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### QUICK HITS

#### 2 Democrats win City Council seats in landslide victories

Two Democratic City Council candidates ousted Republican incumbents last night in Tucson's general election. Of Tucson's 248,777 registered voters, 21.64 percent of votes, or 53,839, were tallied by press time.

Karin Uhlich, the Democratic candidate for Ward 3, defeated incumbent Republican Kathleen Dunbar after gaining 61.25 percent of the vote.

Steve Leal, the unopposed Democratic candidate for Ward 5, won after receiving 97.53 percent of the vote.

Nina Trasoff, the Democratic candidate for Ward 6 who ran against Republican Fred Ronstadt, won after receiving 65.06 percent of the vote.

Proposition 100, which would have raised the salaries of the mayor and City Council members, was turned down by 50.82 percent.

Proposition 400, which would provide the city a four-year "home-rule" option that eliminates state-imposed budgetary restrictions, was approved with 62.77 percent of the vote.

—Information compiled from the election summary report.

#### What would Mr. Rogers say?

The Dean of Students Office is hosting a panel discussion today to address how students leave residence halls and move into neighborhoods surrounding campus without always being equipped with the tools to be "good neighbors."

The discussion is meant to explore the differences between these two groups and to address how the university prepares students for this next step in their development as productive citizens.

The panel will be held at noon in Gallagher Theater in the Student Union Memorial Center.

To request disability-related accommodations, call 621-7060.

## UA to enroll Mexican grads

By Mika Mandelbaum  
ARIZONA DAILY WILDCAT

The expansion of a 25-year-old agreement will bring up to 100 doctoral students from Mexico to the UA next fall, officials said.

The Graduate College and Mexico's

Consejo Nacional de Ciencia y Tecnologia (Conacyt) agreed to jointly pay for up to 100 Mexican doctoral students to study at the UA, said Maria Teresa Velez, associate dean of the Graduate College.

In doing so, the university expects to advance its research and

the diversity on campus, Velez said.

The original partnership between the UA and Conacyt was begun 25 years ago and, until now, only provided 20 out-of-state tuition scholarships to the Mexican students, Velez said.

The new agreement will fund

the students' studies for five years, which is the typical length of a doctoral studies program, Velez said.

Conacyt will pay for the first three years and the UA will pay for the last two years, either through

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### STARING CONTEST



Sean McGarry, a chemistry senior, examines masks at the Arizona State Museum's Masks of Mexico Exhibit. The exhibit is on display until Nov. 5, 2006.

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## Poet: Humans crave challenge

By Nick Smith  
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Former Poet Laureate Robert Pinsky discussed yesterday how humans relate to one another and how our sadness derives from a desire to be challenged.

More than 300 people attended his lecture, "Sadness and Exaltation," in the North Ballroom in the Student Union Memorial Center. The lecture emphasized how people have a general desire to be challenged by others.

This trait is not a factor of adolescence, Pinsky said, as it can be seen in people of all ages.

"I have concluded that what human beings crave is a desire for difficulty," Pinsky said. "This is why the kids are staring at their GameBoys and their Xboxes."

The former poet laureate also said schools should pay more attention to the liberal arts and not get wrapped up in technology because an important part of learning comes from the act of creating, whether by playing

an instrument or reciting a poem aloud.

"The school board would be foolish to invest in laptops and software because they become obsolete," Pinsky said. "The cello and the piano will not become obsolete."

In addition to his lecture, Pinsky read poems by Michelangelo, William Butler Yeats and William Carlos Williams as well as several of his own works.

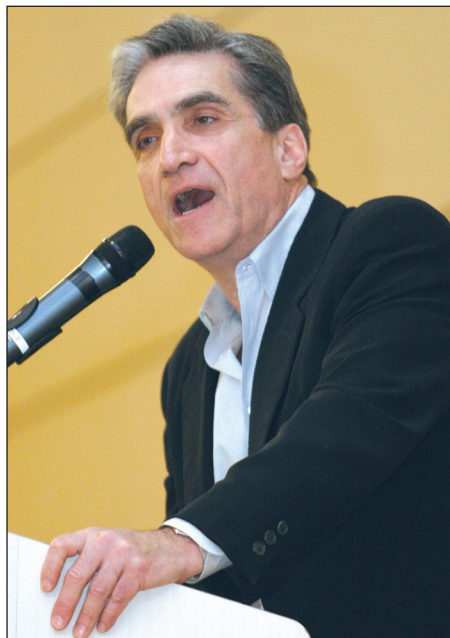
Raja Antoine, a psychology senior, said he was pleased Pinsky came to campus and that he felt inspired by the lecture and hopes the UA can continue to bring interesting speakers to campus.

"I think it's incredible they were able to get someone like that here," Antoine said.

Ted Gerstle, a creative writing senior, said he thought Pinsky's poetry reading was worth attending.

"There have been quite a few poets that have come here," Gerstle said. "This was great."

Pinsky's appearance at the UA was made



Robert Pinsky speaks on "Sadness and Exaltation" in the Student Union yesterday afternoon.

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## Format to 'Tune Out' tonight

By Zach Colick  
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Phoenix-area pop-punk band The Format will take the Centennial Hall stage tonight. With more than 1,600 tickets sold, student leaders said they're hopeful the remaining tickets will be bought to fill up the auditorium.

General public and student tickets have been on sale since mid-October for \$10, and there are still about 800 tickets left to fill the 2,400-seat venue, said Ryan Patterson, special events coordinator for the Associated Students of the University of Arizona.

Patterson said they will likely break even on the talent costs for The Format show,

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