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## UA free for dead soldiers' families

Board to discuss tuition  
waiver for spouses, kids

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The children and spouses of Arizona military personnel killed in battle might not have to pay undergraduate tuition, under a proposal the Arizona Board of Regents will discuss this week.

A UA spokeswoman characterized the proposal as a goodwill gesture that would have minimal financial impact on the state's universities.

Officials said, however, they aren't aware of anyone slain in Iraq with children or spouses at UA, ASU or NAU.

"At this particular moment, it may have no impact at all," UA spokeswoman Sharon Kha said.

The proposal, which has won the support of President Pete Likins, would apply to children under 30 years old and spouses who haven't remarried, as well as severely disabled combat survivors.

The proposal was prompted by an order from Democratic Gov. Janet Napolitano, who asked state agencies to make sure the children of killed or disabled members of the military would be accommodated after their loss.

For the universities, that means aiding these family members who might struggle

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## TOOTIN' CELEBRATION



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Clay Adams, who refers to himself as "Black Man Clay", plays recorders through his nose while dancing in the Earth Day Parade held downtown on Saturday near Armory Park and the Tucson Children's Museum.

## Tucson celebrates Earth Day

Exhibits, parade, music all  
part of downtown festival

By Josh Sills  
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Wilbur and Wilma Wildcat joined more than 2,000 Tucsonans for the 2003 Earth Day Festival and Parade downtown Saturday.

The event, held three days before tomorrow's Earth Day, was a chance for Kristina Sides, 8, and her sister Stephanie,

6, of Tucson, to entertain themselves with a mock desert and river exhibit

"This is really fun. It teaches you to recycle things and don't litter," Kristina Sides said.

"Yeah and it shows you to keep things really nice and clean and pretty," Stephanie Sides said.

The festivities also included a parade consisting of floats and groups from various organizations, including the Boy Scouts, Brownies, Tucson Electric Power and Sun Tran.

All floats used alternative fuel or non-motorized vehicles.

Musical acts also entertained the crowd.

Performer "Black man" Clay Adams marched in the parade playing several instruments. At one point Adams played three flutes at once.

"Music makes people smile," said Adams, who simultaneously played a slide whistle in his mouth and two recorders in his nose, one in each nostril.

The festival, which was put on by the Tucson Parks Foundation, was partially sponsored by Home Depot. Some UA

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## UA engineers create octopi tracking device

By Josh Sills  
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UA students and researchers have taken their research to new depths — to the bottom of the ocean.

The result is a new device called "Shadow III" that will help scientists track giant pacific octopi in their natural habitat.

According to mechanical engineering professor Emeritus Tom Vincent, the device will sit on the ocean floor and photograph an octopus when it becomes active.

"Most of the time I think (Shadow III) will be at the bottom of the ocean," Vincent said "I think we'll get pictures of tentacles from it attacking (Shadow III)."

Shadow III will "know" to take pictures when sonar transmissions it emits are received by a device attached to the octopus, Vincent said.

To develop the tracking device, UA researchers and students worked in collaboration with the Colorado School of Mines and Alaska Pacific University.

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