Likins nominates 6 profs for title
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By the end of April, six UA professors may need to order new business cards to reflect a new prestigious title: regents professor. Likins formally nominated six UA professors after receiving recommendations from a UA committee and regents professorships. The nominees will be considered by the Arizona Board of Regents, which will vote on the approval at their April 28-29 meeting at Arizona State University.

The six professors are Michael Cusanovich, professor of biochemistry and molecular biology; Michael Drake, professor of planetary sciences; Paula Ya-Mei Fan, professor of music; John W. Olsen, professor of anthropology; Jeannie Pumphrey, professor of chemistry, and Vladimir Zakharov, professor of mathematics.

"I am really honored to be considered and feel fortunate to represent the school of music," Fan said. "I am honored to be among these scientists." Michael Drake, department head of planetary sciences, said it was his personal philosophy that "the best research department is the best teaching department." In 1999, Drake's accomplishments

Food, fun and bands highlight Spring Fling
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GPSC could lose medical students
By Natasha Bhuyan
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Students in the College of Medicine announced their decision to leave the Graduate and Professional Student Council last week, the culmination of a semester-long conflict within the organization.

Chandan Kundavaram, student chair of the Medical Student Government, cited several reasons for the secession, including a lack of representation by GPSC and inadequate club funding. "I don't think we've ever gained anything from being part of GPSC," Kundavaram said.

In a 68-57 vote, medical students chose to leave GPSC and join ASUA, but medical students are already a part of the Associated Students of the University of Arizona, which represents all students on campus.

In search of greener pastures at ASUA, Brobbel said medical students are relinquishing their seat on GPSC, a move which would surrender direct representation. But Kundavaram said that by joining ASUA, medical students would reap benefits that include access to more club funding and a stronger voice on campus.

ASUA President Alistair Chapman said the College of Medicine's departure was not eligible for a share of ASUA's more than $80,000 in club appropriations unless 51 percent of their students were undergraduates. But now, once medical clubs register with the Center for Student Involvement and Leadership, they have the opportunity to have their club funding increased.

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Locks of Love cuts 50 feet
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More than 30 students of all ages, hair colors and races came out to donate hair more than 10 inches long. By the day's end, more than 50 feet of hair was collected to benefit Locks of Love, said Megan Lichter, one of the Project Star organizers and a family studies and human development freshman. Beatriz Rasco, a corporate trainer for southeastern Arizona Great Clips stores, said the event is a year-round venture for Great Clips where anyone can donate at any time. She said there are between 30 to 40 donations a month at the more than 11 Great Clips locations around Tucson. Participants begin by filling out an information card that included their name, major and interests for the children they were helping to benefit.

Event volunteers then took a "before" picture of the participants' long locks before having them sit in the styling chair. The three stylists, who volunteered without pay, measured the hair of the participants and wrapped their hair in ponytails and raising the scissors for the cut.

As an undergrad at the UA studying anthropology, Olsen worked with Vances-Haynes, regents professor in anthropology. "I did some of my first overseas fieldwork with him," Olsen said. Olsen said the fieldwork with Haynes was crucial to the development of his career.

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