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Campus buildings defaced by graffiti

By Rebekah Kleinman News Editor

An unidentified person or persons spraypainted various phrases on UA buildings and possibly an underpass yesterday, but some students reported seeing the graffiti Wednesday.

A student called UAPD yesterday from an emergency call box located on the southwest corner of the Music building. The student said he saw a man in a black hooded sweatshirt spray-painting a wall of the Mines building, 1235 E. North Campus Drive.

After arriving at the scene, police learned that seven other buildings and the Olive underpass, which runs beneath East Speedway Boulevard, had also been tagged, reports stated.

The phrases, written in black spray-paint, ranged from "UA needs affirmative action" on the Mines building, to "UAPD we're

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Sex classes offer forum on hot topic

By Bob Purvis Staff Writer

ASUA inducts officers

New president Benedict looks to increase spirit on campus, has high aspirations for ASUA next year

> By Aaron Mackey Staff Writer

Amidst tears and smiles, former ASUA student body President Doug Hartz presented newly elected president J.P. Benedict with the keys to his office yesterday, during the inauguration of ASUA elected officials. "It's been an amazing ride," Hartz said of the past year. Hartz spoke highly of Benedict, adding that Benedict has many late nights in his office ahead of him. In addition to presenting Benedict with the keys, Hartz gave him the ASUA field hockey stick, the ASUA spirit stick and a bit of advice.

"This you have to guard with your life," Hartz said of the spirit stick.

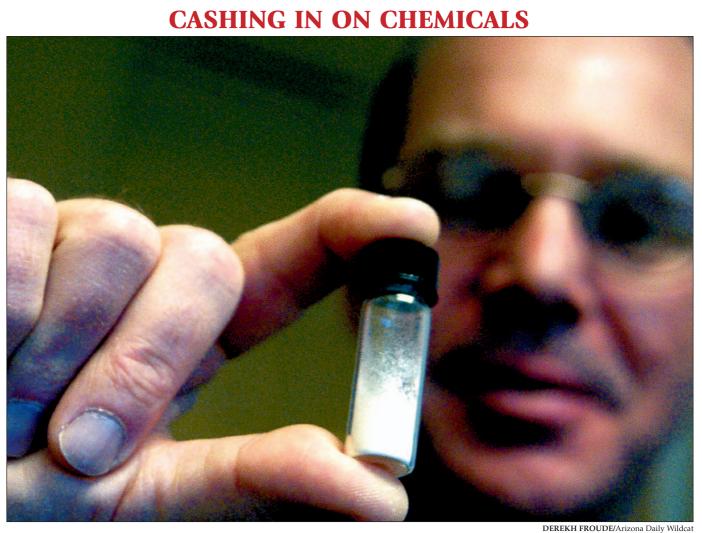
In turn, Benedict commended Hartz for his actions during the past year, citing the largest tuition increase UA has ever faced and the Nursing school shootings as very stressful events for the president.

"He's been a role model," Benedict said. Benedict, who has shadowed Hartz for the past month, said he was excited to finally have the opportunity to be in the position.

"Ahead of us, we look forward to some of the same issues," Benedict said in his inaugural address.

Benedict spoke of his new vision for ASUA in which students' school spirit and

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Robert Green, the president of The Integrated Biomolecule Corporation, holds out a vial which is valued at about \$24,000 for its 100 milligram contents. Green moved into the Science and Technology park almost 10 years ago and is preparing his company to move on to a building in Oro Valley.

Sex may be common on college campuses, but some UA students still blush at the content of classes that aren't shy when it comes to discussing the original sin.

Laura Celmins, an astronomy sophomore, took a class taught by professor Albrecht Classen last semester entitled "Eroticism in the Middle Ages." She said that although the class content was less risqué than the name might imply, many students were there for one thing and one thing only.

"It's a literature-based class, but a lot of students there didn't know anything about literature," Celmins said. "They were just there for the sex."

Classen's class is one of the most popular general education courses and is always quick to fill.

"This class deals with one of the fundamental issues of life, literature and culture," Classen said. "It's not too graphic or titillating."

Classen said, however, that the class name

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Hoping to make bank from biotech

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Editor's note: This is the second in a two-part series on UA research in biosciences.

By Jeff Sklar Senior Writer

n a recent trip to Washington, D.C., Dr. Ray Woosley had a conversation with a person he described as a prominent national scientist.

When the discussion turned to biosciences research, the scientist asked Woosley, UA's vice president for health sciences, about the state's decision to step

up its research in the life sciences.

The reason: the scientist wanted in.

"He asked, 'What's going on in Arizona?'" Woosley said. "Is there room out there for us?"

That response is typical of what UA and state officials hope to hear as biosciences research becomes a high priority in Arizona. And though UA is spending nearly \$120 million to construct two buildings that would house biosciences researchers, they expect a return investment their on that will stretch far beyond the university's walls.

Playing catch-up

Few people at UA will say the university conducts research to make money. But it doesn't take much to get administrators talking about the return they're looking to get on their biotechnology investment.

Ask anyone in the medical field how to judge a university's research prestige, and they'll say it's through competitive grants

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 Biotech needs private not public funds, Goldwater Institute says

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