More Zona Zoo passes sold than seats in section

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A jump in student attendance at football games has forced security guards to block admittance to the student section before the game—time whistle blows, officials said.

So far this season, Zona Zoo passes that grant UA students access to the student section have been bought this year, up from the 9,468 purchased last year, said Russ Dean, assistant athletic director.

The Zona Zoo pass has become a necessity for freshmen and sophomores, Dean said, resulting in more students attending the game. "They automatically buy it like they buy their CatCard," he said.

But when the student section reaches its full capacity of 10,000, the security staff directs the remaining Zona Zoo students to the student section before the game.

Student section blocked off

Survey on Spanish Wildcat delayed

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Plans to distribute a survey to assess interest in Spanish articles in the Arizona Daily Wildcat have been put on hold, said the ASUA director of enrollment research.

Sen. Leslie Ettinger, a political science sophomore, has not set a definite date to begin passing out the surveys due to being busy with other senate projects, she said.

"At the beginning of the semester, I wanted to get the surveys out as quickly as possible," she said.

Ettinger, who ran on the Spanish article platform during last year’s senate elections, said she would ideally like to see the main article in the Wildcat translated into Spanish. A few translated articles a week would be acceptable, she said.

"I don't want to start off big," she said. "It's too big of a leap for everyday.

Her plan stems from the idea that the student newspaper should appeal to Spanish-speaking students. "I think a lot of people would read (the articles), not just for educational purposes but to brush up on Spanish," Ettinger said. "They would want their own voices heard in (the newspaper)."

But there is no way of knowing how many UA students speak Spanish, said Rick Sears, assistant director of enrollment research.

Of the 37,036 undergraduate, graduate and professional students at the UA, 5,101 define themselves as Spanish, page 10

UA cheerleaders, students featured on MTVU

MTVU Associate Producer Allen Clary gets shots of the UA cheerleaders Saturday on the UA Mall. The college network of MTV is producing a feature on tailgating at six college campuses across the country.

MTVU Associate Producer Allen Clary

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Despite the Wildcat defeat at Saturday’s football game, an MTV University camera crew said they were impressed with the amount of UA student spirit they saw after filming the campus over the weekend.

The college network of the mother ship MTV focused on the UA cheerleaders before and during the game, and also interviewed students and fans at the pregame tailgating party.

The ‘tailgating tour’ focuses on five other college campuses nationwide in addition to the UA and is “about everything that goes into football but the football,” said video jockey George Oliphant at the game.

Throughout the entire game the cameramen never filed the action on the field, but rather they focused on the jumping cheerleaders, fans screaming with their arms in the air and students jingling their keys above their heads at every kickoff.

When the Wildcats were 21 points behind Oregon at the time of the interview, Oliphant said he was impressed with the team spirit of the fans, who said they were nowhere close to losing faith in their team.

MTV spokesman David French agreed and said the reason MTVU picked the UA campus was because “the UA has a tremendous fan base and loyal fans.”

Oliphant said even though he and his crew of two producers knew all about the basketball team, the campus itself exceeded his expectations.

"It's so beautiful here, everyone is so friendly and outgoing," Oliphant said. "They got it going on.”

Team leader of the cheerleaders, Ryan Littleton, said the crew interviewed them Friday, then came to his house for dinner and joined them at Saturday’s tailgate party and game.

"It was really cool, we had a great time," Littleton said.

While the crew contacted the cheerleaders for the feature, other students attempted to get airtime by calling MTVU themselves.

David Carson, a communication senior, said he called the network because he had no doubt they would film him, his friends and his party bus because they are “the coolest,” and they tailor for every game.

“When you walk around (the tailgate party), ours is the fannest, one-of-a-kind deal,” Carson said. “It's hard-core UA pride, we come