

UA student confirmed dead

Four still missing in Mexico boat mishap

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An aerial search resumed yesterday in Mexico's Gulf of California for four American fishermen missing more than a week.

The body of the fifth member of the group, Josh Howard, a mechanical-engineering freshman at UA, was found Sunday.

"I think we have pretty much deter-

mined this is going to be a search and retrieval," John Eckhoff, a family friend and spokesman for the families, said from Puerto Penasco, Mexico, where the search was being coordinated. "But we want to have closure for the family."

The search was concentrated southwest of Puerto Penasco, said Benjamin Ousley, a U.S. consular spokesman who was there to offer assistance. Ousley is based in Nogales, Mexico.

The men, all from Tucson, went to



Josh Howard

based in Hopper, 42, remained missing.

Puerto Penasco, also known as Rocky Point, to fish but were last seen Oct. 25. Their 24-foot catamaran was found capsized last Tuesday, some 80 miles southwest of Rocky Point.

Searchers found Howard wearing a life vest and tied to two empty ice chests that were being used to stay afloat.

Howard's father, Randy Howard, 47; Darryl Holland, 42; Mark Brinke, 47, and Carl

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Students to vote today in elections

By Greg Holt
STAFF WRITER

City-wide elections are being held today and ASUA is encouraging students to cast their ballots.

A shuttle service, organized by ASUA, will be transporting students to voting locations.

"This is a chance for students to get their voice heard," said Cara Harris, ASUA senator and shuttle coordinator. "We're just trying to get students more involved."

Voters will decide today if they want to keep Republican Bob Walkup as mayor or replace him with either Democrat and UA professor Tom Volgy or Libertarian Kimberly Swanson.

Also on the ballot today are propositions 200 and 201, a transportation initiative that will, if passed, improve Tucson's bus system and streets and install a light rail train in central Tucson.

Two passenger vans will pick up students at the turnaround in front of the UofA Bookstore and will operate between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

The shuttle service will transport students to their designated voting locations, so long as these locations are within the boundaries of River Road to the North, 22nd Street to the South, Craycroft Road to the East and Silverbell Road to the West.

"We're also trying to get people into voting mode for the upcoming presidential election," Harris said.

Voter registration will also be available for those students who show up to vote but have not yet registered.

"We have the registration out for those who want to vote but can't," Harris said. "There's a competition between UA, ASU and NAU to see who can get more students registered before the end of the year."

The shuttle service is paid for through the ASUA senate budget, and is also available to faculty, staff and any members of the community needing a ride to the polls, Harris said.

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OH BABY! HOMECOMING'S BACK



DAVID HARDEN/Arizona Daily Wildcat

Two-year-old Samir Rein tries to get out of a tube in an inflatable obstacle course on the Mall yesterday afternoon. The obstacle course is part of a weeklong series of homecoming events sponsored by the Bobcats. Look for expanded homecoming coverage in Friday's Wildcat.

Fraternity admits to bench theft

By Ty Young
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Police are investigating the Alpha Epsilon Pi fraternity after four pledges admitted to stealing benches and a table — university property — early Wednesday morning, police reports stated.

After the stolen items were found at the Alpha Epsilon Pi fraternity house, 1510 N. Vine Ave., the pledges told police that they stole the metal park bench from the UA Pharmacy building, 1703 E. Mabel St., and metal picnic table and benches from the UA Radiation Control Office, 1640 N. Vine St.

An employee from the Radiation Control Office notified police at 12:30 p.m. after he noticed the picnic table was missing from an engine shop.

Police also found cut marks in a cable lock that secured two additional benches to a pole, leading police to say they were also targets for theft, reports stated.

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Faculty Senate approves policy on students' disruptive behavior

By Jeff Sklar
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Faculty senators approved a policy yesterday that allows the Dean of Students office to discipline students who instructors say are disrupting classrooms.

The policy allows instructors to summon police if students act disruptively after being warned not to, and it allows for repeat offenders to be dropped from a class. Disruptive behavior includes, but isn't limited to; cell phone usage, arriving to class late or leaving early, eating and newspaper reading.

More serious offenses may lead to formal complaints being filed with the Dean of Students Office, which can then impose sanctions on the student, if necessary.

The policy's approval comes

only a week after the one-year anniversary of the shootings at the College of Nursing, in which a disgruntled student shot and killed three professors. The student, Robert S. Flores Jr., had been disruptive in class and exhibited threatening behavior toward teachers.

New students and faculty will be informed about the policy during orientation, said Senator Jeffrey Warburton.

Last year, the Dean of Students Office sent out a survey to the campus community to gauge what people consider to be disruptive behavior.

Based on the results, the UA produced a 12-minute video, "Arizona Idols," a humorous movie shown to incoming freshmen to heighten sensitivity toward disruptiveness.



HEATHER FAULAND/Arizona Daily Wildcat
Faculty Senator Jeffrey Warburton discusses a plan that would allow students who are disruptive during class to be disciplined by the Dean of Students Office. The senate approved the plan, which defines disruptive behavior as actions like talking on a cell phone, arriving late, leaving early and reading a newspaper.

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