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The University of Arizona, Tucson

PTS plans changes for fall semester

Zone 1 changes, new student fee expected

By Troy Acevedo
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As of fall 2005, students may need to plan their transportation needs with a little more care if they plan on riding the CatTran or obtaining a parking permit.

Parking and Transportation Services scheduled several changes to take effect this upcoming fall for Zone 1 permits, lot-specific parking spaces and CatTran shuttle service, including a student fee.

More than 300 new Zone 1 spaces are going to be added around campus this summer, most of which will be just north of the Eller College of Management, said Patrick J. Kass, director of Parking and Transportation Services.

After analyzing usage surveys of Zone 1 parking, PTS decided lots located south of East Sixth Street are not being used enough.

To relieve the demand for Zone 1 permits and reduce rates of overselling permits, these lots will be eliminated and turned into an entirely new zone, Kass said.

"By removing the lots south of Sixth

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CASSIE TOMLIN/Arizona Daily Wildcat
Pre-nursing sophomore and BabyCat Sitters president Marissa Klein, left, and business freshman Brittany Cotton, paint with two-year-old Leila Arab on the UA mall yesterday. The BabyCat Sitters helped with the UA Graduate and Professional Student Council Family Fun Day, which brought students and their children to the Mall for child-oriented activities in honor of Graduate and Professional Student Appreciation Week. SEE STORY PAGE 14.

UAPD warns of campus robberies

Series of related robberies occur on or near campus

By Lauren Lund
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The University of Arizona Police Department sent out an alert warning about campus-area robberies due to mugging incidents happening near campus or involving UA students.

A series of what appear to be related robberies and armed robberies occurred on and near campus and involved UA students, reports stated.

All of the cases happened in the same time frame and most occurred in the area north of the campus between Euclid Avenue and Campbell Avenue, said Sgt. Eugene Mejia, spokesman for UAPD.

In each case, the victims described seeing the same darker-colored large GM car, Mejia said.

All of the victims said two African-American men approached them and demanded their property. In some cases, the victims described seeing a gun, Mejia said.

One student reported he could hear the clicking of the gun as he ran away, Mejia said.

"Because of the method of operation and how the victims are confronted we believe the cases

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Dual master's degrees possible through Eller

By Aubrey McDonnell
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Life will be a little easier for UA students who want to earn a second master's degree while attending the Eller College of Management.

Weeks of planning led to a decision to initiate a dual master's degree program between the Eller College of Management and six other colleges on campus. Formal affiliations have been arranged with the College of Engineering, the College of Science and the Optical Sciences Center.

"Students should be able to do two degree programs at the same time," said Amar Gupta, professor of entrepreneurship. "Increasingly, people need both business skills and domain expertise."

The five-semester program will begin fall 2005 and will include one summer of in-field training. President Peter Likins thinks the program is promising and exciting.

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Investigation called on Bush forums

By J. Ferguson
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The mystery surrounding why a UA Young Democrat was denied entry last month to a public forum on Social Security may get a new set of detectives: the U.S. House of Representatives.

Rep. Raul Grijalva, D-Arizona, and Rep. Diana DeGette, D-Colo., sent a letter to the Committee on Government Reform asking for an official investigation into why UAYD's Steven Gerner and others in Colorado and North Dakota were not allowed into public forums on Social Security hosted by President George W. Bush.

In a letter to Rep. Henry Waxman, D-Calif., and the chairman of the House Committee on Government Reform, Tom Davis, R-Va., Grijalva and DeGette said the exclusion of several citizens from public forums appear to be part of a "coordinated campaign penalizing Americans for their political

beliefs."

The Associated Press reported, on the same day Gerner was denied entry in Tucson, three people were profiled in Denver and forcibly removed because a bumper sticker on their car said "No more blood for oil."

The Fargo Forum reported in February the existence of a "do-not-admit" list containing the names of 42 people who were not supposed to be given tickets to one of President Bush's public discussions on Social Security. Thirty-three of the names on the list belong to members of the Fargo progressive group Democracy for America.

The paper reported North Dakota Gov. John Hoeven blamed the existence of the list on the machinations of "an overzealous volunteer."

Colorado resident Leslie Weiss, one of the three removed from the Denver town hall, told reporters

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EVAN CARAVELLI/Arizona Daily Wildcat
Pre-pharmacy sophomore Steven Gerner, a member of the UA Young Democrats, claims he was not allowed to enter President Bush's speech at the TCC in March.