



# Home Access Chronicle

April 2008

## Driving Miss Daisy

*Greensboro, NC*

Riding a bike has never been like this for seniors in Greensboro, NC. In an effort to boost morale, students at UNC Greensboro are meeting up with seniors at WhiteStone nursing home. The students visit the home twice a week and take seniors on a specialized bike that has been retrofitted with a wheelchair in front. Read more >



## Triathlon for all Abilities

*Loma Linda, CA*

Athletes from around the world come together to compete in a triathlon in Loma Linda, CA. But this is not your typical race. The PossAbilities Triathlon is for athletes of all ability levels. Individuals are encouraged to run, walk and roll. For many the race is a way of connecting and moving forward. Read more >



## Boarding Woes?

*Selangor, Malaysia*

Flying is now easier for disabled individuals who travel Air Asia. The airline has adapted new technology including a specialized wheelchair and lift. Passengers will no longer need to be carried onto planes but instead will simply roll on to the wheelchair lift which will raise and transport them to the airplane. Read more >



## Featured Products:

### AIRPLANE WHEELCHAIR LIFT

The Mobilift AX from Handi-Ramp is the solution to boarding and disembarking from airplanes. Passengers simply roll onto the platform and the operator manually cranks the lift to raise it to the level of boarding. No electricity is required and the lift is built to last. For more information click here >



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## Featured Consultant:

### BRYAN METZGER

I have been working in construction since 1985. I have an Associates degree in Architecture and Engineering Technology from Vermont Technical College and received my Bachelors degree in Construction Management from East Carolina University after starting in the fine arts program concentrating on painting and sculpture. To pay for school I began a career in home repair that eventually progressed into historic renovation and restoration. Since then I developed 'The Prime Group', a business that provides home modifications in addition to historic restoration and renovation.

When I was a kid I would go visit my grandparents in Sun City, Arizona. My Grandfather was the guy in the community that was always there to help other friends out. I remember going to my grandparents friends homes to change light bulbs or to fix a running toilet and I guess it stuck with me. My ultimate transition into eldercare was after my grandmother had to move from her home in Florida to my mother's home in Connecticut. My grandmothers comfort and happiness is an everyday thought for me, she is my drive. Because of her I am able to understand and realize the opportunity to help others that are in need of assistance.

My goal is to provide home modifications that will keep people in their homes, enjoying their freedom and independence as long as possible. When it comes time to permanent care solutions there is a market for homes that are modified and we need to recognize that change is a good thing, change can mean the difference between taking care of yourself or being totally dependent upon someone else.

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## Home Access Program News

Have you done something great that relates to home accessibility? Do you know someone who has used the Home Access Program? Send us your stories [mkgt@handiramp.com](mailto:mkgt@handiramp.com)

### March Events

**ACTION's Mobility Planning Services Institute**

April 21-24, 2008

Washington, D.C.

[http://projectaction.easterseals.com/site/PageServer?pagename=ESPA\\_homepage](http://projectaction.easterseals.com/site/PageServer?pagename=ESPA_homepage)



### Going for GOLD

April 22-24, 2008

Iowa State University Ames, IA

[http://www.iowaproviders.org/iacp\\_annual\\_convention.htm](http://www.iowaproviders.org/iacp_annual_convention.htm)



### Multiple Perspectives on Access, Inclusion, and Disability Conference

April 22-23, 2008

Ohio State University Columbus, OH

<http://ada.osu.edu/conferences/2008Conf/2008ConferenceHomePage.html>

### The Infancy and Early Childhood Training Course

April 25-May 9, 2008

(Online Course)

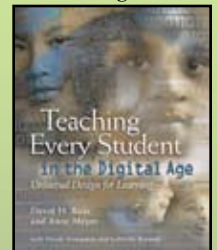
[www.StanleyGreenspan.com](http://www.StanleyGreenspan.com)

### Teaching Every Student in the Digital Age: Universal Design for Learning

April 28 - May 1, 2008

online

[www.cast.org/pd/institute/index.html](http://www.cast.org/pd/institute/index.html)



### Recruitment and Retention of a Qualified Worker

April 29, 2008

(Teleconference)

<http://muskie.usm.maine.edu/helpkids/tele.htm#april29>

## Fun Facts

~ American Airlines saved \$40,000 in 1987 by eliminating 1 olive from each salad served in first-class.

~ Apples, not caffeine, are more efficient at waking you up in the morning.

~ On average people fear spiders more than death.

Provided by: <http://www.funfacts.com/>