

Ice Train attracts crowd of 1,000-plus

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The sounds of stomping, clapping and canes against the stage floor filled Centennial Hall Saturday afternoon.

More than 1,000 people attended the Sixth Annual Ice Train Classic Step Show hosted by the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity.

The event has grown every year since its inception in 1999. In the beginning, the show could barely fill the Social Sciences auditorium with the capacity of 500 people. Now the fraternity is celebrating its second year hosting the show in Centennial Hall.

The step show showcased the talents of six teams from all over the West Coast.

The fraternity refers to the show as "The Best in the West" because the event has become relatively well known on the West Coast, and teams as far as Seattle have traveled to perform in the show, said Jomar Jenkins, president of Alpha Phi Alpha.

Aisha Arnold, a psychology sophomore, said the UA pulled off a pretty good step show compared to one she saw in Los Angeles.

"There was a lot more energy and the hype was a lot better than the step show in L.A.," Arnold said. "The crowd was very supportive of the teams."

There were two winners of the event, the Southern California chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha and the Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority from RACECATS

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Onlookers at the UA's Society of Automotive Engineers car show inspect the unveiled 2005 student-built Formula racecar behind the Aerospace and Mechanical Engineering building Saturday. Car enthusiasts convened to look at contestants' hot rods and classics at SAE's first-ever car show.

Hillel, AEPi hold Seders

The University of Arizona, Tucson

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Some Jewish students who stuck around campus during Passover this year spent the holiday weekend at student-oriented Seder dinners.

Alyssa Cunial, an undeclared freshman, said this is the first year she has been away from home during the family-oriented holiday, but the Hillel Foundation was the next best place for her to be.

"Ît's like a family here too," Cunial said.

About 50 students attended the secondnight Seder event last night at Hillel, 1245 E. Second St.

Matt Johl, a business and marketing sophomore, said even though a final paper prevented him from going home to Kansas for Passover, it was important for to him to spend the holiday surrounded by others who practice his faith.

"It's good to be here, but I miss the family atmosphere," Johl said. "My mom called to tell me she wishes I was there."

On the first two nights of the seven-day Passover celebration, which commemorates the Israelites' exodus from Egypt, families gather for Seder dinners to retell the story and say prayers, Cunial said.

Cunial said food at the Seder dinners represent different aspects and traditions of the holiday.

Matzoh, unleavened bread, symbolizes how Jews had no time to let bread rise before leaving Egypt, Cunial said.

"Everyone has four cups of wine representing the plagues," Cunial said. "Or in our case, grape juice."

Josh Tennenbaum, Judaic chair for Alpha Epsilon Pi, said the fraternity's third annual first-night Seder event Saturday brought about 150 people, mostly students, to cele-

Arizona State University.

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Time, weather deter tailgaters

By Anthony D. Ávila Arizona Daily Wildcat

On a day mixed with sprinkling rain and blazing sunlight, Saturday's Zona Zoo tailgate party before the spring football game had fewer tailgaters than last year, which some students said resulted from the weird weather.

"It was pretty freakin' hot," said Toby Slade, a media arts senior.

About 100 people showed up to the free tailgate party on Bear Down Field, which featured Slade's band Haley Jane, drinks and snacks, and outdoor games

like Frisbee. Students were also able to vote for the design of next year's Zona Zoo T-shirt.

The event, organized by Arizona Athletics and the Associated Students of the University of Arizona, was held for the second year in a row so students could get together and get excited about next year's football season and to rally around the team, said Amber Harryman, ASUA spirit director.

About 400 students went to last year's tailgate party on the UA Mall, and Zona Zoo might try the location again next year, said Harryman, a classics junior.

"We didn't have the turnout we

expected, but you don't know how it will work until you try it," Harryman said. "(Bear Down Field) is a really cool space,

but we might go to the Mall next year to move to a more central location."

Harryman said she thinks Bear Down Field's close proximity to the football stadium attracted a lot of non-students to the event, which was only open to students.

However, she said the event still went well and she did not want to focus on the number of students who attended. ALCONATURALS

DJAMILA NOELLE GROSSMAN/Arizona Daily Wildcat Engineering management junior Mike Sonenberg cheers at the UA Spring Game Saturday. Sonenberg is one member of Zona Zoo who tailgated before the game.

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