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ODK: Charity House builds to donate



GREG FRECHETTE/AVION

THE CHARITY HOUSE AWARD went to AIAA for its elevated house, pictured above. All houses were built with cardboard boxes and duct tape. All collected proceeds went to Daytona Beach Homeless Shelter.

Zombies from the Beyond is hilarious

Brian Case

Business Manager

The Riddle Players Theatre Company opened their spring show last weekend, *Zombies from the Beyond*. An offbeat musical comedy, *Zombies* is as hilariously silly as the pink beehive hair on the evil queen Zombina.

The show opens in the control room of the Milwaukee spaceport, where Probe Seven is being launched. Shortly after entering space, Probe Seven beams back some unexpected images; a flying saucer is approaching Earth! When the saucer lands on Coiffures Buty Shop, Queen Zombina disembarks with her army of female Zombettes, bent on enslaving all the men of Planet Earth.

Producing a musical is always a challenge, especially for the pilots and engineers who form the Riddle Players. Surprisingly, the cast pulls off a respectable performance, singing no less than 19 songs!

Leslie Milne plays the zombie queen with

such tenacity it's easy to see how the men of Milwaukee quickly subject themselves to her rule, all without missing a high note. Kelly Lynch and Kerri Rottner also star as Mary Malone and Charlene Osmanski, Earth's last hope.

The male cast includes Corey Berg, Frank Arban and Michael Ferullo as space port workers who become mindless followers of the gorgeous Zombina. Fletch La Barge stars as Billy, the Good Humor delivery boy who will stop at nothing to win the heart of Ms. Osmanski.

The Riddle Players decided to take a chance this year, breaking their six-year ban on musicals. Not since *Greece* in 2000 have the Players tackled the challenge of serenading an audience.

Pamela Arban directs *Zombies*. "I have an amazing cast," said Arban. "They have been more than actors."

Zombies from the Beyond closes following three performances this weekend. Friday and Saturday's shows are at 8 p.m., and Sunday's show starts at 2 p.m. All showings are in the IC Auditorium.



JORDAN CLANCY/AVION

COREY BERG (LEFT) AND Frank Arban (right), who play space port workers, pose with Zombettes who are sent to Earth by the Queen Zambina to enslave men.

Jonathan Mettin

Managing Editor

A moon lander, a tiki bar and a mock-up of "Spruance Castle" were just three of numerous cardboard houses that dotted the West Lawn from Friday afternoon to Saturday morning for Omicron Delta Kappa's second annual Charity House competition.

Construction started at noon on Friday as clubs and organizations brought out hundreds of pounds of cardboard and duct tape. ODK provided refreshments throughout the afternoon as club members erected their structures.

After seven hours of construction, the houses were judged by a panel of four officials. Engineering professors

Lisa Davids and Dr. John Novy joined representatives from Habitat for Humanity as the judges for the event. Houses were given points bases on several categories, including stability and creativity.

After the houses themselves were judged, the clubs competed in a series of physical competitions. Members took part in relays, an egg toss and balloon popping games throughout the night before getting pizza at midnight and calling it a night.

The American Institute of Aeronautics & Astronautics (AIAA) won the event overall with their elevated house, with Sigma Sigma Sigma and the joint Catholic Student Union-Best Buddies team following them. Awards were also

handed out to individual houses, with the *Avion* castle receiving "Most Comical House" for its depictions of McKay Hall and the "Riddle Runaround" and Sigma Gamma Tau's foil-covered moon lander garnering "Flashiest House."

The teams spent the night in their houses, some opting to sleep while others pulled all-nighters. One group even ran an extension cord from the raquetball courts and hooked up a Nintendo 64 in their house.

As morning rolled around, the groups got up around 7 a.m. to tear down and clean up before the day's other events, which included Spring Splash and Sneak Preview Day, began.

The event raised money for the Daytona Beach Homeless Shelter.



Oozeball splashes into ERAU Preview Day



NICOLE TITUS/AVION

OOZEBALL WAS ONE OF the games played while the Spring Splash and Sneak Preview Day events were taking place on campus this weekend. The game was held in the volleyball pit beside the IC Auditorium in self-made muddy water. The Spring Splash, hosted by multiple organizations, was held by the Tine Davis swimming pool.

X-rated Xi men bare all their talents



MELANIE PUGH/AVION

DELTA CHI'S DANNY GIZZI was serenaded by the ladies of Alpha Xi Delta in their version of "Isn't He Lovely" when he was chosen as the Alpha Xi Delta's sweetheart for the 2006 - 2007 school year.

Melanie Pugh

Chief Copy Editor

On April 5, the female population at Embry-Riddle increased, if only for a few minutes. The ladies of Alpha Xi Delta hosted their annual Xi Man competition to find a

new Xi Man and sorority sweetheart for the 2006-2007 school year.

ERAU students packed the Student Center Wednesday evening to witness the always-popular event. Many fraternities also turned out in great force to support their respective candidates. Each audience member made a two-dollar

donation, as the Xi Man competition is nationally recognized as Alpha Xi Delta's primary philanthropic effort. Participants were also required to pay an entrance fee. All proceeds benefited the Children's Advocacy Center of Daytona Beach.

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Stressing life sciences at ERAU

Jordan Clancy

Staff Reporter

Alongside science experiments, various amounts of wild animals echoing through the Student Center, and delectable frozen marshmallows, the presentation of the impact a Life Science minor would have on this University was well-received April 5. Currently offered are classes in biology, chemistry, physiology and other health sciences. However, there is currently no focused curriculum available to students. The Life Science Committee's purpose is to recommend to the University how life sciences might become a popular area of study and how it will better the ERAU student whose passions are aviation and aerospace.

The Life Science Committee is a conglomerate made up of four professors from four different colleges of the University, including Dr. Jon French of the Human Factors and Systems Department, David Cameron of the Physical Sciences Department,

Ester Forsythe of the College of Aviation and Hany Nakhla of the College of Engineering.

Resembling David Copperfield, French started with a little help from audience member Fletch La Barge to show students the effects flight maneuvers and/or alcohol have on the body and how a life science minor would benefit Embry-Riddle. The task was simple; walk a straight line. The catch was spinning around ten times facing the ground, disorienting himself. La Barge, a simulated intoxicated college student, wobbled back and forth, far from a straight line.

"It is our hope that we can first create a minor on campus that will reside probably in the Physical Sciences Department of the college of Arts and Sciences," French told *The Avion*.

With strong support from the students, the minor that is still being considered by the administration and would be available to the campus in the next two to three years and accessible to all majors on campus.



MELANIE PUGH/AVION

THE EMBRY-RIDDLE EMS club in action, demonstrating the use of a cardiac defibrillator in the Student Center. The demo was part of the introduction of the Life Science minor April 5.

Delta Chi crowned ΑΞΔ Sweetheart

“XI-MAN” from Front

Participants included, in no particular order, Sigma Chi's Nick Nelson, Pi Kappa Alpha's Chris Dudley, Delta Chi's Danny Gizzi, Phi Delta Theta's Francisco Fuentes, Lambda Chi Alpha's Vinny Russo and Sigma Alpha Epsilon's Nate Gamache. They participated in a variety of events to capture the hearts of Alpha Xi Delta and beat out the competition to ultimately be crowned this year's Xi Man.

The event kicked off with a slideshow compiled of photos submitted by various fraternities. The candidates were introduced as they appeared briefly on-stage for a modified swimsuit competition that

left them wearing anything from an actual swimsuit to a lone sock. The guys then took to the stage with their fellow fraternity brothers in a boy band competition, representing an array of music, including New Kids on the Block and the Spice Girls, during which Dietrich Stefanelli, a member of the Phikeia class, danced right off of the stage (see collegehumor.com).

The boys quickly changed into drag for the karaoke and catwalk competition, selecting songs randomly from a hat and strutting their stuff to a very amused crowd. They were, however, no longer amused after getting a little more than they bargained for: an X-Rated view of one of the contestants. The next

portion of the show was the talent competition. Several acts were improvised as Nelson's rollerblade stunts were deemed too risky and Fuentes' salsa partner never showed up. Others went off very well, such as Dudley's rendition of "Breakfast at Tiffany's," for which he was joined by his brothers in the last verse, and a mime version of "Torn" by Gizzi. The final portion of the event consisted of a formal wear competition, in which contestants were escorted to the stage by members of Alpha Xi Delta and answered a variety of questions posed by 2005-2006 Xi Man Andrew Leech. Both Leech and 2004-2005 winner, Matt Mazur, were in attendance. Audience

members were also treated to a step performance during intermission by the gentlemen of Kappa Alpha Psi.

In the end, the competition was very tough. The ladies left to deliberate and emerged later with the results. Nelson and Dudley tied for runner-up, while Gizzi was announced as the winner and received the crown from Leech. The competition concluded with the sorority surrounding Gizzi and serenading him with their rendition of "Isn't He Lovely."

Though Fuentes was the only contestant formally asked how he could improve upon fellow Phi Delta Theta Leech's term as Xi Man, it appears Gizzi has some very large shoes to fill.

‘A jumpy rhythm makes you feel so fine’



GREG FRECHETTE/AVION

SWING DANCE CLUB MEMBERS Stephanie Dodson and Fletch La Barge strut their stuff on the Flight Deck Friday, accompanied by the Embry-Riddle Jazz Band. The high-energy performance featured several lifts and throws.

Ten SGA officials charged

Brian Case

Business Manager

With less than a week left in the terms of the current Student Government Association members, one SGA member has filed ten charges of impeachment.

The impeachment charges claim that ten SGA elected officials failed to fulfill their required office hours of three hours per week. The officials are comprised of five members of the Student Representative Board and five members of the Student Finance Board.

The officials, whose names are being withheld by *The Avion*, face a hearing before the Student Court on April 20. Members of both boards receive a ten percent leadership voucher applied to their tuition.

ResNet wants student input

Andrew Peng

Special to *The Avion*

Internet usage had exploded since the technology was originally developed, and many uses have been derived for it. However, the demand for Internet usage has begun to put a large strain on the University's network. ResNet administrators asked me to write this article to gain student input and comments.

The University uses a packet shaper to give priority to programs that are used for educational and research purposes. This way, important traffic remains unaffected. However, peer-to-peer applications also present legal threats to the University. As more and more movies and music are shared on Embry-Riddle's network, the liability and risk of an audit exponentially increases. Universities cannot shield students from legal trouble and will fully comply with the RIAA and MPAA. Students are not the only ones at risk for legal trouble – recent Supreme Court cases also place legal liability on the Internet service provider for knowingly allowing customers to share copyrighted material. In our

case, the university would be also held responsible for what is shared over the Internet by students.

Embry-Riddle ResNet has proposed ideas to the students and would appreciate your feedback. Your opinions and comments will help decide what will be done on the network in upcoming semesters. Several solutions are provided, and several ideas were proposed, each with its own set of characteristics. Because Internet access is a service provided by ResNet for the students, they are looking for feedback on how best to provide their service to students, while minimizing the University's legal liability.

ResNet has investigated various music subscription systems for students with service from Napster (<http://www.napster.com>), CDIGIX (<http://www.cdigix.com>), Ruckus (<http://www.ruckusnetwork.com>) and Qtrax (<http://www.qtrax.com>). Ruckus and CDIGIX both allow for on-demand TV shows and movies for a small fee. On-demand TV and movies behave like TiVo where the student decides when to watch the media with the ability to pause and resume at anytime. Each service provides students with unlimited listening to music by way of a server located on-campus. This ensures

that students get lighting quick downloads and always-available music content. Both on and off-campus students will have access to this service. Music is streamed from the server and not downloaded to the computer for storage. As long as the student is enrolled at the University or paying the fee, the student will have full access to the online music library. The student also will need to stay connected to the Internet or to ResNet to be able to play the music. To download the music to play offline or play on a media player, a small nominal fee will be charged to the student. This fee is very low compared to other subscription services, typically in the range of \$20 - \$30 a semester. Again, as long as the student is enrolled or paying the service charge, the music will remain playable. This method has the advantage of both reducing bandwidth consumption of ResNet and reducing the legal liability of students and school.

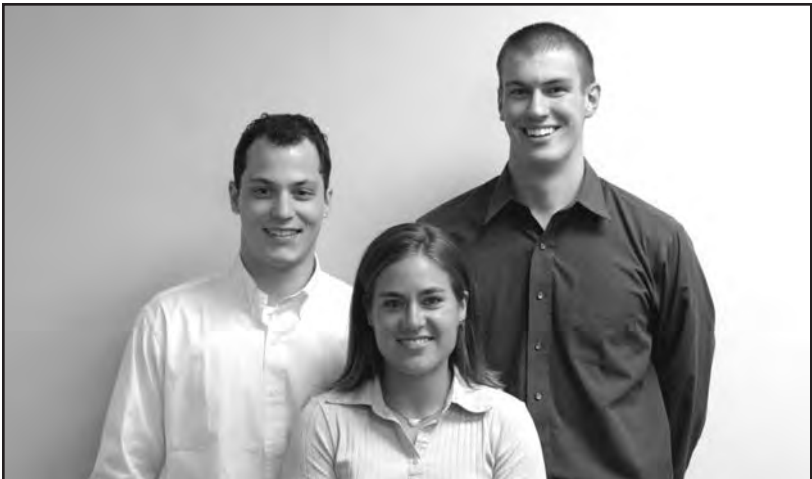
Students, staff, and alumni alike are encouraged to respond to this via a survey posted on Blackboard under 'Daytona – Housing Residents,' or by sending an email to fernerj@erau.edu. Students can also visit the ResNet office in the Student Village, next to the housing office.

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The SGA elections are on April 11 & April 12.



*The family of Craig Brooks thanks
the ERAU staff,
faculty, administration, students
& Air Force ROTC for all
their outpouring of support.
Please know that your kind
gestures have provided us with comfort
which will stay in our hearts forever.
Craig was proud to be part of
the ERAU community
and we are forever grateful
he had the opportunity
to call this university home.
Bless you all as you live life to the fullest...*

"Cuz that's the way WE all should roll!"

*Sincerely,
Richard, Mary-Laura, and Cole Brooks*

Senior argues learning disabled are advantaged

I am a senior and therefore do not have to register for class this semester. Although, my roommate had to stay up past midnight last week, sending requests through a clogged server to assure that the classes he needed to graduate were obtained.

My anonymous friend comes by as my roommate is preparing to register and exclaims, “You still have to register for class? I registered last week!” Upon further questioning, he told me that he was granted priority registration for having a “learning disability.”

According to Wikipedia, a learning disability is defined as: *a generic term that refers to a heterogeneous group of disorders manifested by significant difficulties in the acquisition and use of listening, speaking, reading, writing, reasoning or mathematical abilities. These disorders are intrinsic to the individual and presumed to be due to Central Nervous System Dysfunction.*

This person exudes no outward appearance of Central Nervous System (CNS) Dysfunction. This person seems completely normal and has performed functions that I would be hard pressed to believe a person with a CNS Dysfunction could perform. I later found out that not only are the “learning disabled” allowed to register for class early; they are also allotted more time for exams! Is this fairness in action?

Muslims: accept Jesus as a savior

Dear Readers,
I had the pleasure of attending a talk by Imaam Abunour on Wednesday evening, April 5, in our Willie Miller Auditorium. The imaam is well versed in the teachings of both the Bible and the Quran and he articulated well the differences between Islam and Christianity.

During a lively question and answer period following his remarks, he asked for the hands of those who had converted from Christianity to Islam. A handful of ERAU students enthusiastically raised their hands high. It struck me then at how very fortunate we live in a country based upon Christian ideals. Had I been talking to a public gathering on a college campus in Afganistan or Iran and asked to see the hands of those who had converted from Islam to Christianity, there would be no acknowledgement because converts are killed in those societies guided by Quranic doctrine. Why are Islamic nations so afraid of Christian doctrine? Maybe it is because Christians “have the Truth and It has set us free.”

I’m thrilled to live in a country and in an academic environment where we have the freedom to express our differing views and I applaud the Muslim Club for bringing the imaam to our campus. Now I pray that those misguided youth will get their heads out of the Quran and accept Jesus Christ as their personal savior.

~Dick Bagby

My whole purpose for attending this University is to receive a degree that intrinsically states that I have met a standard set forth by accreditation and industry.

That standard remains the same for all individuals pursuing the same degree. Except for the “learning disabled,” who are afforded these extra tolerances, while simultaneously not achieving the set standard. If a student does not meet the standard, they do not deserve the degree. If their standard is different, then they deserve a degree that denotes such by possibly stating on the degree something similar to: Bachelor of Science (Learning Disabled).

As I delve into this further, lets look at the term “learning disabled.” The term *disabled* means to make incapable or ineffective. Therefore, this person is incapable of learning.

Ok then, what is this person doing at an institution of *higher* learning? I could possibly accept a person being learning impaired or retarded (as in delayed or slow thought processes) but, should that afford them a means to skirt around the standard? I don’t think it should.

When a person leaves ERAU as a graduate, their performance in the workplace reflects upon me as a graduate from the same institution. I didn’t spend four years and pay over \$100,000 to be associated with below average performance.

I do not solely blame the University for this state of affairs, as the U.S. Government has all but forced a policy such as this to be enacted. Thanks to the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and

Title III of the Americans with Disabilities Act (both of which ensure equal access for students with disabilities), having a “learning disability” qualifies a person for such preferential treatment.

You may be wondering how one goes about being classified as “learning disabled.” Well, according to an ERAU Disabilities Support Services pamphlet, “Documentation of a learning disability consists of a diagnostic interview and standardized tests that measure aptitude, achievement, and information processing. Test scores, a definitive diagnosis, and a clinical summary complete a comprehensive report.”

It seems to me as though such a determination is mostly subjective.

I would be interested to know the actual number of students qualified for “learning disabled” support at ERAU. My roommate told me that most of his requested classes, according to

the online system, were more than half full before senior registration even began.

This information leads me to further question the fairness and the overall impact of such a policy. Especially when it also bypasses privileges given to the senior class, such as being the first allowed class to register online.

Riddle students are dirty

Have any students ever actually looked around at the tables in the UC? How many of them are actually clean? How about the floors? I feel ashamed that so many people outside of campus traverse the halls and see how soiled the UC is.

I work for Student Activities setting up a lot of events that students like you attend. I would be willing to bet that most of my time is spent cleaning off tables with half eaten subs, cold pizza, magazines received in the mail, even bank statements and credit card applications left out in the open. There have been several times where we are in

This policy is downright unfair. I am not saying that the “learning disabled” do not have a legitimate affliction. I am saying that this policy negates all strives for complete fairness and equality.

Dictionary.com defines equality as the quality of being the same in quantity, measure, value, or status. Why shouldn’t such a definition

apply to this situation?

I can understand the need for “learning disabled” students to receive extra assistance outside of the classroom in the form of tutoring, study groups, one-on-one assistance, etc.

But, in the classroom, the playing field should be equal.

~Will Robertson

“
... this policy negates all strives for complete fairness and equality.”

- WILL ROBERTSON

Comparing speeches, not the speakers

Not too long ago, I read the article about the high school teacher’s comparison of President Bush’s State of the Union to Adolf Hitler’s speeches from the World War II era.

I happened to agree with some points that the educator made. I then came across Mr. Pyles’ article this week in the Avion’s opinion section. I have to admit, I don’t really understand why Mr. Pyles made such harsh objections to comparing the two speaking types.

Yes, Adolf Hitler was a terrible person who gave orders to do things that would make most of us sick to our stomachs. However, this high school teacher was not saying that President Bush is Adolf Hitler, or is even like him.

Even if he did compare them as

people, it doesn’t mean the teacher is saying President Bush is all bad. All he said was that there were some similarities in their speeches. I could say that some of President Bush’s speeches have similarities to a 5-year old bringing in his ant colony for show-and-tell and I would probably have a good argument.

This doesn’t mean that I’m saying President Bush is a 5-year old child. There is nothing wrong with trying to stimulate children’s, especially teenagers’, minds by making a statement or asking questions that could possibly make students think out of the box. That is all the teacher was trying to do.

It does not mean he is trying to sway people away from President Bush’s cause. He was just trying to

get his students to consider another side and then make an informed decision on their own. There is nothing worse than making a decision without knowing or considering all the different angles.

My suggestion to Mr. Pyles is to open your mind to new possibilities. Don’t just dismiss ideas because you don’t want them to be true. Just for the record, I would like to play your game for a minute and give you some “evidence” that can back up what Mr. Bennish had suggested as and alternative agenda of the President, trying to “take over the world.”

First off, there are 192 independent countries in the world. The United

States has diplomatic relationships with all but four of them (Bhutan, Iran, Cuba, and North Korea).

The United States Department of Defense has 702 buildings on foreign soil. Some experts believe the actual number to be higher, but even if it is only 702 buildings in other countries. Of the 192 independent countries of the world, the United States has troops in 135 of them.

For those of you without a calculator, that is over seventy percent of the world. These are the facts. Interpret them however you wish, just remember to keep an open mind.

~Mark Mebert

SGA rep. outraged over loss of vote on the Board

Student leader vows never to give money

On Friday, March 31, 2006, our Board of Trustees considered a bylaws change that would remove the student and faculty votes from the board.

While I applaud the last minute change that saved the student/faculty votes on various Board committees, I deplore the removal of the votes from the finance committee and the general session.

It was a sad decision that reveals a disregard for our tradition of student input and an overall lack of critical thinking on behalf of the Board of Trustees. It passes my comprehension how any respectable trustee could justify or support this change to the bylaws.

The only justification that I have ever heard for taking students off of the general board and the finance committee is that students are not capable of making objective decisions about the university, especially on matters of tuition and fees. This

is the so-called “conflict of interest” argument. That reasoning is not just wrong, it’s utterly imbecilic.

The notion that our students cannot make informed decisions for the long-term benefit of the university, even on issues of tuition, is not only infantile and inimical, but is ideologically treasonous to the entire concept of higher education. That viewpoint is condescending and reflects a lack of faith in the quality of education that we receive here.

I am surprised that our trustees, or at least the ones who voted in favor of this atrocious bylaws change, have so little faith in the intellectual and decision-making capabilities of our students.

Also, I often felt that the trustees were asking Sara McCook, and the rest of the student body, to justify our position on the Board. This is all wrong.

It is not the responsibility of the students to justify their retention on the board. It is the responsibility of

the trustees to justify the removal of the student vote.

Otherwise, it is simply change for the sake of change, un-deliberated and unjustified. It seems that the BoT made this change because a consultant told them to and because few other schools have voting student positions. Well, few other schools

have such low alumni giving (1.64 percent) or such high student debt (see *Avion*, 9/20/05).

Why not fix those differences first? With high student debt and no vote on the Board of Trustees, I wonder how that affects alumni giving. I wonder if those are issues on which student input would be useful.

I wonder if that is what Jack Hunt had in mind when he instituted the student vote years ago. I wonder if any of the trustees remember him.

I for one *will* remember the Board’s decision and will be reluctant to ever give money back to this university.

~Adam Richie-Halford

“
It was a sad decision that reveals a disregard for our tradition ...”

- ADAM RICHIE-HALFORD

Student Forum

The Avion asks: “What would you do with a billion dollars?”

—Compiled by Jordan M. Clancy and Curtis Ewbank



Sean Thornton
Freshman
Aeronautical Science

“Pay off my loans and buy a Gulfstream V.”



Colin Johnson-Giammaluo
Sophomore
Human Factors

“Pay off my debts from school and buy a castle.”



Steve Hyde
Junior
Aviation Business Admin.

“Build an island in the shape of a skull and crossbones and start my own pirating outfit.”



Roland Nunez
Freshman
Aeronautical Science

“Invest part for the future, buy a house and start a zoo.”



Erin Armstrong
Freshman
Aerospace Engineering

“Use it towards world missions.”



Nicole Kufa
Senior
Meteorology

“Travel around the world.”

Space Shuttle celebrates its silver anniversary

Nicole Titus
Staff Reporter

Twenty-five years ago, April 12, was marked down in the history books as the first Space Shuttle, Columbia, launched successfully into orbit around the Earth on STS-1. This opened a new era in spaceflight that has dominated the last quarter-century of exploration. Commander John Young and Pilot Robert Crippen were the first astronauts to experience the sensational ride in the new age space vehicle. “The Space Shuttle was a test pilot’s dream,” Robert Crippen said in a presentation at Kennedy Space Center last week. The United States had never put people on an untested spacecraft until Columbia in 1981. It was supposed to launch like a rocket, maneuver like a spacecraft and land like a glider.

There were many major first-time accomplishments made on the maiden mission of Columbia. To name a few, the shuttle’s solid rocket boosters had never been flown (or even tested vertically); it was the first winged aircraft to fly in space, and the plan of making a runway landing was never tried before. The primary mission objective was to check out the overall shuttle systems, accomplish a safe ascent into orbit and return to Earth for a safe landing. All of these objectives were successfully met, and the shuttle proved to be a worthy space vehicle. The shuttle program even survived its first scare on STS-1, when several of the shuttle’s crucial tiles were found missing upon reaching orbit, mainly around the aft section, though no one could know how the underside of the orbiter had fared. Columbia returned nominally,

and the problems plaguing tile loss were quickly fixed. NASA centers across the country are celebrating the first shuttle launch for most of the month of April. Events include rare appearances by astronauts John Young and Bob Crippen to share their personal stories and spaceflight experiences. In an appearance at the Kennedy Space Center last week, Young and Crippen seemed excited to be there and share their stories with the KSC workforce. Young got plenty of laughs from the audience, especially when he was asked if he had any advice for NASA in the new era of sending humans to Mars. Young responded by saying, “I talk to these folks, I give them advice, but it’s like talking to a wall.” But in light of the recent accidents at KSC, Young and Crippen also stressed the importance of safety and its importance for a successful space flight.



SPACE SHUTTLE COLUMBIA BLASTS off on the first Space Shuttle mission, STS-1, on April 12, 1981 at 7:00 a.m. ET. The launch, commanded by John Young and Pilot Bob Crippen, opened a new era in spaceflight which has dominated space exploration for the last quarter century.

Upcoming Cape Launches

Atlas 5 to launch ASTRA 1KR

An Atlas 5 rocket is scheduled to launch the ASTRA 1KR television satellite for SES ASTRA of Luxembourg. Liftoff is scheduled for Thursday, April 20 at 4:27 p.m. EDT, the opening of a launch window stretching to 7:16 p.m. EDT. The launch will send the ASTRA 1KR (a replacement for ASTRA 1K, which failed to be placed in orbit several years ago) into orbit to relay satellite television to subscribers across Europe.

Launch status and possible technical or weather delays can be monitored on *SpaceflightNow.com*’s Mission Status Center, and the launch can be viewed live on local News Channel 13 as well as via a webcast on *www.ilslaunch.com* when it occurs.

Launch viewing

The closest launch viewing for the public would be Playalinda Beach in Merrit Island National Wildlife Refuge, at about five miles from the launch pad. Doing so will be a little tricky, as the main bridge in from Titusville will be closed for repairs. To attempt Playalinda, use I-95 exit 231; head east about a mile and turn left on U.S. 1. After about two miles, U.S. 1 meets S.R. 3; turn right onto S.R. 3 and follow all the way to the refuge where you will be forced to make a left turn to the final two or so miles to the actual beach. Parking costs \$5 (cash). Allow two hours driving time. Most popular and easier to get to would be Port Canaveral, though at 12 miles from Pad 41, don’t expect the rumble to be deafening, especially if there is any wind on launch day. Take I-95 south to Exit 205 (the Beeline, or Beachline, Expressway) and take that east for 15 miles. Look for the big blue sign marked “Terminal A / North Terminal” and exit. The exit curves around and takes you over a drawbridge. About a quarter-mile later, where the road takes both a sharp, noticeable turn to the right and goes under an overpass at the same time, you can pull off on the left (water) side of the road in the grass. Arrive an hour before launch, as it can get crowded.

EDITED BY BEN COOPER

A380 wing snapped in test

Azdren Coma
Staff Reporter

On Feb. 14, 2006, the Airbus A380 was put through a static wing load test at the Airbus static test facility in Toulouse, France. One of the A380’s wings snapped between the inbound and outbound engines at an applied pressure of about 96.67 percent of the ultimate load. Airbus vice president for engineering, Alain Garcia, felt the wing test had been a success since the rupture occurred “within 3 percent of the target.” Garcia also predicted that the wing’s failure will require “essentially no modifications” to production aircraft. Chief officer John Leahy recently added that the wing failure was “not a big problem at all.” The ultimate load has a built in safety factor of one-and-a-half times the limit load, which is the highest aerodynamic load expected during an aircraft’s lifetime of normal service.

When the same test was conducted on an Airbus A330 in 1992, the wing failed just below its target load just as the A380. As American Airlines Flight 587 took off from JFK on November 12, 2001, the tail of an A300-600R had snapped off. This tragedy killed 265 people, a small number compared to the potential 853 passengers on the A380. Although not subject to operationally realistic temperature and humidity conditions, the Airbus A300 had been fully tested to ultimate load, 1.5 times the estimated limit load. Unfortunately, Airbus had clearly underestimated even the limit loads for the A300. Last fall, FedEx maintenance workers found a three-foot section of the rudder had begun to break apart on one of its Airbus jets. This discovery comes after a nearly identical Airbus lost its rudder during a flight from Cuba to Canada in early 2005. The National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) said that the

rudders of many Airbus passenger jets are made of composite plastic that appears to be dangerously prone to disintegrating. The 2001 crash and a March 25 recommendation on safety posted by the NTSB raise questions about maximum capabilities, or “limit load,” of many Airbus aircraft, said Robert Spragg, an aviation lawyer in the Manhattan firm, Kreindler and Kreindler. “If there are a number of events where the limit load is exceeded, that would draw into question Airbus Industries’ initial calculations,” Spragg said. In a recent Airbus safety drill in Hamburg, Germany, which tested how long it would take to evacuate a fully loaded A380 with half of the exits blocked, 32 volunteers suffered minor injuries, and one man broke his leg. Airbus manager Gustav Humber said, “That was a very great success.” No American carriers have so far placed orders for any A380’s.

2006 Sun n’ Fun offers smorgasbord of aviation



Curtis Ewbank
Copy Editor

Every year, the Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) and the Florida Air Museum put on one of EAA’s largest gatherings just two hours from Daytona Beach in the small city of Lakeland, Florida. The annual Sun ‘n Fun airshow and convention draws hundreds of airshow performers and general aviation companies. This year’s event lasted from April 4 through 10 and was the largest airshow in the nation in terms of the number of performers. The most expansive part of Sun ‘n Fun is the number of aircraft that fly in. A tour of the flightline can easily take several hours. Rows of warbirds are parked closest, with many T-6s, T-28s, T-34s, multiple P-51s and a Hawker Sea Fury thrown in for good measure. Lakeland Linder Regional’s closed runway always has a mixture of aircraft parked on it. This year, two F-22s were present, making their first appearance at a civilian airshow. They were parked next to two F-15s, providing an interesting contrast of two generations of U.S. airpower. Beyond the DC-3s, Beech Staggerwings and J-3 Cubs were row after row of Cessnas and Pipers, many with tents set up next to them where their owners were camping. Sun ‘n Fun always has an impressive lineup for its airshow; this year was no exception. Each day typically begins with a flight of warbirds, with many different kinds making flybys as the announcer describes their respective roles in history.

Then aerobatic performers are up; acts like Patty Wagstaff, Kirby Chambliss, and the Aeroshell Aerobatic Team regularly perform throughout the week. Then the modern military jets are up. This year, an F-15 was put through its paces at show center, but it was regularly upstaged by the F-22 preparing for the heritage flight later. The heritage flight at Sun ‘n Fun consisted of a P-51, F-15, and an F-22. Another major part of Sun ‘n Fun is the exhibitors. Four large hangars house companies like Aircraft Spruce and Specialty and Dynon Avionics. Outside, the likes of Mooney, Cessna, and Adams Aircraft display their wares to prospective buyers and wishful college students. Sun ‘n Fun 2006 featured a special section devoted to aircraft that satisfy the new Light Sport Aircraft rule. Forums on every topic in general aviation take place throughout the day. One can learn how to build a composite aircraft, or a fabric covered one or a metal one. Alternatively, one can learn how to pass an FAA written test, or maybe get a Sport Pilot license. Each evening there are also talks given. On Saturday at Sun ‘n Fun 2006, John Young and Robert Crippen were present to celebrate 25 years of the Space Transportation System. They were led through their memories of STS-1 and the development of the Space Shuttle by CNN’s Miles O’Brien. Many aspects of Sun ‘n Fun make it an enjoyable trip for almost anyone who attends Embry-Riddle. It is a wonder why classes are not canceled for a day so students can fully participate in this extravaganza of aviation.

Eagles baseball shuts out Flagler on Friday 4-0

Press Release
ERAU Sports Info. Dept.

ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla. – Senior right-hander Shawn Williams notched his first complete-game shutout as the Embry-Riddle baseball team used a three-run sixth to secure a 4-0 win over conference rival Flagler on Thursday. Williams (3-2) scattered just six hits and struck out four as the Eagles

improved to 35-10 overall and 8-5 in the Florida Sun Conference. The Eagle offense, led by two hits each from centerfielder Josh Doane and shortstop Michael Brady, got some help from the Saints defense, which committed three errors, including a two-out miscue that kept the first inning going and eventually led to the Eagles' first run of the game. Derrick Pyles (1-for-4) hit a two-out single through the left side and went all the way to third on

fielding error that put Josh Smith on base in the top of the first. Williams' (1-for-4) only hit of the afternoon was an RBI single through the right side, which scored Pyles to give the Eagles a 1-0 advantage. The Saints put runners on by way of a base hit and an Eagle error in the bottom of the first, but Williams got Bryan Crouch to strikeout swinging and Victor Roldan robbed Shane Darnofall of a base hit with a diving grab at third to end the inning.

Williams' counterpart Tim DeSutter held the Eagles scoreless in the second but ran into trouble in the third yielding a single to Doane and plunking back-to-back hitters to load the bases. But DeSutter worked out of the jam, inducing two straight fly outs to end the inning, leaving all three Eagle runners stranded. After Williams retired eight of nine batters through the fourth, the Saints mounted a rally in the home half of the fifth. Glenn Kiture singled

to centerfield and after Williams got Mike Scott to pop up to second, Bryan Harrell hit a single into the gap between third and short to put runners on first and second with two outs. But Williams enticed Ben Floyd to hit a ground ball to Roldan who got the force out at third to end the inning. A pair of free passes sparked the Eagles to its three insurance runs in the sixth as Desutter walked Amadis Padilla and hit Bernie Hurler to put

runners on first and second with two outs. Brady smacked a single to right center to score courtesy runner Danny Martin and Doane followed with his team-high fifth triple of the year to push two runs across and seal the win. The loss went to DeSutter (3-8) who gave up four runs (three earned) on six hits and a walk, with two strikeouts and four hit batters, as the Saints fall to 27-17 (7-6 in the FSC).

Women's golf celebrates 2nd-straight FSC Title



PHOTO COURTESY SARA MCCOCK

CURRENTLY RANKED THIRD IN the nation in the NAIA, the women's golf team captured the regional and conference crowns, coming from behind to beat eighth-ranked SCAD in a sudden death match. Player of the Year Tara Allen led the pack with a 10 over par.

ERAU track boasts 11 school records

Press Release
ERAU Sports Info. Dept.

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. – The Embry-Riddle men's and women's track teams produced 11 new school records as they closed out competition at the Seminole Invitational hosted by the Florida State University at the Mike Long Track & Field Complex on Saturday. Toshiba Cobb improved on two of her season best times, running a 12.79 in the 100m and following with a 26.20 in the 200m. Cobb was also a part of the record-breaking

4x100m relay team, combining with Beth McCubbin, Jennifer Schaus and Audie Meyer for a 50.38 in that event. McCubbin, Schaus, Meyer and Bridget Brown eclipsed the old school record by 1.48 seconds in the mile relay, crossing in 4:14.22. Three Embry-Riddle women posted times faster than the previous school best 2:26.94 in the 800m run. Brown finished in 2:25.46 behind Lori Costello who crossed in 2:23.50, but it was McCubbin who laid claim to the new school mark with a 2:22.21. Costello surpassed her previous

program best of 11:08.68 in the 3,000m, running a 10:57.00. Senior Nicole Ferraro became the first woman in ERAU history to run a sub-19 5K as she finished in 18:56 ahead of freshman Mary Gathua who ran the program's second fastest time of 19:27. On the men's side, three individuals and one relay team hit the outdoor qualifying standards for the NAIA National Outdoor Championships. Howard Walls hit the "B" standard in the 110m hurdles with a school best 14.82, missing the "A" standard by .02 seconds. Corey Grafe hit the

"B" standard with a 55.33 in the 400m hurdles and partnered with Will Bridges, Aaron Fuquay and Jerome Brown to meet the "B" standard with a 3:20.26 in the 4x400m relay. Adam Wolf was the fourth national qualifier as he improved on his program best time (1:52.62) in the 800m with a 1:57.03. Drew Moses became the first ERAU sprinter to run faster than 11.00 second in the 100m dash, crossing the tape in 10.96. Rafael Patrick capped off the record-setting day with a leap of 1.88m in the high jump.



PHOTO COURTESY ERAU SPORTS INFORMATION DEPARTMENT

EAGLES BASEBALL TOOK BOTH games of Saturday's double-header against Flagler, winning 9-1 and 4-2. They also won on Friday, shutting out the Saints 4-0.

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The Avion, April 11, 2006

A World away from Daytona

Diversions ... B2

Mt. Hutt, New Zealand

Australia and New Zealand: the trip of a lifetime

Zach Mahone
Diversions Editor

Two years ago I had the unique opportunity to explore the exotic countries of Australia and New Zealand. I went with a tour group call People to People Student Ambassadors. The 22-day trip took me places and allowed me to do things I can only dream of.

We started off in Brisbane, which is the capital of Queensland. After spending a few days on Moreton Island snorkeling around a few old shipwrecks, feeding wild dolphins and sand surfing the dunes on the island, we made our trek to Bundaberg.

In Bundaberg, we took the “Lady Musgrave” to

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Byron Bay ... highly recommend it.
- ZACH MAHONE

majority of the day. Also at the farm stay, I learned how to crack a whip and play a didgeridoo.

After saying farewell to the farm hosts it was more traveling along the coast. We took many stops, but none was more favorite than that of Byron Bay, which coincidentally is the easterly most point of Australia. The lighthouse at the cape was the figment of everyone’s imagination when they think of a lighthouse. I vowed to return to Byron Bay sometime, and, if you ever get the chance, I highly recommend it.

After Byron Bay, it was time to head to once of the most recognizable cities in the world, Sydney, Australia. Staying there for four days it was the longest stay at any one location throughout the entire trip. Four days does not do any justice of experiencing an entire city, especially one as huge as Sydney. While

in Sydney, I walked across the Sydney Harbor Bridge, which at the time, was the largest bridge in the world that you can walk on top of. It took an entire hour just to get to the summit, which was halfway across. What a view!

Later on, I toured the Sydney Opera House, which was absolutely breathtaking. The completely wooden amphitheaters were designed to resonate perfectly no matter where you sat.

After our stay in Sydney, it was time to say goodbye to Australia and depart for Auckland, New Zealand. Auckland, the City of Sails, is spread over a narrow isthmus between the Pacific Ocean and the Tasman Sea. The next day, we headed to Rotorua, which could possibly be one of the smelliest places in the world. The odor of sulfur is present everywhere because the geological activity there produces many natural pools that are heated year-round.

Next on the agenda was Wellington, which is the capital city of New Zealand. Those of you who study abroad may be

very familiar with Wellington because this is where our school’s exchange program is located. While staying in Wellington, we got to ride a jet boat in the Waikato River to the magnificent Huka Falls.

After Wellington, it was time to

board the Interislander Ferry and cross the Cook Strait. After landing on the South Island, we set out for one of our final destinations, Christchurch; this was not before staying with a local New Zealand family who took me to Mt. Hutt for some outrageous snowboarding.

On our last day, we took the full-on challenge and went rock rappelling off of a 200 foot cliff. I was extremely scared at first, but once I found myself dangling off of a cliff, it was what you would call “all downhill from there”.



ZACH MAHONE/AVION

THE SYDNEY OPERA HOUSE must be one of the most recognizable images of the modern world - up there with the Eiffel Tower and the Empire State Building - and one of the most photographed.



ZACH MAHONE/AVION

NEW ZEALAND: HOME OF endless lush, rolling green hills. Notice the white specs, which are hundreds of sheep, another common sight of New Zealand.



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THE MAORI, WHICH ARE the indigeneous people of New Zealand, demonstrate a traditional welcome that marks the start of 45 minutes of song and dance inside the sacred meeting house.

Study abroad, London/Paris is a world of amazement

Brandon Boekelman
Copy Editor

The study abroad program in London and Paris with Dr. Fleck is a lot of fun by itself but what is there to do when you have free time? In short, a lot. The program first starts in London, which is an amazing city for entertainment. The program will leave you with your nights and one four-day weekend free for you to do whatever you want. London is known for its theater, so I would begin there.

London has over 25 theaters in its downtown area, so there are plenty of options to choose from. When I went on this trip last year, I went to five plays and had a good time. They ranged from Shakespeare’s “As You Like It” to “Stomp.” There are many places on the streets of London for a person to buy cheap tickets for these plays. I bought most of my tickets for about ten pounds. This translates into about \$18, but it is money well spent in my mind. If you don’t like the theater, London is also home to many early movie releases. For

example, we saw the premiers of “The Fantastic Four” and “Charlie and the Chocolate Factory.” There are also things to do that have nothing to do with theater or movies.

London is home to some of the best museums in the world, such as the British Museum. It is easy to spend days in the British Museum. There are multiple levels and multiple wings. It is impossible to see it all, so the museum is a good place to spend some free time. London is also home to many public parks, so you could also spend your time there if you like the outdoors. It goes without saying that there are many pubs in London, usually at least one on each block. After two weeks in London, you will travel to Paris. Paris has a completely different feel of city then London. London is very busy and intense, but where you will stay in Paris is very calm and relaxing. The dorms

are separated from central Paris by a forty-minute train ride, so you are on the very outskirts of Paris. The trains stop running at mid-

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The Eiffel Tower ... has a light show every hour.
- BRANDON BOEKELMAN

night, so if you want to go into Paris, you have to make sure to plan enough time to get back. If you do go into Paris, I would recommend going and seeing the Eiffel Tower at night. It is lit up all night and has a light show every hour, so it is definitely a thing to see. The Eiffel Tower in the daylight is also something you need to go see when you are there. One of the best things to do in Paris is just to wander around. We spent many days in Paris just wandering around and getting lost, which is a great way to see the city.

Outside of Paris is probably where you will spend most of your time, but it is still a very good place to be. Within walking distance of the dorms, there is a very large park called Parc de Sceaux. It is a great place to eat lunch or study for your final exam. There was definitely not as much to do in Paris as there was in London, but it was still a good time. There is definitely enough things to do in London and Paris to keep you busy when you have free time.



TOM KILEY/AVION

CHAMBORD, LOCATED ON THE Loire Valley, is huge. This chateau has 440 rooms, seventy staircases and 365 chimneys, all set in a 15,000-acre park.



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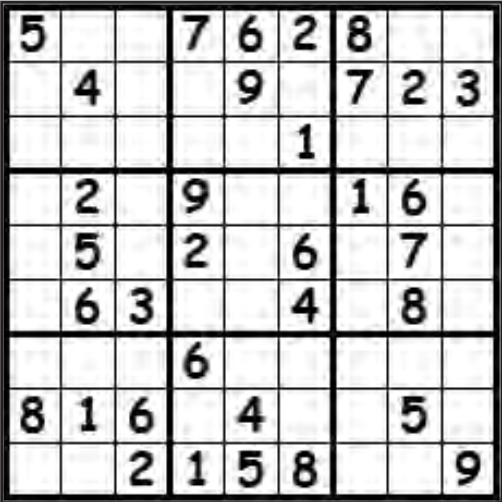
AN ARCHITECTURAL MASTERPIECE OF the 13th to 16th centuries, Westminster Abbey also presents a unique aspect of British history.



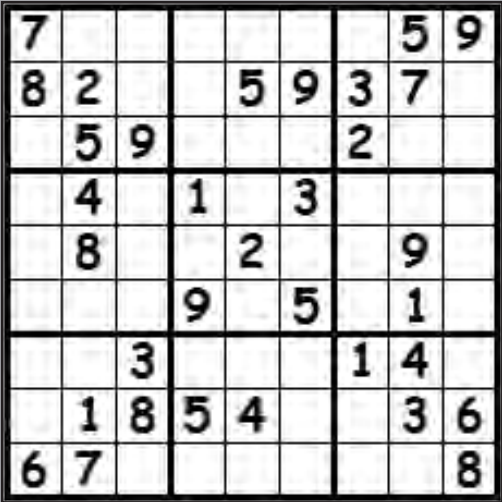
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THE GREAT AND ANCIENT stone circle of Stonehenge is considered to be a wonder of the world. What visitors see today are the remnants of such monuments erected between 3000 BCE and 1600 BCE.

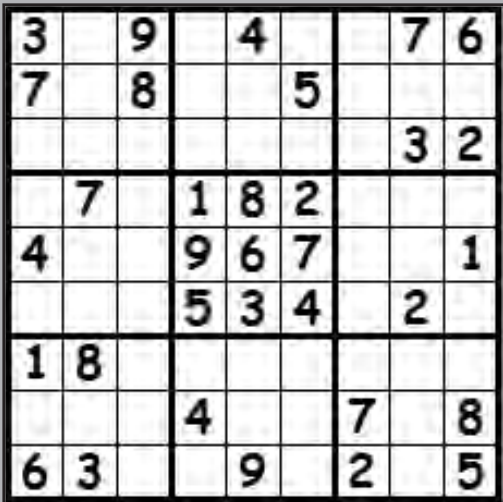
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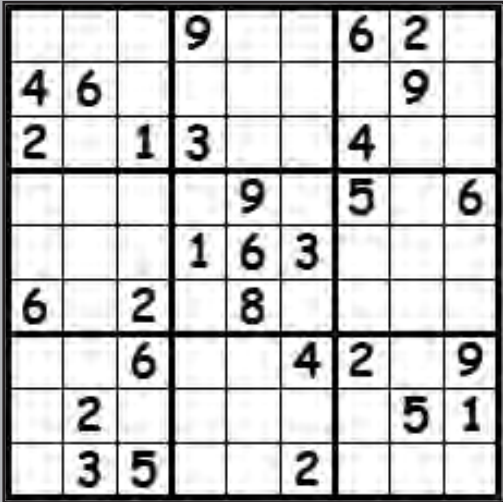
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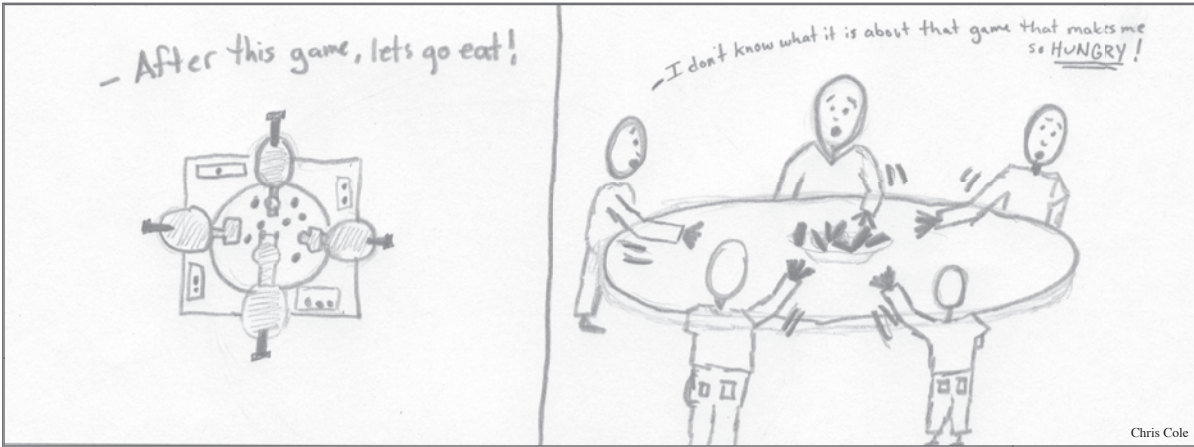


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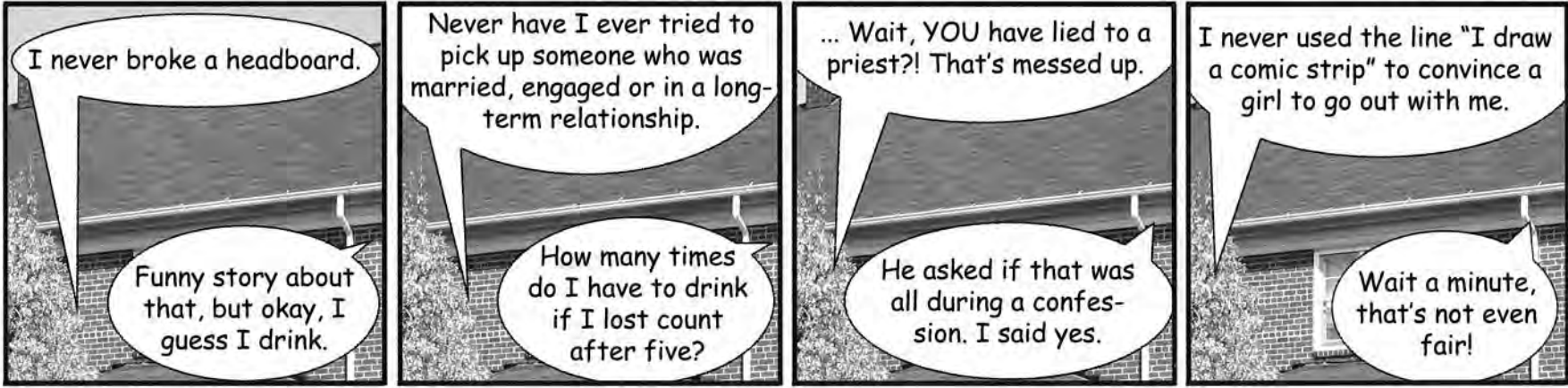
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The Riddle of Life

By Jonathan Mettin

If you live a crazy life, playing "I never" is like playing Russian Roulette with a clip-loading pistol. Case in point:





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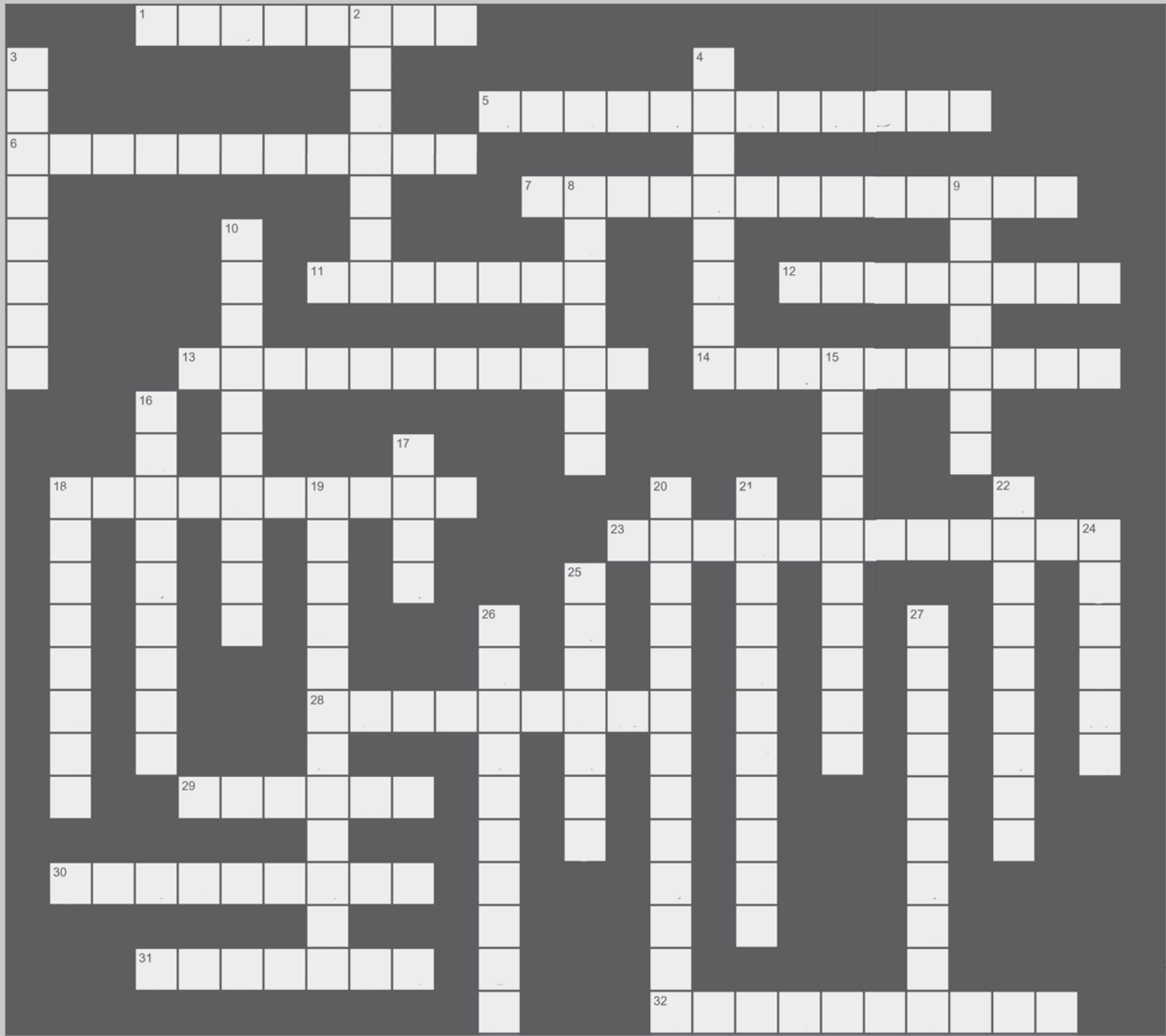
- Across
1. Swackhammer, Planet Moron Mountain

5. Ancient tournament fighters

6. Peter Gibbons

7. Capcom Game to movie

11. Bladder Busters get them in trouble



12. Takes place in Andy's room

13. Billy Tepper

14. California + Karate =

18. Scotty Smalls [thesandlot]

23. "I spared no expenses."

28. Californian Caveman

29. Gets fired on his day off

30. "Welcome, to the Real World."

31. Monkey friend Abu

32. Son of the wealthiest man in the world

- Down
2. Board game

3. Scar, uncle

4. Cher Horowitz

8. Killed on "Devils Night"

9. "The heart of the Ocean."

10. Career Marine turned JROTC officer

15. He loves Jenny

16. Street kid vadelines a marina

17. Lawyer turned lostboy

18. Imhotep

19. Imaginary friend

20. Stupid friends go on road trip

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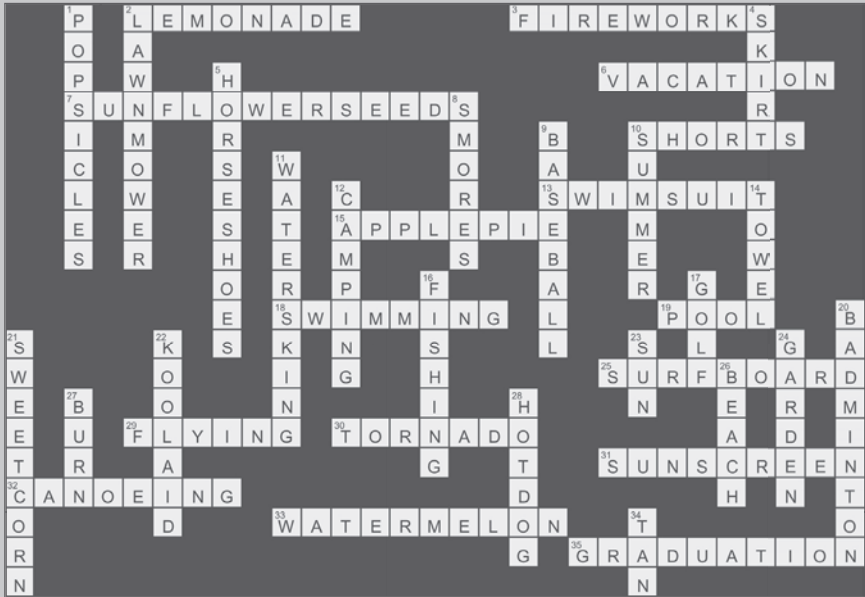
24. 5,000 year-old rappin' genie

25. Stanely Ipkniss

26. Kay & Jay

27. Ed and Dexter

LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS



McCook defends SGA Learning the game of GO

Sara McCook
SGA PRESIDENT

Growing up I spent a majority of my childhood with my grandfather, other than my mother, he was one of my greatest inspirations and hero's. He was a former navy pilot who returned from the war to become one of the most respected physicians, not only in the town of Newnan but across the nation for his work in research. Outside our common love for aviation he was an avid golfer, who on his 76th birthday, and last round of golf shot his age, 76. Ok, now back to the point of my thought. My grandfather taught me the game of golf, and with great patience I believe he succeeded. But as I hit at the driving range hitting balls, or missed putts on the green I would start to complain when I was upset with the way things were going. And my grandfather would never sit in pity with me, how would plainly say, "If you don't like how things are going, then find a way to fix it."

Over the course of the year, but mostly the semester, individuals have bashed SGA. Either for not being visible enough, not aware of student concerns, or just "lazy" as Jon Mettin so humorously (no pun intended) put it in this past cartoon. Much of the bashing has come from the current SGA (Divisions and Branches) who are not pleased with the organization as a whole and try

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Nathaniel Gramache
SIGMA ALPHA EPSILON

This Saturday, April 15, we have the Pull-A-Plane event sponsored by AOA to benefit Angel Flight. Last year at this event we placed first in two categories: Best in Greek and Overall Male Champion. We showed up with a team thrown together and pulled the plane 50 feet in the fastest time of the day. Everyone at the event had a great time, and hopefully we will have the same results this year, and be two for two at this event.

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to compare it to other or past SGA's. We seem to have a culture on the ERAU campus that is content with complaining but not proactively getting involved and changing what they do not like, hence the poor candidacy for the Student Representative Board, a board designed to make the every day life of students a little bit better. What disheartens me the most is negativity came from within the SGA. Those students had the opportunity to make a difference, but chose not too.

As much respect as I have for Jon Mettin and his ability to dig up the juicy details in a story and portray them in a way to get the students interest, much of his latest articles and cartoons have revolved around ways the SGA is doing nothing or doing things wrong, but non of them have a solution or insight into changing. Being a writer for *The Avion* makes him a member of the SGA, since the *Avion* is a division. So, in hindsight isn't he just negatively depicting an organization he's a part of?

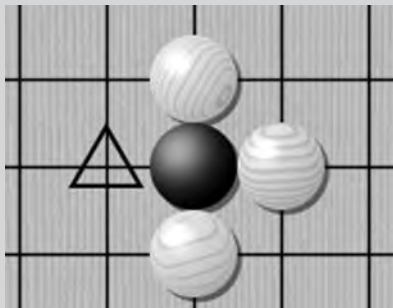
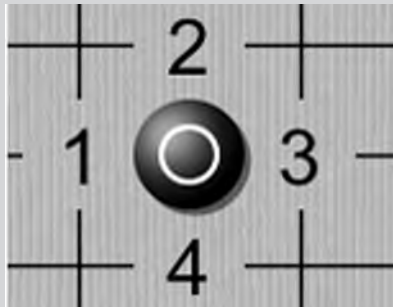
No organization can be perfect and if they were, it sure would be boring. And I am not going to sit here and say that this years SGA was perfect by any means. Yes, we may have missed some student concerns, or spent too much time revamping the constitution and bylaws or the inner workings of the SGA, and may have made decisions that were not popular. But, they should not out way all that SGA has done for the University and the student body. I'm saddened to see how all the good the SGA has done is covered up by the negativity that isn't always necessary.

Each branch and division has continued to work for the student body and provide either entertainment (the Divisions) or fought hard for the concerns of the students (SGA). The SRB set up a shuttle service to Orlando over spring break, while continuing to strengthen and work on the LegalEagle service, and did I

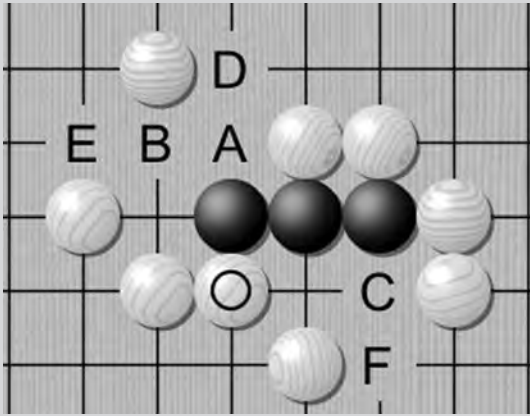
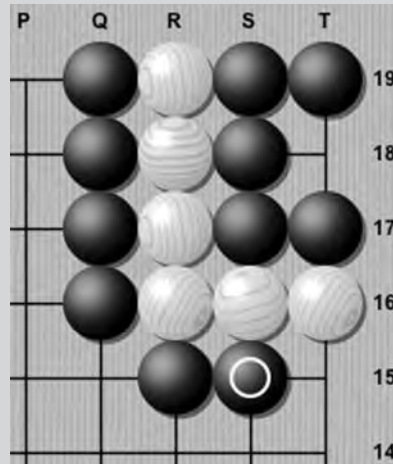
mention Eagle cards can now be used off campus at nine locations? The SFB has allocated over \$600,000 to student organizations this semester while designing and creating a pamphlet for clubs and organizations to better understand the budget process. The Student Court is working on a camera system to better monitor the motorcycle parking on campus. The Student Court has also developed a Warning Placard system to try and decrease the amount of parking tickets students' receive on campus. And as president, I have initiated a Presidents Roundtable for club and organization presidents to better inform their organizations as to what is happening on campus as well as gain input and feedback from them as to their concerns. An Honor Code has been adopted on campus and will take effect this fall. A code that will stand as a philosophical belief in the values and standards we hold ourselves to as students of ERAU. Increased communication with the Administration has improved with more input and dialogue with the students from our chancellor, dean of students and Interim-President. And finally, I am looking into ways to remember those students we lost too early in life.

And we can't forget the divisions who put countless hours of hard work and sometimes overlooked effort to provide entertainment for the students. TNG has put on yet another fantastic show, EaglesFM continues to increase their broadcasting ability and get more comfortable with the systems, and the Avion, even though staffing has been short this semester, continues to put out an award winning newspaper every tuesday.

So, I would be more than happy to sit down with students in my last couple weeks as President and hear their concerns and issues and find a solution to any problem you may have.



Capture Race

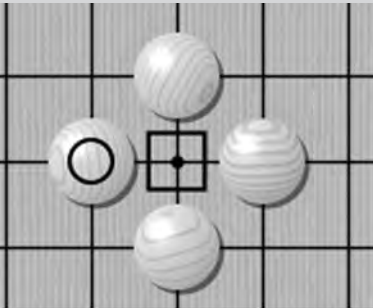


Go is a 2000 year old Asian game which started in Japan. This is a tutorial for the rules of the game to see how it is played

The game is played with each side getting either black or white. Black always goes first and then white plays. Each side keeps on playing until both decide there is no more advantage to play and decide to pass.

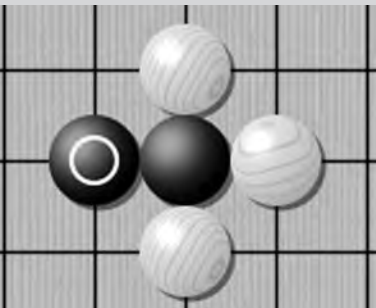
The goal of the game is to capture more territory on the board then the opponent. This is determined by completely surrounding intersections with your stones. Each stone has four "liberties," they are intersections that come out directly adjacent to the stone. This stone has four liberties. If there were another stone they would together have six liberties.

In order to capture a stone you have to eliminate all the open liberties with your stones. When that is done you remove the stone and you get a point from the captured stone(s) and also get points for the territory the stone was occupying. For black to stop this in the case of the



figures shown all black has to do is extend from the stone he currently has.

One of the trickier parts



of this game is battling out with a kill or be killed fight. On the right if white goes first he can place a stone a T18 and capture blacks fives stones. If black goes first black can place a stone at T15 and will capture 6 of blacks stones. So in this situation it would depend on who went first. This is just a very simple version of a very complex topic.

You don't need to physically capture pieces in the game though In the bottom figure if black tries to escape white can just place stones to stop him. Black A white D, Black B white E, black C white F. Black relizes this a knows it is futile to play inside the white stones anymore and white will no longer play in there because black will not. If you want to learn more come to our meetings every monday at 7:30 pm in Lehman Building 369. Also we are hosting a tournament on April 22nd. \$5 entrance fee with prizes, including CASH and boards.

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The next meeting will take place Tuesday, May 2 in the Fountain Room of the Student Village. Any ERAU woman- faculty, staff or student, is welcome to attend the lunch meeting.

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