Local police plan forum on student drinking

By Ty Young

UAPD and Tucson police will join forces to address student drinking, but this time there will be no arrests.

Republican City Councilwoman Kathleen Dunbar is hosting a forum on student drinking, which will include students and police as well as campus-area neighbors. The forum, addressing the conflicts between students and campus-area neighbors, will be held at 7 p.m. in the North Ballroom of the Student Union Memorial Center. Students and community members are encouraged to join. Dunbar said:

Students need to have fun and let loose, said Dunbar.

But her Ward 3 constituents are not happy with the vandalism, loud parties and trash left behind after parties near campus, she said.

"It's not unusual for students to go out and party at 10 o'clock and come back at 2 or 3 in the morning with their cars screeching and their stereo bumping," she said. "But what about the family next door with children who want to sleep at 9?"

With the help of Tucson Police Department representatives, including Capt. John Leavitt and UAPD Chief Anthony Daykin, Dunbar hopes that students will come and voice their concerns.

"I know most of them are going to say that it's harassment," she said. "But it is a quality of life issue, and students need to understand that there are families living around them."

Dunbar has also invited a former neighborhood association president to address students and their questions.

Some students are already planning to attend.

Pre-business sophomores Grant Sahag and Eric Enger think that neighborhood relations are difficult because of the difference in perspectives. As residents of Entrada Real apartments, on the northeast corner of North Stone Avenue and East University Boulevard, they see parties and police at their complex every week.

This, Enger said, is problematic because res-

Campus heights awareness

By Devin Simmons

At any moment Saundra Taylor will get a call notifying her that there has been a disaster.

"No one knows when it will be," said Taylor, senior vice president of campus life and chair of the Campus Emergency Response Team.

Fortunately, in this case it is just a drill.

At some point this semester the Tucson Police Department, in conjunction with UAPD, will stage a mock disaster. It could be anything: an explosion, a bio-terrorism attack, a shooting.

The drill is designed to test the emergency response systems at the UA, most specifically in the CERT network, Taylor said.

"This is designed to test the community's plans in case of a disaster, to find the strengths and weaknesses," Taylor said. "An amazing amount of planning has gone into this. We don't want to do it in a way that is so real it scares people."

For most people, horror is seen only on TV, in the form of an airplane crashing into a skyscraper, or a car bomb ripping through a crowded market. It's real but kept at a safe distance.

But for those in the College of Nursing, and for the university as a whole, the new reality is that you are never safe, and that you must prepare yourself for the worst.

"You are not totally safe, not ever," said Stephanie Schneck, a pre-pharmacy sophomore.

One year ago today, Robert S. Flores Jr., a disgruntled nursing student, military