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QUICK HITS

Coed fraternity hosts holiday food drive

The Gamma chapter of Alpha Theta Delta is hosting a food drive for the holiday season.

The coed multicultural Christian fraternity plans to host the Theta Food Drive from today to Dec. 21. The food donations will be delivered to the Tucson Community Food Bank where the volunteers will sort through the donation and packing boxes.

Food donations can be dropped off at the Blue Chip Area near the Center for Student Involvement and Leadership on the fourth floor of the Student Union Memorial Center. Donations can also be dropped off with the African-American Student Affairs in the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Student Center, Room 209.

The Community Food Bank is requesting donation of canned vegetables, boxed breakfast cereals, canned tuna, macaroni and cheese, peanut butter, canned tomato products and canned soups.

National expert speaks on financial issues

Celia Hayhoe, a family financial management specialist, will present a special workshop on the financial decisions involved with becoming a caregiver today.

Hayhoe received her Ph.D. in family and consumer resources from the UA in 1994. She won the Outreach Award for the college of liberal arts and sciences last year and now works with the Virginia Cooperative Extension of Virginia Tech.

The event is sponsored by the Take Charge America Institute for Consumer Financial Education and Research and the Cooperative Extension of the UA.

The event will take place today from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Pima County Cooperative Extension, 4210 N. Campbell Ave. For more information, call Linda Block at 626-5161.

Leadership workshop today

The Fall Leadership Workshop Series from the Center of Student Involvement and Leadership plans to host a workshop for students today.

The workshops are designed to develop competence in leadership areas. Participants will gain valuable skills they can apply to their own lives, organizations they are affiliated with and in the classroom.

Students earn a certificate of leadership enrichment if they complete seven or more workshops during the academic year, or become a certified UA student leader by attending more than 20 over three semesters.

Today's free lesson will take place at 5 p.m. in the Student Union Memorial Center in the Ventana Room.

Grijalva absent from discussion

Talk focuses on homelessness

By Danielle Rideau
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Rep. Raul Grijalva was absent from a panel discussion yesterday that urged students and community

members to write letters to their congressmen about the country's problem with homelessness.

Grijalva was supposed to be the featured speaker at last night's town hall discussion on homelessness. He was expected to speak about what the government is doing about the country's issues with poverty and homelessness, but he didn't show

up because of a "busy schedule," said moderator Rashad Kelly, a business management senior.

Some students and community members attended the discussion to see Grijalva, and felt let down when he ended up not coming.

"There was a lot of disappointment from the audience when he didn't show up. Students should be

one of his priorities and it makes a statement for him not to come," said Blaire Stryker, a sociology senior.

Despite the congressman's absence, the panel still urged audience members to write letters to their representatives to ask them to become more involved in helping solve the problem of poverty

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TRAVEL WOES

Some still searching for flights home

By Laura Ory
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If students haven't booked their airline flights home for Thanksgiving break by now, they better be prepared to drive, said Michael Glen, the UA branch manager for STA Travel.

Veronica Duncan, a travel adviser for STA, said she met with many students last week who were looking for last-minute deals for Thanksgiving-time travel.

"They're baffled as to why it's so expensive," Duncan said.

Though airline tickets may appear to be pricier, Annika Blau, a travel adviser for STA, said seats aren't more expensive than usual, but premium seats are the only seats available for those searching for flights at the last minute.

Blau said students should book their holiday travel four to six months in advance to avoid paying more money for premium seats.

If students decide to wait to see what their class schedule is like before booking a flight, they will probably end up regretting it, Blau said.

"There's only about a 2 percent chance that flights will become cheaper, so you're better off booking your flight right away," Blau said.

Jeremy Riesenfeld, a regional development junior, said he made his Thanksgiving travel plans about a month ago, but was frustrated that some of his teachers still hadn't decided on whether or not to hold class

during the week of Thanksgiving.

Riesenfeld said he will be traveling to the San Francisco Bay area for Thanksgiving, and though he doesn't expect any problems flying out of Tucson to Los Angeles, he has experienced some travel difficulties during

the holiday season in the past.

One year Riesenfeld missed his flight and spent 12 hours in Chicago, barely making it home in time for Thanksgiving dinner.

Riesenfeld said he also dreads having to check his bags because of

the risk of losing them.

Megan McDowell, an education junior, said she booked her flight to Oregon right after Hurricane Katrina to avoid a potential rise in ticket prices.

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Architecture senior Ian Viroslav visited STA Travel employee Michael Glen in the Student Union Memorial Center yesterday to inquire about travel fares. Many students are dealing with last-minute travel plans as Thanksgiving break quickly approaches.

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Culture jam exhibit to move off campus

By Anthony D. Ávila
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An art exhibit created by UA students will move next month from a tiny room in the student union to an off-campus location to expand its audience to the Tucson community.

The "Moment of Truth Project," a "culture jamming" collaboration between media arts and art students intended to highlight the deceptive power of advertising, will move to local television station Access Tucson, 124 E. Broadway Blvd., after its current exhibit closes Dec. 7, said Ellen McMahan, an associate

professor in media arts.

McMahan, who teaches Critical Issues in Design, one of the two classes that worked on the project, said she was excited others were interested in the project because it has a theme many people can appreciate.

"I think it's great for it to have the largest audience possible," McMahan said.

McMahan said the purpose of the project was to reinforce students' right to have their own values by critiquing the message of images in the media.

"This idea of talking back to the

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The Moment of Truth Project, an exercise in 'culture jamming' by faculty and students from the College of Fine Arts, is currently exhibited in the Social Justice Leadership Center in the Student Union Memorial Center.

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