

## A REAL GEM

# Mineral show rocks Tucson

Geosciences students educate local kids

By Jessica Lee  
STAFF WRITER

Rock hammer in hand and sporting sunglasses as protective eye gear, Theresa Kayzar smashes a large, clear quartz crystal, sending small shards shattering across a parking lot.

Kayzar, like many geologists, is wildly attached to her rock hammer.

"I've had it for 2 1/2 years. It is like my baby. I have a special place for it at home," Kayzar confessed, while wiping blood from her finger after being sliced by a sharp slice of quartz. "It is kinda burnt because I put it in lava in Hawaii."

Kayzar, a geosciences senior, joined other members of the UA Society of Earth Science Students to crush minerals into egg-size pieces for their Junior Education Exhibit at the annual Tucson Gem & Mineral Show this weekend at the Tucson Convention Center.

Lovers of rocks, minerals, gems and fossils flock from across the globe to the Old Pueblo to buy, sell and admire specimens made by the earth's natural processes.

For more than 10 years, SESS has put together the Junior Educational Exhibit, the only activity for children at the show, as a haven for youngsters to learn about rocks, planets, fossils and the geologic cycle.

SESS will give out approximately 48 buckets of 12 different types of minerals to kids at the show.

With thousands of school-age children and parents to work with, the SESS club will have help from others in the geosciences department and between 100 and 200 NATS students.

"Science has taken a beating in public schools. It is overlooked and underfunded, and it is good for the kids to get exposed to it," said Ben Norton, SESS president and geosciences senior.

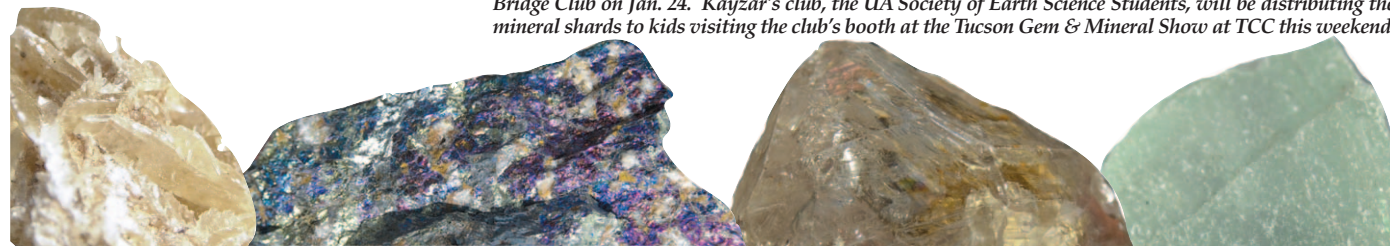
This year's Junior Educational Exhibit



WILL SEBERGER / Arizona Daily Wildcat

See GEMS/9

Theresa Kayzar, a geology senior, smashes a crystal into small fragments in the parking lot at the Tucson Bridge Club on Jan. 24. Kayzar's club, the UA Society of Earth Science Students, will be distributing the mineral shards to kids visiting the club's booth at the Tucson Gem & Mineral Show at TCC this weekend.



# Justice's UA visit prompts protest

Some students unhappy with Rehnquist's record

By Andrea Kelly  
STAFF WRITER

About 50 people protested outside Chief Justice William Rehnquist's class yesterday at the James E. Rogers College of Law.

The crowd gathered to oppose the rulings Rehnquist has handed down during his 16 years on the Supreme Court.

"It's not personal. We aren't protesting him as a person," said Meg MacDougal, a second-year law student. "We're protesting the negative effects he's had on the law."

The issues that were presented included abortion rights, affirmative action, homosexual rights, the death penalty and free speech.

Rehnquist teaches a two-week course on the history of the Supreme Court at the law school each spring. Law students can take the one-credit course and receive pass/fail credit. The class ends today.

Andrew Stevenson, a second-year law student, is a member of the National Lawyers Guild and was in Rehnquist's class. He said the protest was to get information out to people and to generate discussion about the issues Rehnquist has ruled on.

"It was the culmination of putting out information, asking students what they think about his rulings," Stevenson said. "We have to start thinking about both sides."

MacDougal said the protest was an important opportunity for students and the chief justice.

"It's really important to hear the locals' opinions when any public official travels," MacDougal said. "Students wouldn't have this opportunity in Washington, D.C."

See REHNQUIST/10

# Condom Olympics penetrates UA Mall

By Sarah Stanton  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

UA students threw, blew and were pelted with condoms during yesterday's Condom Olympics on the Mall as part of Sexual Responsibility Week.

Two teams with two people each headed off in a series of competitions, including a condom water-balloon toss, condom trivia and a latex tower challenge.

The trivia included multiple-choice questions like "What is the scientific name of a penis?" and "What is the most effective method of birth control?"

One of the participants guessed

that "withdrawal" was the most effective method of birth control, but most of the questions were answered correctly.

The audience and participants enjoyed the condom toss, though a water-filled condom hit one onlooker.

In the latex tower challenge, the teams tried to build the highest and most creative tower using condoms and dental dams.

One team blew up the condoms to add to their tower, which was made in the shape of a vagina.

Bridgette Gallagher, the special events director for the University Activities Board, said, "This event shows that sex can be fun but safe at the same time. It is a serious issue, but

that doesn't mean it can't be fun."

Onlookers were invited to sign a poster and pledge that they would have safer sex, and everyone was given flavored condoms.

The winners of the Olympics were given gift certificates to Landmark clothing store and Zona 78 restaurant.

Lee Ann Hamilton, health educator and sexual health specialist for Campus Health Service, said she was pleased to see so much student involvement in Sexual Responsibility Week.

"It was a much bigger week because of the collaboration between student groups and campus departments," she said.



Marcy Rosen, a molecular and cellular biology senior, competes in the condom water balloon toss yesterday on the UA Mall. The competition was part of the Condom Olympics, aimed at raising safe sex awareness on campus.

MELISSA HALTERMAN  
/ Arizona Daily Wildcat

Students share superstitious stories

PAGE 3



# Payback time at McKale

UA men romp USC

PAGE 15

New Main Gate garage policy upsets students

PAGE 3