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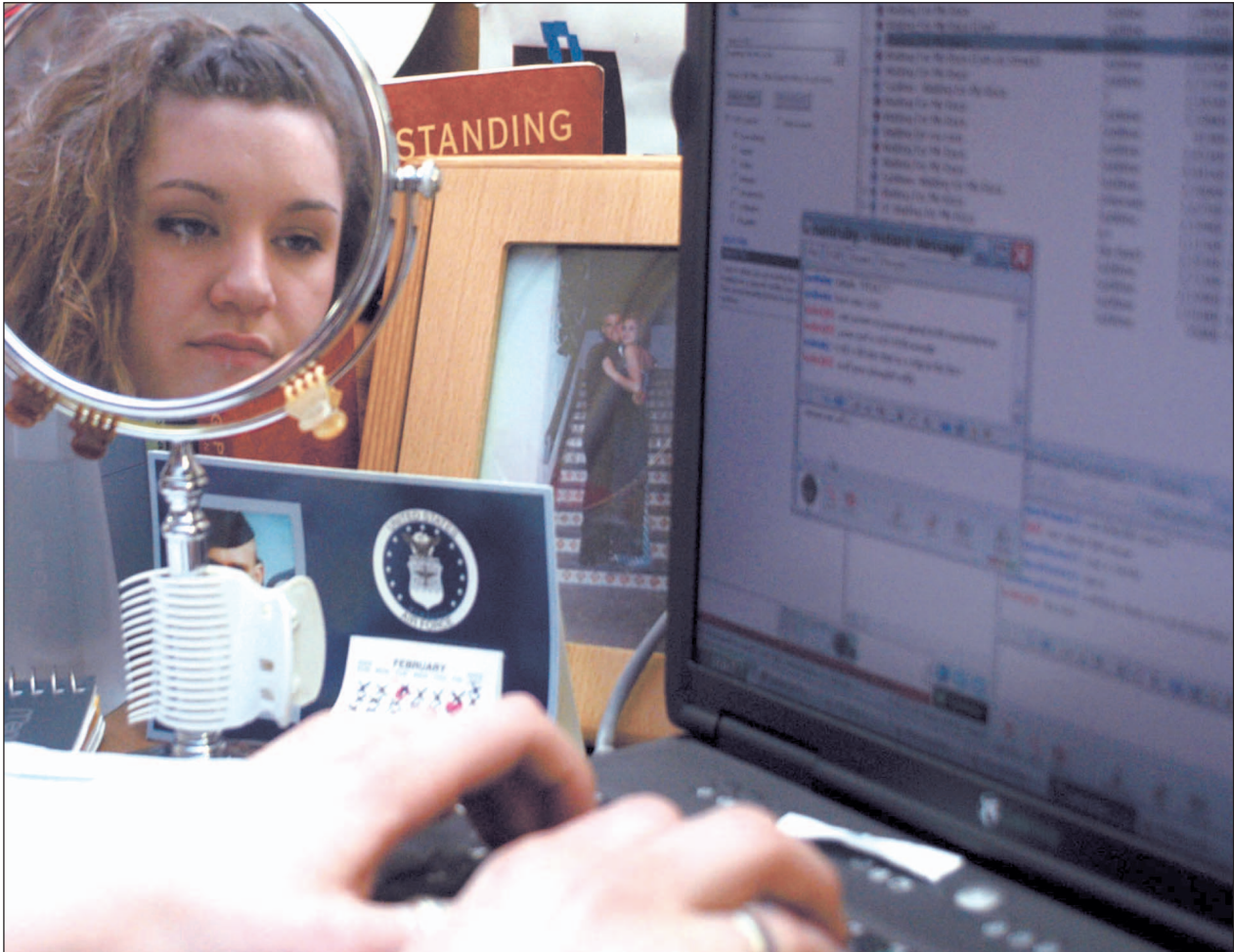
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MUSIC SHARING



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Business management freshman Lexi Sonne downloads music using a program called KaZaa last week in her dorm room. Sonne is one of many users of a program that allows users to easily access and share music, software and many other types of files.

University lets up on students sharing files

Residence Life decides on a lesser punishment

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Residence Life has slimmed down on the punishment for illegal music sharing practices in the residence halls due to increased volume, officials said. Instead of writing a three-page paper on copyright law, first-time

offenders will receive warning letters from Residence Life, said Steve Gilmore, assistant director for Residence Life. The warning letters alert students that the material they downloaded violates copyright restrictions and should be removed immediately. Gilmore said that increased usage as well as a steady flow of written complaints from music companies prompted him to change the policy. "A lot of students that were coming in here just didn't know about

the law. We decided it's probably better to use the warning letter, using it as an educational tool," he said. Gilmore said music companies are closely searching trading programs such as KaZaa, Morpheus and Limewire for UA Internet provider addresses. KaZaa or Sharman Networks filed a counter claim in late January against several recording labels and movie studios that are accusing the file-sharing network of providing

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Students discover class of stars

By Joshua Sills
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A group of UA astronomy undergraduates found something out of this world more than two years ago. Now, astronomers all over earth who specialize in a new field called "asteroseismology," will have the opportunity to observe the stu-

dents' findings. Through telescopes usually reserved for researchers and graduates, the five students accidentally discovered a new class of star. Astronomers from Canada, Germany, South Africa, Australia, Spain and South America will collaborate in continuous observations of one of these newly discovered stars for several weeks in May, said

Elizabeth Green, assistant staff astronomer at Steward Observatory. Melissa Giovanni was working for Green in 1999 when she became the first to discover a difference in the light pattern that led to the discovery of the new type of star. The class of stars, Sub-dwarf B stars, are extremely hot, pulsate like

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Pima to UA leap may be a challenge

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With potential tuition raises and higher admissions standards at the UA, more students may be starting at Pima Community College next semester before finding their way to a university. And while Pima has room for growth in its classes, its students face many challenges on the path to university transfer, said Dave Padgett, director of curriculum and articulation services at Pima. In fact, almost 14 percent of Pima students who say they intend to transfer to universities never do. "I don't think that starting at Pima would become a negative thing," said Ellen McGregor, research advanced analyst in Pima's Office of Institutional Research. "It only becomes negative if they don't finish." Since 1995 (not including the 1999-2000 school year) an average of 1,118 students per year have transferred from Pima to UA, said Ann Huber, associate director of undergraduate admissions and director of the UA transfer center. In the same time period, an average of 9,408 Pima students a year said that they intended to transfer to a university. Some of these students may not really intend to transfer though, said PCC counselor Susan Rondeau. When

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Bryan York, a geography junior, reviews his notes between classes yesterday on Pima's West Campus.