

REMEMBERING TRAGEDY



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UA President Peter Likins, ASUA President J.P. Benedict, and Mayor Bob Walkup observe a moment of silence at yesterday's Memorial on the mall.

Campus remembers 9/11

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Members of the campus community gathered on the UA Mall yesterday morning to honor the memories of those who lost their lives on Sept. 11, 2001, with a moment of silence.

At 9:11 a.m. a single chime of the U.S.S. Arizona memorial bell signaled the beginning of one minute of silence.

Over 500 students, faculty, and Tucson community members bowed their heads in somber reflection and prayer.

President Peter Likins expressed to those gathered the pride he felt for the way the campus handled the terrorist attacks two years ago.

"This community came together on that day and the next day and the days that followed," he said. "We are one

family at this university — a family from all over the world."

Likins said he believes that the feeling of solidarity remains on campus.

"We are one university and we will always be so," he said.

Republican Mayor Bob Walkup said that one of the first phone calls he made on the morning of the attacks was to the university.

He said he remembers Likins telling him that the university was shocked, but together.

Walkup congratulated students for remaining calm and confident in the days, months, and now years following the tragedy.

J.P. Benedict, president of ASUA, encouraged a continued sense of campus community, telling students, "God bless and bear down."

Pete Seat, president of the College

Republicans, who led the crowd in the Pledge of Allegiance said he hoped the event offered students an opportunity to remember what happened and how they felt two years ago.

"It's so we never forget that thousands of lives were lost that day," said Seat.

"As it gets farther away we want to make sure it's always in the back of our minds," he said.

Seat compared the events of Sept.11, 2001, to the assassination of President John F. Kennedy in 1963.

"Our parents and grandparents will always remember where they were when Kennedy was shot. We'll always remember where we were when the twin towers were hit. It's a defining moment for our generation," he said.

Pre-education freshman Alicia

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Police look to curb bid night parties

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Bid night partygoers beware.

UAPD officers will be out in force patrolling the campus in an attempt to prevent the complications that arise when alcohol and students mix.

The "party patrol", which consists of six UAPD officers, will focus on keeping parties safe while enforcing drinking laws. With fraternities holding bid night parties tonight, fraternity houses will be prime targets.

"The purpose is to handle any crimes that result on campus, and close to campus, from UA students partying on bid night, or any other nights that there are groups of UA students that are drinking alcohol," said Sgt. Eugene Mejia, UAPD spokesman.

Mejia said that because there is a direct correlation between alcohol consumption and criminal activity, fraternity bidnight calls for additional help from police. The outlying campus areas will also be patrolled, and officers on the patrol might be called in to help elsewhere.

"They can be yanked off the party patrol because they are working for the university in a patrol capacity," he said. "Their main function is to ensure the safety of the people partying."

The patrol will have a number of officers on motorcycles, in squad cars and on bicycles. Mejia said this would give UAPD additional coverage to protect students, even those not drinking.

"We know there are going to be a lot of people on bid night socializing, but not everybody will be drinking," he said. "We want to make sure everybody on campus is safe."

The Interfraternity Council and Greeks Advocating Mature Management of Alcohol will also provide additional support for student safety.

Clint Walls, IFC vice president of public affairs, said tonight's midnight will be the same as years past.

"This is a pretty typical rush week, pretty typical midnight," he said. "Nothing major has changed in the GAMMA policies in the past year."

Both IFC and GAMMA work in conjunction with UAPD to ensure that minors are not drinking and that uninvited guests are not allowed.

Fraternities are expected to provide guest lists to IFC and GAMMA before the party and notify UAPD before the party.

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Activists kept out of Bir Zeit University

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Tighter Israeli restrictions on American student activists who want to study in the Palestinian territories might have been the reason a former UA student could not enter Israel, said the chairman of a U.S. based group that supports Bir Zeit University.

Since a student-protester from Olympia, Wash., was killed during a protest in Israel last March, student access to the country has been scarcer, said Fred Ajlouni, a lawyer and chairman of Friends of Bir Zeit University.

"They'll really scrutinize American students," Ajlouni said. "The student really has to prove to them that they are interested in studying."

According to the registrar's office, when

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Campaign Arizona set to meet funding goal

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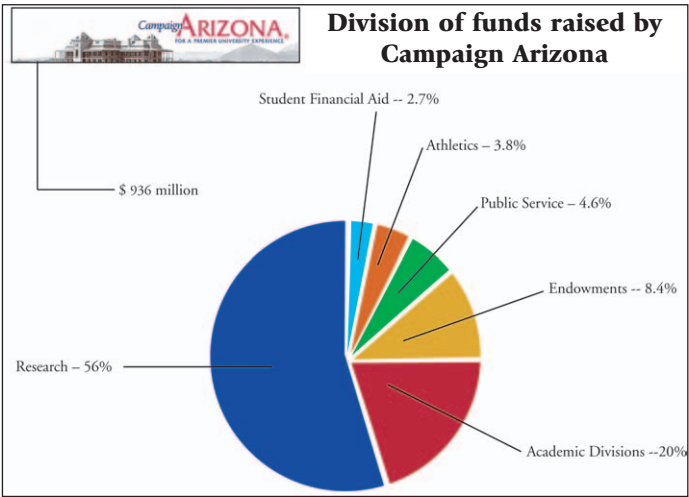
Campaign Arizona, the most ambitious fundraising effort the UA has ever undertaken, is on track to meet its \$1 billion goal, more than a year ahead of schedule.

By June 30, the latest date for which figures are available, donation totals had reached \$954 million, said Dana Wier, spokeswoman for the University of Arizona Foundation, the fundraising arm of the university that oversees Campaign Arizona.

That's about \$200 million more than the June 2002 total.

"All indications are that the campaign will surpass \$1 billion by the end of the calendar year," said Tom Sanders, executive director of Campaign Arizona.

When the program and its goal were first announced in



October 2000, there was some public skepticism about it, Sanders said.

"One billion dollars was an intimidating goal when we began this," said President Peter Likins, adding that the UA had never raised that much money for anything before.

Yet, every year since Campaign Arizona began, it has broken the record for the most amount of money the UA has ever raised in a year. Not even the recession that began in 2001 nor the terror attacks on Sept.11 stopped it from growing, even as fundraising efforts at other institutions suf-

fered, Likins said.

"The university's not sitting back, taking a beating. We're trying to help ourselves. People have lost jobs, they've lost fortunes in this economy, and yet we're continuing to do all right with this," he said.

Likins said the original idea was to raise \$1 billion in eight years, but the fundraising will not end when the billion-dollar mark is achieved.

"Once we blow past our goal, that doesn't mean we're going to stop raising money for the campaign," he said.

There are still smaller goals to meet, he said.

These goals include more endowed faculty positions, student scholarships, research funding, and new or improved buildings.

According to Weir, 56 percent of the funds have been allocated for research. Another

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