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New ticket system unveiled

Softball, women's basketball, volleyball, baseball will cost \$4

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In order to get into sporting events for free or be eligible to buy lower level men's basketball tickets next year, students will now have to purchase a \$35 Zona Zoo Sports Pass.

The pass, which goes on sale tomorrow, will grant holders membership into the Zona Zoo, a student spirit section at athletic events, which would in turn allow for free entrance into home football, volleyball, women's basketball, softball and baseball games.

According to ASUA senator and Zona Zoo chairman Peter Wand, the proposal will act as a bonus for students who support all UA athletic teams.

"It's a reward for those students who supported the program for a long time," Wand said.

UA Assistant Athletics Director Scott MacKenzie said the Associated Students of the University of Arizona proposal was met with enthusiasm by the athletics department.

In the fall, admission to volleyball, women's basketball, softball and baseball games will cost \$4 without the Zona Zoo Sports Pass, whereas in the past those events were free with a CatCard.

However, according to MacKenzie, the admission cost will not generate a great amount of money for the athletics department, which is slated to become financially independent from UA this summer.

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Psych prof honored for Gen Ed class

By Tessa Hill
STAFF WRITER

Suzanne Delaney remembers what it's like to be a college student.

And she knows the impact an instructor can have on a college student.

As an Individuals and Societies 101 course instructor, students and colleagues for years have recognized Delaney as a teacher with passion and true interest in the success of her students. But she received formal recognition last night when she was awarded one of four Provost's General Education Teaching Awards.

Selected by the University General Education Committee for the award only open to general education instructors, Delaney's innovative teaching strategies, commitment to her students and ability to relate to students is what some of her colleagues said set her apart from the rest.

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Anthropology junior Mariannette Pascal and husband Eric spend the day at Himmel Park with their 10-month-old daughter Isabel.

Group looks to start UA childcare co-op

By Shelley Shelton
STAFF WRITER

Two student-parents have founded a support group to help offset what they see as the shortcomings of the university's limited childcare resources.

The group, called Babycats, is the brainchild of psychology senior Lisa Elliott, 39, and anthropology junior Mariannette Pascal, 26. The women met at an off-campus playgroup.

UA is not meeting the needs of student-parents, Elliott said, adding that students have been left to create their own resources.

"There are no resources for parents," said Elliott, who has a 20-month-old son. "What I'm hoping for with this group is to have a babysitting co-op, group study sessions and maybe some kind of toy and clothing exchange."

There are no places for parents to stay with their children between classes, she said, noting that the addition of diaper stations and nursing couches would be beneficial.

"I've lucked out," said Pascal, the mother of a 10-month-old daughter. "I haven't had to bring my daughter to class but I have brought her for other

activities. Mainly I get dirty looks from other students, and I'm not sure where that animosity comes from."

The Babycats meetings, every Saturday at Himmel Park, are intended to be a forum where parents can exchange ideas about issues like this, the founders said.

"Before I had children, 'friends' had such a different definition," Pascal said. "We really want to form a support network. I can't imagine not having friends around or other parents to talk to."

A support network is necessary for the child's, and the parent's, well being, Elliott said.

"My personal belief is that when people lack resources and education and support services, that's when child abuse tends to happen," she said.

As a member of the Commission on the Status of Women, which is working on a white paper about childcare that will be finished in May, Elliott said that the issue reaches further than simple inconvenience for student-parents.

"A significant amount of students drop out because of childcare," she said. While the exact statistics are not yet available, she said the white paper will

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Sigma Chi loses charter

By Cara O'Connor
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The Dean of Students withdrew university recognition of Sigma Chi fraternity for six years following an investigation of hazing violations that included forcing pledges to eat cans of beans even after they vomited.

The hazing activities occurred on or around Jan. 8, said Associate Dean of Students Veda Kowalski.

Fraternity members forced pledges to perform calisthenics as well as clean, paint and repair the fraternity house. Three pledges were also forced to sit inside a walk-in freezer for an undisclosed period of time, Kowalski said.

Kowalski began investigating the fraternity after Greek Life reported an anonymous call to the hazing hotline. The investigation concluded April 11.

The fraternity will appeal the suspension to a hearing board composed of students, faculty and staff, Kowalski said. Sandra Taylor, vice president for campus life, will review the hearing board's decision before making a final ruling on the fraternity's fate.

The fraternity also risks losing its national charter, pending a decision by the national organization's executive committee of students and alumni. Losing the charter would mean that the organization would not be recognized in any official capacity.

"In most cases where a chapter loses recognition or is suspended from a university, the executive committee will

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UA program gets kids on campus

Arizona Youth University provides summer classes

By Devin Simmons
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A new UA program will give grade school students the opportunity to go to college this summer, without having to worry about grades.

The Arizona Youth University, sponsored by the UA Extended University, is a collection of classes and camps for Tucson grade-schoolers, said Helen Macdonald, program coordinator.

"During the summer, there just (aren't) a lot of things available for kids across town," Macdonald said. "This is a great opportunity for kids to be exposed to a class-one university setting."

The youth program, which is building on the success of a previous program called SEEK (Summer Education and Enrichment for Kids), will feature a variety of classes and

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