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A capella group uses underpass to perform

By Erin Schmidt STAFF WRITER

Who knew underpasses could be so useful.

Not only do they provide a safe way for people to get from one side of the street to another, they apparently are the perfect place for a concert.

Catacoustic Groove, a seven-man a cappella group will be holding a free two-hour concert tonight at 7 p.m. in the Olive underpass, near the McClelland hall.

Bruce Bayly, a mathematics associate professor and a bass singer in the group, said they have been practicing in the underpass for years.

"We love performing in there," Bayly said. "We don't need amplifiers because the acoustics are so great."

Catacoustic Groove members consider themselves an a cappella rock group that sings anything from soul to rhythm and blues to doo-wop songs.

Each of the seven members likes to sing different music, bringing different tastes and styles to the final composition, Bayly said.

"My favorite songs to sing are Beatles songs," Bayly said. "I think that is because I may be the only one who is old enough to remember who the Beatles are."

Jay Lehman, a second tenor for the group and undeclared sophomore, said variety is stressed when picking the song list.

"We sing for two hours and no one wants to hear two hours of doo-wop," Lehman said. "We like to sing anything from an Irish tune we sing in Gaelic, to Van Morrison."

Catacoustic Groove began in 1993 when then playwright and UA student, Michael Craig, and one of his friends were working together at a local sub shop, Lehman said.

It didn't take long for them to see that they liked singing and wanted to form a group. By word of mouth and flyers placed around the campus other members were

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KELLEY KARNES/State Press (Arizona State University) Regent Donald Ulrich addresses concerns about any fees that will be passed on to students

Planning school fights for existence

University of Arizona, Tucson

By Shelley Shelton SENIOR WRITER

TEMPE — A sea of red confronted those who attended the Arizona Board of Regents meeting in Tempe yesterday, as about 35 supporters from the UA School of Planning sported red T-shirts reading, "Save the School of Planning.

State Sen. Gabrielle Giffords (D-Tucson) joined community leaders to voice opposition to the school's proposed elimination under Focused Excellence.

"I am here today, not as a state senator, but as a person who is truly passionate about planning," said Giffords, who holds a master's degree in planning.

"Because I am a legislator with a background in planning, I am aware of the importance of your decision about this department," she said.

Giffords cited a list of the school's accomplishments, including the fact that enrollment has tripled in just a few years and the school has a record of 100 percent job placement for its graduates.

"Planning is essentially an invisible profession," she said, adding that people are unaware of planning until something goes wrong.

Planners are responsible for things like sewage and water systems and designing roads for optimum traffic

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in the Nursing program yesterday at the ABOR meeting held in the ASU Memorial Union.

Regents to double number of nursing grads

By Tim Lake CONTRIBUTING WRITER

TEMPE — The Arizona Board of Regents unanimously approved a five-year plan yesterday to double the number of

nursing graduates in the state. The regents discussed the \$40.3 million plan at their meeting, which was held at ASU.

Of that, \$21.5 million will go

to the nursing program at the UA

The source of this funding is still uncertain but could come from the general fund, accelerated nursing program fees, and new and continued partnerships with hospitals, according to a summary of the plan presented to regents.

The accelerated nursing program is a 14-month program designed for those who wish to go into nursing and already have

"It's the most comprehensive work development program in the state," said Regent Don Ulrich.

New fees for nursing students the accelerated program in would be paid for by the healthcare industry, said Ulrich.

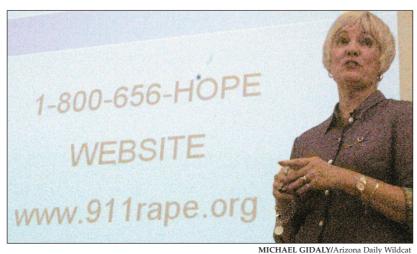
When Regent Gary Stuart

asked if this would solve the nursing shortage in Arizona, the panel presenting the plan said it would take nearly three times the number of current nursing graduates for the state to reach the already low national average.

In addition to the five-year plan, the regents discussed policoncerning off-campus cies

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Mother's speech offers support, advice



Andrea Fuller Cooper, mother of former Delta Delta Delta member Kristen Cooper speaks at a meeting to raise awareness of date rape on college campuses.

By Andrea Kelly CONTRIBUTING WRITER

About 600 students listened last night as a mother told the story of her daughter's rape and suicide in order to educate them about how to help loved ones who have been raped.

Andrea Fuller Cooper, whose daughter committed suicide in 1995 after being raped, was invited to speak to UA students on the various ways to support a loved one if rape does occur and how to prevent depression before it leads to suicide.

"I never dreamed I would lose my child to suicide," Cooper said. "I was not able to help my daughter, but I hope I will be able to help someone in this room."

The FBI estimates that one out of every three

women will be raped in her lifetime, and 30 percent of all rape victims contemplate suicide afterwards, Cooper said.

Suicide is the third leading cause of death among people 18 to 24 years old, following accidents and homicides, Cooper said.

Kristin, Cooper's daughter, was raped by someone she knew. She never told her parents, but did share her experience and her depression with friends from high school and her sorority sisters in Alpha Chi Omega at Baker University in Kansas City, Kan.

Cooper said that 85 percent of those who are raped know their attacker.

Family and friends need to pay close attention to the needs of someone who has just been

a bachelor's degree.