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Likins: Expect more tuition hikes

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Students should expect to see a series of large tuition increases in upcoming years, President Peter Likins said yesterday, reiterating his plans to ask for tuition to be set at the 33rd percentile of major state universities.

In a wide-ranging interview with the *Arizona Daily Wildcat* editors, Likins and Provost George Davis said students should expect the UA's tuition to continue rising as universities around the country raise theirs.

Likins said, as he has previously, that beginning this year, he will ask the Arizona Board of Regents

to set tuition at the level equivalent to the top of the bottom third of senior public universities.

Last year's \$1,000 tuition increase didn't bring Arizona's universities to this level. Had the regents wanted to reach it, they would have had to raise tuition by \$1,260 instead of \$1,000.

That means students should

expect at least a \$260 increase next year, depending on where other universities have set their tuition this year.

"The size will be dependent on what other universities do," said Davis, who will assume the title of executive vice president and provost on Monday.

No matter how large the

increase necessary to reach the top of the bottom one third, Likins said he will ask for it when regents set tuition for the 2004-2005 school year.

"If that's \$500, I'll ask for \$500. If that's \$1,100, I'll ask for \$1,100."

In the interview, Likins and

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Police try to curtail big parties

Underage drinkers could face jail time if caught partying

By Ty Young
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As the first week of school comes to a close, students may find their weekend celebrations cut short.

The Tucson Police Department will be stepping up their patrol of off-campus parties over the entire semester, with the intention of reducing violence in the campus area.

"We're going to be paying much more attention to youth alcohol abuse than we have in the past," said Tucson Police Capt. John Leavitt, commander of the Mid-Town Division.

Officers believe the key is controlling the alcohol consumption of the younger residents of the area.

"It has become clear to us that youth alcohol abuse is a key factor in youth violence," Leavitt said. "Our experience

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STAR SPOTTING



CHRIS CODUTO/Arizona Daily Wildcat

Photography freshman Emily Marchalonis gazes at a star in the Big Dipper over the UA Mall late last night, while Elizabeth Marchalonis, an architecture senior waits her turn.

Dorm PCs may get booted off network



JOSHUA SILLS/Arizona Daily Wildcat
Chris Huffman, an undeclared freshman received the Welchia worm on their dorm room computers in La Paz Hall.

By Dana Crudo
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Residence halls might be forced to shut down network connections to specific students who do not take actions against the computer viruses that have been plaguing susceptible computers.

Blaster and SoBig are the two main culprits, with SoBig being the fastest spreading virus ever recorded, affecting Microsoft Outlook, Outlook Express, and Web-based e-mail programs. Blaster affects Microsoft Windows NT, 2000, and XP.

The Blaster takes advantages of vulnerabilities in Windows, which Microsoft warned customers against in July, yet many people

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Many seats still open for CatFest

By Dana Crudo
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There might be more room to move around at this year's CatFest.

As of yesterday, only about 300 tickets had been picked up for Catfest, said Melanie Rainer, ASUA Vice President.

That leaves close to 2,000 tickets unclaimed.

Students might not be picking up tickets now because they plan to just walk up to the door the night of the

concert, Rainer said.

"Also, we've had this before, and it's always difficult with CatFest. It's the beginning of the year, and everyone's getting adjusted to their own schedule," she said.

Some students said they haven't bought tickets because they don't know anything about the concert.

"I really haven't heard or seen anything about Catfest, I haven't even heard students talking about it," said Evan

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