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Safety fair today

The second annual public safety fair is being held today on the UA Mall from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Attendees will be provided information about domestic violence, acquaintance rape, self-defense and personal safety both in and outside of the UA community.

Free refreshments and glow-in-the-dark safety key chains will also be handed out. The fair is sponsored by SafeRide.

Cultural show tomorrow

The UA India Club is hosting a cultural show tomorrow in the Social Sciences building, Room 100 at 5:30 p.m.

The event is called Diwali, the Festival of Lights, and will feature India Club members as well as members of Tucson's Indian community performing traditional music, dance, skits and other performances.

Admission to the event is free. The club will also host a dinner after the show in the Cactus Grill in the Student Union Memorial Center. Tickets for the dinner are \$8 and can be obtained through India Club members at k_shakalya@yahoo.com or sapnap@email.arizona.edu.

— Seth Mauzy

Book drive and banquet tomorrow night

The African Students Association is hosting its annual fall banquet tomorrow night. The goal of the banquet is to collect a variety of books to be shipped to 24 different countries in Africa at the end of the academic year. The books will be sent to rural school districts lacking a sufficient supply of texts.

Other banquet activities include speeches, a skit, two dance performances and authentic African cuisine.

Tickets can be purchased at the door and are \$7 for students, \$10 for adults. There is a \$2 discount if you bring a book. The banquet starts at 6:30 p.m. in the Ina E. Gittings building.

'OKLAHOMA!'



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Pat Sibley as Aunt Eller and Spencer Plachy as Curly perform Rodgers and Hammerstein's 'Oklahoma!' in Centennial Hall last night. The musical opened Tuesday and will run nightly until Sunday. Tickets can be purchased at the Centennial Hall box office, the UofA Bookstore or the UA Visitors Center.

Visitors Center opening today

Building may get solar power, if approved

By Zach Colick
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The UA Visitors Center will mark its grand opening today with an open house from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in its new location just west of campus.

Special guests at the event will include the Pride of Arizona marching band, UA mascots and cheerleaders, and exhibitors from the Lunar and Planetary Laboratory, space sciences — including an exhibit of the Phoenix Mars Mission — and other UA attractions, said Visitors Center Director Heather Lukach.

"Students will be able to see what our staff can provide for them as well as the exhibits some of the UA departments have been willing to showcase here," Lukach said.

Handouts, raffles, refreshments and other entertainment will also be showcased during the grand opening.

Visitors Center staff will be available today and in the future to help direct guests to campus destinations, answer any questions and lead them on tours of the campus with maps of highlighted destinations, such as the Student Union Memorial Center, Centennial Hall and the Manuel T. Pacheco Integrated Learning Center, among many others, said student employee Brett Kleinman, an undeclared sophomore.

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Fundraiser boasts bike art for wares

By Holly Wells
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UA students and Tucsonans will auction off bicycle parts transformed into furniture, jewelry, purses, lamps and art in downtown Tucson this weekend.

Bicas, a bicycle-recycling cooperative and trade school, is sponsoring its 10th annual bike art auction tomorrow and Sunday at the Flash Gallery, 310 E. Congress St.

The auction will feature live entertainment and more than 100 pieces of art made from bicycle parts, most of which are recycled, said Kenneth Armstrong, a member of Bicas.

"We get a lot of bikes that are broken down past repair," Armstrong said. "Instead of taking it all to the scrap yard we try to make as much out of it as we can."

The primary focus of Bicas is to

educate people about bike repair and how to obtain a bike, Armstrong said.

The organization sells refurbished bikes and offers weekly classes on bicycle maintenance and art classes using bike parts and other recycled materials.

Bicas is a nonprofit organization, and the auction is its biggest fundraiser of the year, Armstrong said.

The art generally sells for anywhere from a few dollars to hundreds of dollars. Last year the auction raised about \$5,000 and had a crowd of hundreds, and Bicas is hoping this year will be the same, Armstrong said.

The trashcans made from bike parts that adorn parts of North Fourth Avenue are examples of the Bicas art that revamps the local community.

Armstrong, who is studying

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Sorority disputes stereotypes

Groups identify looks with culture, media

By Danielle Rideau
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"Beauty is in the eyes of the beholder," said Gauri Pathak, Miss India Arizona 2005, as she and other panelists discussed how beauty is perceived differently for various races and cultures.

Theta Nu Xi, a multicultural sorority, hosted last night's forum, "Beauty in Popular Culture," to explore how the perception of beauty varies for women and men in different races, greek organizations, religions, backgrounds and lifestyles.

The panel comprised Pathak, the Panhellenic Council President Erin Cohen and the

treasurer of Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority, Danielle Abram, who answered questions about how beauty is perceived in the groups they belong to, and whether they agree with the stereotypes that result from such perceptions.

Each panelist discussed how beauty is defined and how those definitions can lead some women to have poor ideas of their self-image.

The stereotype of a "sorority woman," Cohen said, is someone who is "tall, tan, blonde and fit."

Cohen, a psychology senior, said she hopes people can look beyond that stereotype and see that most sorority women don't necessarily fit the mold.

Abram, a microbiology senior, said in her community black women are considered beautiful by other men if they are more



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From left: Psychology senior Erin Cohen, microbiology senior Danielle Abram and health education senior Gauri Pathak participate in an open-panel discussion on beauty in popular culture in the Education building yesterday.

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