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The U.S. Navy Band, from San Diego, performs yesterday near the USS Arizona memorial at the Student Union Memorial Center. The USS Arizona was sunk 62 years ago at Pearl Harbor.

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Hundreds honor USS Arizona

Service remembers lives lost 62 years ago

By Alexandria Blute
STAFF WRITER

About 500 people gathered yesterday on the UA Mall to remember those killed aboard the USS Arizona, docked at Pearl Harbor, 62 years ago.

The ceremony included music from the U.S. Navy Band, reading of poetry written by Pearl Harbor survivors, and the ringing of the USS Arizona bell in memory of the eight Arizonans still entombed in the wreckage of the sunken

ship. Except for the annual ceremony at Pearl Harbor, the UA's ceremony is the largest such memorial service in the country.

The 50th annual event, organized by the UA, the Fleet Reserve Association, the Navy League of Tucson and the USS Arizona Reunion Association, also hosted the seven surviving members of the battleship.

UA President Peter Likins was present during the ceremony, and he addressed the crowd.

"We will still respect the role of the military in defending our nation, advancing the cause of freedom throughout the land. We will still look

back with the feelings of patriotism on the tragedy that was experienced," Likins said. "We will still understand how critical it is that we come together in memorial service to look back upon the past, even beyond a century, to celebrate the achievements of those who have sustained our nation."

USS Arizona survivor and member of the USS Arizona Reunion Association Clinton H. Westbrook said that understanding and remembering the significance of the events, which took place 62 years ago, are crucial to making informed decisions for the future.

"This is something that is really nec-

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Removal of graffiti proves to be costly

By Victor Garcia
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

A random slur written on a bathroom stall, a note carved into a wooden tabletop, graffiti spray painted in an underpass — it might seem like harmless fun to students and community members, but that fun is costing the UA thousands of dollars every year.

"Graffiti like this is very common, and happens on a daily basis," said Deryl Smith, assistant director of landscape management.

Every morning around 6 a.m., campus maintenance crews sweep the UA and try to remove graffiti before it is seen by any student, visitor or faculty member.

Recently, crews were called out to take care of some markings on a phone booth at the Marroney Theater.

This incident took only a few sprays and wipes, but it cost the UA up to \$20 for half an hour of the workers' time and the materials used to clean it.

For bigger incidents, removal can take several hours and involves the use of various expensive chemicals.

"Any graffiti is difficult (to remove)," said Christopher Kopach, associate director for Facilities Management. "On a daily basis, we're removing graffiti from bathrooms."

On average, there is at least one call concerning a report of graffiti each day. Cleanup efforts for each incident of graffiti averages \$100, but can run as high as \$4,000.

Between \$3,000 and \$4,000 were spent after someone glued door locks in 16 to 20 buildings last year.

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Vice provost hopefuls to ask UA for advice

By Andrea Kelly
STAFF WRITER

Improvements to advising and adjustments to the general education requirements are two of the concerns students want the new vice provost for instruction to address.

The four candidates for the position will hold public forums this week to speak with the university community and gain insight on the status of undergraduate instruction.

Students who crowded into the library this weekend to prepare for upcoming finals have some suggestions for the four candidates.

Sarah Sloviter, an art history senior, said that the four candidates need to address freshman advising. She said that, as a freshman, she did not know what

resources she could access.

"I didn't talk to advisers enough. I didn't know what was there for me," Sloviter said.

She said she knew there was help somewhere, but she didn't know how to find it.

"I didn't know who could have helped me. I didn't know where the resources were," Sloviter said. "I'm sure there were people there to help."

This lack of understanding, Sloviter said, meant she wasted a lot of time. She said it would help if there were a way for students to access information on where to go for advising and help.

"They could advertise advising more, like a full page ad in the Wildcat," she said.



Juan Garcia

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Architecture college lands \$400,000

Federal grant will help students redesign, improve South Tucson

By Julie Wetmore
STAFF WRITER

Students and faculty in the College of Architecture, Planning and Landscape Architecture are revitalizing neighborhoods in South Tucson, thanks to a \$394,225 grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

The grant was awarded last month as part of the national Community Outreach Partnership Centers competition. Only 20 grants totaling \$6.87 million were presented to colleges and universities.

The UA was one of five schools chosen in the area of Futures Demonstration Programs.

"The recipients of these grants are key members of their communities, and this will further enable them to support innovative community partnerships that strengthen the economic and

social infrastructure of nearby distressed neighborhoods," said Mel Martinez, secretary of HUD, in a press release.

The UA was chosen based on work with the local community, said Michael Freedber, Office of Policy Development and Research, in an e-mail to Charles "Corky" Poster, an architecture professor.

More than 175 applications for COPC funding were submitted from around the country.

According to HUD, the UA received the award in view of extent of community need, quality of activities, level of neighborhood and local government participation, funds from other sources and overall commitment.

The UA's proposal was written by Marilyn Robinson, a graduate student in the school of planning, and Poster.

"I was really glad that we got the grant, but I realized that the real work is just beginning. It's a big challenge, but very exciting," Robinson said.

The grant will utilize the skills of students and faculty in the school of planning, which is slated for elimination under Focused Excellence.

The money will be used to establish and operate a demonstration project in housing design, specifically in the South Tucson Empowerment Zone.

The EZ, called Colonia, was established by the federal government and gives residents of a 16 square mile section of the poorest parts of the city tax reductions to help improve quality of life, Poster said.

This zone includes a population of 50,000 people, 60 percent of whom are Hispanic, and 15,000 households, more than a third of whom live in poverty.

Colonia, a town without developmental regulations and basic services, is in need of investment, Poster said.

Only about 36 percent of the people living in the EZ own their own house, compared to 53 percent in the city of Tucson.

The proposal calls for more

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