‘Band kid’ celebrates 11 years with marching band

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Affectionately known as the “band kid,” by UA Pride of Arizona marching band members and staff, Tucson resident Robert Shin is celebrating his 22nd birthday today.

Shin’s birthday also marks the anniversary of his involvement with the marching band that began at Homecoming 11 years ago, despite being mentally challenged.

Shin said that he chose the band over football because the players are more supportive and accepting.

Shin added that he enjoys being a part of the Pride of Arizona band and that he hopes to continue his involvement for many years to come.

Shin’s passion for being a part of the marching band has not only brought him joy, but it has also helped him build important social skills and confidence.

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Students needed to join the UA Pride of Arizona marching band for some years now, but Robert Shin is the first to be part of the group.

Shin, 22, was recently chosen to be an honorary member of the marching band, which he said is “an honor.”

Shin’sako, 21, said that Shin has a “great attitude” and is “very enthusiastic.”

Watts out of hospital

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Sheldon Watts, the UA football player who was shot in the arm and chest at a party earlier this month, was released from the hospital yesterday.

Watts, a pre-business freshman from Fresno, Texas, was first admitted to University Medical Center in critical condition on Oct. 10 after the shooting. He remained in critical condition until last week, when he was upgraded to fair condition.

Watts was shot at a house party near East Speedway Boulevard and South Willett Road. The shooting happened early in the morning after a confrontation broke out at the party, at which between 180 and 200 people attended, according to police.

Fabian Martinez Flores was arrested

ed Oct. 21 in connection with Watts’ shooting.

Flores, 21, has been charged with aggravated assault causing a serious physical injury and aggravated assault with a deadly weapon. He was located inside Pima County Jail Oct. 21, and his bond is set at $250,000.

Flores was arrested as a result of tips from the community, police said.

Sgt. Carlos Valdes, Tucson Police Department spokesman, said no new information has been released in the ongoing investigation.

Police said Watts was not involved in the confrontation that led to the shooting and was an innocent bystander.

Watts did not travel with the team that weekend because of his nodal status. Other Rochester football players were also at the party that night, but police have not released their names.

Popular courses fill in minutes

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Editor’s note: This is the last in a three-part series on class registra-
tion.

As sorority and fraternity preparation to register for courses in the next few weeks, many are building their schedule around core classes, but others have their sights set on popular UA classes, which are filling up quickly.

With high demand and limited availability, students are learning popular classes on campus disappear before they even have a chance to register.

Nicki Ing, an undeclared freshman, said she wants to get into Music 101, Rock and American Pop Music. But Ing said the class, which explores the role of music in social interaction, has already filled with “so many” class- ers, including athletes, who had priority registration a few weeks ago.

“I heard it’s a lot of fun, but it’s already full,” Ing said. “All the athletes got in.”

In some instances, even upperclassmen have a difficult time landing a popular course.

Kathleen O’Neill, a doctoral student of philosophy and instructor for the sociology department course, Sociology 252, Sociology of Sexuality, which has 60 seats.

“This semester, there’s only one section being offered, and it filled up before some of the seniors even had a chance to register,” O’Neill said.

Students who wanted to get into these courses were added by contacting the instructor but the class is full, O’Neill said.

If the course is not filled, the instructor reexamines the course content and makes it available for the next session.

Students sign up for the class because they believe the subject is interesting, O’Neill said.

Susan White, associate professor of English, said her English 250 course is also popular. This course, which is a general education class, is filled up in one day.

The topic of the course, which is not specific to a field of study and is not open to any specific student, is that of crime fiction and fiction to Alfred Hitchcock’s Maitlanda and horror. This spring, the course will focus on Stanley