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### QUICK HITS

#### Jason Mraz tickets go on sale today; Rufio to play CatFest

Students can purchase tickets today to see Jason Mraz when he rolls through Tucson next month.

Tickets will go on sale at the Centennial Hall box office at 10:30 a.m. They cost \$22. The box office will begin selling tickets to the general public Friday.

Also, punk band Rufio will play a free concert for students tonight in the Student Union Memorial Center Grand Ballroom. Doors open at 7:30 p.m. Students will be admitted with their CatCard.

#### Friends mourn 2 victims of Glendale Wal-Mart shooting

GLENDALE — Friends and co-workers gathered yesterday at a makeshift memorial to remember two Wal-Mart employees who were shot to death in a store parking lot, allegedly by a man who was mentally disturbed.

"You'll be missed and forever in our hearts," read an inscription on one poster that was left amid candles, teddy bears and flowers assembled in front of the Wal-Mart Supercenter in this Phoenix suburb. On Tuesday, a gunman drove up, got out of his car and began shooting at two employees, police said.

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## DRUMS ACROSS CULTURES

# Island music beats on Mall



Jake Lacey/Arizona Daily Wildcat

Tucson-area dancers perform Polynesian Island traditional dances on the UA Mall yesterday morning as part of Drums Across Cultures, sponsored by the department of Multicultural Programs and Services.

## Drums, dances show diversity

By Cassie Blombaum  
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Drumbeats echoed between buildings on the UA Mall yesterday as performing artists celebrated the vibrant percussion from "sound of the islands."

The annual event "Drums Across Cultures" featured different "Drums of the Islands" from the South Pacific and Polynesian islands.

Abby M. Aguilar, events coordinator of the department of Multicultural Programs and Services, said the theme of "Drums of the Islands" was selected in part to show how diverse campus life is.

"Throughout the year, we highlight various cultural acts for our events," Aguilar said. "It's our way of embracing all cultures and an opportunity to show the campus that we are inclusive of all."

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## ROTC cadet killed while skydiving in Marana

By Holly Wells  
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A UA student and ROTC member died Sunday in a skydiving accident in Marana, authorities said.

Tristen Tyler Knight, 20, was wrapped in his parachute when he fell near the Marana Skydiving Center, 11700 W. Avra Valley Road, said Sgt. Tim Brunenkant, Marana Police Department spokesman.

Knight, a criminal justice administration junior from Phoenix, would have turned 21 next week.

Although it was his first day of skydiving, Knight was on his second dive when the accident occurred.

"He was jumping at 3,000 ft. It is unclear whether he pulled the wrong cord or something got caught up in his leg," Brunenkant said.

Knight was with a group of three other skydivers, none of who were family or close friends of Knight, Brunenkant said.

The Marana Skydiving Center and Federal Aviation Administration are still investigating the incident, but authorities know Knight's first jump took place between 1:30 p.m. and 2 p.m.

The Marana Skydiving Center

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## UA pres. search committee formed

By Troy J. Acevedo  
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### About the committee

A search committee has formed and is in the process of finding a replacement for President Peter Likins next fall.

Regent Fred Boice of Tucson will be chairing the committee with the sole purpose of seeking out, interviewing and eventually appointing a new president.

Members of the committee, still in its developing stages, have been selected and will have their first official meeting on Sept. 8, at 2 p.m.

Further information about the committee members and consulting service is available on the Arizona Board of Regents Web site at [http://www.abor.asu.edu/special\\_editions/UA%20Search/ua\\_search.html](http://www.abor.asu.edu/special_editions/UA%20Search/ua_search.html)

To further the selection process, an academic executive search group, called the Academic Search

Consultation Service of Washington, D.C., has been selected after a careful screening and interview process, according to the Arizona Board of Regents Web site.

Student Regent Ben Graff, who is a third-year law student, was selected by Boice to be one of the two students who will serve on the committee.

"This is a great responsibility and a lot of positive pressure at the same time," Graff said. "Knowing that you are playing a role not only in determining such an important position but the future and integrity of the university as well really makes one

think."

Graff said selecting who will be included in the committee was not easy for Boice, who was unavailable for comment because he is out of town until Sept. 2.

When the formal committee announcement was made, the Graduate and Professional Student Council approached Graff and Boice about securing a seat for one of their members.

Graff said though he discussed the issue with Boice in great detail, both decided Associated Students

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## High school girl struck in crosswalk near UA

By Jesse Lewis  
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A girl crossing North Euclid Avenue just north of East Sixth Street was struck yesterday by a vehicle traveling southbound, officials said.

UA undeclared freshman Ryan Thomas told police he was traveling southbound in the median lane on North Euclid Avenue and approached a line of stopped traffic. He then switched to the curb lane to avoid stopping and struck the 15-year-old Tucson High School student, said Lisa Peasley, Tucson Police Department spokeswoman.

The woman was crossing the street in a clearly marked

pedestrian crosswalk, Peasley said. Thomas called TPD to report the incident, Peasley said.

University of Arizona Police arrived at the scene and the woman was conscious and alert, said UAPD officer Dustin Goudschaal.

Tucson Fire Department arrived shortly after, and though the woman had no visible injuries, transported her to a local hospital as a precautionary measure, Peasley said.

Goudschaal said all of the traffic in one lane traveling southbound had stopped for the pedestrian, but the student in a white 1987 Honda Accord could not stop in time.

Tucson Police took over the case

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A 15-year-old Tucson High Magnet School student gets loaded into an ambulance yesterday along North Euclid Avenue near La Aldea. A UA student, Ryan Thomas, was cited at the scene and released.