

Common killer gets special treatment at UA fair

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UA football players found with pot

Students upset over graduation changes

Deans support cancelling university-wide ceremony for December undergrads

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Two UA football players were diverted to the Dean of Students Office last Wednesday after one lied to police and the other was caught with marijuana. According to reports, Gilbert Harris and Yaniv Barnett were sitting on the top level of the Sixth Street Garage, 1201 E. Sixth St., when police saw them and smelled burnt marijuana. As police approached, Barnett threw something over his shoulder, reports stated. Barnett, an undeclared freshman, first told police he had dropped a lighter, but

police found a baggie of marijuana directly below where Barnett and Harris were sitting. Barnett later admitted it was his. Barnett said he and Harris had not been smoking the marijuana, reports stated. Harris, a family studies and human development junior, first told police his name was Gilbert J. Kendal and said he wasn't a football player. Harris then said, "My real last name is Harris, with a middle initial of L," reports stated. Harris was referred to the Dean of Students Office for lying, while Barnett was referred for possession of marijuana. According to an *Arizona Daily Star* report on Nov. 1, 2003, Harris was sus-

pected for the remainder of the season last year for undisclosed reasons. Harris is listed as the back-up fullback, but has also seen time at running back. He had three carries for seven yards in the Wildcats' 21-3 win over Northern Arizona Saturday. Harris played eight games last season, including three starts. Barnett is a freshman defensive tackle who has yet to see playing time with the team. He joined the team this fall out of Cibola, Texas. The athletics department did not comment on whether Barnett and Harris will face disciplinary action.

—Charles Reming contributed to this report.

CATAPULTED INTO CLASSES



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Engineering freshmen Joey DeLaRosa and Alfonso Gomez fine-tune their rubber band catapult for an Intro to Engineering class yesterday in front of Old Main.

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While some UA students and alumni say they are upset over changes in graduation ceremonies, many college deans say they support the administration's decision. University officials announced over the weekend that the university-wide commencement ceremony in December will only be for Ph.D and graduate students, and undergraduates will attend only individual college convocations. Although the administration said the Commencement Policy Committee made changes at the request of college deans, student body president Alistair Chapman sat on the committee and said the tortilla-throwing problem at graduation was a motivating factor in the changes. Undergraduates and UA alumni said they are disappointed with the decision, and Chapman said he has been receiving phone calls and e-mails from angry parents and students. "The reaction was as I expected. They have a right to be upset," Chapman said. "Students never had a chance to express their concerns." Chapman said there has been a negative feeling on campus regarding the changes. "It's going to feel weird and not as ceremonial as it should for those of us who are graduating," said Jennifer Fowler, a public administration and criminal justice senior. Chris Marino, a political science senior who is

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Student added to committee for restructuring UA

Redington open late for faculty, staff

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Months of lobbying and the sympathetic ears of an Arizona regent have landed a UA student an official seat at the table where a plan to change the face of the state university system will take shape. Nonvoting student regent and second-year UA law student Ben Graff will be the only student on the now 19-member workgroup. The group is charged with the yearlong task of studying and recommending how to redesign the state university system to the Arizona Board of Regents. Graff will be expected to analyze data and give

Faculty and staff have a place to gather and relax on campus now that the Redington Restaurant is open exclusively for UA faculty and staff every Wednesday through Friday from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. During that time, the Redington Restaurant, including the extended Mesa room, will only be open to faculty and staff members and students invited by faculty or staff. Because the restaurant closes at 1:30 p.m. during the week, it is an ideal place for faculty and staff to come together after hours for food, socialization and relaxation, said Dan Adams, director of Arizona Student Unions. "There is not a faculty and staff gathering place on campus, so we decided to take advantage of the



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Astronomy professor Richard Pass enjoys lunch in the Redington Restaurant on the third level of the Student Union Memorial Center yesterday. The all-you-can-eat buffet is now open exclusively after-hours to UA faculty and staff.

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