Freund talks science, funding with students

Grad students key, candidate says

By Nicole Santa Cruz

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Delores Freund shared her passions for higher education and her commitment to research in yesterday’s presidential candidate forums.

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Yush Gupta, the fourth and final candidate for UA president will speak on campus today at 2:15 p.m.

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SHOWCASE SHOWDOWN

‘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 a recent contestant on “The Price is Right.” The show, in which Camp won a showcase totaling $23,000, will air Tuesday.

“Every summer, my brother and I go to Vegas,” Camp said. “That’s when I get my money in.”

The game show has been a staple of the Martin Luther King Day weekend for the past 34 years, the cost is not

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 Morrisen, a UAPD officer, and his black Labrador retriever Michael as Morrisen 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 Roemer, crime prevention specialist and liaison program coordinator.

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.

“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,” Likins said. “We have already lost too much funding.”

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

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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, Ensenada and Nogales.

Volunteers will participate in activities ranging from ecological conservation to community development.

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