

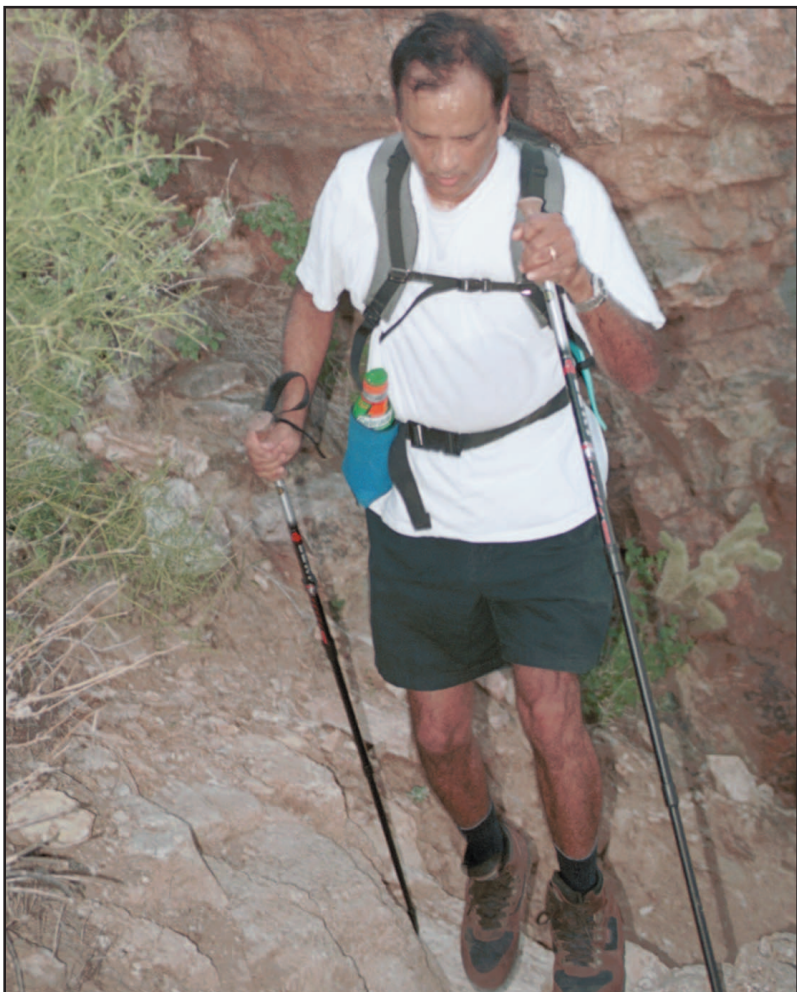
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Ramon Umashankar, assistant dean in the college of engineering and mines, hikes through the Catalina mountain range early Friday morning. Umashankar is in the process of training for his Sept. 23 ascent of Mt. Kilimanjaro, a hike he is taking to raise money for a memorial dedicated to his late son.

Step by step

Assistant dean to raise funds on
Kilimanjaro to memorialize his son

BY STEPHANIE SCHWARTZ
Staff Writer

A UA employee is about to embark on a journey to the top of Africa's tallest mountain in the name of his late son.

In less than a month, Ray Umashankar, assistant dean of industrial relations for the college of engineering and mines, will begin the 19,453 foot climb up Mt. Kilimanjaro to raise money for a scholarship fund in his son's memory.

He hopes to raise \$100,000 to create an endowed scholarship in memory of his son, a UA student who took his own life more than a decade ago while suffering from depression.

The idea for the Naren Umashankar Memorial Scholarship

Endowment and the hike came from three of Naren's closest friends after the recent tenth anniversary of Naren's death.

The Umashankar family and family friends want the scholarship to cover tuition for two UA resident students on an annual basis.

Umashankar's climb up the peak will begin on Sept. 23. The goal is to raise enough money to start the scholarship and continue it from year to year.

In order to reach this goal, Umashankar needs to raise approximately \$5.15 per foot.

Kilimanjaro is a big mountain, even for Umashankar, a solidly built man who has experience on Mt. Everest.

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ResLife taking steps to make halls safer

BY KRISTINA DUNHAM
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On the doors of La Paz Residence Hall signs that read: "Do you like loud, annoying and obnoxious sounds?" confront residents as they come and go.

The signs are posted to warn residents about holding the doors open too long—something that can allow strangers to enter the halls. The alarm system that will sound if a door is held open is one of the latest of several new security features that school officials hope will make living in residence halls safer.

In addition to the wired

doors at La Paz, residence halls across campus are under a lockdown, with at least all the exterior doors being locked 24 hours.

Police presence has also been stepped up and students have been instructed to follow some steps that department of Residence Life director Jim Van Arsdel calls "simply a matter of common sense and behavior."

Van Arsdel said that there are a handful of ways students living in the residence halls can to ensure their own safety, as well as that of their neighbors, such as not propping doors open, not allowing people they do not know into

the buildings and politely challenging anyone who looks like they do not belong in the halls by asking that person what his or her business is there.

Resident assistants held mandatory meetings in all the halls Sunday night, in which they informed residents of what roles everyone in the halls needs to play.

"The RAs gave us the rules and regulations and a lot of information about what's on campus," Emily Prendergast, a microbiology freshman and resident in Kaibab-Huachuca Residence Hall, said. "I feel

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Police: Rape suspect may still be in Tucson

Number of officers searching for accused rapist James Allen Selby reduced as police receive fewer leads on his whereabouts

BY JAMES KELLEY
Staff Writer

Although police have scaled down the search for suspected serial rapist James Allen Selby, police warn he may be in the Tucson area.



James Allen Selby
accused rapist

The number of TPD officers searching for Selby has dropped from 25 to 10.

"We don't have as many detectives and officers on it 24-seven as we did," said Kathy Wendling Tucson Police Department Public Information Officer. "We are still responding to calls and sightings," she said.

The number of tips and sightings has also fallen recently, giving police fewer leads to follow, Wendling said.

The Tucson Police Department charged the 35-year-old Selby with attempted murder, three

counts of sexual assault, one count of aggravated assault and one count of kidnapping in connection with four campus area assaults beginning last October. Selby was charged on Aug. 16, the day of his last confirmed sighting in Tucson.

"We have no reason to believe he has left, no other town has spotted him," Wendling said. "We are still investigating as if he is in town," she said.

Selby has not been identified as a suspect in the University of Arizona Police Department's case at this time, said UAPD Commander Brian Seastone.

Selby is a suspect in a number of sexual assaults nearby campus, but not on the UA campus.

Selby, who was featured on the television show "America's Most Wanted," is the subject of multi-state manhunt where he is suspected to be responsible for 15 sex crimes over the past four years, in San Diego, Nevada and Oklahoma due to DNA evidence.

"The decision has no effect on us, regardless of how many detectives are on the case, our communications with TPD doesn't stop," said Seastone, who said he cannot comment on how

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Salvaged bell to ring again

USS Arizona artifact will play central role in Sept. 11 ceremony

BY RACHEL WILLIAMSON
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After being salvaged from a sunken battleship in Pearl Harbor, almost melted for raw material and hidden in the old UA clock tower, the now-visible USS Arizona bell will toll once again on Sept. 11.

The bell is one of two sal-

vaged from the sunken USS Arizona battleship, which sunk on Dec. 7, 1941, and it is now visible in the clock tower of the Student Union Memorial Center.

It will ring out during a Sept. 11 ceremony on the UA Mall.

But the bell almost met a much different end. In 1944, during World War II, the bell was scheduled to be melted for raw material needed at the time.

Bill Bowers, a 1927 UA graduate and a captain of the United States Army at the time, noticed the bell in a crate. He thought of the his alma mater — UA.

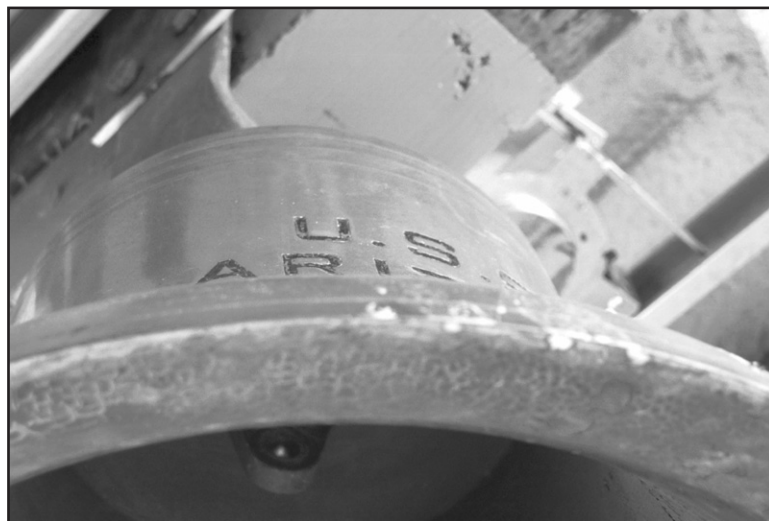
"I just thought that there's only one place for this bell," Bowers said.

The bell was delivered to the university in 1946.

A few years later, the bell was placed in the clock tower of the Memorial Student Union. Although the bell could be heard after each UA sports victory against out-of-state teams, it was never seen.

Ninety-nine-year-old Bowers will be the first to ring the historical bell this year on Sept. 11.

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DAVID HARDEN/ARIZONA DAILY WILDCAT
This bell, one of two rescued from the USS Arizona, is now visible in the clock tower of the Student Union Memorial Center. The bell will begin tolling again as part of a special ceremony on Sept. 11.