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## Weekly Weather

### Tuesday

High 80

Low 60

Mostly Sunny

### Wednesday

High 81

Low 61

20% Rain

### Thanksgiving

High 81

Low 61

Mostly Sunny

### Friday

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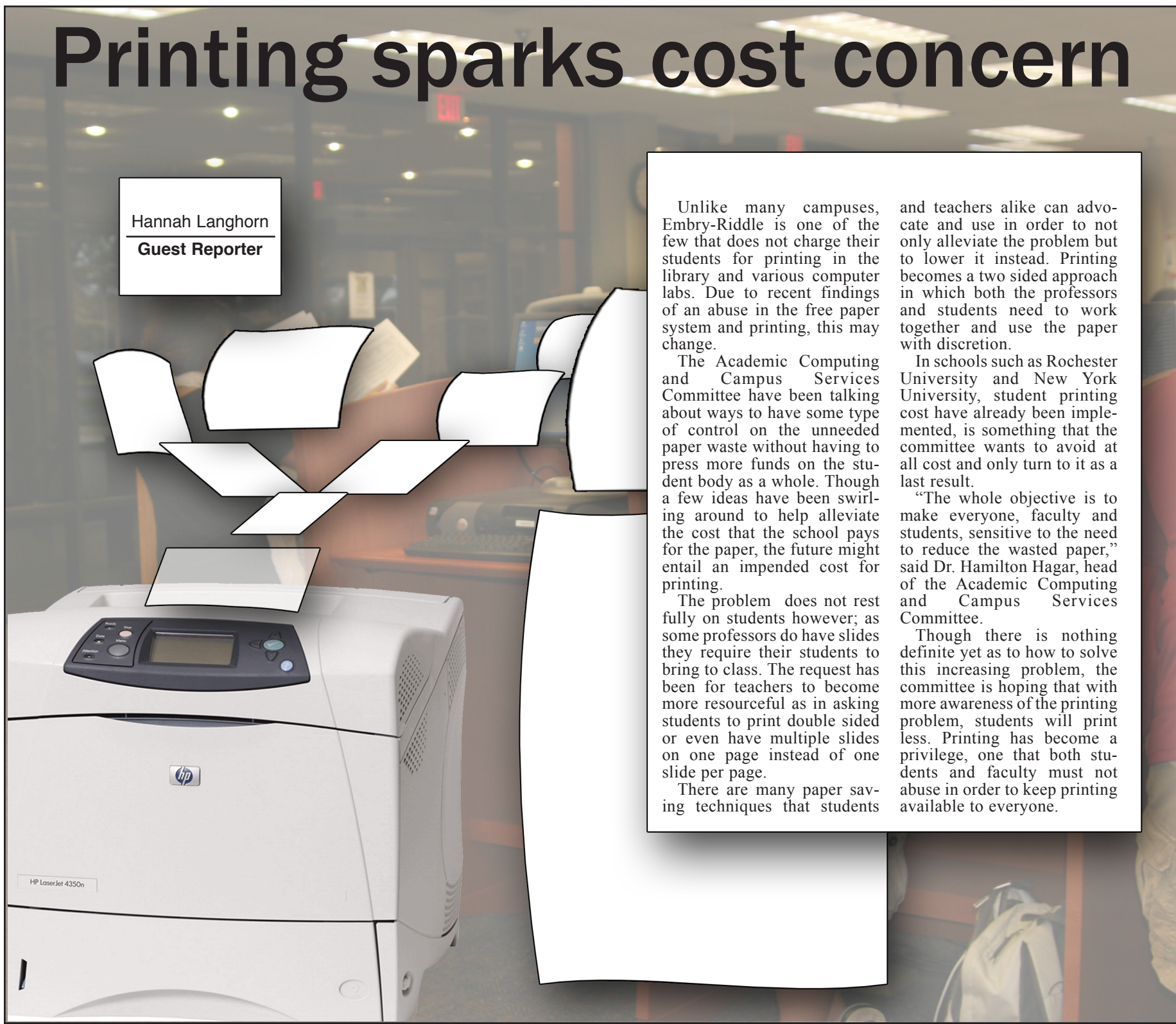
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# Printing sparks cost concern

Hannah Langhorn  
Guest Reporter



Unlike many campuses, Embry-Riddle is one of the few that does not charge their students for printing in the library and various computer labs. Due to recent findings of an abuse in the free paper system and printing, this may change.

The Academic Computing and Campus Services Committee have been talking about ways to have some type of control on the unneeded paper waste without having to press more funds on the student body as a whole. Though a few ideas have been swirling around to help alleviate the cost that the school pays for the paper, the future might entail an impended cost for printing.

The problem does not rest fully on students however; as some professors do have slides they require their students to bring to class. The request has been for teachers to become more resourceful as in asking students to print double sided or even have multiple slides on one page instead of one slide per page.

There are many paper saving techniques that students

and teachers alike can advocate and use in order to not only alleviate the problem but to lower it instead. Printing becomes a two sided approach in which both the professors and students need to work together and use the paper with discretion.

In schools such as Rochester University and New York University, student printing cost have already been implemented, is something that the committee wants to avoid at all cost and only turn to it as a last resort.

"The whole objective is to make everyone, faculty and students, sensitive to the need to reduce the wasted paper," said Dr. Hamilton Hagar, head of the Academic Computing and Campus Services Committee.

Though there is nothing definite yet as to how to solve this increasing problem, the committee is hoping that with more awareness of the printing problem, students will print less. Printing has become a privilege, one that both students and faculty must not abuse in order to keep printing available to everyone.

# Basket Brigade provides food for those in need for Thanksgiving

Juliet Okeke  
Guest Reporter



Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University has participated in the basket brigade for three years now. The basket brigade is a program in which traditional thanksgiving food and gift items are sent to families in need.

Though the program started out small within families who were willing to give, it has expanded to ERAU and Daytona State College. The program spreads all the way from Daytona Beach to Port Orange, Deland and to the Deltona area.

Cathy Downes, Associate Dean of Students, who has been in charge of the basket brigade for three years, explained the importance of the basket brigade.

Downes said, "The basket brigade is a grass root effort to provide a thanksgiving meal for families in need." She also explained how

the basket brigade was coordinated.

Last year a total of 20 baskets were donated by the SGA to the basket brigade. This year a total of 18 baskets along with five cartons of canned food and grocery bags were donated for the basket brigade.

The police department, school guidance counselors, fire department and other emergency units in the area in need provided the addresses for the families. The basket provided by Embry-Riddle contained mandatory items: a basket, roast pans, and gift cards. Additional materials include decorative candles, deck of cards and puzzles for children, kitchen towels and potholders. The baskets were organized and taken to Daytona State College, which was the collection point.

The baskets were delivered the Saturday before Thanksgiving. The families who are not aware of this act of kindness are usually overwhelmed on seeing the basket on their doorstep with the tag "from a friend who thought you would need this" on the baskets. It is mainly aimed at making sure every family has the traditional thanksgiving dinner and a good time together.

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# Hybrid courses yield different opinions

Priyanka Kumar  
Copy Editor

As the semester comes to an end, students are busy selecting classes for Spring 2011, and modifying their schedules.

Hybrid courses are a continuation of one of the latest modifications to class-styles, which the current catalogue does not indicate near each specific hybrid course that is being offered next semester.

According to Dr. Ashley Lear, Assistant Professor in the Department of Humanities & Social Sciences, the classes she taught contained students who seemed to adapt well to hybrid courses, and some students who had difficulty adjusting to its format.

As a result of bringing back hybrid courses back to campus this semester, student responses were on both ends of the spectrum. Junior Luke Arant is currently enrolled in three hybrid courses and was not aware that

his classes were hybrid until the first day of school.

Arant, however, took it well and enjoyed working at his own pace. "I liked that all of the assignments were already posted and I could work ahead...I also liked that we got a day off from class each week to do the online assignment on our own," Arant stated.

Arant was also in favor of hybrid courses' ability to give him more flexibility. "It [hybrid courses] narrowed my focus. I could sit at home and work on completing the assignment without being distracted by other classmates. Also, a lot more can be done online to help enhance learning. Discussion boards force everyone to participate to get a grade and you get to see everyone's response to the assignment where in a classroom not everyone would necessarily participate. Online quizzes can allow for multiple attempts to help you learn the material," he said.

Sophomore Giselle Maranhao

felt differently towards her hybrid course. "I realized that the time I had to work on the assignments was about the same and I missed out on an hour of class time every week, which is a lot better than an hour in front of the computer. Simply having a professor there to answer your questions is something that hybrid courses take away from the student," she said.

Maranhao felt that it would have been easier to learn with formal and further explanations in class rather than on a PowerPoint to look at outside of class.

Maranhao gave an example of a poem that was posted on her assignments to do by herself where she did not understand the content even with annotations. According to her, she better understood the poem when her teacher went over it in class the next day. "When I read them on my own, they still did not make much sense to me, even when I read the annotations. However, in the

class after the online one; our professor explained the poems again and it caught my attention that she was pretty much saying the same thing she wrote in the annotations, but this time it made more sense to me. I think it was her tone of voice and hand gestures that made everything easier to understand," she said.

Overall, Lear feels that hybrid courses are not for every student. She encourages students who are confident in doing work independently to take hybrid courses. "Not every student is able to engage in self-learning," Lear said. More specifically, Lear felt that for her literature classes, she encourages students who possess "strong literary/writing skills and students who are self-disciplined and self-motivated."

Lear described some of the benefits to hybrid courses, which include room for creativity and a chance for students to "play with learning." "It's [hybrid courses] more engaging

and best in a literature course where you can use it beyond what you get in a classroom." She enjoyed posting a variety of assignments that required students to post videos.

Arant, Maranhao, and Lear all agreed that technical difficulties were an obstacle in these courses. Students felt that teachers worked around them, and Lear said she would often direct students to the IT department to better serve their needs.

Lear also stated that it takes quality time and effort to create these online courses, but that hybrid courses are not to be confused with online courses. "On the first day of school, students were cheering thinking that they have a day off from class every week, but they actually had to do work that day," Lear said. She noted that this is a residential campus, and students come here for a reason.

According to data collected in a survey format from three of Dr.Lear's classes, 21 out of 66

students responded to a survey on how they felt about these courses. Four students said they would not enroll in another hybrid course, and 14 students said that they either agree or strongly agree that they learn as well in a hybrid course as they do in traditional face-to-face courses.

Lear concluded that she feels that the point of hybrid courses is to get students to take more responsibility as students. "It's to make them more self-directed learners, it's crucial that students learn to be analytical to information they see online. Being independent of a classroom will help students in their future careers when they are demanded to work independently," she said.

Hybrid courses are offered next semester, and although they are not indicated in the current catalogue, students may contact Shirley Waterhouse, Director of Academic Excellence and Innovation, for specific listings.

## Beta class of Delta Upsilon initiation



ANTHONY SEKINE/AVION

**DELTA Upsilon HELD INITIATION** on Saturday, Nov. 20 in the IC Auditorium for the Beta class of the fraternity. In attendance were the brothers of the organization and invited guests of the fraternity.

# Inside the ISA Diwali, festival of lights

Julliet Okeke  
Guest Reporter

Diwali is a festival celebrated by Indians, is popularly known as the festival of lights.

It is celebrated in between the months of October and November.

The Indian Students Association (ISA) along with Touch and Go Production made the show this year a success. The show kicked off at 6:30 p.m. in the Studnet Center. A brief explanation of the meaning of Diwali and its importance was given.

Many solo and dance performances by Indian students made

the show very interesting.

The Girls Group Bollywood, Karan, Aditi Malhotra and Ms. Kim Hardiman of the international students language institute all performed various Indian songs and dances.

Dr. Anirudh also came on stage to encourage the Indian students on their effort to make the show successful.

A game show involving all the regions of India namely: north south east and west was held. The representatives of northern India won the game show. Two ten dollar gift cards were given to the winners for chipotle. An exhibition stand was also available with the display of Indian cloth-

ing and accessories. Henna body art drawing was also held for five dollars.

Of course, food was not left out. Dishes like Biryani (rice) and Gulabjamun (Indian dessert) were served. Manu Sharma described the Diwali as "celebrated in recognition of victory of good over evil. Lord Rama defeated the evil king of Lanka which from then marked it as the day light (brightness) overpowered darkness. People have evening prayers/customs in their homes, people also fire crackers and it is a very joyful event."

The department of diversity initiatives made the show possible by their generous support.

# Sharing of African culture on campus

Julliet Okeke

Guest Reporter

"Coming to Africa" is a show organized annually by the Embry-Riddle African students Association. The show was aimed at showcasing Africa. It was held in the Student Center this year and kicked off at 6:30 p.m. with one of the world cup songs "Waving Flag." The hall was decorated with flags from all the African countries which was in connection with the song.

The emcees for the night were Adedoyin Adewumi and Caleb Choge. The positively Africa band thrilled the attendees with their songs all the way from Palm Coast. This was evident as the students danced to the tunes of their songs. The fashion show was also a fun

time as various students walked across the stage showcasing their outfits. A dancing competition was also held between different students in various groups; group two won the competition and won themselves tickets for bowling.

Kim Hardiman, part of ERAU staff, thrilled the audience as she danced in an African-Chinese style to Shakira's "Waka Waka." Food was served next, with dishes like: jollof rice, rice and beans, chapati (Kenyan dessert) and so many other dishes. The band once again performed to the audience while they were eating. Suzan Batamuliza danced to a Rwandan song next. Dr. Kaba of the Math Department talked to the audience about Africa extensively.

Kenneth Kungania, the public relations officer spoke about the National African Students

Association conference coming up in March 2011. The conference is going to be held here at ERAU.

The ASA students also danced to Zangalewa, a Cameroonian song. Caleb Choge the ASA president, described the show as "coming to Africa brought Africa to Embry-Riddle. Live music, free ethnic food, cultural showcasing and the fashion show all culminated in the perfect African experience. This show served as a prelude to the National Conference to be held at Embry-Riddle coming March next year." He also thanked everyone that came out by saying, "thanks to all who came and watch this space for more African set-pieces in the pipeline." The show ended with more songs, picture taking, jokes and dancing from the bands and the students.

## Student salsa competition



ANTOINE DAUGNY/AVION

**THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF** Collegiate Scholars put on a salsa competition for students on campus to test their salsa recipes with the student population.



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Thursday 12/2

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# SGA and Flight Department host bi-weekly flight forum

## Winter break shuttle dates

Curtis Dodge

### COA Representative

The Flight Department on campus has joined forces with the Student Government Association to bring flight students an open forum.

These forums are held on a bi-weekly basis and focus on assisting students with their flight training.

The next forum will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 7 at 6:30 p.m. in the IC Auditorium. This forum will focus on

emergency equipment in the Embry-Riddle aircraft on the flight line as well as survival techniques.

There will be a guest speaker attending the forum to give a brief presentation about survival techniques and answer any questions that students may have regarding this topic.

There will also be flight instructors from the flight department attending each forum to answer any question pertaining to any flight course or flight question after the brief presentation. Students

are encouraged to ask any question they have about flight training or flight topic.

There will be pizza and refreshments provided at this forum so stop by if you are hungry. It is strongly encouraged that flight students attend these forums it is a great chance to have direct communication with the flight department and learn valuable tools and information to aid in flight training.

If you have any questions or comments please feel free to stop by the SGA office

during the week.

Also, if there is any topic you would like to see discussed at future forums please contact Curtis Dodge (Flight Line Satisfaction Committee Chairman) at [dodgec@my.erau.edu](mailto:dodgec@my.erau.edu). It is important that student interests are discussed at these forums. The Student Government as well as the Flight Department is open to suggestions.

Thanks for the support and have a great week as well as a wonderful Thanksgiving Break. Stay safe!

Tess Doeffering

### COE Representative

It is now time to sign up for the annual Winter Break shuttle to Orlando.

This shuttle will run from the Embry Riddle campus to Orlando International Airport. There is also an opportunity to get a shuttle back to Embry Riddle's campus from the Orlando airport after the winter break. The fare is 20 dollars one way or 40 dollars round trip. If you would like to get a ride on the shuttle, stop by the Student

Government Office to sign up! The last day to sign up will be Dec. 6. The following are the dates and times for the shuttle:

- Dec. 13 – 9 a.m. and 2 p.m.
- Dec. 14 – 5 a.m., 9 a.m., and 2 p.m.
- Dec. 15 – 5 p.m. and for the return
- Jan. 10 – 1 p.m. and 5 p.m.
- Jan. 11 – 1 p.m., 5 p.m., and 9 p.m.

If there are any questions, please contact the chair of the Safe Ride Committee Logan Melchionna at [melchiol@my.erau.edu](mailto:melchiol@my.erau.edu).

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Wednesdays at 5:45pm – SGA Office  
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### Environmental Awareness Committee (EAC)

Mondays at 5:00pm - Endeavor Conference Room  
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### Flight Line Satisfaction Committee (FLSC)

Fridays at 6:00pm – Endeavor Conference Room  
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### Progress Committee

Mondays at 6:00pm –Endeavor Conference Room  
Chair: Emily Cook ([cooke@my.erau.edu](mailto:cooke@my.erau.edu))

### Promotions Committee

Mondays at 6:00pm – SGA Office  
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### SafeRide Committee

Wednesdays at 7:00pm – Endeavor Conference Room  
Chair: Logan Melchionna ([melchiol@my.erau.edu](mailto:melchiol@my.erau.edu))

## GET TO KNOW YOUR SGA



**Logan Melchionna**  
College of Aviation  
Representative  
**Senior Aeronautical Science**

Hello, my name is Logan Melchionna. I am a senior here at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University majoring in Aeronautical Science with a minor in Air Traffic Control. This is my second year in the Student Government Association as a College of Aviation Representative. I am currently the Safe Ride Committee chair and the Student Government secretary.

In my free time, I enjoy camping, playing football and baseball, watching movies, and just hanging out with my friends.

As for campus involvement, I am member of the Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity, of which I have been a member of since my first semester. I recommend every student to be as involved as they possibly can. The SGA is a great way to get involved. If you are looking to make a difference on campus I strongly recommend joining the Student Government Association. Our main objective is to care for the student body. We are the liaison between the student body and the school administration.

This semester I plan on answering every

concern a student has and considering every idea. I have taken on the Safe Ride Chair position because I feel that I have the experience necessary to make a change. I feel that students have a misinterpretation of how safe ride works and the use of it. I want to convey the correct and appropriate use of it. I would also like to see the use of Safe Ride by every student and the relationship between the students and the drivers improve. We are also working on more shuttles to the Orlando airport during holiday breaks, so that it is more convenient to students.

Be sure to keep a look out for the forums that are held by the Student Government Association representatives. These are information sessions that are held by the SGA, where we have guests, alumni, and teachers shed light on their experience with the university and life.

If you have an ideas please see a Student Government representative or feel free to attend our weekly Student Representative Board meetings at 12:45 p.m. on Tuesdays in the IC auditorium.

## GET TO KNOW YOUR SGA



**Whitney Loubier**  
College of Engineering  
Representative  
**Junior Computer Engineering**

My name is Whitney Loubier and I am a College of Engineering representative for the Student Government Association. I am a junior in Computer Engineering. I was born and raised in Fort Myers, Florida, where my family still currently resides. Besides student government, I am very involved on campus.

I am a member of Alpha Xi Delta Women's Fraternity, Omicron Delta Kappa honor society, Order of Omega honor society, Orientation Team, and I am secretary of Inventors Club. I also am a programming tutor for the Unified Tutoring Center.

This is my first year in the Student Government Association. I am currently a member of the Progress Committee, which takes on projects that the students suggest to better their college experience. One of the projects I currently am working on is getting a volleyball pit behind the Student Village, which should be taking effect soon.

I am also working on getting an on-campus storage unit for student organizations. I am the Athletics Liaison as well, where I meet with the Flock every other week to come up with ideas

to better student-athlete integration. I have introduced Athlete of the Week, where we recognize an athlete each week that the athletic department decides on. Some other ideas have been to have an athlete-student social, have a pep rally, and to bring back Spirit Cart, where the Flock rides around campus on a golf cart on game days and gives T-shirts to students.

I was also in charge of the College of Engineering Forum that too place earlier this semester. The forum was on October 19 at 5 p.m. in the IC Auditorium. The forum was a panel of representatives from Boeing, Rolls-Royce, and Insitu. The forum was not only for Aerospace Engineering students. We also have been working with the Mechanical, Civil, and Computer/Software/Electrical Engineering Departments to get representatives from companies representing those departments for future forum events.

If you have any questions please stop by the SGA office Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The SGA is more than happy to help with any questions or concerns you as students may have. Please have a safe Thanksgiving break.



## Students prepare for Senior Army ROTC

Kristina Diaz  
Army ROTC

The Leadership Training Course, more commonly known as LTC, is a four-week long training event held at Fort Knox, KY, which is used to prepare college juniors for entry into the Senior Army Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) program. The course is designed to allow students to receive necessary training if they join ROTC "late" - after freshman year, but before junior year. The course is extremely challenging and tests individuals through a physically and mentally rigorous training regiment. Below is the account of one individual's experience at the course:

When leaving for Fort Knox, Ky. to attend LTC, I had no idea that the bonds of friendship and the learning of discipline and military culture would change my life forever. LTC was more than just a "catch up course" for the freshman and sophomore years of ROTC that I missed in college; it was a growth experience for me, both mentally and physically. The experience of LTC is one that I will take and keep forever. I learned more in the 28 days in KY than I had in the last year. LTC was basically a crash course on what the Army was about. From the first three days of training, the Drill Sergeants embedded the Army discipline and way of life in our minds and actions, so that all we did was live the Army way. After surviving the Drill Sergeant phase, the

true learning of the Army values and leadership began. Every cadet, including myself, was tested through a series of training events. The Team Work Development Course taught me the critical importance of teamwork within our squads when executing a mission. The Squad Tactics and Assault Course tested my ability to adapt to a challenging tactical environment

while using my fellow cadets to negotiate the course. The Climbing Complex tested my personal courage and ability to overcome my fear of heights. The Map Reading Training and Land Navigation taught me how to use coordinates and a compass to get us to a specific point in any given area, and tested each cadet to uti-

lize these tools in a heavily wooded environment. Call of the Wild tested my strength and mental agility as I helped my squad develop a good raft building concept, as well as win the Call of the Wild competition. The Combat Water Survival Training tested my ability to swim in the Army Combat Uniform (ACU) with a weapon, while wearing the Load Bearing Equipment vest. The Squad Tactical Training Exercises tested my ability to use Operation Orders and to plan and execute missions. Finally, the 10K Ruck March was the most demanding training event, testing my mental and physical ability to the extreme. No matter what training exercise was encountered, I was able to utilize my mental and physical abilities to suc-

cessfully accomplish each task with 100% success. There were plenty of times where LTC was extremely challenging. For example, when it rained all day during our Assault Training and we became completely covered in mud, or when it was so hot that no matter when I changed into a clean set of physical training gear or ACU's I'd still be drenched in sweat the minute I walked outside. But aside from all of the sweat, mud and of course constant "encouragement" from the Drill Sergeants, LTC was the greatest challenge I have ever encountered in my life. LTC gave me the foundation that I needed to succeed in ROTC, and to be strong not only for myself, but for the Army.



## Fraternity recognizes best educators

Anthony Evans  
Pi Kappa Alpha

The best teachers are the ones who suggest rather than criticize, and inspire their listeners with the wish to teach themselves. They set their students up to succeed, not to fail, and they do not blindly coach, they force their students to think, they teach from the heart, not from a book. Teachers who inspire students are becoming less and less frequent and the Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity thought it would take the time to honor those teachers who have gone above and beyond their calls as an educator, as well as hopefully inspire those who can help their students just a little more. On the evening of November 10th, the brothers of Pi Kappa Alpha decided to recognize some of the best educators at this university, by

the hosting of The 1st Annual Pi Kappa Alpha Educational Awards Dinner. We nominated and chose one professor from each of the colleges to be honored. Those honored



included Clyde Rinkinen for the COA, Jan Collins for the COAS, Anke Arnaud for the COB, Lisa Davids for the COE, James Malis for the AMS Department, and Susan Sharp as the Overall Professor of the Year. These educators

truly exhibit the qualities of excellent teachers. They always go above and beyond their normal duties as educators. Others in attendance included Dr. Nancee Bailey, Paul Bell, Aaron Clevenger and other faculty and staff, as well as brothers from the chapter. All enjoyed the dinner in the College of Aviation atrium. The night was a great event for some of the best students and teachers on campus, and was an invaluable opportunity to interact with one another. Stories were shared about projects that were being worked on by students and teachers, as well as stories of industry, and just of education in general. The gentlemen of Pi Kappa Alpha would like to, once again, thank all the professors who were honored and those who were not honored as well and we look forward to continuing this dinner in the future.

## Congratulations

from the Flight Department to the following students for receiving their:

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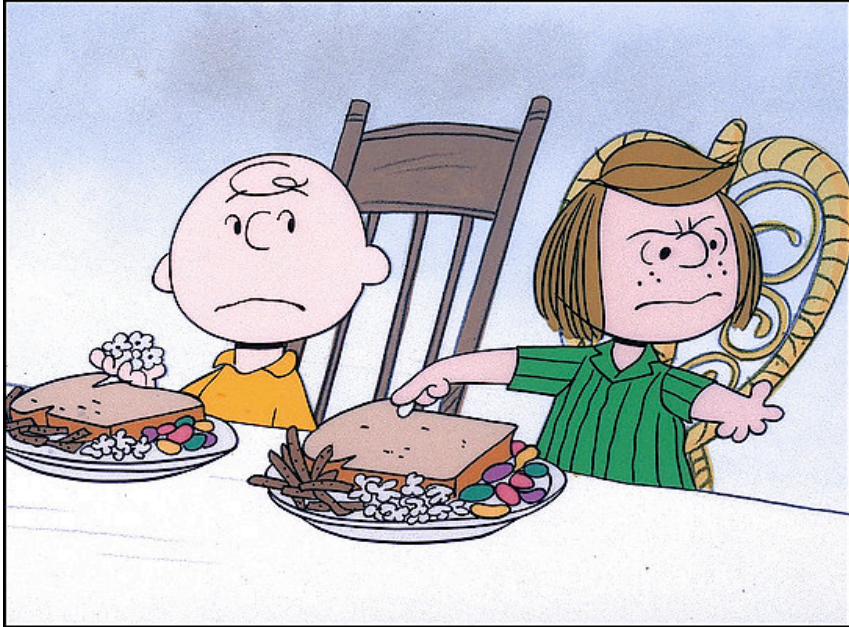
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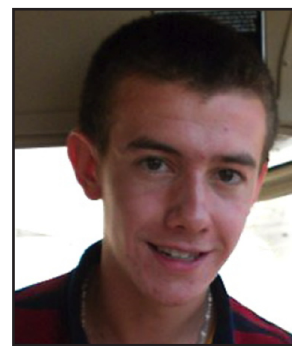
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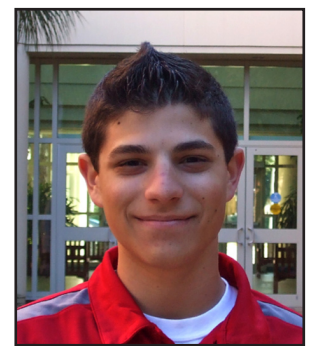
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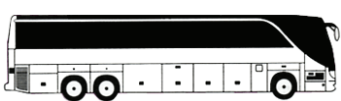
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# Delta IV finally leaves the pad

On Sunday, Nov. 21 at 5:58 p.m., the 45th Space Wing of the U.S. Air Force and the United Launch Alliance launched a Delta IV Heavy Lift Rocket from pad ET SLC-37B (Launch Complex 37), of Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, Florida. The payload of this mission, NROL-32, is classified, but what is known is that it was some type of spy satellite cargo for the U.S. National Reconnaissance Office.

Originally scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 18th at 6:06 p.m., technical issues delayed the launch 24 hours, taking off Friday Nov. 19. The problem was attributed to ground support equipment and pyrotechnic ordnance lines not meeting code. These ordnance lines fire and release the “hold down bolts” allowing the rocket to takeoff.

A second delay on Friday was due to anomalous temperature readings in the side CBC’s. The launch was again pushed back until Sunday, Nov. 21.

The Delta Rocket series is an expendable launch system, which makes use of Boeing designed rocket boosters. Unlike most heavy lift rockets, these boosters are not solid rocket boosters. Rather, they are liquid hydrogen and oxygen rockets also known as Common Booster Cores, or CBC’s.

Delta IV Medium, the simplest Delta Rockets, make use of one CBC as a first stage followed by more liquid fuel as a

second stage. Medium(+) variants make use of solid rocket boosters ( typically GEM-60’s) on either side of the CBC to increase the capacity of the rocket. Delta IV Heavy variants use a combination of three CBC’s in order to achieve maximum lift.

This launch marks the 14th use of the Delta Rocket platform. Although the cost of these rockets is slightly higher than competitors, such as SpaceX’s Falcon 9 series or the Atlas V rocket, it has proved much easier to modify and has proven highly successful.

Another launch of the Delta Heavy system is scheduled for Jan. 15, 2011. Labeled Mission number NROL-49, it will carry classified payload for the National Reconnaissance Office, and will become the first Delta IV Heavy to launch from the Vandenberg Air Force Base’s Space Launch Complex 6 (SLC-6) pad in Santa Barbara County, California.

With the Space Shuttle Programs inevitable end looming in the distance, Boeing and the ULA have proposed modifying Delta IV Heavy lift rockets to bring humans to the ISS and other low orbit points. The competition for NASA’s funding between SpaceX’s Falcon 9 rocket equipped with the SpaceX Dragon capsule and Boeing’s Delta IV program should become very interesting over the next few years.

~Michael Petrosino



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**AFTER FIVE DAYS OF** delays, the Delta IV Heavy was launched from pad ET SLC-37B on Sunday. The Delta IV carried a classified payload for the U.S. National Reconnaissance Office



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# Cross country ends season at NAIA Nationals

## Sam Vazquez finishes 43 of 326 runners

Austin Quinn  
ERAU Athletics

The Embry-Riddle men's cross country team ended their 2010 season by finishing 23rd

out of 32 teams at the 2010 NAIA National Championships Saturday. The Eagle men scored 489 points and were led by senior Sam Vazquez who finished 43rd out of 326 competitors in a time of 26:03. Sophomore Evans Kirwa and senior Russell Snyder crossed the line in 26:12 and were 54th and 55th respectively. Josh Guerrero and Brett Galloway rounded out the Eagle scorers finishing in 159th and 178th. Guerrero crossed the line

in 27:48 and Galloway finished in 28:07. Zach Kraus and Alex Frazier also competed for the Eagles finishing in 28:08 and 28:26. The meet was held at the Fort Vancouver National Site Parade Ground. Southern Oregon won the 32 team event with 105 points and is the 2010 NAIA Men's Cross Country National Champion. Wayland Baptist (124), Malone (251), Shawnee State (254) and Eastern Oregon (276) rounded out the top five.

## Flo Vazquez finishes 54 of 331 runners

The Embry-Riddle women's cross country team ended their 2010 season by finishing 23rd out of 32 teams at the 2010 NAIA National Championships Saturday. The Eagles were led by Flo

Vazquez who finished 54th out of 331 competitors in a time of 19:09. Erika Langhauser and Karina Coelho were the second and third Eagle finishers finishing in 90th and 93rd respectively. Langhauser crossed the line in 19:32 and Coelho crossed the line just one second behind her in 19:33. Julie Mayfield and Ellie Staker rounded out the Eagle scorers finishing in 20:06 and 21:06 respectively. Mayfield was 141st overall and Staker



was 178th overall. Emily Cook and Brittany Cross also competed for the Blue and Gold. Cook finished in 22:16 and Cross finished in a time of 22:57. The meet was held at the Fort Vancouver National Historic Site Parade Ground. Cal State San Marcos won the 32 team event with 88 points and is the 2010 NAIA Women's Cross Country National Champion. Biola (127), Black Hills State (151), Malone (164) and Simon Fraser (177) rounded out the top five.



AARON CRAIG/AVION

**BOTH MEN'S AND WOMEN'S** cross country finish their 2010 season by finishing 23rd of 32 teams at the NAIA National Championship on Saturday. The womens cross country team was lead by Flo Vazquez who finished 54th out of 331 competitors. The mens cross country team was lead by senior Sam Vazquez who finished 43rd out of 326 competitors.

# Men's basketball recovers from loss to defeat Life



**EMBRY-RIDDLE**  
LIFE

82  
72

Alison Smalling  
ERAU Athletics

The fifth-ranked Embry-Riddle men's basketball team rebounded from a tough loss on Friday to top NAIA Division I No. 21 Life 82-72 in the consolation game of the Jim Reid Classic on Saturday. David Butler led the way for ERAU with a 28-point, 14-rebound game and bettered the single-game block record (8) he set a year ago with nine blocks against the Running Eagles. Junior Ray Graham also turned a double-double performance with 16 points and 10 boards, and joined Butler as an All-Tournament team selection. Glenn Dalcourt added points, while Jarod Leonard provided a spark off the bench with a

14-point, three-rebound outing. The first half of play was characterized by end-to-end action as neither team was able to pull ahead by more than four points in the first 16 minutes of play in a period that featured six ties and seven lead changes. At the 2:11 mark, Glenn Dalcourt got the ball to Josh Seidel and the sophomore made good on his first attempt off the bench, knocking down a three to give the Blue and Gold a 33-30 advantage. The long-range shot sparked a run for Embry-Riddle who closed out the first half with seven unanswered points for a 37-30 lead at the break. Life was unable to find success on its first four possessions, thanks in part to blocks by Butler and Blake Touchard. On the other side of the ball, Graham converted on back-to-back field goals to swell the Eagle lead to 11 (41-30). As the half progressed, the Blue and Gold steadily padded its cushion and at the 13:16 mark, ERAU enjoyed its largest lead of the game of 17 points (60-43). Embry-Riddle seemed to have the game in hand, but Life had

other ideas and slowly whittled away at the lead. A Tony Reese layup at the 10:21 mark triggered 12-4 Life run that cut the lead to seven. ERAU was able to go back up by nine, but with 3:55 left to play, Ramon Walker hit back-to-back free throws to make it a four-point (70-66) game. The late surge put the Eagles back on their heels and even a timeout could not stem the tide as the

Running Eagles still managed to pull within three (75-72) with 2:07 left on the clock. With 1:44 left to play, Butler grabbed a rebound on Walker miss at the free throw line and got the ball to Touchard and the Eagles took their time setting up the play. Touchard eventually found Dalcourt on the wing and the senior gave ERAU a huge lift by burying his second three of the

contest to put the Blue and Gold up by six (78-72). On the subsequent Life possession, the Eagles defensive pressure forced PJ Meyers to turn over the basketball. Dalcourt's attempt to get to the basket on the ensuing Eagle possession was hindered by Reese who committed a foul. Dalcourt knocked down both attempts from the charity stripe to make it an eight

point game. Embry-Riddle struggled from the free throw line down the stretch, managing just one of six tries in the last 31 seconds, but a strong finish on the defensive boards helped ERAU pull out the 10-point win. The Eagles are back in action at 7 p.m. on Tuesday when they travel to Temple Terrace, Fla. to take on Florida College.

### Upcoming Sporting Events

#### MEN'S BASKETBALL

**Tuesday, Nov. 23:**  
vs Florida College  
Terrace, Fla. 7 p.m.

**Saturday, Nov. 27:**  
vs Medgar Evers  
Washington, D.C. 4 p.m.

**Sunday, Nov. 28:**  
vs TBA  
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AUSTIN COFFEY/AVION

**DAVID BUTLER LED THE** Eagles with 28points, 14 rebounds, and 8 blocks. Junior Ray Graham also turned in a double-double performance with 16 points and 10 rebounds. Both Butler and Graham made the All-Tournament team selection.



# Eagles punch their ticket to Sioux City



**EMBRY-RIDDLE  
UNION (KY.)**

Michael Pierce

**ERAU Athletics**

Abby Hall's 13 kills led the Eagles to a 3-0 sweep (25-17, 27-25, 25-18) over Union (Ky.) College in the 2010 NAIA National Championship Opening Round on Saturday night, earning Embry-Riddle a trip to the National Championship Final Site in Sioux City, Iowa. The Final Site competition will feature 24 teams and take place at the Tyson Events Center/Gateway Arena Nov. 30 - Dec. 4.

Despite it being the program's first-ever appearance in the National Championship Opening Round, Embry-Riddle did not look the least bit intimidated. ERAU held a slim lead throughout a majority of the first set, until an 11-1 run midway through broke it open. Trailing 14-13, Emily Jacobson

put down a kill to tie the set, and after a Lady Bulldog attack error, Jordan Holcomb and Hall recorded back-to-back kills, giving ERAU a 17-14 advantage. Union took the next point after calling timeout, but the Blue and Gold responded by rattling off seven straight points to take a 24-15 lead. Three points later, Holcomb finished the set with a kill, giving the Eagles a 25-17 win in set one.

The second set saw Embry-Riddle again hold a slim lead throughout the early stages, but this time it was Union that went on a little run to open up a bit of a gap. Trailing 13-12, the Lady Bulldogs won five straight points on Kalia Yasak's serve, taking a 17-13 lead. The Eagles quickly bounced back, using a pair of service aces from Nina Kontrec to tie the set at 18. But Union regained the lead in a matter of moments, as Monica Moreland's service ace put the Lady Bulldogs in front 22-19. Union held a pair of set points, leading 24-22, but a service error and a kill from Hall quickly erased the deficit, tying the set at 24. A block from Hall and Shattuck out ERAU in position to take the set, but Union came back with a block of their own to tie it at 25. Hall then picked

up a kill to give Embry-Riddle their second set point, and she finished the set herself with a service ace, giving the Eagles a 27-25 win in the set.

In the third set, Union jumped out to a quick 5-1 lead, forcing ERAU head coach Joslynn Gallop to take an early timeout. The message worked, as the Eagles rallied back with an 8-2 run to take a 9-7 lead. The set remained tight until a 7-1 Embry-Riddle run, keyed by a kill and two service aces from Holcomb, put the Blue and Gold in command of the set, 23-16. The Lady Bulldogs couldn't overcome the late deficit, and Gloria Kemp's kill sealed the victory for the Eagles, 25-18 in the third and 3-0 in the match.

Hall led all players with 13 kills to go along with nine digs, three blocks and two service aces. Kemp added nine kills while Holcomb tallied seven kills, six digs, three blocks (one solo) and two service aces. Kontrec led all players with 19 digs and Adriana Vazquez recorded a match-high 32 assists along with eight digs.

Karina Ramos led the Lady Bulldogs with nine kills and three blocks, while Amanda Silva, the nation's leader in digs/set, picked up 18 digs.

Monica Moreland tallied a double-double with 19 assists and 13 digs.

The Eagles will now advance to the 2010 NAIA National Championship presented by Siouxland Sports Medicine Foundation at the Tyson Events

Center/Gateway Arena in Sioux City, Iowa. The final site will feature the 12 Opening Round winners as well as the 12 teams who received an Opening Round bye. The final 24 teams will be placed into six pools for three days of round-robin

play, beginning on Tuesday, Nov. 30. The top two teams from each pool will advance to the single-elimination bracket starting Friday, Dec. 3. The championship match will take place on Saturday, Dec. 4 at 8 p.m. CST.



ANTOINE DAUGNY/AVION

**AFTER PULLING AWAY FROM** the Bulldogs in the third set, the Eagles won the opening round in the 2010 NAIA National Championship. The Eagles played a stellar game and will look forward to playing in the NAIA National Championship after Thanksgiving Break.

# Eagles end season against the Rams



**EMBRY-RIDDLE  
MOBILE (ALA.)**

Ryan Mosher

**ERAU Athletics**

An 82nd minute goal allowed Mobile (Ala.) to advance past the Embry-Riddle Eagles on Saturday night in one of 16 NAIA National Championship Opening Round games. The Rams improve to 13-6-1 overall and will meet Lee (Tenn.) on Monday, Nov. 29 in Decatur, Ala. The Eagles end their 2010 campaign with a 14-3-3 overall mark, bowing out in the Opening Round for the second consecutive year.

The Eagles twice took a one-goal lead, but were unable to sustain either advantage until the

end of the contest. It was freshman Valerie Obita who gave the Blue and Gold a 1-0 lead in the 22nd minute. Mobile goalkeeper Samantha Bird had possession of the ball and kicked it right at Obita's feet who then rocketed a shot past Bird for her 19th score of the season.

The Lady Rams quickly followed with a goal of their own less than two minutes later when Missy Stovall was able to collect a bouncing ball in ERAU's box after a free kick put the ball inside the box.

With the score knotted at 1-1 Martine Olsen recorded a tremendous goal from 45 yards out off a free kick right past the center circle. Olsen's kick was perfectly placed above Bird's head and gave the Blue and Gold a 2-1 lead, an advantage they would take into the halftime break.

The Eagles held a slim 8-6 advantage in shots during the first period, and freshman keeper Jennifer Grimes made two saves in the half to

keep ERAU up 2-1.

Six minutes into the second period the Lady Rams climbed even with the Eagles when Rebekah Counce put a shot past Grimes off a UM corner kick for Mobile's fourth goal of the match.

Both teams battled back and forth for the final 40 minutes with Embry-Riddle having the better of the shots and possession. However, Mobile's Christy Lachapelle pushed her team in front in the 82nd minute after beating the Eagle defense for the final score of the game. Lachapelle finished the game with four points on a goal and two assists, as she was involved in all three Mobile goals.

Frenzied pressure from the ERAU offense was not enough to break past the UM defense and the Rams were able to hold on for the 3-2 victory.

ERAU finished with 19 shots (12 on goal) and seven corner kicks, while Mobile ended the game with nine shots (five on goal) and six corners. Grimes made two saves in the loss, and her counterpart Bird finished with 10 saves in the win.

The Eagles ended their 2010 season with 65 goals, 55 assists and 185 points on 417 shots. The 55 assists and 417 shots were program records for a season.

Senior Elina Johansson finished her Embry-Riddle career as the record-holder in 14 offensive categories, adding 11 goals and 17 assists during her senior campaign.



ANTOINE DAUGNY/ORGANIZATION

**THE WOMENS SOCCER TEAM** lost to host Mobile in the NAIA National Championship opening round game.

# Tigers top Eagles in the Jim Reid Classic



**EMBRY-RIDDLE  
GEORGETOWN (KY.)**

Alison Smalling

**ERAU Athletics**

Embry-Riddle Head Coach Steve Ridder led his Embry-Riddle men's basketball team back to his home state of Kentucky, but the reception was not as warm as he would have liked. Host Georgetown (Ky.), ranked ninth in the NAIA Division I national preseason poll, handed the fifth-ranked Eagles (3-1) their first loss of the season, topping the Blue and Gold 71-53 in both teams' first contest at the 17th annual Jim Reid Classic.

Astifling Georgetown defense limited the Eagles to just 33.3 percent from the field, including 31.8 percent from beyond the arc. The Tiger pressure also forced 20 ERAU turnovers, but the Eagles also hurt themselves at the free throw line, managing only 53.3 percent (8-of-15) from the charity stripe.

Georgetown got off to quick start in the contest, winning the opening tip and scoring the game's first basket just 11 seconds into the contest. The Tigers went up 4-0 before the Eagles were able to score their

first points on a Ray Graham tip-dunk at the 18:47 mark. The Eagles pulled within one (6-5) but quickly widened the gap and led by 11 (23-12) with 8:49 left in the half.

The deficit was not the only challenge the Eagles were up against as they had to play the latter part of the half without the services of David Butler and Will Benjamin as both big men were whistled for three fouls each in the first 20 minutes. The Eagles were able to rise above the setbacks and a pair of three-point baskets by Brandon Caputo and another by Jarod Leonard cut the Tigers' lead to two (23-21) at the 7:13 mark. The Tigers withstood the Eagle surge and built the lead back up to seven (30-23).

With 2:27 left in the first half, Blake Touchard forced Russ Middleton to cough up the basketball in the back court and the Eagle junior raced to the rim for an easy lay-up, prompting Georgetown Head Coach Happy Osborne to call a timeout. The five players Osborne put on the floor after the 75-second break rattled off seven unanswered points to give the Tigers a 37-27 cushion.

Turnovers proved to be the Eagles undoing as they were called for miscues on back-to-back possessions during the Tigers 7-0 run. With 36 seconds left in the first half, the Eagles forced the Tigers to turn the ball over and chose to hold the ball for one shot. The Eagles' execution in the closing seconds of



ANTOINE DAUGNY/AVION

the frame was just what Ridder wanted as Touchard drove to the basket for a lay-up that cut the Tiger lead to eight (37-29) at the intermission.

The first five minutes of the second half saw the Tigers' cushion hover between four and six points. Turnovers on three consecutive Eagle possessions helped Georgetown extend the advantage to 49-37 and while the Eagles were able to make it a nine-point (49-40) game midway through the period, they were unable to get closer as the Tigers shot 56 percent from the field in the second frame to claim the win.

Caputo and Graham finished as the leading scorers for the Eagles with 10 points apiece. Touchard led the Eagle players with seven, while Butler and Graham had six boards each.

Vic Moses led all scorers with 18 points, while Rodney Haddix led the way on the boards with 10 rebounds as the Tigers improved to 5-0 on the year.

# NCAA D-1 FOOTBALL

## WEEK 12 SCORES

(1) OREGON	OFF WEEK		
(2) AUBURN	OFF WEEK		
(3) T-C-U	OFF WEEK		
(4) BOISE STATE	51	Fresno State	0
(5) L-S-U	43	Mississippi	36
(6) STANFORD	48	California	14
(7) WISCONSIN	48	Michigan	28
(8) NEBRASKA	6	(19) TEXAS A&M	9
(9) OHIO STATE	20	(20) Iowa	17
(10) OKLAHOMA STATE	48	Texas	
(11) ALABAMA	63	Georgia State	7
(12) MICHIGAN STATE	35	Purdue	31
(13) ARKANSAS	38	(21) Mississippi State	31
(14) OKLAHOMA	53	Baylor	24
(15) MISSOURI	14	Iowa State	0
(16) VIRGINIA TECH	31	(24) Miami (Fla.)	17
(17) SOUTH CAROLINA	69	Troy	24
(18) NEVADA	52	New Mexico State	6
(19) TEXAS A&M	9	(8) NEBRASKA	6
(20) Iowa	17	(9) OHIO STATE	20
(21) Mississippi State	31	(13) ARKANSAS	38
(22) Arizona		OFF WEEK	
(23) UTAH	38	San Diego State	34
(24) Miami (Fla.)	17	(16) VIRGINIA TECH	31
(25) FLORIDA STATE	30	Maryland	16

## WEEK 13 SCHEDULE

(1) Oregon	vs	(22) Arizona	7:00 p.m. ESPN
(2) Auburn	at	(11) Alabama	2:30 p.m. CBS
(3) T-C-U	at	New Mexico	4:00 p.m. Versus
(4) Boise State	at	(18) Nevada	10:15 p.m. ESPN
(5) L-S-U	at	(13) Arkansas	3:30 p.m. CBS
(6) Stanford	vs	Oregon State	7:30 p.m. Versus
(7) Wisconsin	vs	Northwestern	3:30 p.m. ABC
(8) Nebraska	vs	Colorado	3:30 p.m. ABC
(9) Ohio State	vs	Michigan	12:00 p.m. ABC
(10) Oklahoma St.	vs	(14) Oklahoma	8:00 p.m. ABC
(11) Alabama	vs	(2) Auburn	2:30 p.m. CBS
(12) Michigan State	at	Penn State	12:00 p.m. NOT TELEVIEWED
(13) Arkansas	vs	(5) L-S-U	3:30 p.m. CBS
(14) Oklahoma	at	(10) Oklahoma State	8:00 p.m. ABC
(15) Missouri	vs	Kansas	12:30 p.m. NOT TELEVIEWED
(16) Virginia Tech	vs	Virginia	TBA
(17) South Carolina	at	Clemson	7:00 p.m. ESPN2
(18) Nevada	vs	(4) Boise State	10:15 p.m. ESPN
(19) Texas A&M	at	Texas	8:00 p.m. ESPN
(20) Iowa	at	Minnesota	TBA
(21) Mississippi St	at	Mississippi	7:00 p.m. NOT TELEVIEWED
(22) Arizona	at	(1) Oregon	7:00 p.m. ESPN
(23) Utah	vs	Brigham Young	3:30 p.m. ESPN3
(24) Miami (Fla.)	vs	South Florida	12:00 p.m. ESPNU
(25) Florida State	vs	Florida	8:00 p.m. NOT TELEVIEWED





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# ENTERTAINMENT

## HARRY POTTER and the Deathly Hallows Part I

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# Harry Potter returns Skyline, a let down



*Harry Potter and The Deathly Hallows Part 1*



Ainsley Robson  
Campus Editor

On Thursday, Nov. 18, there was a special midnight viewing of the latest addition of the Harry Potter series. It was this showing that was attended by several other Embry-Riddle stu-

dents to go see the first part of the last year of Harry's Saga. This time, the screening was highly anticipated and at the same time, was kind of bitter sweet in being the beginning of the end. For many of us who started with the introduction of J.K. Rowling this has been a long journey growing up with this chartered. In this movie we get to see Harry (Daniel Radcliffe) as he turns 17 and the conclusion of his school years with in order to complete the mission that Dumbledore started him on at the conclusion of year six. Along for the adventure are his two best friends Ronald Weasley, (Rupert Grint) and Hermione Granger (Emma Watson). As always Lord Voldemort (Ralph Fiennes) is working on securing his immortality and to capture Harry Potter to finish the job that he started 17 years ago. Although, I know many of the people who would watch this show saw it, but I am not going to go to far into the story in case there are others that still want to see the movie.

The movie is full of action as the trio runs through the wizarding world and throughout England to avoid danger and figure out how to find and destroy the Horcruxes that still remain. My question is did you find the other Horcruxes in this part of the movie? When it came to the end of the movie I found myself actually wanting to sit there and watch another two and a half hours worth of movie to see the second half of the movie. Harry Potter fans will have to wait till July 15, 2011 in order to see the conclusion of this story. The way that the cliff hanger was created definitely leaves the viewer wanting more making the long wait for the end even longer. On the down side the sudden cut to a black screen is a little of a let down. Overall, I give this movie four airplanes out of five. I think that I just can't give it a full five airplanes because it is not the complete story and the second part is just going to be a requirement in order to bring closure.



*Skyline*



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Released just over a week ago, Skyline is part Matrix, part Independence Day and part District 9. However, while District 9 was an awesome low budget film with an engaging storyline, Skyline fails terribly with what they call a plot, but redeems itself a little by scoring decently in action and effects. The quick summary of the film is how Jarrod (Eric Balfour) and his girlfriend Elaine (Scottie Thompson) fly to Los Angeles for his best

friend's birthday and later try to survive the alien invasion. Terry (Donald Faison) introduces to Jarrod (and the audience) a whole group of people that the viewer figures will be part of the core cast during the rest of the movie. By about halfway into the show, most of that group is dead and the viewer never actually gets a chance to bond with those characters. The movie has a terrible habit of randomly introducing and killing characters, leaving you to feel indifferent as to who comes or goes. There is never there moment where you are on the edge of the seat, waiting to see whether someone dies or not. A particular scene goes so far as to even mock the viewer for such behavior. That scene involves Terry fighting to break free from the grasp of an alien and just as Jarrod pulls him to safety and you breathe a sigh of relief, the alien grabs him and kills him, leaving you feeling cheated. The character development feels very haphazard and it seems that the plot was just slapped together to make an excuse for the action scenes. Of note is the very intrusive product placement of the Canon EOS series of cameras. A number of frames where Jarrod holds his camera could just as easily be used for a Canon advertisement. While Jarrod's occupation is a pho-

tographer, such obvious placement detracts from the movie experience. After almost thirty minutes of the characters bickering in the apartment, and another thirty minutes of very sparkly combat scenes, you're back to just Jarrod and Elaine, on the rooftop, fighting to get help from the military. The aerial combat scenes are surprisingly good, giving that Independence Day kind of feel but it still does not match up to it. To put things into perspective, the quality of special effects is impressive, considering their low budget but that is no excuse to get away with a lousy plot. The scenes inside the alien mother ship are reminiscent of something that might be in the Matrix but it comes so late in the show that it really has no impact. When they show moved into the ship, I was excited, hoping that something good might finally developed but the abrupt ending only just disappointed me even further. By the end of the movie, it can be concluded that the movie made absolutely no sense and while the combat scenes were gratuitous, the ending of the movie was terrible. The movie is absolutely not worth watching but if you were intending to go watch it, either read the Wikipedia entry or wait for the DVD and you would have saved yourself some money.



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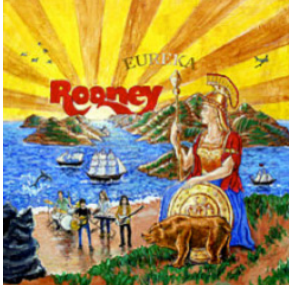
**DANIEL RADCLIFFE AS TITLE** character Harry Potter, Ronald Weasley, played by Rupert Grint, and Hermione Granger, played by Emma Watson in the seventh installment in the Harry Potter series of films. As the long running series based on the beloved Harry Potter series of books by author J.K. Rowling.



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**SKYLINE BIRINGS NOTHING NEW** to the over grown field of alien invasion flicks, glossy effects and copious lenses flares provide poor substitute for engaging plot and endearing characters. "Yes they did just shoot blue stuff (in this case) at you," stated Will Smith.

## No 'Eureka' moment



*Eureka*  
Rooney



Peter Tan  
Staff Writer

Released earlier this year, Rooney's third studio album is more of the same kind of sound which is not necessarily a bad thing. First gaining attention in the teen drama The O.C. way back in 2003, Rooney

has since gained a following both amongst the indie music and pop music crowd. Filled with happy tunes that are very radio friendly, Rooney still has a number of catchy tracks in their new album. The opening track "Holding On" is very characteristic of Rooney, with simple catchy lyrics such as "I don't know where I'll go, if I don't give it time, how can this garden grow?" The band's usual emphasis on frontman Robert Schwartzman is still very much present and he still has sweet sounding vocals. Fourth track, "Into the Blue" sees Rooney moving away from the usual heavy guitar work towards the keyboard. Pure vocals with the keyboard lend the song an almost a cappella feel, with the bass slowly coming in towards the middle of the song. When the drums come in, you can almost picture Schwartzman crooning this song to a quiet bar with a special lady in the crowd.

"All or Nothing", the fifth track opens with the signature guitar effects that made their first single "I'm Shakin'" a big hit. The track is pleasant to listen to, with solid bass lines and drum beats, coupled with simple catchy lyrics. This is one of the more memorable songs in the album with its foot-thumping tunes. The eighth track "Stars and Stripes" takes on a slightly Jazz feel, with lyrics that could be interpreted as having political connotation. Phrases such as "Just a bill that we can't pay" and "They're painting their patriotic lie" are left to the listener to decide what they mean. Rooney has been around for a while and they still stay true to their sound, merging various flavors of sounds from The Beatles, The Strokes with a little Surf Rock influence. This album is not going to shoot Rooney back into prominence but it will satisfy their fans. If you're not a fan of Rooney, you can give this album a miss.



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**ROONEY RELEASES THEIR THIRD** album and to somewhat less than high acclaim. The Los Angeles based indie rock band formed in 1999 and released their first and self titled album 'Rooney' in 2003. Since then the band has gone on to produce a grand total of three albums.

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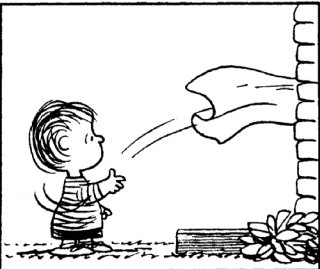
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NONSENSE.

BY THE WAY... HAVE YA' SEEN THE ONE I'M USING FOR MY COMPUTER'S WALLPAPER?

# Classic Peanuts



Mystery strength Sudoku! Can you solve them all?

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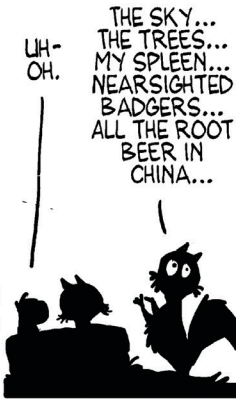
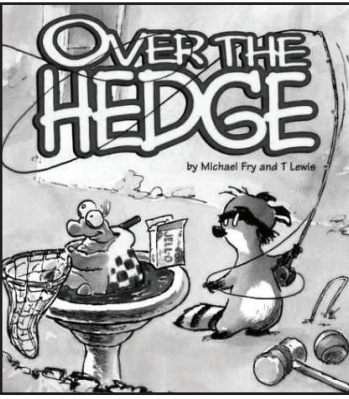
Dilbert

THE REQUEST WE GOT FOR A QUOTE IS VAGUE, AND THE DEADLINE FOR OUR RESPONSE IS TOMORROW.

IF I ASK FOR CLARITY, WE'LL MISS THE DEADLINE. IF I DON'T, OUR BID WILL EITHER BE BELOW OUR COST OR TOO HIGH TO WIN.

WHICH PATH OF CERTAIN FAILURE DO YOU PREFER?

I LIKE THE ONE THAT MAKES YOU WORK THE HARDEST.



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# Sudoku

Easy

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- DOWN
- TV hookups
  - Stand in line
  - New Year's Eve word
  - Actor Cornel
  - Here, in Le Havre
  - Mr. Howard
  - UK part
  - Ache
  - Garfield's victim
  - Old Italian coins
  - Accordion parts
  - Long looks
  - Aviv
  - Removes a renter
  - Walkers
  - Not a single woman
  - Spoken
  - NBA great Malone
  - Part of WATS
  - Boat front
  - Grant, as land
  - Drove too fast
  - Mexico's Sierra —
  - "Titanic" message
  - Fencers' blades
  - Hartford competitor
  - Keenan or Ed
  - Don Juan
  - Refuges
  - Curved entrance
  - Winter forecast
  - Observe
  - Duck's foot
  - Shogun's capital
  - Jiffy

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- 11-23
- ACROSS
- Road "beetles"
  - Urgent message
  - Egg part
  - Low island
  - Holy image
  - Peter Gunn's girl
  - Circus brothers
  - Well-ventilated
  - Lieu
  - Trunk possessors
  - Zuider —
  - Domestic bird
  - Came to
  - Skiing mecca
  - Mac rivals
  - Some nest eggs
  - Vex
  - Good name, for short
  - Distant
  - So-so grade
  - Method
  - House wing
  - Marshal's badge
  - Blown away
  - Goddess of dawn
  - Like some excuses
  - Decorates a gift
  - Clean the board
  - Long ago
  - Shoot-em-ups
  - Microwave
  - Blissful spot
  - Police officer
  - Monster's loch
  - Raton, Florida
  - Rte.

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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TUG	LEGS	LURE	
GENEVA	MIMED		
UDO	MIB		
DISMAL	UNREST		
EDIE	TORNADOS		
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