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Library school gets $20,000

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A major fundraising campaign, which began after the School of Information Resources and Library Science found out it was slated for elimination, has landed the school a $20,000 donation.

The donation came last spring in honor of former professor Armando Troja to aid the Knowledge River Program, which targets American Indian and Hispanic students.

The Knowledge River Program enables students to study information resources and technology issues related to American Indians and Hispanics.

The money from the Troja Endowment Foundation will be split in half in order to fund two projects. The first $10,000 will be used for student scholarships, said Pat Tarin, SIRLS project director. The other half will be used to start an endowment that will continue to award scholarships to minorities interested in SIRLS.

“We’re trying to recruit more Latinos into the library community,” Tarin said.

SIRLS, which was one of the schools the administrators initially planned to cut as part of Focused Excellence until they scrapped the proposal a few months later, draws students from all over the country. It also has the largest number of minority graduate students at the UA, Tarin said.

The school has decided to name a Troja Fellow each semester as an expression of its gratitude towards Troja and the foundation he started, said Fabio Meza Aguirre, associate director of the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences.

Tarin said the general requirements for the fellowship are that the student is Latino, bilingual and has shown a commitment to working within the community.

This year, the Troja Fellow is Leigh Guerrieri, who is pursuing a master’s degree from SIRLS. Troja was a professor emeritus at the university. He founded the Knowledge River Program.

Students give legal help in ice cream case

By Greg Holt
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Seven UA law students are taking the side of a local ice cream store in its feud with Baskin-Robbins, the world’s largest chain of ice cream specialty stores.

Baskin-Robbins is suing Jo Jenson, owner of Santa Barbara Ice Creamery located at 2502 N. Campbell Ave. just north of East Grant Road, for copyright infringement because her store sold an ice cream cake in a Baskin-Robbins box.

“I primarily wanted to do it just to help her out. It’s a small business against a huge company,” said Ryan Hurley, one of the law students assisting Jensen’s attorney, Cornelia Walls Flachbar.

Hurley said he found out through the law school’s career services that a local attorney was looking for research help with the case. Being a regular customer at Santa Barbara, he already knew of the fight against Baskin-Robbins.

Jenson is not new to legal battles with the world’s largest chain of ice cream stores. She ran a Baskin-Robbins franchise on the site for 16 years, only to be stripped of her franchise when the corporate office deemed the location undesirable.

To stay in business, Jenson began to supply her store with McConnell’s Fine Ice Cream of Santa Barbara, a popular brand in California.

In a lawsuit three years ago, Baskin-Robbins claimed that Jensen violated a clause in her franchise contract that stated she could not run an ice cream store on the same location for two years after losing the Baskin-Robbins franchise. She sold the store to a friend and continued to work as an employee until the two years passed by.

“In the first lawsuit, they didn’t want a store in this location anymore. Now, three years later after road construction is finished, they’re looking for a new location,” Jenson said.

Jenson once again will face Baskin-Robbins in court because she packaged some ice cream cakes in boxes left over from the days she operated the Baskin-Robbins franchise.

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Scientists watch Galileo crash into Jupiter

By Ashley Nowe
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Highland complex officially opened

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More than 150 faculty, staff and students squashed into the shade of a few newly planted trees on Friday for the ceremonial ribbon cutting at the new multi-million dollar Highland district.

To commemorate the grand opening of the district, located at 501 N. Highland Ave., President Peter Likins cut the yellow ribbon, which stretched across a glass encased model of the yet to be completed $39.7 million dollar project.

The district, which is located near the Student Recreation Center, will include three new residence halls, Campus Health Services, and the Disability Resource Center.

“Sooner than we realize the buildings will be done and the grass will be growing,” Likins said. “This area will become a rich space where young and old can come to learn about each other and themselves.”

Ranko Buzic, an architect for ARE, the firm contracted to design the district, said his design was driven by the desire to make this area a home away from home. 