UA student dead after hit-and-run

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A student was killed in a hit-and-run car crash early Saturday morning on North Euclid Avenue and East Mabel Street.

Colin Rodriguez Griswold, 25, a philosophy doctoral student, was driving a 1994 Mazda Protege with one passenger when a white 1986 Plymouth Reliant hit the driver’s side of his vehicle around 12:40 a.m., said Michelle Pickrom, a spokeswoman for Tucson Police Department.

Griswold was pronounced dead on the scene, reports stated.

The 22-year-old passenger in Griswold’s car, whose name cannot be released because of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPPA), was taken to a hospital and treated for non-life-threatening injuries, Pickrom said. HIPPA laws, which have been in effect for a year, prevent a patient’s medical status from being released.

The driver who hit Griswold’s car is suspected to be Kristjan Lee Haley, a 22-year-old Tucson resident, who is wanted for felony driving a 1994 Mazda, a TPD media release stated.

Kristjan Lee Haley

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Likins: merge of main, south campuses possible if costs low

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University administrators proposed the idea to merge the curriculum and the location of UA South and the main campus during yesterday’s Faculty Senate meeting.

Provost George H. Davis and Randall Groth, dean of UA South, said the merge of the two campuses would provide greater development for UA South while bringing diversity to the main campus.

“It’s important to think carefully about a more deliberate, tighter relationship with UA South, all the time the two institutions retaining their own distinctiveness” said Davis, who said he was happy to explain the impending proposal to the Faculty Senate while it was still “fresh and embryonic.”

Groth said he hopes to present a proposal of the merge to the Arizona Board of Regents by March or April.

Groth said UA South deals with faculty issues that would be alleviated if main campus’ classrooms were available for use.

Likins said he heard the idea for the first time at the Faculty Senate meeting and approves of the merge proposal.

“If we can arrange for the use of our [main campus] facilities that would ease the cost and provide a larger pool to draw from, that would be a great thing,” Likins said.

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By Alexis Blue
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Moore, director of “Fahrenheit 9/11,” was paid $27,500 to speak in McKale Center and was the only paid speaker in a series of political speakers sponsored by the Associated Students of the University of Arizona. Moore’s visit was paid for entirely through public ticket sales, with tickets selling at $5 apiece.

Moore was one of seven in a speaker series designed to bring a balance of political views to campus in an election year, said Alistair Chapman, president of ASUA.

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Olsons donate $1 million

By Roman Veytsman
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Lute Olson, head coach of the UA men’s basketball team announced yesterday the Olson family plans to make a $1 million contribution to the Arizona Cancer Center.

The donation is a gift from the family and will benefit the Bobbi Olson Endowment for Ovarian Cancer Research.

Olson said the donation “will set the stage” for a community that leads the world in women’s cancer research, and “help things really happen.”

Dr. David S. Alberts, Bobbi Olson’s physician and the director of the Arizona Cancer Center thanked Olson and said he felt grateful Bobbi’s memory is helping to find the cure for this disease.

He also said that the Arizona Cancer Center is one of the highest ranked centers in the world and that it would only get better.

Olson called the center and the Tucson community an “oasis in the desert,” a sentiment echoed by Setsuko K. Chambers, M.D.

“As director of the Division of Women’s Cancers at the Arizona Cancer Center, I am most grateful to the Olson family for this generous donation,” Chambers said in a press release.

“I am firmly committed to developing this new clinical and research division.

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