

**Lifestyles**

UA Drama Department introduces "Cymbeline"

page 5

**Sports**

Defenses to clash

Saturday

page 8



The Arkansas

# Traveler

**WEATHER**



**HIGH** 77  
**LOW** 57

Warm and humid with 10% chance of precipitation.

## Business school programs ranked nationally

**Jaclyn Johnson**  
Asst. News Editor

Three specialty programs in the Sam M. Walton College of Business recently have been ranked among the top 20 nationwide, according to *Business Week* and *U.S. News and World Report*.

The UA marketing and corporate strategy programs are both ranked as the sixth best in their category among public schools, according to *Business Week*. Among public and private schools, the marketing program is in 13th place while the corporate strategy is listed in 19th place.

The supply chain program ranked in 15th place overall, according to "America's Best Colleges 2009" in *U.S. News and World Report*.

The program was ranked even higher last year, said Tom Jensen, marketing and logistics department chair.

"What [the results] really signal is an incredibly high

student satisfaction with the program," said Dan Worrell, dean of the Walton College.

The faculty is the foremost reason for the programs' success, Jensen said. Being in the backyard of companies like Walmart, J.B. Hunt and Tyson also helps, he said.

The *Business Week* rankings mostly were determined by student and employee feedback, said Karen Boston, the assistant dean for undergraduate studies.

*U.S. News and World Report*, however, was primarily ranked by college deans, Jensen said.

Overall, the college is ranked in 88th place compared to other public and private business schools, according to [www.businessweek.com](http://www.businessweek.com).

The college is very pleased with the scores Worrell said. They're a "good validation of high quality instructors," he

See **WALTON** on Page 3

## UA board of advisers welcomes five new members

**Chase Smith**  
Staff Writer

John Tyson and T.J. Holmes are two of five new members recently added to the UA board of advisers.

The UA has welcomed five new members to the board of advisers.

"A university is only as strong as its leaders and advisers, and the board of advisers is critical to the future of our institution," said Brad Choate, vice chancellor for University Advancement. "I am pleased to welcome the newest members

to the board."

New BOA members include 1999 UA graduate T.J. Holmes of Atlanta, Ga., who serves as a weekend anchor for CNN; 1970 UA graduate Greg Lee of Fayetteville, who worked as an administrative officer and international president of Tyson Foods Inc. and has since retired; Susan Harris Stoltz of Fort Collins, Colo., who graduated in 1974; 1960 UA graduate Dick Trammel of Rogers, who is an executive vice president of Arvest Bank; and John Tyson



John Tyson



T.J. Holmes

of Springdale, who is the chairman of the board at Tyson as well as on the UA board of trustees.

The board of advisers meet twice a year to discuss important issues, such as changes to the UA and how the UA with be raising funds for the next six months.

The BOA came about shortly after the new millennium, said Danielle Strickland

See **TRUSTEES** on Page 3

## New police substation opens in Reid

**Jack Willems**  
Senior Staff Writer

The UA Police Department celebrated the opening of a police substation on the southeast corner of Reid Hall Thursday morning. The UAPD is the only university police department in the state to operate a substation, the UAPD director said.

The substation will improve the accessibility students in the area have to the police department, said Gary Crain, UAPD public information officer.

There is a huge student population living on the north end of campus, and the substation makes the department more accessible to that population, he said.

See **POLICE** on Page 3



VERONICA PUCCI Staff Photographer

The UA Police Department opened a substation Thursday near Reid Hall. This new station will help increase accessibility for students on the north end of campus, said Gary Crain, UAPD public information officer.

## 2007 Clery Report shows increase in thefts on campus

**Jack Willems**  
Senior Staff Writer

The UA Police Department experienced an increase in reported thefts last year, according to the 2007 Clery Report, which was released last Thursday.

The number of larceny thefts reported to the UAPD increased to 254 last year, a nearly 30 percent increase from the year before.

This increase in thefts goes against the general trend in recent years of fewer thefts being reported. — the number of thefts reported to the UAPD has decreased every year since 2001, according to past Clery Reports.

Larceny thefts are typically crimes of opportunity, said Lt. Gary Crain, UAPD public information officer. The number of thefts has increased as the number of opportunities for theft has increased, and most thefts are the result of property being left unattended, he said.

"If we could minimize the amount of property left unat-

tended, we could really cut down on thefts on this campus," Crain said.

Larceny thefts were not the only type of property crime that was more common last year. The UAPD also received 81 reports of burglary last year, while in 2006, the UAPD received 73 reports of burglary.

There has been an 83 percent increase in burglaries since 2003, and of the burglaries reported last year, 61 occurred on campus and 19 occurred in residence halls, according to the report.

Unlawful entry into a room is considered to be burglary, and the majority of burglaries occur when the door to someone's room is unlocked, Crain said. However, the perpetrator does not necessarily have to take something for it to be considered a burglary, he said.

There also were five reports of motor vehicle theft last year, down from eight reports in 2006.

See **CLERY** on Page 3

## Study abroad program focuses on Japanese writer

**Maiko Michishita**  
Senior Staff Writer

In 1890, an Irish journalist arrived as a Yokohama poet in Japan. His name is Lafcadio Hearn, and he later gained Japanese citizenship. He was very fascinated by Japan, and later wrote a book called "Glimpses of Unfamiliar Japan."

This summer, more than 100 years after Lafcadio's arrival, seven UA students left the U.S. to discover new, "unfamiliar" factors of Japan.

A four-week study abroad program, Unfamiliar Japan,

started this summer and was conducted by Tatsuya Fukushima, an associate professor of Japanese. In addition to learning different aspects of Japan, students enjoyed studying abroad in Japan itself.

The program's priority was to see diversity in Japan today as well as a difference from what Japan used to be many years ago, Fukushima said.

After a long flight and a one-night stay in Tokyo, students headed to Shimane, as a traditional side of Japan. Students visited many places such as shrines, temples and museums in Shimane.

Joseph Snow, a junior physics major, said students visited many historical places in Shimane, including a Matsue castle, whose image remained in his mind as a beautiful image of Japan.

Sceneries, landscapes and architectures were pretty at most of the places, he said.

Unlike Tokyo, which is highly commercialized and overwhelmed by tourism, students were able to see the great depth of history and lifestyle in Shimane, Fukushima said.

"Shimane is a hard land of Shintoism," Fukushima said, "so students would get a bet-

ter sense of Japanese religious system."

Hiroki Fujimoto, an exchange student from Shimane University, was a leader of the Shimane students and helped host the program while UA students were there.

Shimane is more isolated than any other places in Japan, Fujimoto said. Even Japanese people are not familiar with Shimane, he said.

In addition, students learned traditional Japanese

See **JAPAN** on Page 2

## CROSSWALK SAFETY



VERONICA PUCCI Staff Photographer

Volunteers at the corner of Dickson Street and McIlroy Avenue help people cross the street on Crosswalk Safety Awareness Day.

## UA organizations celebrate Gay Days

**Taniah Tudor**  
Senior Staff Writer

A series of events including a chili cook-off, a documentary showing and a candlelight vigil will occur on and off campus this week in celebration of National Coming Out Day Saturday, Oct. 11, and in commemoration of the death of Matthew Shepard, who was murdered in an anti-gay hate crime ten years ago Oct. 12.

Gay Days stretches from Oct. 6 to Oct. 12 this year and is hosted by People Respecting Individual Differences and Equality (P.R.I.D.E.) and The Northwest Arkansas Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender (GLBT) Community Center.

Maggie Laigaie, the president of P.R.I.D.E., said Gay Days is celebrated each fall during the week of National Coming Out Day and the anniversary of Shepard's death, but the celebration also occurs in the fall so new students will know that organizations like P.R.I.D.E. are

on campus.

There are a variety of events during the course of the week, both social and informational, to bring the campus community together and help sort out some of the issues that affect the daily lives of GLBT students and allies, Laigaie said.

Laigaie said some are social events for P.R.I.D.E. members to spend time together.

"Some people get twitchy if we do a whole lot of the activist stuff and don't do the fun stuff, too," Laigaie said.

Other events are open for everyone, such as the Matthew Shepard Candlelight Vigil 7 p.m. tonight on the library side of the fountain in front of the Arkansas Union.

Shepard was a 21-year-old student who was brutally beaten and left to freeze to death tied to a fence post by two other young men, Russell Henderson and Aaron McKinney, near Laramie, Wyo.

Peter Triplett, a freshman psychology major, said if he were gay he would not cel-

brate because he is "not real big into parading it around."

Triplett has diabetes, but he said he does not participate in functions related to his illness.

"I'm not against gays or lesbians; I just think that this would target them for people making fun of them," Triplett said. "I think it's good that they all come together to support each other, I just don't think it's something I would participate in."

From 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. there will be a showing of the documentary "Before Stonewall," which tells the stories of gay and lesbian Americans beginning in the 1920s until the Stonewall Riots in New York City's Greenwich Village in 1969, according to the P.R.I.D.E. Web site.

The reaction in Greenwich Village began the Gay Liberation Movement, and the first Gay Pride Parade occurred the next year, according to the site.

See **COMING OUT** on Page 2