usually not aware of the many activities and responsibilities and duties that the SGA Representatives are involved in.

This semester we have maintained close relations with the vice president of student life, Dr. Jeffrey Ledewitz, who is also Embry-Riddle's executive vice president.

The SGA's Radio Station Committee, chaired by Todd Gumbrecht, has been busy this semester and is one step closer to establishing a permanent radio station on this campus. We have agreed with data processing to test a transmitter. The reason for the testing is to verify that the transmitter will not disrupt or interfere with communications and data lines on campus. I feel that this represents progress in the effort to establish WERU as a bona fide campus radio station.

Another project that the SGA is working on is the naming of the dorms. A few years ago, the students decided that the dorms should be named. Several names were suggested which represented historical aviation figures who have significantly contributed to Embry-Riddle and the field of aviation. At the Fall '91 Board of Trustees meeting, I brought this issue up with the members. After explaining the students concerns, they felt that it would be a positive influence on the students motivation and pride at Embry-Riddle, and have agreed that Prescott should take on the same task. Some of the proposed names which have been chosen by students are: Jimmy Doolittle, Octave Chanute, Moya Olsen Lear and Isabelle McKay. The dorm naming committee, as well as the resident advisors, feel that this will increase the students knowledge of ERAU's heritage and will make the dorms feel less institutionalized.

Your Representatives are currently hard at work in making sure that your voice is being heard throughout the University. They currently sit on over 20 committees within the University. These decision making bodies are composed of administrators, faculty and students. Many of the Representatives have also been maintaining close relationships with the many different department chairs, and are consistently working on issues that the students are concerned about. At the present time, the SRB chair, Marty Lynch, has been very busy re-writing the SGA's constitution with input from myself, Vice President Brian Murphy and Associate Dean Becky Robertson. We felt that there needed to be certain changes in the Constitution to make it much more logical and easy to interpret. With a new constitution, we will also create a new position on the SRB. The new representative will be a public relations officer whose primary responsibility will be to advertise and communicate all that is going on in the SGA. This is part of our promised program to improve communication between the student body and their SGA. The Constitution will be presented for review to the student body and must receive a positive vote from 10 percent of the entire student body.

I invite each of you to come into the SGA office to express any views of concerns you might have. Remember, SGA is students serving students.

My own personal battle against the dragon



Joshua Mussaf
Space Tech Reporter

One of the more important issues in this years election is health care. The United States is one of the only industrial countries that lacks a national health plan.

President Bush recently introduced a \$100 billion health care plan to ensure that every American has access to health insurance. His plan revolves around tax deductions and vouchers that would help poor and uninsured families pay for health insurance.

Unfortunately, this plan would do virtually nothing about the rising costs of health care and make only small progress toward making

health insurance more available.

President Bush also stated, "If you exercise and eat right and don't smoke or abuse drugs and drink less and avoid risky sexual behavior, you'll live longer, and Americans will live better." Those tips are all well and good, but what if you follow the presidents tips and you still get sick, very sick.

Take me for example. I was a healthy young 19-year-old male until last August when the dragon got me. What the doctor and I thought was a simple cyst was actually cancer. After learning that I was inflicted with the number two killer in America today, what was I to think about. I went to one of the best hospitals for my type of cancer. I spent two weeks in September at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York City. I underwent surgery once, followed by five days of intensive brachy radiation therapy. After leaving the hospital,

the doctors said I was cancer free, yet the war was not over. After being home for a couple of weeks, depression set in as I continued to have problems with my left leg. In December I underwent two more surgical procedures to correct the problems that I had with my leg. That leaves me to today, as I continue to finally getting on with my life.

Along with all the medical advances that saved my life, the reality of paying for it. The total for all my doctors, hospital, medication and related care will be around \$50,000. Fortunately I am covered under my mother's health insurance. But, this is where the problems begin.

For instance, one of my hospital bills was for \$20,000. The insurance company felt that the services rendered should only cost \$13,000. This left \$7,000 that my parents would have had to pay for out of their own pocket. Due to my fami-

ly's financial situation and the large amount of donations that the hospital receives, the hospital took the insurance money as full payment.

Yet, this is but one example of the system we had to fight to pay my medical bills. Sadly, this is what many Americans face when it comes to major medical bills.

President Bush fails to realize that obtaining health insurance is but half the battle. Paying the bills the insurance company fails to pay is the war. Bush's plan may provide the necessary funds to obtain insurance, but there is no provisions to assist in paying the bills.

I do not believe that we should change our current health care system to socialized medicine, but something must be done to control the spiraling costs of health care. If not for our generation, do it for our children.

Student Forum

The Avion asks: Do you think Health Services should provide condoms, and why?



Susan Rook
Aviation Business



Chris Sarna
Air Science



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Aero. Engineering



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Aviation Business



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"Yes. We wouldn't have half our female student body dropping out because they're pregnant."

"Yes, if someone is offended they do have the option to 'Just Say No'."

"Absolutely, if someone feels like exposing themselves to sex they should be protected."

"Yes. They should provide them to prevent diseases."

"Yes, because with all the VD going around, they should give them out for free, and it wouldn't hurt the budget."

"There should be easy access to condoms."

Alumni Profile:

James Randall Martin, USAir's new Fokker F-100 captain

by Wayne Newby
Campus News Reporter

Last week, on February 13 and 14, an alumni visited our school.

Captain James Randall Martin attended Embry-Riddle from 1978 to 1980. Due to the government stopping deferred payments on his education loans, he had to quit school and go to work.

A friend of Captain Martin convinced him that he could get a job as a pilot at a corporation in Texas, called North American Oil. After eight months, Captain Martin left North American Oil and began working as a charter pilot and flight instructor at a company in Pennsylvania. Shortly thereafter Captain Martin became a commuter pilot at Christman Air.

Captain Martin remained with Christman for a period of two years, and obtained his ATP while employed there.

After putting together some funds, Captain Martin came back to Riddle for his degree in Air Science.

He graduated in 1984.

After sending out 102 resumes, Martin received 88 responses, including the one he was looking for from USAir. He was granted an interview, and after a nail biting three weeks was offered a position with the airline as a co-pilot.

Captain Martin remained a co-pilot on the 737-300 series for five years, after which he applied for the captain's position on the 737. USAir responded by making him captain of the Fokker F-100.

At the time, Martin was the youngest captain in the world to be flying this cutting edge aircraft. In a video presentation that he showed of the F-100, some of its advantages were exposed.

In contrast with the cockpits of old, the F-100 sports digital readouts which are displayed on two EFIS screens. This minimizes the usual instrument sweep to a mere glance. In case of trouble, at the push of a button, the computer locates and displays the five closest airports on the

screen. Besides the obvious advantages, this consolidation of instruments provides the cockpit of the F-100 with a very clean appearance.

A good analogy comparing the F-100 was provided by Marv Smith, an advisor here at Embry-Riddle. This supposition was affirmed by Captain Martin. The analogy was, "Flying the F-100 is like driving a new car with all the high tech goodies such as electronic cruise and climate control, power seats, door locks and window and a heads up speedometer display, and then switching to a vintage series Pinto."

Captain Martin claims that after flying seven or eight legs in the F-100, he feels like flying a couple more rather than going home and resting, as he would likely do after seven or eight legs in a DC-9. This technology is what today's students can look forward to when they enter the aviation arena.

After Captain Martin spoke, his father took the podium to discuss his feelings about his son's success.

Mr. Martin is very proud of his son, and now enjoys the freedom to fly around the United States free of charge with his wife. Mr. Martin considers this luxury a more than fair trade for the difficulties he experienced in helping to put his son through college.

Today, Captain James Randall Martin has the job he has dreamed about since he was 15 years old.

He comes to Embry-Riddle to tell the students here that his trials and tribulations do not even come close to surpassing the happiness that he has achieved throughout his career.

"All you have to do," says Captain Martin, "is hang in there. Don't be discouraged during tough times and be aggressive in achieving your goals."

Both Captain Martin and his father say that we, as students, are very fortunate to be attending the school that we are.

Martin also pointed out that the University is held in high regard in the industry.



Excuse me captain... Professor Dick van Bibber and (left) Captain James Randall Martin gave an "inspirational" lecture on his success as a captain for USAir.

SAE prepares for May's design competition

by Eric Sarnowski
Campus News Reporter

On May 1-3, the Engineering Society For Advancing Mobility Land, Sea, Air and Space (S.A.E.) will be sponsoring the Seventh Annual Radio Controlled Cargo Aircraft Design Competition.

The idea of the competition is for all those who participate to acquire a better knowledge of what goes into designing and building the aircraft, not just focusing on the flight aspect. Awards are given for the report and drawing phases as well as the flight division.

Each team must submit a written report and their drawings/designs. The reports need to be turned in approximately one month in advance to allow them to be evaluated on content, analysis, construction, assumptions and conclusions. While the maximum report length is 100 pages, the usual is between 30 and 50 pages.

The quest for number one does not stop there; during the competi-

tion each team is required to give an oral presentation of at least 10 minutes in length.

After all of that has been completed it is finally time to test the aircraft. The teams will travel to DeLand airport where there is an R/C Club who will handle the flight portion of the competition. The team has 200 feet maximum takeoff and landing distance.

Last year's competition was held in Dayton, Ohio. The winning aircraft, which carried 23 and a quarter pounds, was designed, built and flown by a team from the University of Central Florida. Jaap Vanryn, an ERAU student that was present at last year's competition estimated that "About 60 percent of all the R/C planes present ended up crashing due to overstressing." One such case was an aircraft that lifted 26 pounds but developed problems during landing and crashed, thus eliminating it from the contest.

All of the judging is done by professional engineers and the Air Force. Vanryn stated that, "The competition is very professional and really in-depth." He commented that more and more teams are using CAD/CAM and programs of the like to improve their designs to carry heavier loads.

On the other side of the spectrum, teams are starting to construct their planes out of composites. Because of all the new innovations arising, the plane has some limitations placed on it.

The engine can be no larger than .61 cubic inches, the maximum planform has to be equal to or less than 1200 square inches, and the cargo is a fixed area box of dimensions five inches tall by six inches wide, and 10 inches long.

As Vanryn said, "The idea is not just to be drawn good and look good, but to work as well."

At this time, there are 63 teams from approximately 47 different col-

leges, including one from Poland and eight from Canada.

Between 100 and 200 students are expected to attend this year's competition. Dr. Rodriguez, advisor for the SAE said, "I have never seen the competition grow as large as it is now. We are planning on winning this year and making a good impression of the University."

Last year, one of the ACET/AMT teams finished eighth out of 45 competitors in the report and drawing stages.

The Embry-Riddle Chapter of SAE is running three aerospace engineering teams in this year's competition.

Also from ERAU are two ACET/AMT teams and a freshman team. For anyone who would like to get involved in the competition, the SAE is looking for volunteers to help organize the event. If you are interested, please contact Dan Abel, Box #1147, or Ron Liston, Box #5906.

The issue of Martian Luther King's birthday is compared to DBCC

by Jon Osterholm
Managing Editor

In "Student Forum" in the January 22 issue of the Avion, it was asked of students if they felt the birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr., should be a day off from classes. Colin Malaker, an Air Science student, said, "Every other school gets it off, why the hell can't we?" It is probably safe to assume that his comment reflects the view of at least some ERAU students.

Whether students do or do not feel they are being slighted by not getting King's birthday off, President's Day, which was this past Monday and a holiday for ERAU students, was not a holiday for some other students. Daytona Beach Community College students had to attend classes on President's Day, as did other state college students.

Getting the activist's birthday off was part of a "trade off," as one DBCC student put it. In order to get the day off on January 20, they did not get President's Day off. The community college's students enjoy a longer Spring Break, a break that is days longer than the Spring Break ERAU students receive, which includes only two weekdays.

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The balance between other colleges and ERAU comes at the end of the Spring term, when ERAU students complete the term earlier than DBCC students. This allows more time off between the Spring and Summer "A" terms for ERAU students.

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Creations literary magazine returns after two year absence



by Eric Sarnowski
Campus News Reporter

In 1988, a group of students produced the last in a series of sometimes yearly, sometimes semesterly magazines. The magazine contained the best work from the best artists who submitted their personal work to it. Photography, poems, drawings and short stories were found in the magazine.

A typical literary magazine, it was unusual in one sense: it came from a University that was often seen as a "technological university." That, of course, was this University-Embry-Riddle.

In the Spring of 1989, another attempt was made to produce the magazine, but the majority of the primary members of the staff were concentrating on graduating or some other concern. After receiving 150 various submissions, writing letters for sponsorship to companies, courting the academic departments for financial support, and talking with

the Student Finance Board of the SGA five times, those that pledged support realized that their effort showed evidence of interest by students, but there were not enough students able to put in time as the production staff. The attempt fell on its face, in essence.

Last Fall, Sigma Tau Delta expressed interest in bringing a literary magazine to Embry-Riddle. Greg Naccarato, a new member of STD at the time, offered to spur the interest of the former leaders of Creations and members of the Society of Collegiate Journalists (SCJ) to join them in the idea. Both groups jumped at the chance to produce a literary magazine, and this term began a submissions campaign, which is open to anyone at Embry-Riddle students, faculty or staff.

"The most important part of Creations is that it sends a mes-

sage," said Jon Osterholm, the director of Creations and a managing editor with the Avion. "By asking students to submit outpourings of their creative talents, it states that Embry-Riddle isn't just an aviation university. It says that this is a real University, with real, well-rounded students."

Written submissions should be typed, but, as Osterholm said, "short poems would not be difficult to type into the Avion computer system," where the layout of the magazine's pages will happen. "We'd really prefer typed work only, though, because we don't need any more work to do. We don't have a lot of time."

Osterholm, who was at the head of the failed attempt in 1989, explained that "we are asking for typed submissions because the Avion just got software making us

able to do character recognition scanning. What that means is, we can concentrate on designing the magazine and finding money to pay for it, instead of finding typists who want to wear their fingers to the bone."

Memories of the "trial" he went through in 1989-90 almost made him unwilling to join the staff again. "I was afraid the same thing would happen this time around, but Greg (Naccarato) convinced me that Sigma Tau Delta and the SCJ were very interested. Now I know they are, and I am too."

The deadline for submissions is February 28. There have already been about 30 submissions turned in, all of them being stories or poems. Osterholm hopes they will be getting more written submissions in the next week and a half, and that drawings and photographs "will come rolling in soon, too."

He said the magazine should be out at the beginning of April.

The people's prose...
 Creations will feature short stories, photos and artworks of the student body.

Delta VP slated to visit

(Management Club) Captain H.C. Algeria, Senior Vice President of Operations at Delta Air Lines will be the guest speaker at the Management Club meeting on Wednesday, February 19. The meeting is open to all students, staff and faculty members of Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University and will be held at 6:30 p.m. in room A-109.

Captain Alger joined Delta in 1966 as a second officer. During his career at Delta, he has served as Instructor/Check Airman, Coordinator of Flight Training, Assistant Chief Pilot, Atlanta, and System Manager Line Operations. He was named to Director of Flight Operations in 1983, to Assistant Vice President of Flight Operations in 1987, and to his present position effective February 1, 1992.

NTSB speaker returns

by Eric Sarnowski
Campus News Reporter

National Transportation Safety Board Investigator and Embry-Riddle graduate Greg Feith will be returning to the Embry-Riddle Student Center next Wednesday at 8 pm. Feith will speak on Crash Investigation and Flight Safety classes.

By using slides, videotapes and audio recordings of accidents and the aftermaths, Feith captivates the audience and makes sure his message hits home. This year's presentation should be just as good as last year's and includes a totally new slide show, so come early and get a good seat before it turns into standing room only.

Also on next Wednesday, Ken Robinson, a corporate pilot for Procter and Gamble will give a presentation on Corporate Aviation. The presentation will take place at 6 p.m. in Spruance Hall and is being sponsored by the Brothers of the Wind. There will be a brief reception beforehand and space is limited.

Safety Department can not do it alone

by Warren Stewart
Campus News Reporter

Safety on campus is a concern of both students and faculty alike. From campus crime to crossing Clyde Morris Blvd, the Safety Department plays an important role in all aspects of safety on campus.

Individuals, can and should play a role in keeping our campus safe. This is especially true in matters of theft and other related criminal activities.

To find out what is being done to improve campus safety and how each individual can aid in these efforts, the Avion recently talked to Kevin Mannix, Head of the Safety Department, to get his input.

The idea stressed as most important for improving campus safety is teaching crime prevention. This involves taking steps to stop the crime before it occurs. Accomplishment of this goal requires that the "opportunity" for the crime to occur be removed. The removal of these "opportunities" would include locking your car or room when you are away, walking

in a group at night, or keeping personal property and valuables away and out of sight. With the "opportunity" removed, the would-be criminal will have no reason to attempt a crime and therefore has been successfully thwarted.

Unfortunately, no matter how hard everyone tries, crime cannot be completely wiped out. Because of this fact, it is always important to be on the lookout for suspicious activity. If ever you observe something that you feel is not right, please notify the Safety Department or someone who can contact them. Without knowledge of what is happening, security is helpless to assist. However, when notified a security officer can quickly be dispatched to handle the situation. It cannot be stressed enough that all suspicious activity should be reported immediately.

The Safety Department is itself in the process of improving campus safety. Already in place is the presence of uniformed officers and marked vehicles to deter potential criminals with a visible security force. Safety also runs programs, such as lease-a-lock, that allow you to rent quality bicycle and motorcycle locks from the Safety Department. Other crime prevention services that are already available include bike registration and safety escorts.

New improvements around campus include extra lighting near the academic complex, as well as some extra lighting in the parking lots close to those buildings. Hedge rows and shrubs are also being trimmed back to increase campus visibility.

One of the more impressive additions that will aid in keeping the campus safe is the new emergency

phone, like the one pictured here, to be placed at the far end of Dorn II facing the tennis courts. One will only have to press the large red button to be in contact with someone who can help.

Safety hopes to install several more of these phones in strategic locations around campus in the future.

Other future plans include the opening of a 24 hour communications center to be manned and operated by the Safety Department. Safety is also working on implementing an emergency phone number, ext. 7433, which spells SAFE, to be used on campus.

Although the Safety Department is undertaking several steps to increase campus security, the greatest responsibility is going to continue to lie with the individual to practice crime prevention techniques and keep alert for suspicious activity while on campus.

If everyone participates in crime prevention techniques, crime on campus can be reduced to almost non-existence.

He said the magazine should be out at the beginning of April.

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Golf team begins competition

Eagles golf team places near the bottom at two tournaments

by **Keith Towers**
Editor-in-Chief

The Embry-Riddle Golf Team has competed in two tournaments this semester and now has three tournaments left in their Spring schedule. The team fared poorly in the first tournament of the semester and moved up a few notches in the second tournament.

Brevard Community College Tournament

The golf team had not played since mid-November. And when they showed up at this tournament with the attitude that this was to be a warm-up for the following week's tournament at Tarpon Springs. Dick

Bryant, ERAU Golf Coach, sent the top two players along with the bottom three in order to give the less experienced players a chance to play in a tournament and gain some experience.

It was the hope of the coach that Chris Tetler and Paul Adam would be able to lead the less experienced Kenny Corbin, Alan Wingate and Jeff Bujnowski to a good finish. This was not to happen as only two of fifteen rounds shot by the team were under 80.

Chris Tetler was the top finisher for the Eagles by shooting a 243 total and Paul Adam shot a 246 to finish second. Other finishers were Kenny Corbin with a 249, Alan

Wingate shot a 252 and Jeff Bujnowski rounded out the field with a 271.

This put the Eagles in last place out of 14 teams in a contest that was dominated by community colleges.

The winner of the tournament was the host team, Brevard Community College. The individual medalist was Don Franks, also from Brevard Community College, who shot a three-over-par 219 for the three-day tournament.

Tampa University Tournament

This tournament was played in Tarpon Springs and saw 13 teams compete. The Eagles finished better in this tournament by placing ninth.

Individually, the tournament saw Paul Adam play very well by shooting a 232 three-day total. Adam shot an 83-76-73 scorecard to lead the team to a very strong finish. The team saw the fifth man, Dave Pospychala, come down with the flu at the last moment, so Kenny Corbin had to go in his place.

Corbin had a poor tournament as he hurt his wrist and was undergoing a major swing change. Chris Tetler shot well with a 77-77-81-235. Rounding out the Eagles were David Maxey with a 257, Mike Scherer with a 265 and Kenny Corbin with a 282.

Winning the tournament was North Florida with an 891 team

total. Individual medalist went to Shaw Pritchett of Huntingdon College with a three-day total of 210.

Upcoming Events

The team will host the Embry-Riddle Tournament at Palm Coast on March 19-22.

Next they travel to the Caddyshack Open hosted by Nova University from April 1-3 at Rolling Hills where Caddyshack was filmed.

Paul Adam will travel to Atlanta to compete as an individual in the Emory University Intercollegiate from April 4-7. The season ends with the district tournament in Fort Lauderdale from May 1-3.

Sports Shorts

Floor Hockey Standings

Foundation	3-0
Breakers	3-0
Lambda Chi	3-0
Kings	2-1
Dirt Chickens	2-1
Pat. Missiles	1-1
Lech's Unit	1-1
sigma Chi	2-2
Yellow Blackbirds	1-2
Men w/o Dates	1-2
Milfers	1-2
Random Violence	1-2
Tailhookers	1-2
Sigma Pi	0-3
Delta Chi	0-3

Co-Ed Softball Standings

Nocturnals	2-0
Final Four	2-0
Generics	1-1
Beasts of the East	1-1
Mudslingers	0-2
Da Bears Da Bulls	0-2

Basketball team stays in second place

by **Todd Hughes**
Sports Reporter

The Embry-Riddle basketball team was home for the biggest home stand of the season. The Eagles faced the challenge of avenging their only two conference losses of the season. The Eagles lost to Florida Memorial Wednesday night 86-78 and then beat St. Thomas 84-73 on Saturday.

Florida Memorial

The Eagles went into Saturday night's game to play the number one team in their conference. The Eagles played a very tight game and were within striking distance until the last two minutes, when they fell to pieces turning the ball over twice. The Eagles even tried playing six players but they could still not catch up.

Jeff Moore, who led five Eagles in double figures, had 13 points. Tommy Fagley scored 12 points and dished out six assists. Kris Shanahan and Owen Busch each scored 11 points and Andy McWilliams fin-



Photo by Mike Lamy

Timeout...

Coach Ridder tries to settle down the team as Florida Memorial began to pull away Wednesday night.

ished up the scoring with 10 points. The Eagles were home again this Saturday in attempt to avenge their other conference loss of the season.

The Eagles beat St. Thomas 84-73. Tommy Fagley led all Eagle scorers with 19 points. Andy McWilliams hit for 16 points and Carlos Rodriguez scored 12 points.

Next Home Game

The Eagles will be at home on Tuesday February 25 against their archrivals Flagler College.

Tennis team wins big over Bethune-Cookman Wildcats

by **Kyle Liming**
Sports Reporter

The tennis team recorded its first win by beating the Bethune-Cookman's Wildcats last Thursday. The young Wildcats were no match for the Eagles as they were shut out 9 to 0. The match was good for the Eagles after having lost their two previous matches to two tough opponents.

On Saturday, February 8, the team travelled down to Boca Raton to take on the talented Lynn University squad. Unfortunately, the Eagles were unable to play up to their ability and were beaten soundly 9-0. The Eagle's Diego Carbonetti played the closest match losing 4-6, 4-6. The Eagles returned looking toward their next match against Florida Community College in Jacksonville on February 11.

The Eagles fate was similar in Jacksonville to that in Boca Raton, where they met a predicted top 20

NCAA powerhouse. The Eagles again were overmatched and were unable to come up with the put-away shots at the vital times. The team's record fell to 0-3 with the 0-9 loss. The Eagles were glad to return home and get a break from their rough schedule.

After the Eagles win over Bethune-Cookman, the team had a nice eight day break before entering the meat of their schedule. The Eagles go on the road for their next four matches taking on St. Leo on the 21st, Southeastern on the 22nd, Webber on the 23rd, and finally Flagler on the 27th. The Eagles next home match will be on February 29 against Michigan Tech at Pelican Bay.

The match begins at 1:00 p.m., a prime time to watch some good, entertaining tennis and acquire a good tan. Besides, there are unconfirmed sightings of Christie Brinkley and Mel Gibson out at Pelican Bay.

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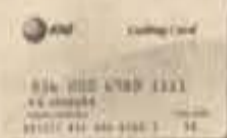
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Eugene McCarthy runs for democratic nomination

by Roger Harnack
National News Editor

Eugene McCarthy is still around and is running for president. His campaign has not gathered much momentum yet. This is not his first bid for the democratic nomination either.

McCarthy entered the race for the democratic nomination far behind other candidates. He is not a newcomer to politics or the presidential arena. After all, McCarthyism is named after him.

...he served in the House of Representatives for 10 years and in the Senate for 12 years.

In 1968, McCarthy challenged incumbent President Johnson for his parties nomination. He has more experience than just running for president, he served in the House of Representatives for 10 years and in the Senate for 12 years.

McCarthy was the chief sponsor for the Equal Rights Amendment. He favors passing a new civil rights act "to protect all Americans from discrimination and intimidation." Including discrimination in the workplace, McCarthy supports shortening the work week to manufacturing industries.

In doing so, more job opportunities would be created and working parents could spend more time with their children. In addition, the redistributing of employment would combat America's growing poverty problem.

Also, he believes that children of broken homes need a boost to break the cycle of poverty. To break the cycle, McCarthy feels it is necessary to "provide internships, apprenticeships, and other economic opportunities beyond delivering pizzas or selling drugs."

Not only is he fighting against discrimination, he advocates universal health care and has since 1948. McCarthy feels that it is time for America to provide universal health care for its citizens.

McCarthy intends, if elected president, to attempt to levy a defense tariff on nations we defend around the world. This brings up the topic of economics and taxes.

McCarthy emphasizes economic recovery in his presidential plat-

form. He has an emergency plan to boost the economy. His emergency plan includes extending unemployment benefits, placing a moratorium on home mortgage, credit card and car payments for the unemployed.

McCarthy believes that limiting overtime work will also boost the economy by forcing employers to hire more employees.

He also believes that military personnel should not be discharged in massive quantities until there are employment opportunities for them in the civilian economy.

Further economic reforms will protect the economy for the long run. McCarthy proposes tax credits for research and development. He wants to restore the interest deduction on consumer credit and eliminate the capital gains tax.

On the other side of the tax issue, McCarthy wants to impose a tax on large cars, imported oil and increase the corporate income tax.

The ideas of Eugene McCarthy are different from many of the others in the democratic field. His ideas do not reflect views of the *Avion* Newspaper. The article is a summary of McCarthy's candidacy.



A familiar face in Minnesota...
Eugene McCarthy is famous as a Senator and is running for the democratic nomination for president.

Teen to be tried as an adult

HOUSTON (AP) - A Wheatley High School student accused of killing three Denver Harbor residents has been certified to be tried as an adult for the Aug. 22 capital murders.

Clifton Cornelius, 16, was certified Friday by State District Judge Robert Baum.

Prosecutor Karen McAshan said Cornelius and two adults, Kenneth Brown, 20, and Deandra Allen, 19, were sent by an uncharged, unapprehended person on a revenge mission to northeast Houston home allegedly used as a neighborhood "drug house."

Police said four people were herded into a bedroom and shot with large-caliber handguns.

Killed were garage owner Manuel Garcia Carillo, 32; his girlfriend, Francisca Ricon Garza, 18; and Abraham Moises Ramos, 16.

The fourth victim, Julio Gallegos, 19, survived shots to the back and legs.

He hasn't recovered enough to testify at the proceeding in Baum's court.

Lawsuit underway in nation's worst DUI case

CARROLLTON, Ky. (AP) - The lead investigator of the nation's worst drunken-driving accident testified Friday that the condition of a church bus in which 27 people died wasn't disturbed when it was moved from the scene.

Kentucky State Police Trooper Sonny Cease acknowledged that the bus swayed slightly from left to right while it was transported aboard a flatbed truck to a warehouse in Carrollton.

Cease made the comments during questioning by William Grubbs, an attorney for Ford Motor Co., a co-defendant with Larry Mahoney in a damage suit filed by parents of two of the victims.

Mahoney, now serving a 16-year prison term, was the driver of the pickup truck that slammed into the

bus May 14, 1988, as he was driving in the wrong lanes of Interstate 71 near Carrollton.

During an interview later, Ford attorney William King said he believed nothing in Cease's testimony damaged the company's contention that Mahoney was responsible for the deaths and injuries in the accident.

"Like I like to say, Larry Mahoney's name is written all over the right side of that bus and right on the fuel tank," King said.

The suit alleges Ford ignored warnings from government experts and its own engineers that a fuel tank mounted on the outside of the bus frame was vulnerable in a crash.

Throughout the trial, lawyers for Ford have asked witnesses what actually caused parts of the bus to

puncture the fuel tank, which led to the fire. In each case they have answered that the impact from Mahoney's truck was the initial cause.

Cease said the bus driver had 1.5 seconds to recognize that Mahoney's truck was coming toward him and to try to avoid the collision.

The trooper also said the survivors told him of their attempts to reach the rear of the bus to escape.

"Some of them described being pushed down as they tried to get up. Most of them described it as a panic situation."

Grubbs then objected, claiming that was hearsay, but Judge William Dunn allowed the trooper to continue with the testimony.

Some survivors described the

impact "as a bump or slight jolt. Some of them said they thought they swerved to miss a deer," Cease testified.

The lawsuit was filed by James and Karolyn Nunnallee and Lawrence and Janey Fair of Radcliff.

Larry Franklin, an attorney for the plaintiffs, asked Cease whether the collision or fire was responsible for the deaths.

"If there was no fire, the children would all be alive," Cease responded.

King said Ford attorneys planned to call a private accident reconstructionist who conducted his own analysis of the crash.

He said he believes the trial will take at least five more weeks to complete.

Twenty percent of junior high students have sex

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) - One in five youngsters between the ages of 11 and 16 say they are sexually active - and many report that they rarely or never use condoms, according to a study that focuses on young adolescents.

The findings from the Center for AIDS Prevention Studies at the University of California at San Francisco were published in the current issue of the medical journal *Pediatrics*.

The survey of 2,000 junior high school students ranging in age from 11 to 16 found that one in five reported being sexually active.

Sixty percent of those who said they were sexually active were

between 13 or 14, more than a third were 12 or younger. Nearly half said they had many different sex partners, according to the survey.

The anonymous questionnaires were filled out by students in three San Francisco Bay area city schools. More than 400 of the young students said they were sexually active.

One third of the students said they do not use or have ever used condoms. They gave various reasons for not using condoms: they felt embarrassed buying them, their sex partners didn't like them or they felt awkward discussing the subject with their partners.

Vandals

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example "Who's car it was." She said, "I don't remember what I answered ... frankly, I can't remember much about that night."

She finished by saying, "Everything that goes wrong on this campus gets blamed on us, the knives in the wall, we didn't do it."

When asked if she was the "white female with blonde hair" that took the pictures she denied being the one.

She later told the *Avion* that she retracts her statements.

A member of Random Violence said, "I don't know what happened, we're just a hockey team. We're taking a lot of flak for things we didn't do." He stated that the previous witness is not a member of the Random Violence hockey team and is not on the roster. Although he was not present for the interview with that witness, he said that he "refuses to acknowledge her statements."

The *Avion* contacted Pary Patel, the resident advisor for that wing. He stated, "They are just a hockey team with a lot of different personalities. They are very well known and because they are well known it is easy to pin the tail on the big guy." He also said that he was not present at the time of the incident.

SFAB

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around the campus. Along with Mr. Bill Baker, assistant professor, the board also runs the suggestion box that is hanging next to the flight records window. They also publish the flight department newsletter.

What the service will do is provide the students or instructors a chance to talk to someone face to face. The suggestion box and newsletter will continue to operate.

The center will be open two days a week: Monday 0800-1100, 1230-1630 and Thursday 0900-1300, 1630-1630. They are located in room H-101A, which is an oral room. They will also have a phone there, the number is 226-6741.

They are eager to help solve any problems that students and instructors may have with the flight department.

Planes

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When Dr. Sliwa arrived at the University, the purchase of new aircraft was one of the major concerns facing the University. Soon after, a life cycle cost analysis was done on all of the options available to the University. When the analysis was finished, a purchasing committee made up of Board of Trustees members made their selections, at the beginning of this year.

Much concern was placed over buying American aircraft over foreign. Concern was also placed over economic differences of the two planes. The Tampico lists for about \$20,000 more than Tiger, but the Tampico uses a less powerful more fuel efficient engine, the Textron/Lycoming O-320. It is the same engine that is used in the C-172s and Cadets. The Tigers uses the O-360, which has 180 horsepower, which will help with the higher density altitudes at the Prescott campus.

Seventy percent of the Aerospatiale Tampico is made in America, and it is reassembled in the United States. Now, with the order from Embry-Riddle, they are planning on building a plant in Grand Prairie, Texas to build aircraft in the United States. The O-320s that are used in the Aerospatiales are built in the United States as well as the avionics.

Dr. Sliwa also announced the University's intent in purchasing A33 Beechcraft Bonanzas for high performance training at Prescott's campus. Presently, Prescott only has two C-182 RGs for high performance training.

According to Dr. Sliwa, the A33 will meet the needs for the environment at the Prescott campus. The University is currently negotiating with Beechcraft at their Wichita, KA manufacturing plant.

The Daytona Beach campus will also receive an additional 3 Mooneys to complete their fleet of single-engine high performance single-engine aircraft. This will bring the fleet total up to 15 M20J aircraft.

Concern was placed over logistic problems of getting more than one aircraft, but with the two different operating environments from the different campuses.

Vincent Stefano, the president of the Student Government Association said, "I'm happy with the decisions made, they were the best alternatives with the available options. The aircraft will benefit the student with the needed training requirements as well as benefit the student with the best value for their dollar."

Religion

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Christ's teachings not to judge, nor condemn, and always forgive? (Only God knows!)

I say no power shall be given to the dead, not moral rules should be made from few books, or any book. I am positively confident in that power shall be given to active and resourceful men, to those who lead, those who have demonstrated high commitment to the community, high level of education, highly efficient and undiscussable ability to solve any (or more realistically; most) issues. They must also be trustworthy, and have a low, low, astoundingly low concern in their popularity (that's where it becomes a challenge!). However, this should not prevent us from dividing the power, as it is (theoretically) in the US or France (Legislative/Executive/Judicial), so as to secure a safer use of power. How could the Church win a single battle against such a rationalism? (They are still praying!)

I also disagree with the Church on many issues that involve morality and to which science has given a different answer than the Bible has, such as the origin of life. But at least there is one principle that I share with the Church; that is the necessity to set rules - even if those are to be enforced more on a case-by-case basis than drastically. The Church does not even respect its own original nor actual school of morality. After all, who does? Isn't this the real problem, that most human beings are just too wicked to carry out their concept of perfection thru the moral issues?

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The Alvin Ailey Repertory Ensemble performs at DBCC



Versatile performer...

Lynn Jackson, assistant to Ms. Waters, was a key dancer in this performance. Because of another dancers injuries she had to dance as two different characters, hers and the injured dancer.

by Rich Levy
Photography Editor

ACT I: Stream, is an introductory piece that allows the audience to enjoy the beauty of the fluid motion of a stream which in turn creates an interest in each dancers individual performance. The dancers found this piece easy to relate to because of the flowing movement of a stream was easily recognized in the music that inspired Alvin Ailey to choreograph this contemporary dance.

Act II: To Have And To Hold, was a study of people, their interactions with each other, and death. This dance was probably the most entertaining piece because of the dancer abilities to show expression in their performance. This act included several duets with the dancers entering into a relationship with a wondering curiosity, and an appetite for knowledge.

Each pair of dancers expressed the emotions of joy, sorrow, triumph, fear, hate and love in each individual performance. This act clearly demonstrated each dancers ability to express emotion through dance and facial expression.

Act III: Isba, is a study that begins with the introduction of Isba, God and the creation of man and a woman. The story is set in a tribal culture. It tells the story of how

Christianity was introduced to new cultures and the peoples' reactions. The people of this civilization accept the missionaries and their teachings because it is the only way they could educate themselves about the missionaries. This creates an influence on these people and changes their way of life. This story is interesting because it is a tribal perspective of the Christian explorers and their influence on the ever-changing world.

The three acts of the Alvin Ailey repertory ensemble were all equally important in the breathtaking effect that the show created on the viewer. Act I: Streams, was a way of teaching the viewer the language of dance.

Act II: To Have And To Hold, shows the dancers ability to express emotion through dance. Act I and Act II are both needed for the viewer to fully understand the message and story of Isba in Act III.

Interviews and opinions

After the performance I was able to ask the dancers some questions. Derrick Minter and April Hinkle were glad to answer my questions.

Q: Where did you study dance?
DERRICK: At the University of Oklahoma and New World School

of Dance.
APRIL: After High School I moved to New York to gain my experience.

Q: What is your degree title?
DERRICK: I studied 4-1/2 years of Modern Pedagogue, that's a teaching degree.
APRIL: Experience.

Q: How many hours per day do you consciously devote to dancing?
DERRICK: We have classes from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.
APRIL: Then we have rehearsals from 12 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Q: What is the longevity of a dancer?
APRIL: About mid-thirties, but that really depends on the dancer.

DERRICK: After dancing a dancer can go into choreography, production, anything ... there's an unlimited future.

Q: When a man and a woman are paired together (like in To Have and to Hold), do they really have to get along?
APRIL: Yes, there is a real bond there. The other dancers are real friends.

DERRICK: You develop a strong bond, especially in smaller companies.

An invitation to the dance...

Derrick Minter, pictured at the right, graduated from the University of Oklahoma with a teaching degree. April Hinkle, a native Floridian, moved to New York city and simply danced her way to the top.

Overall Opinion

The Alvin Ailey repertory ensemble is a performance everyone should experience. The messages are universal and the dancers are top notch. It is an evening well spent. Everyone's reaction to the performance was basically the same, they all loved it. The show was not what I expected. I expected boring music with an audience of old people pretending they understand what's going on. Instead I was suspended at the edge of my seat. I was taken on an emotional ride that TV or movies can never be able to duplicate. All of the dancers turned out breathtaking performances. One cannot help getting caught up in their passion for dance.

Their audience is as diverse as the dancers. There were people from many different backgrounds. This just reinforces the dynamic nature of this show. There is something for everyone.

The Alvin Ailey Repertory Ensemble will be on tour for the next six weeks, visiting 19 cities, they will bring the message of unity and love to audiences as diverse as themselves. Long live dance theater, and good luck to the Alvin Ailey repertory ensemble.



Stretch...

The dancers are paid a stipend, but the quality of life more than makes up for any material void.



Practice makes perfect...

Under the watchful eye of art director Sylvia Waters, the dancers remain consistent in their interpretations of Alvin Ailey's choreography. Here the dancers practice a part of the dance routine during a rehearsal.



Casting call...

The members of the ensemble are, in alphabetical order, Ggullermo Asca, Roger Bellamt, Terry Callaway, Brandon Ellis, Lana Gordon, April Hinkle, Vanessa Jordan, Vikkia Lambert, Derrick Minter, La Zette Rayford, Greer Reed, Mathew Rushing, Judith Jamison - artistic advisor, artistic director - Sylvia Waters. Their first performance occurred on April 15, 1970. The choreography was done by by Alvin Ailey and the show is comprised of three separate themes.

CRITIC'S CORNER:

Clarke turns down cornstarch and cute women to see *Rush*



George Clarke
Diversions
Movie
Critic

My roommates and I discovered a new substance: corn starch. If you've never performed a kitchen analysis on corn starch, you're missing out. It's fascinating stuff; when the flour-like powder is moistened and crushed in a ball between your hands, it'll get hard and dry, but after a second or two it will dissolve and run through your fingers.

I was almost late to my movie Friday night because of this stuff, since me and the guys had decided to coat our semi-naked bodies with it and dance for the girls next door. But alas, I saw *Rush* instead.

Rush intrigued me, because it has only been out for a few weeks and is already gracing the dollar

movie cave at the Daytona Mall. I wondered how such a seemingly interesting movie could fall from the mainstream so quickly. Now I know.

Jason Patric and Jennifer Jason Leigh star as two drug enforcement agents deep, deep, deep undercover. They're trying to bust a drug kingpin played by singer Greg Allman, who looks a little like Jesus.

Jesus he's not. And neither are Patric's and Leigh's characters, who go too far in trying to pass off as two local drug sellers. You see, every time they make a bust, they keep some of the stash to use themselves, so they look the part. But soon they loose track of who the good and bad guys are, and eventually they both become addicted to their little private drug horde. Kind of a neat plot, right?

I guess it is, but it was handled poorly here. The movie drifted away from itself early. Even at the very beginning, I felt like I was

dropped off somewhere in the middle of the picture. No gimmick is ever explained, no interesting character trait is ever utilized, no story is ever told. Leigh's and Patric's characters, although well played, just wander from one scene to the next without always accomplishing anything. *Rush* suffers from the worst error of all - it has no purpose. The two characters may as well have been snorting corn starch.

I did find a bright spot in the film - guitarmeister Eric Clapton's score. By just strumming a chord he can tell more of a story than 15 minutes of the celluloid he's writing for.

The music in this film was well worth the dollar it cost; if you want to hear Clapton, this is a good buy. But as far as the film goes, *Rush* should have been called *Rash*. At least that's what I think it gave me; although it might have been the corn starch. I should have table-danced for my neighbors.



Amazing tales...

Captain Scribner takes readers on a personal journey in his autobiography.

Scribner's book is a true aviation gem

by Jason Simon
Diversions Editor

There are very few people who can truly say that they are legends in aviation. When I thought of aviation legends, I used to think of Orville and Wilbur Wright, Lindbergh, Amelia Earhart, Chuck Yeager and Baron Von Richtofen and, of course T. Higbee Embry and John Paul Riddle. Little did I know that ERAU was associated with one of the many truly unsung aviation legends; that person is Captain Kimball J. Scribner, the author of *Adventures in Aviation*.

Captain Scribner has been associated with this University for many years; this is evident as our 1973 Phoenix yearbook was dedicated to him and all he had done for aviation and the University.

Scribner was lucky enough to be born during the golden age of aviation. He got his start as a parachutist and stuntshow performer. He eventually became an airplane pilot and was able to fly many aircraft; aircraft I only dream of flying. Very

few of us can say they owned a P-51 Mustang and raced a F-4U Corsair, my absolute favorite aircraft of all time, for fun.

Scribner was a record-setter too. At 16 years of age he became the youngest professional parachute jumper at the time, flew the a Boeing 707 into Moscow, the first American transport plane ever to fly and land on Soviet soil, and "buzzed" the cotton bowl, with Pan Am's first Boeing 747. He has had a very impressive career and his book is a self-written tribute to himself and his achievements.

As far as the book is concerned, it was very well written and is very interesting to read. There are some tragic moments, like when he crashed into a parked car during a parachute jump, which turn into funny moments. (Years later, aboard a transport he came into contact with the person who helped pull him out of the car. That person did not know who Scribner was and proceeded to recant the tale. When Scribner asked him what happened

to the parachutist, he said that the "dumb bastard" was probably dead.) Scribner was wise to assure that his story was well documented with many interesting pictures and humorous illustrations. They add a nice touch to the autobiography and can give the reader a visual taste of what it was like to fly such exotic planes around the globe.

The only complaint that I have is about the publishers. They should be shot. The book was very interesting, but those "professionals" who formatted the text need some lessons on proofreading and style.

Despite this small problem, Scribner and his exploits in aviation are a must-read. He did more for aviation in his teens than I have done for aviation all my life. His adventures are intriguing and made me wish I was born in his time and had the opportunities he had. But who knows, maybe someday I'll get to race this living legend in an F4-U Corsair.

Grateful Dead concert not welcome in Elmira, Oregon

ELMIRA, Ore. (AP) "Deadheads" beware: Grateful Dead fans are not welcome in this tiny Willamette Valley town.

"The biggest concern is the sheer numbers, plus the drug following," said Ken Kennedy, an Elmira resident who's been organizing opposition to the Dead concert planned for the weekend of Aug. 22.

"They're talking about 40,000 people a day coming through here," he said. "We have a two-lane highway, that's all."

Owners of the Oregon Country Fair property, located along Highway 126 near Elmira, Veneta and other rural areas west of

Eugene, have applied for a temporary land-use permit for the two-day concert.

However, the band has not yet confirmed any bookings in the Eugene area.

Kennedy said plans to provide spots for more than 5,500 overnight campers don't rule out trespassing by the band's fans, known as "Deadheads."

Worries about the size of the concerts and fun drug use have haunted the group's appearances for some time, acknowledged band publicist Dennis McNally.

We've spent a large part of the last seven or eight years, as we've

gotten ever more popular, making sure that the impact on the social environment and every other environment is minimal," McNally said.

He also said drugs are a national problem, not the band's.

McNally said the band still has not decided whether to avoid Autzen Stadium at the University of Oregon in Eugene, the site of several past concerts.

School officials told the band to stay away in 1990 after complaints about drug use by fans, but the band was invited to return last year when concert supporters came up with a plan to combat drug problems.

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