

## TERROR-IFIC



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Members from the Tucson Fire Department HAZMAT team help to put a role player into a decontamination suit after the student was exposed to a white powder as part of an emergency readiness drill held yesterday in front of the Communication building.

## Students prepare for disaster

Police, ASUA hope campus disaster drill will increase awareness of university

By Dana Crudo  
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At 9:03 a.m. yesterday, a fire alarm sounded in the Communication building, signaling the start of the opening scene of UA's disaster drill.

Matt Harris, an Arizona Students of the University of Arizona senator, covered in white powder, pumped the stomach of an unconscious student while yelling phrases like "Holy cow, he is dead or something" and "I need some help," fol-

lowing his script for the first scene of yesterday's four-hour disaster drill.

Foot powder, a cold shower and stomach pumping were all part of Harris' day yesterday as he played "Peter Paramedic," who was supposed to try frantically to resuscitate his unconscious pledge brother.

He only had minutes to prepare for the drill.

"I know when I get angry I curse and scream at officers," Harris said.

In the end, Harris opted to leave out any bad words while he role-played.

"I decided not to curse. Good, uncorrupted kids might be watching this," he said.

ASUA Sen. Sara Birnbaum got into her role as a hysterical secretary as she stood in front of various TV cameras, cried over the dead student and blamed herself for his

death.

At another moment, she was pestering police officers.

"It was an interesting experience. It was fun to yell at cops without getting in trouble," Birnbaum said.

After fruitless attempts to save his friend, Harris was taken away to an isolated area for students contaminated by the powder.

"It doesn't smell like anything I have smelled before," Harris said as he tried to shake the powder from his shirt.

He continued playing his role, asking officers what the stuff was and shouting that he didn't want to die.

Police officers eventually told Harris to calm down and stop smelling the powder.

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## UA drill prepares campus for terror

By Ty Young  
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Brian White has a pretty good excuse for missing yesterday's psychology class.

After taking a shortcut through the back door of the Cesar E. Chavez building on his way to the Center for English as a Second Language building, he was stopped by a police officer who told him he might be contaminated with a dangerous chemical or biological substance.

He looked around and saw the entire area between the buildings surrounded by yellow caution tape. That's when he realized that he had unwittingly walked into the UAPD disaster drill.

"(The officer) told me that I was part of a crime scene, and he didn't want to touch me because he didn't want to get contaminated," said White, a veterinary science junior. "I knew there was something going on somewhere on campus, so I played along with it."

He was detained for about a half hour and was sent through a Hazmat decontamination tent positioned outside the Communication building.

"It wasn't that bad," he said. "I guess I'll find out Thursday if class was canceled."

Around 9 a.m. yesterday, the disaster drill was set into motion when somebody called 911 to report an unconscious student in the Communication building.

For the next three hours, UAPD, Tucson police, and other safety officials practiced their response to university-related disaster scenarios.

After police and emergency crews arrived at the scene, an envelope filled with a white powdery substance was delivered to the building.

Shortly after that, the police radios rang out with a report that a bomb was found inside the building.

As each scenario played out, the size of the crime area expanded.

The caution tape surrounding the Communication and CESL buildings was moved

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## UATV helps students find 'true love'

By Julie Wetmore  
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If you're looking to have fun or perhaps find true love, Keith Gonsalves suggests you make an appearance on the new UATV dating show "Mind or Body."

Since taping the show three weeks ago, Gonsalves, an anthropology and pre-medicine junior, is still hanging out with Kelly Hegarty, a pre-pharmacy and arts freshman.

Gonsalves gave her high marks when it came to looks, but said he chose her based solely on her personality.

"We hung out last weekend and we're just seeing what happens. He seems like a really good guy," Hegarty said.

The show's creator and producer was also happy with the outcome.

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## Olson teams with beer brewers to promote responsible drinking habits

By Nathan Tafoya  
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Arizonans tuning into their favorite radio stations may soon hear the voice of UA men's basketball coach Lute Olson, encouraging them to drink responsibly.

In a news conference yesterday, Olson announced he has teamed with the National Beer Wholesalers Association and Arizona beer wholesalers to make a public service announcement encouraging those under 21 not to drink alcohol, and those 21 and older to drink responsibly.

The 60-second announcement is part of an ongoing alcohol awareness campaign by

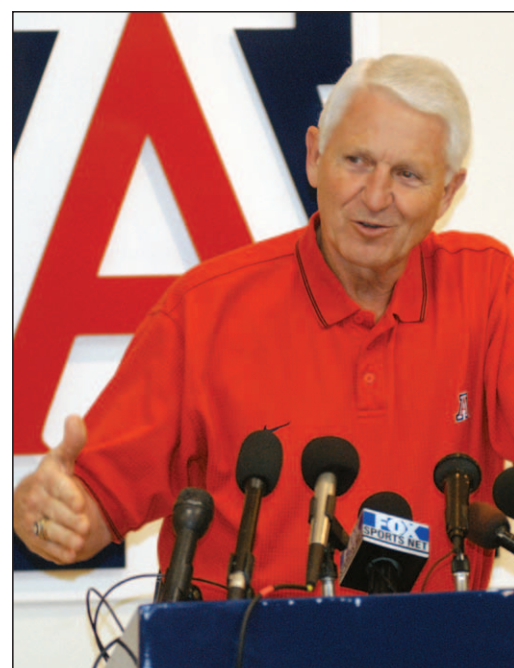
NBWA featuring sports celebrities, elected officials and entertainment figures.

Golden Eagle Distributors and Finley Distributing Co., the city's two largest wholesalers, had representatives at the conference.

"Local beer wholesalers recognize the critical role communication can play in discouraging irresponsible consumption of alcohol," said Kimberley Clements, executive vice president of sales and marketing for Golden Eagle Distributors.

"If it can make a difference in a few cases even, for me, why that's worthwhile," Olson said of the PSA.

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Men's basketball head coach Lute Olson announces his plans to participate in a public service announcement encouraging responsible drinking yesterday afternoon at the McKale Center.

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