UA bell will toll for slain profs

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The university will ring the U.S.S. Arizona bell three times tomorrow at 8:30 a.m. to remember the lives of the three College of Nursing professors killed by a fellow student two years ago.

On Oct. 22, 2002, nursing student Robert S. Flores Jr. opened fire in the college, killing professors Robin R. Rogers in her office, and professors Cheryl McGaffic and Darra Monsour in a classroom full of students taking a midterms. Flores, who was upset over a failing grade, then shot and killed himself in the same room.

The U.S.S. Arizona bell, in the clock tower in the Student Union Memorial Center, is rung for special occasions to honor individuals important to the UA.

K.L. Moore, a professor in the College of Nursing and the director of the Division of Nursing Practice, said the bell also rang last year on the first anniversary of the shooting.

“This is a way across the university we can recognize Barbara, Robin and Cheryl,” Moore said.

Moore will have the honor this year of ringing the bell three times because she was the immediate supervisor to the three slain professors.

She said she was close to all three of the victims.

“I am deeply honored to do this. It is a special way to remember them,” Moore said.

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ONE HAIL OF A DAY

Majors switching to in-person registration

Departments try to combat cuts in budgets, classes

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Editor’s Note: This is the first in a three-part series on class registration.

Although class registration is still in progress, many students registered for classes weeks ago with their advisors instead of a day or two before because budget cuts and other factors are forcing departments to register classes more closely.

Jerry Hodge, vice provost of instruction, said high-demand departments, such as political science and theater arts, are manually registering students for their core classes this semester rather than using WebReg.

He said the change came in response to several complaints from students in the past who could not get into classes required for their majors.

“The central administration has not stepped this practice of hand-registering majors first because it helps many students get the classes they need to graduate without excessive competition from non-majors,” Hodge said.

Manual registration, used by departments such as journalism, media arts, communications, English, theater arts and psychology, requires students to schedule an appointment with their advisors, where they sign up for core classes. Courses outside their major must be picked up online via WebReg.

Jeffrey Wainwright, associate director of the School of Theatre Arts, said in the past, non-majors have signed up for theatre arts classes, thus limiting the number of majors who could get into the course. The in-person registration method ensures students who are majors

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Coach shares inspiration of Radio

Coach Harold Jones, the inspiration for the movie “Radios,” spoke to students last night about how a mentally disabled man changed his life.

Jones, a former high school football and track coach, told the low in attendance the story of his experiences with Radio.

Fewer than 15 people turned out for the speech last night sponsored by ASUA’s Speakers Board and the Associated Students with Disabilities.

Jones and Radio’s story became widely known after the movie “Radios” with Cuba Gooding Jr. and Ed Harris was released.

Jones said the movie follows very closely to true events depicting his growing friendship with James “Radio” Kennedy, now in his 50s.

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Rare lunar eclipse visible in Tucson sky

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Students looking to take a break from homework tonight will be able to step outside and look up at the most beautiful event of the lunar eclipse.

The moon will be in the orbit of the Earth and will be closest to the Earth. This will create a “supermoon” that will make the moon appear bigger and brighter.

During the eclipse, the moon will pass between the Earth and the Sun, blocking the Sun’s light from reaching the Moon, according to the Department of Planetary Science.

The eclipse will be visible for all of North America and much of the Western Hemisphere, though