



# ARIZONA DAILY WILDCAT

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## Today's Weather

Light Showers  
High: 61  
Low: 35

## QUICK HITS

### UA alum shares Vietnam experience during reading

A UA creative writing alumnus who was drafted during the Vietnam War will share of his experiences at a reading tonight.

Nonfiction writer Walker Thomas will show color slides and read from his book's manuscript "Notes from a Solitary" at 7:30 in the living room of Slonaker House.

He will talk about the process of getting published and will answer questions. Refreshments will be served.

The Undergraduate English and Creative Writing Club is sponsoring the event in cooperation with the Honors College.

### Science students can apply for research trip to China

Alternative Breaks is now accepting applications for spring break.

The program is organizing four service-oriented trips from March 11 through 19. Students will be traveling throughout the Southwest to Los Angeles, Catalina Island, Calif., and the Mexican cities of Imuris, Enseñada and Nogales. Volunteers will participate in activities ranging from ecological conservation to community development.

Applications are due by 5 p.m. Friday. They can be found on the program's Web site and submitted via e-mail to Sarah Lawton at lawton@email.arizona.edu.

### Science students can apply for research trip to China

UA science and engineering students have an opportunity to research in China.

Clarkson University is seeking junior or sophomore students majoring in science or engineering fields for the National Science Foundation Research Opportunities for Undergrads program in marine science and engineering.

The opportunity is an 11-week research program based in China. Selected students will receive a financial support package of about \$7,500.

The application deadline is March 10.

For more information about the program and the procedure for application see [http://www.clarkson.edu/projects/reushen/reu\\_china](http://www.clarkson.edu/projects/reushen/reu_china).

## Freund talks science, funding with students

Grad students key, candidate says

By Nicole Santa Cruz and Lisa Rich  
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Deborah Freund shared her passions for higher education and her commitment to research in yesterday's presidential candidate forums.

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Yash Gupta, the fourth and final candidate for UA president will speak on campus today at 2:15 p.m.  
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Because the UA is a Research I institution, Freund said, the university depends on graduate students and emphasized the need to ensure they

have a proper working environment.

When Freund was asked how she would improve funding for graduate students, specifically with increasing stipends, she admitted it's a financial problem shared by all universities.

"In my experience, that's the hardest thing to find," Freund said, but added she would take a look at the graduate student population and

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## Likins asks legislature to invest in education

Suggests part of \$1B surplus could go to higher ed.

By J. Ferguson  
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PHOENIX — President Peter Likins asked lawmakers of the Arizona Senate Appropriations Committee yesterday to make an investment in the state's university system using part of Arizona's projected \$1 billion budget surplus.

The amount of state funding for the universities has shifted dramatically in the last 30 years, Likins said. The amount the state contributed in the 1970s, as a percentage, was more than double the amount it gives today.



Peter Likins

"We have suffered more by this metric than any other state (except for) two," Likins said.

Likins is scheduled to release his tuition proposal for the UA on Monday. It will then be forwarded to the Arizona Board of Regents.

He acknowledged that while budget cuts to public universities have occurred in every state, the loss of state support in Arizona was one of the largest in the country.

A document presented by UA officials stated that there has been a 58 percent change in public funding since 1976.

"We have to decide what our commitment is for affordability," said Likins.

He said that although there has been a significant increase in tuition in recent years, the cost is not

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## SHOWCASE SHOWDOWN



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Frank Camp, a media arts senior, was a recent contestant on "The Price is Right." The show, in which Camp won a showcase totaling more than \$23,000, will air Tuesday.

## 'PRICE IS RIGHT' FOR STUDENT

By Seth Mauzy  
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For one UA student, last week's holiday weekend was a prosperous one spent in a Hollywood hot seat bidding his way to a huge prize package on one of America's most beloved game shows.

Frank Camp, a media arts senior, was one of 20 members of the UA

chapter of the Alpha Phi Omega coed service fraternity who made a trip to a taping at the "The Price is Right" studio in Burbank, Calif., over the Martin Luther King Day weekend.

The game show has been a staple of CBS' daytime lineup since its premier in 1972 and is now in its 31st season. The show, along with its ever-smiling host Bob Barker,

has developed a multigenerational fan base ranging from housewives and retirees to college students like Camp, who has long been a fan of the show.

"Every summer, my brother and I used to rush home from swim practice and watch ("The Price is Right") daily," Camp said. "That's when I

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Retail and consumer sciences sophomore Dana Deats (right), public health sophomore Seanna Ingram and education junior Michelle Kiernan play with Michael, the University of Arizona Police Department's bomb detection dog. Officer Kyle Morrison, Michael's handler, is the new liaison for the Delta Delta Delta sorority.

## Sorority becomes first to join police safety program

Community safety focus of partnership

By Natalia Lopera  
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About 25 Delta Delta Delta members met their designated police officer last night after becoming the first sorority to partner with the University of Arizona Police Department Liaison Program.

The girls sat in a semicircle around Kyle Morrison, a UAPD officer, and his

black Labrador retriever Michael as Morrison introduced the liaison program and answered questions about speeding tickets, UA crime and sexual assault.

The UAPD Liaison Program is designed to increase communication between its members and UAPD in order to prevent problems in the community. It is modeled after a program created for the residence halls five years ago, said Officer Frank Romero, crime prevention specialist and liaison program coordinator.

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