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# Looking toward the '80's

## New facilities crucial to future of Natural Sciences at PLU

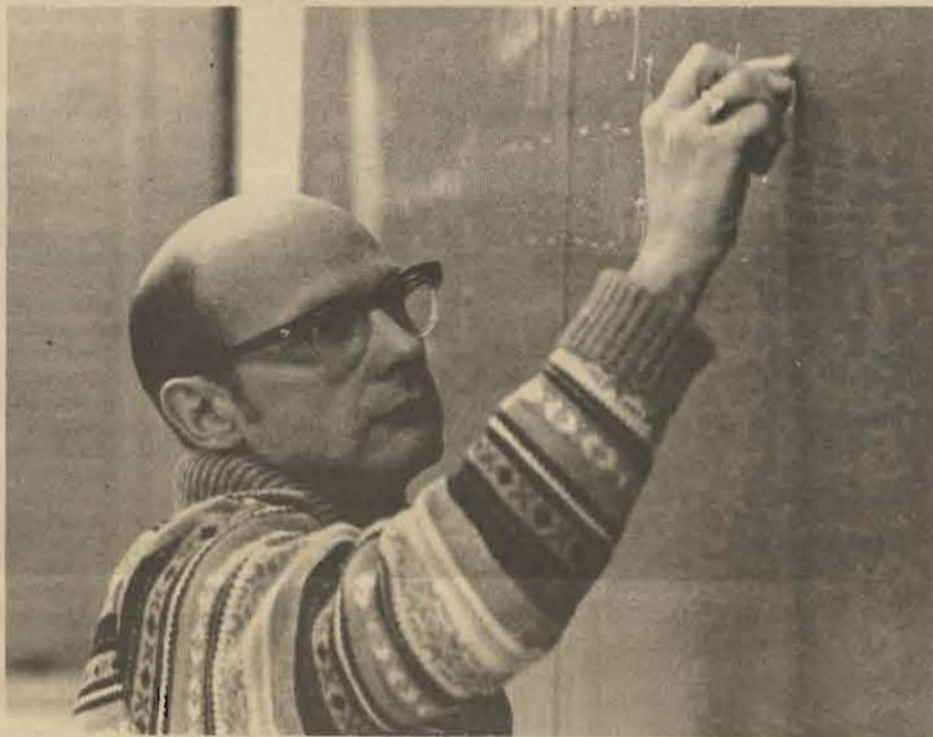
"The survival of civilization depends on cooperation and on use of knowledge and reasoning; scientific knowledge is a major element in decisions regarding the future.

"Finding holistic solutions to global problems like energy and food supply, disease and arms control requires more than knowledge per se. The ability to interrelate bodies of knowledge for problem-solving will be essential.

"Science must be taught as fundamental principles, groups of concepts, bodies of knowledge and means for survival. Emphasis on the principles underlying the particulars and on religious, rather than secular scales of time and value, will give PLU's students lifelong perspective enabling them to deal wisely with change."

These definitive statements of philosophy and purpose are included in a recent document entitled, "A Vision for Science Education," prepared by the PLU Division of Natural Sciences.

PLU is particularly well equipped to meet these significant challenges of the future, according to Dr. John Herzog, recently elected to a second three-year term as chairman of the Division. "Strength in curricula, faculty credits and diversity and type of student attracted form the basis for continued and greater impact



Dr. John Herzog

on the scientific community and lay leadership in society in general," he observed.

In the articles on the following pages are featured some of the current and recent developments within the Division. One receives a picture of a Division getting rapidly stronger, but one that is at a crossroads because of the limita-

tions placed on it by inadequate facilities.

Herzog and the other members of the Natural Science faculty look toward the 1980's with a cautious optimism. "If the Division has been able to do as well as we have with very limited resources, we are confident the future will be much more productive," he said,

"...if the evident funding and

facilities requirements can be met."

Herzog continued, "However, if the requirements for this favorable future should not be obtained, there is no doubt that the Division will suffer a severe decline over the years ahead.

"The Division is at a crucial point," he added. "That this point has been delayed or postponed this long is due to the inordinate efforts of its members. This level of effort, that so far has amazingly offset the shortcomings of our setting, cannot be sustained indefinitely."

In September 1977 the PLU Board of Regents approved a \$16.5 million development campaign intended to continue into the mid-1980's. A predominant feature of the campaign, the proposed building, along with a \$150,000 remodeling of the present Ramstad Hall facility, would more than double floor space and immeasurably modernize facilities available to the entire Division.

According to Herzog, completion of the proposed facilities would put PLU back on a competitive par with the better, similar-sized educational institutions in terms of space and equipment; the intrinsic advantages of a PLU education should give the Division a competitive edge.

## Chem Students Among Top 20% In Nation

During the past five years, PLU chemistry students have advanced from among the top 40 per cent nationwide to the top 20 per cent among students taking standardized American Chemical Society tests, according to Chemistry Department chairman Dr. Duane Swank.

In addition, 38 per cent of PLU students this past year were among the nation's top 10 per cent, he added. ACS tests are often used as final tests in many under-

graduate chemistry courses.

Swank believes that the improvement can be attributed to the caliber of student. "And the curriculum gives them a good solid foundation," he observed.

"Our curriculum is different enough from most institutions to attract students," Swank continued. "To begin with, the freshman lab manual, written by Dr. Fred Tobiason of PLU, is different from most. It contains more than a dozen experiments, all of which have a purpose and reasoning related both to the other experiments and the project as a whole.

"Also, scientific instruments are used more. We don't have as many as some schools, but there is more access with fewer students," he pointed out.

In addition, a close faculty-

student relationship is developed in the freshman year and continues through the student's career at PLU. One example of this relationship is that research efforts of undergraduate students have resulted in joint publication with faculty of 13 papers in major professional journals over the past 12 years.

All seven members of the PLU chemistry faculty hold Ph.D.'s; in the entire Division of Natural Sciences at PLU nearly 95 per cent of the faculty hold doctorates.

Most are also active in the community and in professional organi-

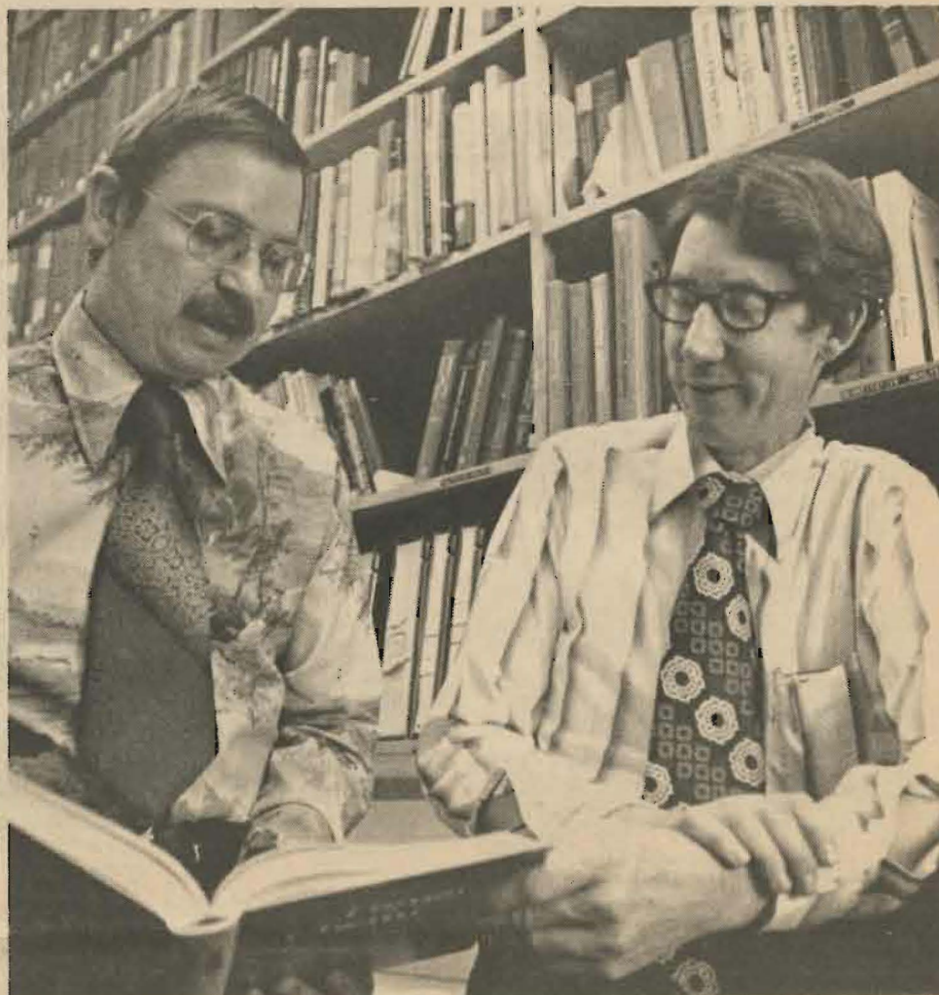
zations. For example, Swank, and Dr. William Giddings are active in environmental areas. Dr. Charles Anderson is involved in the health maintenance field. Dr. Burton Nesset has long been concerned with educating the public concerning drug abuse.

Most faculty research is so highly specialized that its direct relationship to areas familiar to lay persons is difficult to measure. Swank, however, is currently involved in a project that may have a significant future impact in the area of conduction and solid state devices.

He is looking at the properties of copper chloride and copper bromide complexes at very low temperatures — less than five degrees above absolute zero.

# The artistry in science

The study of  
science is a warm,  
human, personal experience



From left, Dr. Duane Swank, Dr. Fred Tobiason

By Jim Peterson

Science.

To the layman it is a field of knowledge that often seems overwhelming. We can be inspired by its vision, fascinated by its discoveries, comforted and enriched by its practical applications.

Yet it can also seem cold, sterile and impersonal, a world of strange words, symbols, formulas and instruments.

Scientists see it differently. Their perception, in fact, may vary little from those of colleagues in the arts, humanities or social sciences.

"There's artistry involved in science," says Dr. Fred Tobiason '58, professor of chemistry and PLU's 1975-76 Regency Professor. "There's inherent beauty in the formulation of models and the carrying out of calculations.

"Laboratory work is a creative experience," he continued. "It's

not an isolated, mechanical thing.

"Doing chemistry is like being an artist," Tobiason asserted. "A good artist is compelled to paint or throw pots. A good scientist is compelled to be involved in scientific activity. It is called 'research,' and that makes it sound more procedural and impersonal."

The feeling that the study of science at Pacific Lutheran University is a warm, human, personal experience is one of the first impressions a prospective student receives during a campus visit. The impression helps make up for some of the increasingly apparent deficiencies in space and facilities which the Division of Natural Sciences hopes will be relieved by a new building in the not-too-distant future.

Ramstad (Science) Hall, though crowded, is "homey," according to Tobiason. There is carpeting on the floors, paintings on the walls, and conversation areas scattered about, almost at random. "We hope the new building will be planned by someone who not only understands science, but human interaction as well," Tobiason observed.

There is also a sharing, family atmosphere among the faculty and students that has been nurtured for many years. It's as real today as it was 20 years ago when Tobiason was an undergraduate at PLU and chose chemistry as a career

primarily because of the character and influence of department faculty in those days.

"Teaching was their main responsibility and it is still our first responsibility," he asserted. "If a student needs help, that's number one." Less than five minutes earlier he had taken time out from an interview to answer a student's question.

However, teaching and counseling take time, time often available for research by faculty at other institutions. In spite of the limitations of time and facilities, PLU scientists are active in research and professional organizations for two reasons:

"When we work with students, we should be talking from experience, how we do it and the problems we have, not how they do it," Tobiason said. In addition, research, publications, presentation of scholarly papers and active participation in professional organizations all contribute to a school's reputation, which in turn attracts students and resources.

PLU's natural sciences reputation is a good one and it is getting better. According to Chemistry

Department chairman Dr. Duane Swank, there was a significant step forward taken in the late '60's which is bearing fruit today.

At that time the sciences at PLU received a three-year \$250,000 grant from the Research Corporation which added several faculty positions and made certain important equipment acquisitions possible.

It was also a time when there was an unusually large pool of outstanding faculty candidates available. Those persons have now attained positions of leadership within the division and are establishing regional and national professional reputations.

## PLU Pre-Med, Pre-Dentistry Program Earns Top Reputation

By Jim Peterson

When one establishes a strong reputation in any field it can be both an advantage and a disadvantage.

Such has been the case in the PLU Division of Natural Sciences, which has achieved an enviable reputation for its pre-medicine and pre-dentistry programs.

Dr. Jerrold Lerum, an assistant professor of biology, coordinator of the respected PLU Health Sciences Committee, stated, "Regardless of how carefully we express ourselves in print, we can be misinterpreted, if not by prospective students, by our colleagues in other institutions."

Lerum emphasized that the most accurate way to explain the record of PLU's pre-medical and pre-dentistry students is on a one-to-one basis, where various facts and figures can be explained in their proper context.

It can be stated, however, that PLU has sent significant numbers of graduates to medical schools and dental schools. Since 1960 135 PLU students have entered medical school and 76 have entered dental school. The success rate is significantly higher than the national average and the majority of institutions in the Northwest.

Last year for example, only one school in the nation placed more graduates in the University of Washington School of Dentistry than PLU, and that was the University of Washington.

"Last year was an extraordinarily good year," Lerum stated. Seventy-five per cent of PLU medical school applicants and 85 per cent of dental school applications were successful (12 medical; 11 dental). The national average is about 30 per cent.

"Because of the small numbers involved, these figures can fluctuate considerably from year to year," Lerum pointed out. Over the past 15 years the best estimate is 65 per cent for medical school and 80 per cent for dental school.

To the committee's knowledge only one PLU graduate accepted during that time failed to complete the graduate program, and that was for non-academic reasons.

"Our success, however, may have caused some myths to be



Dr. Jerry Lerum

perpetuated," Dr. Lerum observed.

"Prospective students may believe that their acceptance into medical or dental school is practically assured if they complete the PLU program," he continued. "No program can meet those expectations."

"The 'myth' could also encourage some students to believe that all they need to do is show up to get into medical schools. That hasn't happened to any degree, but if it did more students would be disappointed."

The existence of the Health Sciences Committee is one of several

factors that contribute to the reputation of the PLU program. Comprised of six sciences professors (3 biology, 2 chemistry, 1 physics-engineering), it exists to help all students interested in health science careers (bio-engineering, dentistry, medicine, medical technology, pharmacy, physical therapy and others). Students also have individual advisors in their majors.

"We are here to advise any student who has a desire for a career in health," Lerum said, "But it is all voluntary, as students may elect not to consult with the committee."

He added that he believed, however, that a letter from a well-established committee to the various professional schools is usually read carefully.

While expressing pride in the overall PLU program, Lerum was hesitant to single out factors that make the difference.

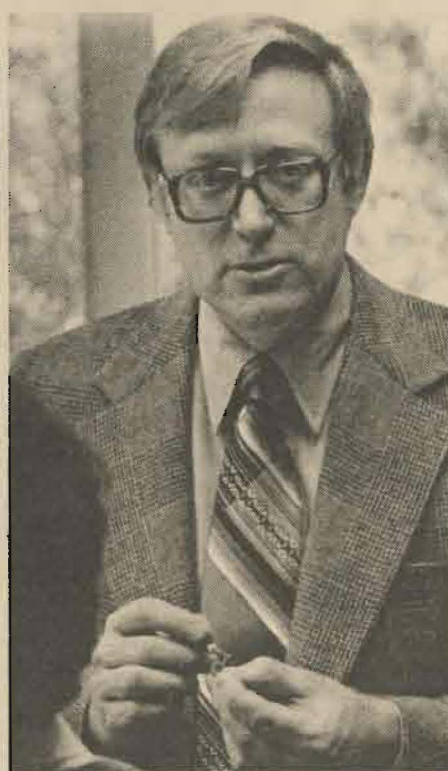
Dr. Lerum stated, "A primary reason for the success of PLU students must be attributed to the quality of the students who enter PLU," and then added, "We feel that the totality of PLU's offerings, both academic and non-academic, offers the student the opportunity to acquire very competitive academic credentials while developing into a more sensitive, interested, mature person."

## Engineering Physics Combo Nearly Unique Nationwide

Physicists and engineers across the country do not communicate frequently or effectively with one another, according to Dr. Robert Heeren, yet at PLU the two disciplines have been combined into one department for the past year.

Dr. Heeren, the chairman of the Physics and Engineering Department, describes the marriage as "extraordinarily unusual," one that exists at no more than three or four other liberal arts colleges nationwide.

"It gives us an edge on the competition," he pointed out. Although it is too early to establish effects of the new organization on enrollment, cooperative efforts between the two disciplines have been a significant factor in a more than 100 per cent increase in



Dr. Robert Heeren

physics and engineering majors over the past five years.

The department offers the usual BS/BA degrees in physics and a BA in engineering-physics. The majority of the department majors,

however, involve three years at PLU and two years at Columbia or Stanford Universities.

The 3-2 concept received its first impetus in the early '60's from former physics department chairman Dr. Olaf Jordahl, now retired. With the addition of an engineering faculty member some seven years ago there was added emphasis and today, with PLU one of the few small schools to boast two graduate engineering faculty, the program is prospering.

According to Heeren, the 3-2 engineering program is designed to immerse students in two entirely different types of institutions over a five-year period — a liberal arts-based small university and a major research university. The intent is to produce engineers with traditional preparation in a specialty and the broad perspective gained by the humanities in a liberal arts college.

Columbia accepts all faculty-recommended PLU students; although Stanford's admissions are competitive, no PLU applicant has been turned down in the past three years, Heeren pointed out.

There is logic in the combination

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# Geothermal A Promising Source Of More Energy

By Judy Davis

Dr. Walter Youngquist, visiting professor of Earth Sciences at Pacific Lutheran University in Tacoma, Wash., says interest in geothermal energy as a source of power is "picking up steam."

The expert on energy economics explained geothermal energy is natural heat from the earth's interior derived from the decay of



Dr. Walter Youngquist and student Robb Mason

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of physics and engineering; one is theoretical, the other practical. "But it rarely happens," Heeren noted. "In most schools they are administratively separated so there are no lines of communication. And there are two different types of people involved. A pure physicist is arty and creative, like an artist who isn't particularly interested in making his art palatable to anyone. It's the pure, creative, analytical exercise that is important.

"An engineer is more hard-nosed, like a commercial artist," he continued. "He'll take the knowledge of the pure scientists and turn it into practical results." Within the new combined PLU department, these types of personalities have a modifying effect on one another, Heeren indicated.

Two new faculty members, Dr. Donald Haueisen in physics and Dr. Roy Clark in engineering, were selected specifically because each had experience in the other discipline. "They both operate at what we

call the melt interface," Heeren said.

While students 10 years ago were mostly physics-oriented because of heavy government emphasis on pure research programs, the opportunities today are in commerce and industry and the students are oriented toward engineering. "Technical employment has always been good," Heeren asserted. "Unemployment was highly publicized several years ago, particularly in this area, because of the Boeing cutback, but the demand for engineers nationwide has been pretty constant.

"Today it's so good it's almost embarrassing," he added.

With a highly qualified faculty which is also in demand in a variety of consulting capacities, to close faculty-student relationships, the PLU physics-engineering program is expected to continue to show significant growth. "Students are looking for a solid, 'steak and potatoes' program and we believe we are offering that," Heeren concluded.

radioactive materials.

In certain areas, by drilling wells, the earth's heat can be "tapped" and converted to various forms of power, including electricity. Generally geothermal energy is more readily obtained in volcanic terrains.

"In several Western states, including Utah, California, Oregon, Idaho, New Mexico and probably also to some extent in Washington, geothermal energy can be a practical, viable energy source in our own back yard," said the consultant on geothermal energy resources to public utilities.

The former University of Oregon professor said nearly all of San Francisco's electric power, for instance, is provided by the world's largest geothermal power system. It is located at The Geysers, 75 miles north of the city.

In Klamath Falls, Oregon, residents enjoy geothermal living "from the cradle to the grave."

"There, geothermal energy heats hospitals, homes, schools, churches, factories, and even mortuaries," he noted.

Youngquist predicts the use of geothermal energy will be a growing source of power for California, Oregon, Utah and New Mexico until the end of the century and beyond.

If recent demands for Youngquist's expertise about geothermal energy are any indication, he is right.

Recently, in five days the peripatetic professor flew 2,400 miles, drove 700 miles and gave speeches in four states on the subject of energy. Next year, he will be giving up his teaching position at PLU to "meet the long term consulting commitments I have on the development of geothermal resources." He has been appointed to a two-year term as geothermal counselor for the American Association of Petroleum Geologists.

"I just wish I had found PLU 20 years sooner," he said.

Youngquist has been impressed with the quality of students at PLU, the opportunities to relate to students on an individual basis and the commitment of the institution to provide education in a "moral context."

Youngquist currently is a consultant on geothermal energy to the Eugene Water and Electric Board, a municipally owned utility, and the Idaho National Engineering Laboratories.

According to Youngquist, geothermal energy has another major advantage besides being readily available in certain Western states: harnessing it has relatively

little impact on the environment.

"Eighty per cent of the land developed for geothermal resources can be used for what it was used for originally...much of the land at The Geysers, for instance, is still goat pasture," he said.

The economics of geothermal energy also make it attractive.

Last year, for instance the cost of geothermal heating of Oregon Institute of Technology was \$12,000; heating the same facilities with fuel oil would have cost \$300,000.

"Where present, geothermal energy is the cheapest source of new power available," said Youngquist who spends much of his summers mapping out potential geothermal resources.

Youngquist said another "plus" for geothermal energy is that it can be locally developed and controlled.

Although increasing attention has been focusing on geothermal energy as costs of other energy sources rise, Youngquist pointed out it is not a "new" form of energy.

"Early man probably used geothermal heat before he used fire by taking baths in hot springs and cooking over natural steam vents," he suggested.

He noted Italy has been using geothermal energy since the early 1900's since it has a dearth of fossil fuel...today, enough electric power is generated geothermally in Italy to be the equivalent of all the electric power used to run Italy's almost entirely electrified railways system.

"Of course, geothermal energy can get out of control, as witnessed by the ashes of Pompeii," he said with a laugh.

Geothermal energy certainly is not a panacea for energy problems — it won't do much for Minnesota, Michigan and Maine, cautioned Youngquist, who has degrees from Gustavus Adolphus College and the University of Iowa.

"But," he continued, "in many of our Western states it can be a factor inducing the balance of payments for oil imports and make us more energy independent, especially as the supply of fossil fuels diminishes."

## Math Dept. Shows Growth In Numbers And Quality

*"The great book of nature lies ever before our eyes and the true philosophy is written in it. But we cannot read it unless we have first learned the language and characters in which it is written. It is written in mathematical language and the characters are triangles, circles and other geometrical figures." — Galileo*

The timeless fascination with mathematics has continued from the era of the abacus to the era of the computer. And interest is accelerating.

The number of mathematics credit hours taught at PLU has increased over 250 per cent in the past 12 years, according to department chairman Dr. Gary Peterson.

He attributes the growth to at least four major factors: (1) the

PLU engineering program is growing rapidly and all engineering students take math; (2) the School of Business Administration, which has also shown rapid recent growth, requires mathematics; (3) computer science courses have been introduced (see separate article); and (4) several math Interim courses are quite popular, including Computers and Society, Financial Mathematics, and Math Puzzles and Paradoxes.

The quality of the program, too, has become well established. One of last year's graduates, Dale Fixsen, a mathematics-physics major, earned a three-year National Science Foundation Fellowship to study at Princeton. Fixsen ranked 25th among more than 2,000 contestants in the 27th annual William Lowell Putnam Mathematical Competition, an international event.

Of the 51 math graduates in the years 1966-70, eight now hold Ph.D.'s; another dozen have earned master's degrees.

The figures are impressive because many math graduates go directly into business and industry with their bachelor's degrees. Computer science, data processing and systems analysis are among

the fields that attract graduates.

According to Dr. Peterson, one of the social consequences of the demand for mathematicians in industry is that there is a shortage of people with strong math backgrounds going into secondary education. The PLU Education Placement Office has reported that it could place three times the number of education majors with math specialties as they are now getting.

"Another reason for the demand is that the students get both a strong math and education background at PLU; it's not watered down," Peterson observed.

Like their colleagues in the other science departments, members of the math faculty rely on a strong innovative curriculum and close personal contact with students rather than the most up-to-date facilities to maintain program quality.

Several of the department faculty are also involved in projects to improve mathematics education on a regional scale. Drs. Paul Liebelt and James Brink are working on local course improvement under auspices of a National Science Foundation grant; Dr. Kenneth Batker is pulling together a consortium to aid mathematics



Dr. Gary Peterson

education in the Northwest. The project, funded by the Battelle Institute in Seattle, involves the major universities in five northwest states, the Washington State Superintendent of Public Instruction and several school districts.

The math department has just received notice of a \$25,000 NSF grant to conduct a "Pre-College Teacher Development in Science Project for Junior High School Math Teachers." Batker is the project director; he, Dr. John Herzog and Peterson will do the teaching.

## Computer Age Reflected In Growth of PLU Program

By Judy Davis

Today, a computer the size of a typewriter has replaced those which engulfed an entire building 30 years ago.

Computers are a part of our lifestyle; they are found in our microwave ovens, automobiles, businesses, industries and television sets.

It seems the only thing they are not capable of doing is thinking... yet.

Pacific Lutheran University has joined with Washington State University to help students prepare for these rapid changes which are a part of "the computer age."

"We offer a program allowing students to complete a series of 'core courses' in basic computer science three years at PLU. Then, a student can transfer to WSU for advanced courses in computer science to complete requirements for a PLU mathematic-computer science degree which is comparable to a degree in computer sciences," said Dr. James Brink.

He is an associate professor of mathematics, specializing in numerical analysis and computer science.

Those students desiring to obtain a bachelor's in computer science from WSU can remain at the Pullman school another year to complete further requirements, said Brink.

In addition to the students who have completed the 3-1 program begun in the early '70's, in recent years several students have gone into computer-related employment after four years at PLU.

The PLU core courses in computer science came about partially as a result of a grant from the Research Corporation in 1970. "These classes deal with the languages of computers, their application in science, industry and business, programming and numerical analysis,

or studies of solving mathematical problems on computer," said Brink.

In addition, students can enroll in business and engineering courses related to the computer science curriculum. Some 100 students are enrolled in the computer science program; interest in the curriculum has doubled in the last five years.

At PLU, equipment for the computer sciences includes a UNIVAC 70/46 housed in Mortvedt Library. "We 'share time' on the main computer which is used for university business," explained Brink.

Also available to students are three key punches and five terminals, including one in the mathematics department. Another terminal is planned for the physics department, and there is a classroom equipped with two television monitors.

Brink emphasized the computer science curriculum stresses the rapid change in the field.

As an example, he noted, "The math department terminal cost about \$2,000--recently a computer became available for around \$800 which seems to perform functions satisfactorily for teaching the BASIC computer language."

He continued, "We try to stress to our students the computer world is changing so fast, it's hard to speculate what the future holds. But these programs give them a sound foundation."



Dr. James Brink with student Mike Brown at computer console.



Bruce Tempel

## PLU Student Earns \$25,000 Fellowship

A PLU biology student who has been awarded a \$25,000 fellowship for graduate study at Yale is also spearheading a student-initiated fund-raising drive to support undergraduate research at PLU.

Bruce Tempel of Colfax, Wash., has received a three-year National Science Foundation fellowship which provides tuition and living expenses during three years of graduate study.

The PLU senior will graduate in May and plans to study in the field of developmental neuro-biology.

Earlier this spring Tempel and two fellow students began planning fund-raising activities to support student and student-faculty research at PLU. "We have been involved in undergraduate research and have found it very beneficial," he said. "We want to help strengthen the program for the benefit of other students."

Research efforts of PLU undergraduate students have resulted in joint publication with faculty of 13 papers in major professional journals over the past 12 years.

Linda Ferguson, Brenda Ringer and Tempel, all PLU seniors, headed an effort during the recent PLU Jogathon which is expected to net over \$1,500 for the project. They have also written more than 70 letters to businesses and industries requesting support.

Several undergraduates have volunteered to keep the project alive next year, Tempel indicated.

Tempel was one of 490 students nationwide to receive a 1978 NSF fellowship out of more than 4,300 applications.

He is the son of Dr. and Mrs. W.R. Tempel of Colfax.

## Field Station Makes On-Site Study Possible

A biology field station near Port Orchard is giving Pacific Lutheran University students an opportunity to study the flora and fauna of the Puget Sound area in their natural setting.

The on-site laboratory is located in Manchester State Park, a yet-to-be-developed recreational area five miles east of Port Orchard.

The 1,000-square-foot structure, an A-frame, not yet completed, will include laboratory facilities for experiments and analyses, sleeping loft and kitchen, bath and laundry facilities.

Because the station and its equipment allow for experimentation as well as observation, students gain a better understanding of the application of scientific

methods to complex life processes.

Another advantage of the field station is that it provides students with the chance to conduct long-term observations of the surrounding "community."

To collect some of the marine specimens, students can use a boat especially equipped for studying Puget Sound.

A \$102,000 grant awarded by the National Science Foundation provides the facilities, equipment and summer salaries of students and faculty members involved in the field station project. More than 10 students will have been employed as summer assistants by the end of the year. The grant is administered by Professor JoAnn Jensen of the

PLU Biology Department. Biology professors Richard McGinnis, Dennis Martin and Dave Hansen are the principal users of the field station and its facilities in their teaching.

The main classes which use the field station include oceanography, field methods in ecology, vertebrate natural history, ornithology and entomology.

The philosophy as expressed to NSF for the field station is "a way to enhance the learning process by taking the classroom into nature rather than taking nature into the classroom."

## PLU Group Plans Summer Mt. McKinley Expedition

A Pacific Lutheran University professor, two PLU students and a Parkland resident plan to climb Alaska's 20,300-foot Mount McKinley this summer on what they are calling the "1978 PLU-Mount McKinley Expedition."

The climbers, according to expedition leader Don Ryan, plan to place a PLU banner at the summit of the mountain. "We want to help maintain PLU's reputation as the hot dog mountain-climbing school," he said.

Ryan, a junior from Covina, Calif., was alluding to the fact that two PLU alumni, Lute Jerstad and Dr. Chris Chandler, are among the tiny group of climbing elite who have conquered Mount Everest, the world's highest peak.

Other members of the expedition team are Dr. Larry Layman, assistant professor of chemistry at PLU; Richard Knochenmus, a PLU junior from Tacoma; and Jarl Secar-Jensen of Parkland.

Dr. William O. Rieke, PLU president, has given his approval of the use of the university's name on the expedition. The climb itself is a private enterprise, Ryan indicated.

Ryan, who has served as a professional climbing guide and has taught climbing at Fort Steilacoom Community College, said that the team will be flown in to the 7,000-foot level of Mount McKinley about May 25. The climb could then take from two to six weeks, depending on the weather, he indicated.



PLU students conduct field studies near campus biology field station at Manchester State park.

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## Middle College Offers Bridge To College For H.S. Students

A new program designed to help students improve their chances for success in college begins at Pacific Lutheran University this summer.

Middle College, an intensive six-week "work hard-play hard" program, begins June 19 and offers 12 semester hours of transferable college credit.

According to Middle College preceptor Richard Jobst, the program can benefit (1) recent high school graduates who want to strengthen their academic background or study skills in preparation for college; (2) high school seniors wishing to "accelerate" and earn college credit early; and (3) college students wishing to sharpen up their learning skills.

"Middle College is intended as a 'transition' between high school and college," Jobst said. "It's a big step and some students manage better than others. If one has a weakness in writing, numbers, analysis or general study skills, it can be an additional hurdle all the way through college if no attempt is made to correct it.

The academic structure of the program is based on the social sciences — anthropology, sociology and political science — with additional resources from economics, history and psychology.

"Interpretation, analysis and both written and oral expression will be stressed," Jobst said.

The personal advising aspect of the program is also important. Five PLU professors comprise the Middle College faculty. In addition, 10 advanced PLU students are partners on the faculty team and will serve as mentors, living in the dorms with students to assist them in developing their learning skills. As first-year Middle College enrollment is not expected to greatly exceed 50, the faculty-student ratio is very low.

The personal contact with faculty and the tutorial features of the program will help students set and reach goals, take stock of their talents and abilities, and plan more

realistically for their futures, according to Jobst.

A particular segment of students who may gain particular benefit from the program are those whose academic performance or test scores has not reflected their potential, he added.

Middle College is a new feature of PLU's regular summer program. Students have access to all campus recreational facilities, including golf, swimming, bowling, tennis, handball and many others.

There is also provision for parents, who can spend the first week of Middle College on campus. Special activities are being planned for them as well.

In addition to a reduced tuition rate there is some financial aid available, Jobst indicated.

The deadline for Middle College applications is June 2. Inquiries may be addressed to Richard Jobst c/o Pacific Lutheran University Middle College, Tacoma, WA 98447.

## Regents Set \$15.9 Million '78-'79 Budget

A \$15,892,445 budget for the 1978-79 academic year beginning June 1 received final approval from the Pacific Lutheran University Board of Regents Monday, according to PLU President Dr. William O. Rieke.

Rieke reported that the budget reflects a 14.3 percent increase over the current year. He indicated that the increase makes provision for several new academic programs, a six percent increase in personnel costs and across-the-board inflation, a 30 percent increase in insurance premiums, and a 20 percent utilities increase.

In January the PLU Regents approved a 9.3 percent tuition-room and board increase which was modified by a 15 percent raise in university-funded financial aid to students.

In other business the Regents voted to affirm the university's present visitation policy which provides for residence hall room visitation until 1 a.m. Sunday through Thursday and 2 a.m. Friday and Saturday.

The vote came in response to a measure presented by a joint ad hoc committee on visitation which proposed essentially that visitation is a matter for mutual agreement between roommates, with the



PLU President Dr. William O. Rieke, Mrs. Joanne Rieke, left, and Tom Anderson, PLU regent and head of the Association of Washington Business, welcome Washington State Gov. Dixy Lee Ray to the PLU campus. Governor Ray was a featured speaker at the annual President's Seminar for college and business presidents sponsored by AWB and hosted this year by PLU.

## Educator Says Campus and Business can Cooperate

For many years there were conflicts between business and education due to mutual distrust and a feeling that the other wasn't doing its job. Today they have become more similar in many ways and can gain a great deal from communicating with one another.

The assertions were made at Pacific Lutheran University March 29 by Dr. Joseph McGuire, academic assistant to the president of the University of California system. He spoke at the ninth annual University and College President Seminar, sponsored by the Association of Washington Business.

"Business and educational institutions are becoming more alike," he said. "Business is being called upon to place social values before efficiency. Education on the other hand is expected to be increasingly efficient and productive."

For this reason, the two types of institutions need one another and there is much to be learned from one another.

McGuire stressed that these problems can't be solved by businessmen or educators talking among themselves, but by talking with each other.

provision that visitation may be vetoed by either roommate.

Commenting on Monday's action by the board, Dr. Rieke pointed out that the Board did much more than simply reject a proposal for a more liberal visitation policy. The Board, he said, not only affirmed existing policy but specifically recognized student concerns and directed the administration to continue the dialogue with students, such that options for constructive change would be actually explored.

"As an institution committed to providing a quality educational experience for students, PLU provides many aids to a student's well-being, but campus inhibitory measures that place the university in the role of 'parent' are largely gone," he said.

He added that the university may be reasonably expected to maintain policies which promote study, proper sleep and health. Data from some sources indicate that these are negatively influenced by 24-hour visitation, Rieke noted.

Rieke emphasized that all parties in the consideration have worked "diligently, openly, honestly and in good faith," that the issue is complex and emotional, and that there are strong opinions on both sides.

In other matters, the Regents passed a resolution of thanks to outgoing board members Lawrence Hauge of Wenatchee, Rev. Wally Beron of Vancouver, Wash., Gene Grant of Tacoma and faculty representative Dr. David Olson of Parkland.



## Choir of West Records Rosza Works; Earns Highest Praise

By Jim Peterson

The Pacific Lutheran University Choir of the West has been selected by Academy Award-winning composer Miklos Rosza to record an album of Rosza's best-known works.

The album is entitled "To Everything There is a Season," the title of Rosza's most familiar choral composition. It will be released internationally in May by Entr'acte Recording Society Inc. of Chicago.

Rosza visited PLU in early March to hear the recording session. In an interview the man who won Oscars for the movie scores of "Ben-Hur," "A Double Life" and "Spellbound" admitted that he has great admiration for Dr. Maurice Skones, Choir of the West director, and that he selected the PLU choir "because I knew we couldn't find a better one."

It's absolutely remarkable what Skones can achieve," Rosza said. "His choir sounds like angels singing. I've never heard any as good; they have reached a level of accomplishment I have not found anywhere, even among professional choruses."

Skones' accomplishment is based on both technical achievement and a dramatic sense, according to Rosza. "They sing the most difficult harmonies and the most daring intervals you can find in contemporary music," he continued, "and Skones 'plays' them like he would an instrument, like he would play on an organ."

"It's not too difficult to achieve tonal beauty with mature, professional singers, but Choir of the West singers are young and relatively untrained," Rosza observed.

Skones' dramatic sense, his "dramatization" of a musical score, can be found among opera conductors but not choral conductors, the composer indicated.

Rosza first heard the Choir of the West during a choir concert tour that included Los Angeles 15 years ago. The tour program featured a performance of "To Everything There is a Season."

"I was surprised by their precision and tonal beauty," he recalled.

Two years later Rosza wrote "Vanities of Life" and offered Skones the world premiere performance. The work is also included



Miklos Rosza

on the new album, along with "The 23rd Psalm."

When the composer was approached last year by John Lasher, Entr'acte director, about recording of his classical works, he immediately recommended the Choir of the West as the performing ensemble.

Rosza's three-phased career goes back to the 1930's. He began composing for movies in 1940, winning his first two Oscars in 1946 and 1948. "Ben-Hur" came in 1958.

He has taught at the University of Southern California for many years "because you accumulate knowledge and experience during a lifetime and you want to pass it on."

Classical composing is the third, lesser-known but most personally satisfying phase of his career. He has created five major choral works and many shorter compositions, including a 12-chorus series that could be called "The Life of Jesus." That series will also be recorded, later this year in Denver.

Rosza is also working on a biography to be called "A Double Life," a theme which reflects both the title of his 1948 Academy Award-winning movie and his composing career.

Persons interested in the new Rosza recording may contact the PLU Department of Music.

## Arthur to Edit PLU Mooring Mast

Allison Arthur of Kapowsin, Wash., a junior at PLU has been appointed editor of the Mooring Mast, the PLU student newspaper, for the 1978-79 school year.

Arthur, a communication art major at PLU, has held several positions on the staffs of the Mooring Mast and the Saga, the PLU yearbook. She has also worked part-time on the editorial staff of the Pierce County Herald.

The daughter of Mrs. Avis Arthur, she graduated from Bethel High School in 1974.

Her present career goal is to work as the editor of a weekly newspaper.



Allison Arthur

## New ASPLU Prexy Lobbies For Increased Financial Aid

Jim Weyermann, the newly-elected student body president at Pacific Lutheran University, visited Washington, D.C., in April to help lobby for increased financial aid for middle income students.

Weyermann carried with him petitions from students from at least six northwest private colleges as well as PLU.

He joined the National Student Association-National Student Lobby (NSA-NSL) Lobbying Conference April 14-18, scheduled to coincide approximately with Senate debates on the two major financial assistance measures.

The first, sponsored by Rhode Island Sen. Claiborne Pell, would expand coverage provided by the Basic Education Opportunity Grant Program. The other measures, involving income tax credits, are sponsored by Senators William Roth of Delaware, Patrick Moynihan of New York and Robert Packwood of Oregon. Comparable bills are being considered by the House of Representatives.

Weyermann did not state a personal preference, indicating that "any such action towards increased financial aid would be to the advantage of private schools."

Representatives from over 400 schools nationwide attended the conference, according to Weyermann.

Other colleges sending petitions with Weyermann include Gonzaga, Seattle Pacific, Puget Sound, Whitworth, Whitman and Seattle University.

Weyermann, a junior majoring in communication arts, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew M. Weyermann of 5290 Waterman, St. Louis, Mo.

Also elected to ASPLU offices were Jean Kunkle of Corvallis, Ore., vice-president; Derek Heins, Poulsbo, Wash., comptroller; and David Campbell of Tacoma, program director.

Newly elected ASPLU senators are Scott Ballou, Cami Christopher, Scott Cummins, Lisa Guenther, Brenda Kettleon, Steve Rieke, Thuha Vuong and Lewis Williamson.

# Comment

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## New Steps To Greater Fiscal Health

By William O. Rieke M.D.  
President, Pacific  
Lutheran University

For most people, the end of the year means Dec. 31. For graduates it means the end of the academic term, and for financial officers it means the end of the fiscal year. At Pacific Lutheran University, the end of the year is May 31.

It is a good time to review what we have done with challenges which were identified when the year began.

One of our major concerns always is maintaining at the lowest possible level the cost of tuition, while assuring the highest possible quality of the academic program. Costs are directly related to the national inflationary economy. Tuition supports about 80 percent of the educational budget — that is, it covers 80 percent of professors' salaries, library and classroom facilities and support services. The rest of the cost of education comes from grants, gifts, scholarships and endowment earnings.

While this percentage is higher than we would like it to be, we are comfortably low in costs among comparable institutions. It is interesting to know that, of the expendable income for middle-income families, the proportion needed for college costs has not risen over the past ten years.

In order to assure continued fiscal stability, and at the same time to ease the financial burden for students and parents, a five-year financial model was projected and put into operation earlier this year. The model, simplistically stated, called for a three-pronged strategy:

- 1) a plan to decrease existing salary bases, with creative efforts to increase productivity and efficiency;

- 2) a variety of efforts and plans to increase revenue; and

- 3) specific measures to increase student financial aid, particularly for continuing and middle-income students.

We are making substantial progress in all areas. Specific examples will reflect the success of some of our efforts.

- 1) By far the largest part of our operating budget (75%) is expended on salaries and fringe benefits. If significant overall sav-



*PLU President Dr. William O. Rieke, jogging with son Marcus, finished 24 laps in the PLU Jogathon to personally raise over \$1,700. The Jogathon grossed about \$50,000 for PLU and other organizations. Between \$10-15,000 is slated for track facilities.*

ings are to be considered, the salary base must be the source of that greatest saving.

Decisions concerning careful reduction in force are both the most difficult and most critical of all administrative acts, since not only dollars but people's lives are affected. However, we have made major progress with this objective. All parts of the University participated in this program. The objective was to reduce by 5 percent the total University wage and salary base. While we did not quite meet this target, approximately \$300,000 was reduced from the base. The major part of this was accomplished by attrition, by freezing unfilled positions and by eliminating some part-time positions.

- 2) Efforts to increase revenue include the organization and establishment, by the Division of Social Sciences, of a "Middle College" for this summer. Aimed at recent high school graduates, it is a six-week program designed to sharpen learning skills for those intending to go to college, to accelerate the college program, to strengthen borderline academic backgrounds and generally to give students a credit-earning program. Vigorous recruitment has already begun and we are optimistic that credit hours and revenue will be significantly increased.

An even more promising and thus far peerless program (at least in our geographic area) will be introduced in legal studies this fall. This program, which promises

considerable new revenue and students, will capitalize on the growing interest in law as it impacts all aspects of society and will make possible a baccalaureate degree with a major in legal sciences.

Other creative programs are in various stages of development, designed to reach such markets as high school and continuing education students, many specifically targeted at the part-time student.

- 3) Included in the 1978-79 budget of \$15,892,445 is a 15% increase in University-funded student aid. In addition, a concentrated study has provided opportunities for student employment, particularly as an incentive to student retention. Several no-need scholarships have been established to encourage on-going students. Although Congress has not reached consensus on programs and amounts, we are anticipating increases in federally-funded student aid packages; this aid will lessen the burden on the middle-income student. We have received additional private restricted monies for scholarships.

These comments are meant only to provide a glimpse into the day-by-day concerns of a vital enterprise such as Pacific Lutheran University. The campus is rich with eager, talented, resourceful people, engaged vigorously in achieving together the goal of providing the highest possible quality of education within our potential. I invite you to come along with us. The rewards are exhilarating and real.

## Summer Study Can Blend Into Summer Vacation Plans

If you are in the process of making summer vacation plans, consider this:

*Make PLU your vacation headquarters and take advantage of the economical Alumni Dorm (see accompanying story). Visit the many natural and manmade wonders in the Pacific Northwest. Take advantage of the variety of recreational facilities on campus. Visit some of your old college days haunts. And get reacquainted with college classmates still living in the Puget Sound area.*

*And enroll in a summer class!*

There are many graduate courses available this summer if you wish to work on a master's degree or fifth year certification. Or perhaps you left PLU before you graduated and would like to pick up more credits toward a baccalaureate degree. You may simply wish to take a course for enrichment, challenge or a change of pace.

This year there are more evening classes than ever before, leaving your days free for sightseeing or visiting.

For persons who cannot invest an entire month, there is a broad variety of special seminars, workshops and short courses.

Just a few of the course highlights include Oil Painting, Chemistry of Life, Acting for the Non-Actor, Principles of Economics, Assertiveness Training, Shakespeare, The Ring Cycle of Wagner, Folk Dance and Modern Dance, Natural Childbirth and Sociology of Intimate Relationships.

If our idea appeals to you, write or call the Alumni House at PLU for information about dormitory reservations and contact the Dean of Summer Studies to get a free Summer Sessions catalog.

The regular summer terms are June 19 to July 19 and July 20 to Aug. 18.

It could be one of the most enjoyable summers you have ever spent!



## A Gift That Lives Forever

By Ed Larson  
Director of Planned Giving

Recently Pacific Lutheran University received a gift of \$10,000 from an individual to establish a memorial scholarship in memory of a loved one who had died. This gift became a part of our Endowment Fund at the University.

While the gift itself was indeed significant, the fact that this amount was placed in the Endowment Fund also has a great deal of importance. What this means is that each year, as long as Pacific Lutheran University is in existence, the earnings from that \$10,000 will be given as a scholarship to a University student. The principal, that is to say the \$10,000, will never be spent, and for this reason the gift lives on perpetually.

In addition to an outright gift such as the one described above, there are other types of deferred gifts which can accomplish the same objective. In some cases, these gifts can pay a lifetime income to a donor, with an eventual endowment gift coming to PLU.

Have you ever considered a gift in memory of a loved one — a husband, wife, father, mother, or some other relative or friend? Would you like to provide a gift that lives on forever? If so, write or call for further information:

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## Parent's Corner

By Milt Nesvig  
Assistant to the President  
(Parents Club Representative)

Over 600 reservations were made for Parents Weekend April 14-16. Parents came from Alaska, California, Idaho, Montana, Oregon and Washington.

President William O. Rieke spoke and conducted an open forum discussion at the third annual Parents Club meeting held the morning of the 15th. He also gave the address at the banquet that evening.

Ernest Hopp of Puyallup presided at the Parents Club gathering. He and his wife, Irene, were re-elected co-chairmen of the Parents Club which held its quarterly meeting that day.

The Council is an advisory group which meets with University officials to plan and produce the various activities of the Parents Club.

Other members of the Council include John and Ruth Bley of Spokane; Palmer and Beverly Gedde of Richland; Richard and Gloria Nelson of Beaverton, Ore.; William and Ethel Tennesen of Bremerton. PLU members include President and Joanne Rieke, Lucille Giroux and Milton Nesvig.

PLU events for parents, alumni and friends of the University will be held in Helena, Mont., May 12 and Minneapolis, Minn., June 6.

The Montana event will be a no-host noon luncheon in connection with the annual convention of the Rocky Mountain District of the American Lutheran Church. Nesvig will be the speaker and discussion leader.

The Minneapolis event will feature several PLU administrators who will be attending the annual convention of the ALC's Public Relations Advisory Council. Those of you living in the areas where the meetings are scheduled will receive

notification regarding time and place.

We are sorry about the tardiness of the Parents Weekend mailing. Third class mail gets delayed in some areas.

The next meeting of the Parents Council will be on campus May 20. If you have concerns which you would like them to discuss, address your suggestions to the Parents Club at PLU.



## Profiles Of The Past

By Harold Leraas

Dr. Leraas, professor emeritus of biology, has written a series of PLU vignettes based on more than 34 years on the PLU faculty. We hope to publish them in Scene on a regular basis.

### OLAF JORDAHL

Dr. Olaf Jordahl arrived at PLC to become the first official professor of physics. For many years he also taught mathematics. The first physics laboratory was constructed in the east end of the library basement (now Xavier Hall). Here great experiments and calculations were made by budding physicists. Those students who managed to survive some quite thorough and intensive training found themselves well qualified for graduate school or jobs in industry.

Dr. Jordahl was a well-organized, thorough and precise person. In science, exactness and promptness are essential ingredients, and he did not tolerate haphazard or sloppy performance in his classes. His laboratory experiments and demonstrations were a joy and a challenge. There is no doubt he enjoyed these like a boy setting up his new toy train. He was a diligent worker; he was there from 8 a.m. until 6 p.m., usually, and sometimes in the evenings. His activities extended to other campus duties, such as faculty committees and government. For many years he served as a member of the Franklin Pierce School Board where he made concrete contributions. He is an active member of Trinity Lutheran Church, serving on various boards and committees.

The Physics Department got a new home in Ramstad Hall. Additional faculty members were appointed, and the student enrollment grew. Professor Jordahl continued teaching and studying until retirement. He and his wife now reside in their home near the campus, continuing to enjoy the activities there, and contributing by their activities and by their presence.

## Financial Planning Seminar Set

Wills, community property agreements, capital gains and trusts are among the topics to be discussed at a free Financial Planning Seminar at Pacific Lutheran University Tuesday, May 16.

Seminar panelists are Paul Grantner, CPA; bank trust officer Doris Warner; attorney Robert Kane and PLU planned giving director Edgar Larson.

Reservations for the seminar, which will be held at 3 p.m. in the PLU University Center, are being accepted now by the PLU Development Office. The reservation deadline is May 8.

## PLU Slates Norwegian Band Concerts

Two musical organizations from Norway will appear in concert on the PLU campus this summer.

The 70-piece Youth Band from Nordstrand (Oslo) will play Monday, June 26, at 8 p.m. in Eastvold Auditorium.

A 15-piece accordion band from Kongsberg will be at PLU Friday, July 7, at 8 p.m. in Eastvold.

Both concert groups are being sponsored by the University with cooperation from Norwegian organizations in the Tacoma area. Florence Buck, member of the PLU Collegium, and Steven Melton, president of the PLU Norsk Klubb, head up the local committee.

Ticket prices for both concerts will be \$2.00 for adults and \$1.00 for students and senior citizens.

## Hawaii Was Classroom For Interim Group

In January, living volcanoes and coral reefs in the Hawaiian Islands became Interim "classrooms" for a dozen Pacific Lutheran University students.

They were with 12 students from the University of Puget Sound and 10 from Linfield College who participated in a "Coral Island Biology and Geology" Interim class taught by Dr. Brian Lowes, a PLU geology professor; Dr. Eric Lindgren, UPS biology professor; and Dr. Richard Farris, biology prof from Linfield.

Besides exploring the volcanic areas and coral reefs, the students attended classes and carried out independent study projects. They also had time to enjoy the Islands at their leisure.

"During the first week of the Interim we explored Kilauea Volcano while staying in a national park lodge on Hawaii," said Dr. Lowes, chairman of the PLU Earth Sciences Department.

During field trips, students examined volcanic ash and rocks which had been hurled from the earth's interior — some as recently as two years ago.

"Students began to understand they were in a totally different environment from any that they had ever before experienced. They were standing on the ocean floor crust," said Lowes.

After a week of studying volcanic geology, the Interim group migrated to a camp operated by the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States of America (Camp PECUSA) on the island of Maui. They hiked down the flank of volcanic terrain and were awed by the beauty of high altitude "deserts" and "sacred pools."

Since temperatures hovered between 70 and 85 degrees, classroom paraphernalia included bathing suits, shorts, snorkels and lots of suntan lotion. Quipped Dr. Lowes, "The students looked and smelled like a touring suntan lotion factory."

He pointed out that nearly everyone ventured into the water to examine the breathtaking sites of the underwater world on the reefs. A dive master supervised scuba diving techniques for those who wanted to explore the marine life at greater depths.

During the course of the trip the group began to behave and feel somewhat like a large family, according to Lowes. His wife and two assistants cooked many of the



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meals, "an enormous task," he added, and other students assisted with camp maintenance.

It was the third time Lowes has taught a class in the Islands.

Mark Burley, a PLU accounting major from Port Orchard, Wash., said the class provided him an opportunity to "learn while having fun."

Janet Jacoby of Edina, Minn., found the smaller student-professor ratio beneficial to "learning a great deal in a relatively short time."

"Since we were not just tourists," she added, "we gained an understanding not only of the tropical areas that one associates with the Islands, but also the barren areas that are just as much a part of their character."

1) On the main island of Hawaii, students look eastward from Mauna Ulu, the youngest, and still active, volcano in the world, toward the site of last November's eruption. They are walking on lava less than two years old.

2) At McGregor Point on West Maui, students study marine organisms in a tide pool.

3) Off Kaanapali on West Maui, students collect samples and make underwater observations on temperature, light penetration and salinity.



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# A window to life

## Knudsen Draws on Many Talents To Develop Unique Learning Situations in Biology

By Judy Davis

Dr. Jens Knudsen picked up the smooth, oval stone.

It had been lying in what was a fishing site of the Nisqually Indians who flourished in the Puget Sound region before the arrival of white settlers.

Nearby he found a smaller, harder rock. With deft fingers he chipped away at the oval stone, shaping it any way he wished.

For a few hours, Knudsen shed his role as biology professor at Pacific Lutheran University and became an Indian brave. From that smooth, oval stone he honed a sinker he could attach to a fishing line woven from nettles, just as Indians who once lived along the nearby river had done.

For Knudsen, reverting to a lifestyle of the past helps develop empathy for early man and his use of intellectual, creative and natural resources to create a distinctive culture.

"Sometimes students fail to recognize that early man developed a magnificent culture, complete with religion, art and a social system. His genius was limited only by the materials available," said Knudsen, a one-time theology student who has taught at PLU, his alma mater, for 21 years.

During his tenure the popular professor has received numerous awards and honors from his students, colleagues, PLU alumni and the community. Among those he prizes highly are the Regency Professorship, the highest honor a PLU professor can receive from his colleagues; the E. Harris Harbison Distinguished Teaching Prize, one of 20 awarded to professors nationwide in 1969 by the Danforth Foundation; the Blue Key Outstanding Teacher Award, presented by PLU students.

Knudsen believes that studying the past not only develops respect for ancient cultures, but also gives us courage to face uncertainties of the future. "By studying early man, I think one can get gut

feelings about the potential of man to cope with problems of diminishing space and resources and growing population," he said.

To help students comprehend how early man survived with limited resources, Knudsen recently completed a 5 x 8-foot display now on exhibit in Mortvedt Library at PLU. The 49-year-old professor has drawn upon his remarkable

talents as an illustrator, sculptor and craftsman to create the elaborate, colorful display. The four panels are based on the theme, "How Would You Survive If All You Had Was Stone, Wood and Bone?"

"The display includes artifacts I've acquired over the past 12 months," Knudsen explained. He collected some of the items during

trips to previously exploited sites around the Northwest. Others he obtained through "bartering, trading and dickering with those who had things I wanted to include in the display," he added.

"I suppose I've sorted through about 1,100 items to determine which would be most appropriate for the panels," said the native Californian.

Many of the artifacts would qualify as museum pieces. One item Knudsen believes is particularly significant is a crude stone chopper he estimates to be 10,000 years old. "I found it in the Mojave Desert," he said.

Another artifact he prizes highly is a 100-year-old beaded leather turtle given to him by PLU President Emeritus Dr. Robert Mortvedt. "It was a good luck charm for a new-born Sioux," Knudsen observed.

Also on display is a contemporary beaded necklace a Sioux Indian student at PLU gave to Knudsen which he quips, "I will wear with my Regency Medal."

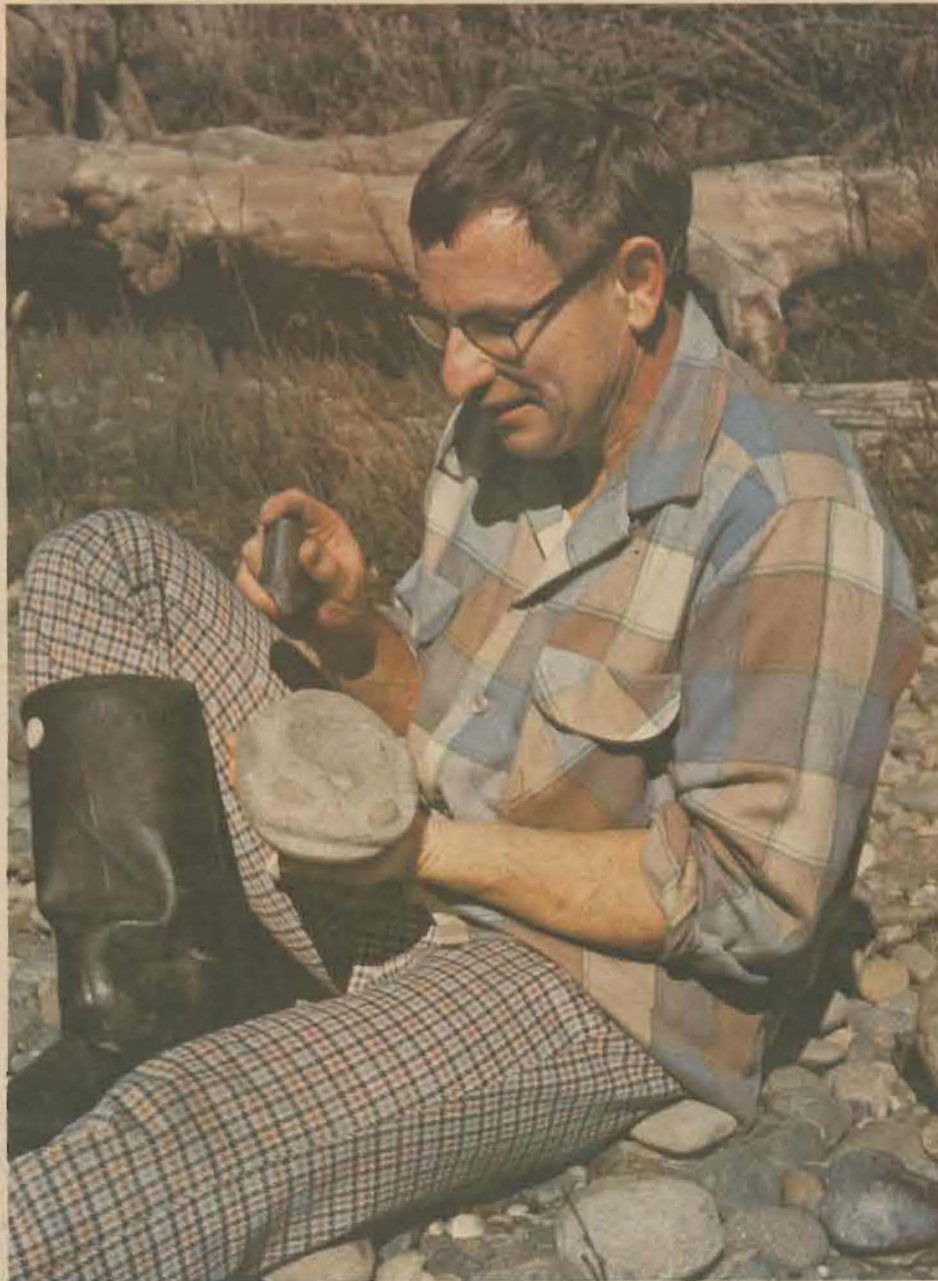
Such items as stone adzes (axes), arrow points, knives, mauls and a bone harpoon head used by Makah Indians to spear whales are also on display. Methods of sawing a stone with another stone, making a canoe with two stone tools, or boiling water and food in a woven basket are shown. A student, briefly putting himself in early man's place, may sense the urgency of mastering many skills to literally make everything of earth, plant and animal materials.

Many people have helped make the unusual display possible. "Last summer a lot of people helped me with the field work," Knudsen recalled. "Others have donated or loaned artifacts.

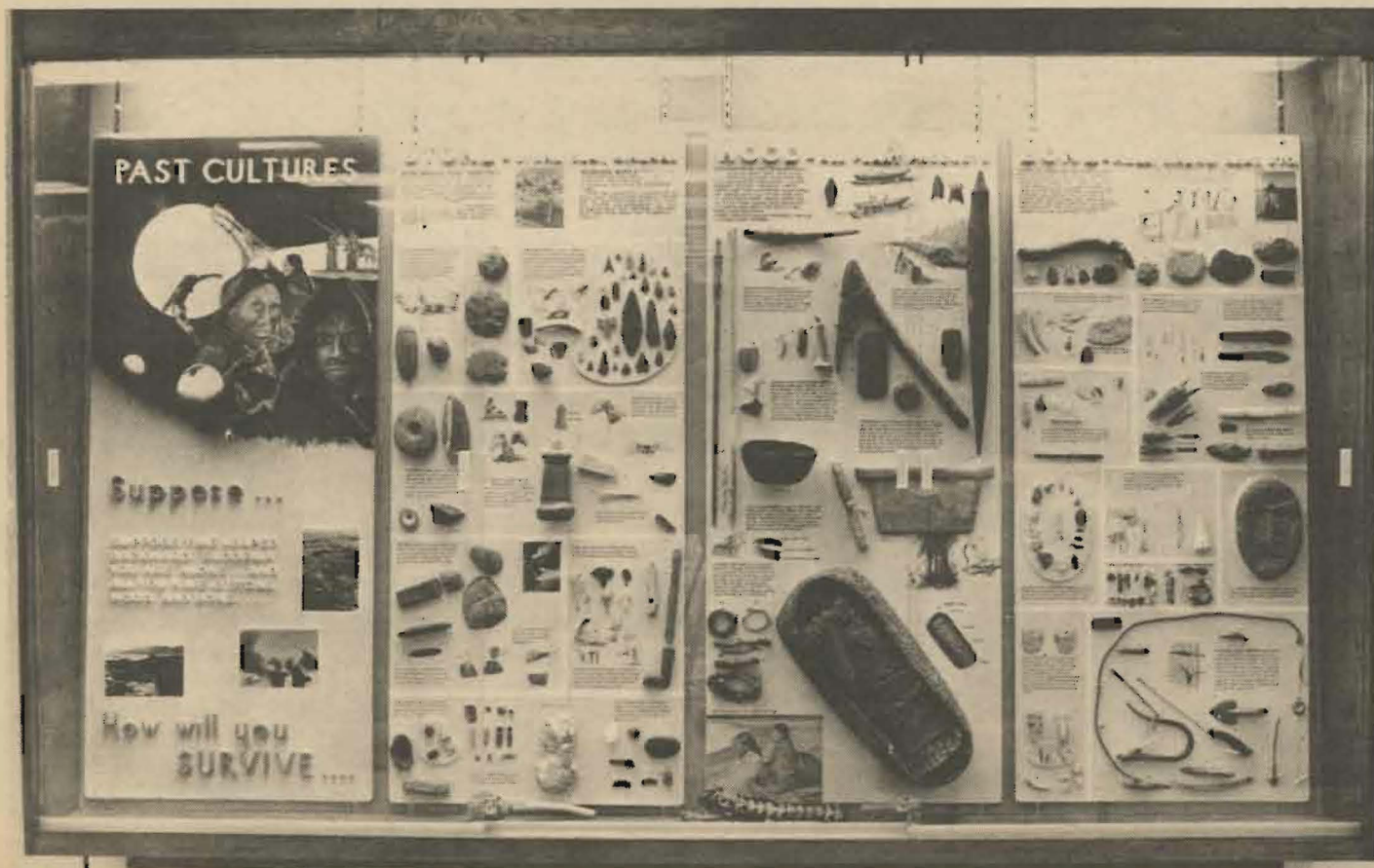
"But we still need more items to display," he added. "I hope others will consider loaning or giving artifacts so thousands of people can appreciate our past cultures."

When completed, other displays will rotate in and out of the library

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Jens Knudsen uses primitive methods to hone an oval stone as the Indians did in years gone by.



*Biology and Modern Man wall display in Mortvedt Library.*

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cabinet: "Realm of the Gene", "Developmental Biology", "Forms and Colors from Nature", and "Earth's Past History."

Knudsen also incorporates a study of early man into a class he originated, "Biology and Modern Man," which has one of the highest enrollments of any class on campus. Geared toward students who are not biology majors, the course attracts about 350 students each year.

"I consider this course my greatest contribution to the biology department; with a minimal budget, it provides a view of the 'whole man' which probably is unlike most given in other courses in the United States," Knudsen said.

The course stresses where man lives — not only his physical world, but also the world of the mind and its functions, including creativity and emotions. "In this framework," said Knudsen, "there are no fences."

The course offers some unusual approaches. There is a discussion of "seeing" which includes close-



*Knudsen and Theodora (Teddy) Peterson examine a contemporary Indian beaded necklace.*

up slides of the fauna and flora found on the PLU campus.

During a "lecture" on "Animal Song," Knudsen darkens the room and plays a tape of wolves singing a duet with whales; bird songs are slowed to theme of woodwinds.

Love becomes the focal point of another "lecture": hopeful or hurting love, the love of children, homeland and fellow man. Words describing love are presented with contemporary songs which express man's "grandest emotion."

A laboratory, "Rejoice, Man is Not Alone!" demonstrates man's relationship to bacteria and "other nice things that share us and need us."

Knudsen also gives a lecture, "On Creativity," which emphasizes his personal belief that life at all levels is "fragile and beautiful." It is a belief that took on new dimensions for Knudsen when his 12-year-old son died six years ago.

Knudsen's interest in biology was triggered by his father, who had a love and respect for nature that he passed along to his son. Thus the professor's concerns for the primal relationships among men and between man and nature have been deepened because of the loss of his first-born.

But as nature is regenerated, so has been the Knudsen family with the birth of son Willie in 1975.

Currently, Knudsen is completing a text book for the course entitled "From Now On." As with the course and display, the book looks back and ahead, examines the marvels of life and provides reason for courage in time to come.

Although "Biology and Modern Man" has an annual budget of only \$600, Knudsen draws upon his imagination, creativity and, sometimes, his own funds to make the most out of the money available.

Using his dextrous hands to attach a pecking stone to a display panel, Knudsen became philosophical.

"I consider biology to be a window to life," he said.

"Each of us 'owns' one life."

"In nature, the only right life offers is one death — all the rest is a privilege."

"How exciting it is to discover the privilege to truly live — while we are alive!"

# News Notes



Carol Staswick

## Danforth Fellowship Awarded To PLU Scholar

Carol Staswick of Everett, a senior at Pacific Lutheran University, has been awarded the prestigious Danforth Graduate Fellowship, according to Dr. William O. Rieke, PLU president.

The fellowship provides tuition, fees and an annual stipend for up to four years of study in preparation for a career in college teaching, according to Dr. Warren Martin of the Danforth Foundation of St. Louis, Mo.

Nearly 3,000 students competed for the 100 Danforth Fellowships awarded this year, he indicated.

Miss Staswick, a 4.0 student who will graduate summa cum laude from PLU this spring, plans to attend the University of Michigan School of Graduate Studies. Following completion of her graduate studies she looks forward to teaching in the field of European history.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sid Staswick of Everett is the second PLU Danforth Fellow in the past four years. She previously earned a PLU history fellowship, Alumni Merit Scholarship, and PLU President's Scholarship.

She plays violin in the PLU Symphony Orchestra and belongs to the Arete Society, an academic honorary at PLU.

Her mother, the former Marguerite Hansen, graduated from PLU in 1939.

## Cooperative Ties Vital To Businesses, Countries

The building of many kinds of cooperative ties between businesses and their countries have proved to benefit everyone involved, according to Knut Hagrup, president of Scandinavian Airlines System.

Hagrup spoke at Pacific Lutheran University where he received an honorary doctor of laws degree. He was also the featured speaker at PLU's Third Scandinavian Trade Conference April 5-6.

"SAS is one of the joint company enterprises — and perhaps the only one — that Norwegians, Swedes and Danes at home have been able to agree on," he said, explaining the formation of the consortium which was organized some 30 years ago among three small national Scandinavian airlines.

"I am gratified that my company has become a living link between those of us who ventured out to America and those who ventured to stay at home," Hagrup added. "It is very appropriate that SAS has been able to serve from time to time as a catalyst for exchange and I trust we will be able to continue in that role for years to come."

Hagrup stressed that policies making possible varied and frequent cooperative efforts are not only socially and economically be-

neficial, but pay off for investors of the firms involved.

The SAS president was one of several Scandinavian dignitaries speaking at the trade conference, organized by PLU with the cooperation of SAS. Purpose of the conference was to give students and Pacific Northwest businessmen a concentrated picture of international business and to help strengthen the growing trade and cultural ties between the Northwest and Scandinavia.

Other featured speakers were Ejler Alkjaer of Copenhagen, director of the Institute for Transport, Tourism and Regional Science at the Copenhagen School of Business Administration; Arne Fonkalsrud, Norway's Consul with the Export Council of Norway; and Goran Widenfelt, Sweden's trade commissioner.

Other conference speakers were Bo Bjorkman, professor of traffic and transport engineering at the Royal Institute of Technology in Stockholm; Asborn Engen, vice-president of corporate public relations for SAS; and A. Stromme Svendsen, professor at the Norwegian School of Economics and Business Administration.

Representing the Pacific Northwest were Orville Melby, executive vice-president of the world banking division of Rainier National Bank; Gerhard Mueller, chairman of the accounting department at the University Washington Graduate School of Business Administration; and several PLU faculty members and students.

Hagrup's honorary degree was conferred by the president of PLU, Dr. William O. Rieke. He was assisted by PLU provost Dr. Richard Jungkuntz, PLU business professor Dr. Anthony Lauer; and Alkjaer.



Scandinavian Airlines System President Knut Hagrup received an honorary doctor of laws degree from PLU April 6. From left, PLU provost Dr. Richard Jungkuntz, PLU President Dr. William O. Rieke, Hagrup, Ejler Alkjaer of the Copenhagen School of Business Administration, and Dr. Anthony Lauer, assistant professor of business administration at PLU.

## 'Roots' Theme Of Summer LITE Institute

"Exploring Our Roots" is the theme of the LITE Summer Institute on Theology at PLU beginning June 26.

Both one-week (through June 30) and two-week (through July 7) programs are available, according to LITE director Dr. Walter Pilgrim. The latter meets graduate course requirements in theology.

Featured speakers are Dr. William Hulme, professor of pastoral theology at Luther Seminary, and Dr. Eric Gritsch, professor of historical theology at Gettysburg Seminary.

Dr. Hulme, who has written many books dealing with personal growth and faith, will lead a session entitled "New Life in Christ."

Dr. Gritsch, co-author of the much-praised study, "Lutheranism Today," will work on the theme, "Lutheran Roots: Stance and State of Lutheranism."

Clergy, spouses, lay staff workers and other interested lay persons are welcome. For further information contact the Lutheran Institute for Theological Education (LITE) at PLU.

## Knapp Heads Summer Piano Institute

A Summer Piano Performance Institute will be held at PLU this summer under the direction of music professor Dr. Calvin Knapp.

The Institute begins June 26 and continues through either July 14 or July 21, depending upon the student's selection of either a three-week or four-week program.

Classes include History of Piano Literature — Style and Interpretation, Keyboard Harmony and Improvisation, two private lessons per week and opportunity for up to six hours of individual practice per day.

Arrangements can be made for either on-campus or off-campus living. For more information or registration contact Dr. Knapp c/o the PLU Music Department.

# News Notes

## Q Club Fund Drive 33 Per Cent Ahead Of Last Year

Pacific Lutheran University Q Club contributions are running 33 per cent ahead of last year's record pace which netted \$288,000, club president Clare Grahn of Lakewood reported at the annual PLU Q Club banquet April 24.

A key to the early giving pace has been the response to a \$20,000 challenge made recently by six club members. The challenge will match each dollar in pledge in-

creases up to \$20,000. Over \$18,000 has already been contributed, Grahn indicated.

Grahn, who was elected to a second one-year term as Q Club president, headed the list of club officers whose election was announced at the banquet.

The other new officers are Marv Tommervik of Parkland, vice-president; and Inez Weir of Tacoma, secretary-treasurer.

Grahn is a Lakewood resident.

New directors are Dale Dillinger of Spanaway and Thora Harmon Larson of Parkland.

More than 500 of the 800 Q Club members were on hand for the annual banquet at PLU organized by a group of club volunteers headed by Olga Grahn. University of Washington head basketball coach Marv Harshman, one of PLU's all-time athletic greats and a

former Lute coach, served as master of ceremonies.

The Q Club, a PLU "philanthropic fellowship," last year provided the vast majority of the \$220,000 unrestricted portion of the PLU budget so essential to PLU operating in the black, development director David Berntsen pointed out.

"We are seeing only the 'tip of the iceberg' of the potential influence and value of the Q Club," he said, noting that increased enthusiasm and knowledge about PLU generated through the club benefits the deferred giving program and future capital campaigns as well.

For example, over \$250,000 has been contributed to PLU in deferred gifts during the past two years.

"In addition, the 800 Q Club members spread good will and

help improve 'town and gown' relationships," he added. They encourage students to attend PLU and heighten public awareness of the Q (Quality) education offered by the university."

Persons interested in Q Club membership may contact the PLU Office of Development.



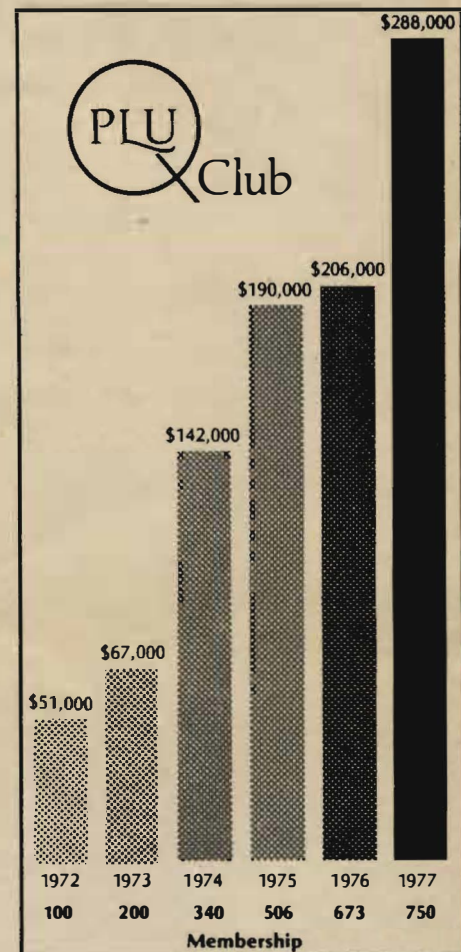
Clare Grahn



Marv Tommervik



Inez Weir



## May Festival Features Food, Entertainment And Crafts

Norwegian crafts, displays, food and entertainment will highlight the third annual May Festival at Pacific Lutheran University Saturday, May 6, at the University Center, beginning at 12 noon.

Among the featured performers are the Normanna Chorus, under the direction of Gunnar Malmin; the Leikaring Dancers, led by Sigurda Aamot; "Grandpa Stavig

and the Trolls," a unique animated storytelling program assisted by children in the audience; and roving musicians, under the leadership of Sylvia Storaasli. The entertainment programs will continue from 1 p.m. throughout the afternoon.

Crafts on display include rosemaling, wood carving, stitchery, fiddle-making, costumes and painting, with demonstrations of lefse-making, stitchery and rosemaling featured.

Norwegian foods available include cheeses, lefse, cookies, sweets, pastries, romegrot and other specialties.

Participating organizations include Daughters of Norway, Nordlandslaget, Western Association of Rosemalers and PLU Norsk Klubb.

The afternoon festival is free of charge.

The traditional Mayfest program, featuring the Mayfest Dancers and the PLU 1978 May Queen and her court, will be held in Olson Auditorium at 8:15 p.m. Saturday.

The Mayfest Dancers present authentic, traditional folk dances from around the world. Now in

their 44th year, the Dancers have built an extensive repertoire of dances from Norway, Sweden, Finland, Germany, Austria, Russia and the Ukraine and Czechoslovakia.

Highlights of this year's program include Swedish weaving and wedding dances, a traditional schottische, a Czechoslovakian polka and a Danish flying dance.

One of the finest folk dance ensembles in the Pacific Northwest, the Mayfest Dancers perform annually during the school year for organizations, schools and churches throughout the Puget Sound area in addition to a tour of western states in early summer. The 40 dancers (20 couples) are selected each fall by competitive audition.

Tickets for the evening program will be available at the door with reduced prices for groups of 20 or more.



Mayfest Dancers



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## Survey Form Return Vital For Directory

The first PLU Alumni Directory is scheduled for publication this fall.

Alumni will be listed alphabetically, geographically and by class with married women's maiden names also included.

It will be distributed to those who have returned their surveys and \$5 orders.

If you have not yet sent in your survey form, please do it today! If you would like a copy of the new directory, place your order with an enclosure of \$5.



Gayle Berg, left, Eldon Kylo and Carol Tommervik review alumni directories from other colleges in anticipation of the first PLU Alumni Directory scheduled for publication this fall.

## Faculty Art Auction To Benefit PLU Art Program

Original works of art by members of the PLU Art Department faculty will be available during a 10-day "Unique Event" special auction at PLU May 10-19.

Pieces to be auctioned will include ceramics, paintings, prints, drawings, sculpture, photographs and design services of various types.

Artists featured include Dennis Cox, George Elwell, David Keyes, George Roskos, Ernst Schwidder, Miles Struxness, Walt Tomsic and Tom Torrens.

All proceeds from the auction will go directly into the teaching and exhibition program at PLU and thus will be tax deductible, according to program coordinator Walt Tomsic.

"We will benefit from this auction by realizing a material capability otherwise inaccessible to us and patrons will have an opportunity to avail themselves of the personal and financial rewards of art and educational patronage," he said.

The show will open Wednesday in the Wekell Gallery, Ingram Hall, and regular 8-5 hours will be observed during weekdays. Special weekend hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and 12 noon to 4 p.m. Sunday. Bids may be entered at department offices.

On Friday, May 19, a reception will be held in the Gallery from 7-9 p.m., at which time there will be an opportunity to place final bids. High bidders will be notified following the closing of the show.

## 173 Alumni Dependents Attend PLU

One hundred and seventy-three dependents of alumni are attending PLU this year and all are the beneficiaries of \$100 Alumni Dependent Scholarships, according to alumni director Ron Coltom.

In addition, 20 \$1,000 Alumni Merit Scholarships were awarded this year, bringing the alumni scholarship program expenditure this year to \$37,300, he reported.

The program was initiated three years ago as a result of the New Directions program. The first year 114 dependents enrolled; last year the number was 137.

"The number of alumni dependents is increasing rapidly now," Coltom observed, "because it was about 20 years ago that the numbers in our graduating classes began to grow rapidly. The children of those graduates are in school now in many cases."

This year there are 55 alumni dependent freshmen, 46 sophomores, 26 juniors and 28 seniors. The figures would indicate that the number of alumni dependents will exceed 200 next year.

One-third live in the Tacoma area and nearly two-thirds are from Washington state, somewhat higher local percentages than the PLU student body as a whole.

There are also representatives from as far away as the Philippines, Alaska, Maine and Virginia.



Jeanette Mase

## PLU Alum Crowned Miss Pierce County

Jeanette Mase, a 1977 PLU graduate now teaching at Edgemont Junior High School in Puyallup, was chosen Miss Pierce County during ceremonies in Tacoma's Bicentennial Pavilion March 25.

Miss Mase, who earned a bachelor of arts in education degree with a math major at PLU last year, will receive \$1,000 in educational scholarships plus approximately \$4,000 worth of awards, grants and other services through the Miss Pierce County Pageant.

At PLU last year she was selected May Queen and was a member of the Homecoming court.

The Miss Pierce County Pageant is an authorized preliminary contest to Miss America Pageant.

## Alumni Dorm Available For NW Visitors

Might you plan a vacation in the Seattle-Tacoma area this summer if the price were right?

As a special service to alumni, PLU is offering an Alumni Dorm this summer from June 19 to Aug. 18 for alumni and their families.

Single rooms will cost \$6 per day; double rooms are \$10. Meals will be available weekdays at PLU Coffee Shop in the University Center.

Advance dorm reservations are necessary. For further information contact the Alumni House, PLU, Tacoma, Wash. 98447



The PLU gallery exhibition program will be one of the beneficiaries of the May 10-19 "Unique Event" faculty art auction at PLU. Wekell Gallery in Ingram Hall is pictured above.

# Editorials

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## \$, Scholars And Support

By Ronald Coltom  
Alumni Director

What an opportunity we as alums of Pacific Lutheran have to show our appreciation for what our alma mater has meant to us. The most obvious and frequently used way (though it is less than 20 percent of the alums) is by giving dollars (cash, property, stocks, etc.) to the University. These gifts are the back bone of our economy and without them the University would not be completing its 88th year.

Another way to help the University is to keep it filled with students. After all, tuition provides 3/4 of the cost of operating the institution. If we are short a few students our budget is in real trouble. Yes, it is expensive to attend a private school but no one should be discouraged from considering PLU. Financial aid is available to make up the difference between what it costs to attend and what students and their families can provide. It is worth a try even if a family thinks its income is too high. Do you know anyone who should be considering PLU? Get them in touch with the Admissions Office.

Lastly, with little effort at all, we can say a good word or two about PLU when someone asks us where we went to school; or perhaps let someone at church, the office or supermarket know something good we just heard about PLU. It is surprising to find how many people are not familiar at all with Pacific Lutheran. On the other hand it is really exciting to find someone who is really familiar with the place and you never realized it. Like an alum I talked to recently who found he had been working with a fellow alum for several months and never knew it.

So, how have you been able to help your alma mater? If it has not been all three ways hopefully it will be soon.



## Athletics As A Priority

By Eldon Kylo  
President, Alumni Association

I can't very well let this year go by without talking about athletics and its balance or imbalance at PLU. It is important that we as alumni understand how our athletic program operates in regards to financial assistance and sports as a priority in the total PLU program. These two aspects are topics of discussion at schools across the country and sometimes can cause turmoil if it is felt that the priorities are out of shape.

PLU belongs to a league which permits athletes to receive financial assistance only if need exists just as for any other student. In fact it can be a disadvantage financially to be an athlete since the presidential, alumni merit, and other scholarships cannot be

awarded an athlete if the amount exceeds the need as determined by an outside organization, The College Scholarship Service in California. Other students can receive these scholarships without regard for need. This seems unfair, and probably is, but it is also probably the only way to keep financial assistance to athletes under control. The problem is that if athletes could be given these awards then a school could presumably give the athletes most of the awards to have a better chance of recruiting them. Many good athletes are lost to our program when they receive a "ride" at another school; but I am also sure that having made that kind of a sacrifice, we have, for the most part, a very dedicated unpretentious athlete and our program is better for it. The student body as a whole will have better morale because of the even distribution of available financial assistance and that is important.

For those of us who are able to see and/or closely follow athletics at PLU it is gratifying to see the caliber of athletics we have and especially to get to know the caliber of men and women we are fortunate to have attending PLU. I would not like to see the priorities change, but am certainly in favor of improving the program equally with others.

We seem to win the total league sports trophy each year which is determined by a point system for

each sport, and according to the league standings.

By the way, I've said all of the above even though sports have a high priority with me and even though I'm a former PLU athlete.

I like what I see.

## Homecoming '78 Will Be Held Nov. 4

PLU Homecoming 1978 will be held Nov. 4, rather than Oct. 14 as announced in the previous issue of Scene.

The Lutes were scheduled to play College of Idaho on the previously announced date. Since that time the Coyotes have dropped football from their intercollegiate program and the entire Northwest Conference schedule has been changed.

On Nov. 4 PLU will play host to the Pacific University Boxers.

A Choir of the West reunion will be one of the '78 Homecoming highlights along with special reunions for the classes of '73, '68, '63, '58, '53, '48, '38, '28 and Golden Years.

## PLU Faculty To Attend NEH Seminars

Three PLU faculty members have been granted fellowships to study in the prestigious Summer Seminars sponsored by the National Endowment for the Humanities, Dr. Kenneth Christopherson, chairman of the Division of Humanities, announced.

English professor Dr. Dennis Martin will be at UCLA in a seminar focusing on "English Literature in Connection with the Other Arts." English professor Dr. David Seal will spend the summer at the University of California - San Diego at a seminar dealing with "The Long Poem in America."

"Interaction of Spirit of Truth: Myth and Culture in Medieval Narrative Literature" will be the topic of study for German professor Dr. David Sudermann at Dartmouth University.

The NEH Seminars are post-doctoral studies aimed at the preservation and enhancement of the treasury of arts, music and literature.

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Nadia Christensen

### Former Faculty

Nadia Christensen, an assistant lecturer in Norwegian at PLU in 1970, has been named editor of "Scandinavian Review," a quality literary magazine published by the American-Scandinavian Foundation of New York. She is the first woman editor of the publication in its 32-year history.

Miss Christensen has studied three years abroad. She holds a B.A. degree magna cum laude from Augsburg, M.A. from the University of Minnesota and Ph.D. from the University of Washington.

Experienced in journalism, she was on the staffs of her high school and college newspapers, and has been on the Review staff for two years. She has published over one hundred literary translations — novels, dramas, short stories, children's books, individual poems and poetry collections — from Danish, Norwegian, Swedish and Spanish. She has written many poems and has begun writing children's stories and a novel.

### 1926

REV. C. A. PELLETT, now 86 years old and a resident of Puyallup, Wash., is still active in his community. He does some visiting to a nursing home and Western State Hospital, is a musician and for recreation does underwater swimming at the Y.M.C.A. once a week.

### 1930

AL SCHIERMAN, BA '34, taught for 27 years — four years in Mason County, Wash., where he was president of the Mason County unit of the Washington Education Association and a member of the Washington State Tenure Committee, four years in Thurston County, and 29 years in Vancouver, Wash., as a teacher and coach. After retiring in 1971 he received the honor of having the McLaughlin Jr. High football field named the *Al Schierman Field*. A trophy in his name is given each spring to the outstanding junior high coach of the year. In 1976 a book was published entitled *History of the Vancouver School District*. Al was further honored by having his picture and a write-up in this book. He had many championship teams in his coaching career and taught a lot of boys.

### 1947

RICHARD C. LANGTON, school superintendent in Medford, Ore., has announced his intent to resign effective June 30, 1979. He will have served in the superintendent post for 11 years on his resignation date. He began his teaching career in 1943 as a junior high school science teacher in Parkland, Wash.

### 1948

Rev. MAYNARD J. MOEN, with his wife, June, and their son and daughter, have moved to Houston, Tex. to start a new church. They had only 5 acres of land and no members when they moved to Houston but have now over a hundred committed members to be received on Organization Sunday, April 23. The church is currently meeting in the Lamkin Elementary School which is just across the street from where the new church will be built. Their son will be a junior at Texas A & M next year and their daughter will be a senior at Cy-Fair High in Cypress, Tex. next year.

### 1949

Rev. H. J. Westberg traveled as part of a ministering team to Egypt, Syria, Jordan and Israel in February where conferences were being held. He considers this his third missionary journey since twice previously he has gone on extended round-the-world tours. He and his wife, ALVERA (Johnson '49) live in Watsonville, Calif.

### 1950

ODVEN AAKRE retired on August 18, 1977 after twenty-six years of social work service to the Colorado Springs community. The last eleven years he served as supervisor of the largest school social work staff in Southern Colorado. Odven was also active in educational organization, serving as president of the Colorado Springs Association of Supportive Personnel and as delegate to the Colorado Education Association's Delegate Assembly. He now is enjoying golfing, fishing and traveling.

### 1956

GALE E. THOMPSON, M.D., spent 20 days in Monrovia, Liberia on a continuing medical education program sponsored by the Christian Medical Society for the American Medical Society. Gale taught regional anesthesia. He and his wife, CATHERINE JOHANSEN '57 live on Mercer Island, Wash.

### 1958

NORMAN O. FORNESS '58, Ph.D., represented Pacific Lutheran University at the inauguration of Charles E. Glassick as president of Gettysburg College in Gettysburg, Penn., on April 15, 1978. Dr. Forness is associate professor of history at Gettysburg College.

GORDON HOFFENBACHER of White Center, Wash., has been named the chief executive officer and executive vice president of Sound Bank in Federal Way, Wash. Gordon joined Sound Bank from his position as manager of the Old National Bank in White Center where he has worked since 1961. He and his wife, Lina, and their two children, will remain in White Center until the end of the school year.

# Class Notes

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## 1959

HARRY SANNERUD, Clover Park School District's director of elementary and compensatory education, assumed the presidency of the Washington Organization for Reading Development at the group's recent conference in Spokane. WORD is the state affiliate of the International Reading Association. Clover Park School District is in Tacoma, Wash.

## 1962

JON OLSON is now senior vice president for estate planning at Orthopaedic Hospital in Los Angeles, Calif.

## 1964

M/M Larry Edlund (KATHY TAYLOR) are the parents of a son, Philip Lawrence, born Feb. 27, 1978. They also have a daughter, Jennifer Dyan, age three and one-half.

## 1965

M/M CHARLES W. BOND (BETTY M. WINTERS '65) are the parents of a daughter, Mariisa Rose, born Dec. 18, 1977. She joins two brothers, Charles III, 9 1/2 years, and Darrin Franz-Oscar, 19 1/2 months. They live in Kelso, Wash.

M/M Ken Mattson (ELAINE TWITE '65) are the parents of a son, Gregory Alan born March 7, 1978. He joins a sister, Julie Ann-Marie, age 4. They live in Portland, Ore.

Rev. AARON RONKEN has initiated a new ministry "Rural Fishermen" which offers pastoral services to isolated ranch families of Eastern Montana, Eastern Wyoming and Western South Dakota. He lives in Buffalo, S.D., with his wife, MARGIE BOWERS '76.

## 1966

GARY HABEDANK, account executive in the Tacoma office of Foster & Marshall, Inc., Seattle-based brokerage firm, has been elected assistant vice president — sales.

## 1967

D/M William Michels (MICHAEL ANN CASSIDY '67), are the parents of a son Luke Reynolds, born Jan. 24, 1978. He joins a brother, David, age 3. The Michels hope to get back to the West Coast in one year after Bill completes his family practice at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio. They live in Fairborn, Ohio.

Navy Lt. Cmdr. GARY J. EKLUND, is attending the Armed Forces Staff College (AFSC) in Norfolk, Va.

M/M EMERY BILLINGS of Salem, Ore., have adopted a little boy, Jay Matthew who was born Sept. 23, 1975.

PAUL BENSON recently returned from leading a student group to Guatemala to study Mayan culture. His trip included visits to Tikal, Copan, Chichicastenango, and Antigua. He lives with his wife, Gail, and daughter, Robin, in Dallas, Tex., and teaches literature and religion at Mt View College.

DR. ROBERT KRIEGER, was grand marshal for the annual Picnic Day Parade April 22 at the University of California at Davis. Krieger was chosen for his popularity among undergraduates as a teacher. A feature article on him in the April 7 Wood-land-Davis Daily Democrat stated that enrollment in Krieger's "Introduction to Toxicology" class has doubled every year since 1971. Over 300 students are currently enrolled. Krieger got his Ph.D. from Cornell in 1970. He and his wife, Janice, have two children, Debbie, 11, and Pam, 5.

Rev/Mrs. TERRY OLIVER are the parents of a daughter, Elizabeth Marie, born, Aug. 19, 1977. They have two other children, Rebecca, 8, and Todd, 6. Terry is presently serving a parish, Prince of Peace Lutheran, in Omaha, Neb.

Captain CRAIG R. BJORKLUND is a member of the best wing in the Strategic Air Command (SAC). He is commander of the headquarters squadron at Loring AFB, Maine, with the 42nd Bomb Wing which earned the 1977 Omaha Trophy, symbolic of the best wing in SAC. All SAC wings compete yearly for the Omaha Trophy and are considered under a system which allows for equal comparison of units despite different missions.

## 1968

FRANK ANDRES HAGEN has accepted a position with Hughes Aircraft on technical staff evaluation proposals for communication satellites. His office will be at the Los Angeles International Airport. His wife, Amy, is with the Systems Development Corporation in Santa Monica. They are living in Culver City, Calif.

Rev. PHILIP RUE '68, was installed as pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Colville, Wash. He formerly was pastor in Moorhead, Minn. He and his wife, Mary, have four children, Kirsten, 8, Dana, 5, Kaaren, 4, and Stephen, 2.

DONNA (Dovey) BUSTER is teaching 2nd grade at Spanaway Elementary School. She and her husband live in Tacoma, Wash.

## 1969

JOHN and SHERRIE (Canney '72) ELMER are living in Toledo, Ore., where John teaches vocal music, grades 7-12, in Newport, Ore. He also directs Lincoln County Community Chorus and works with Newport's civic theatre group. Sherrie works as a registered nurse at the new Lincoln Hospital in Toledo. They have one child, Ami Elizabeth, three years old, and are expecting an addition to their family in May.

KINAH LEISCHNER and Gerald Knutzen, Anchorage, Alaska, were married Jan. 21, 1978 at Steel Lake Presbyterian Church in Seattle, Wash.

## 1970

ROGER and JANICE (Johnstone '73) KASPER recently moved to Williamsville, N.Y., after having lived one year in Dallas, Tex. Roger is an accounting supervisor for Mobil Oil at their Buffalo, N.Y. refinery. They have one daughter, Janene Marie, born Feb. 14, 1977.

## 1971

M/M DREW O. THOMPSON (BARBARA S. PFLUEGER '75), are the parents of a daughter, Heather Roe, born Oct. 16, 1977. They live in Parkland, Wash.

JON STEINER who lives in Bellevue, Wash., has been selected from thousand of applicants and hired as a pilot for United Airlines. After conclusion of training in Denver, Colo., Jon will be based in Chicago, Ill.

## 1972

Rev. and Mrs. FRANK WILSON (MARCIA TAYLOR '71) are the parents of a baby girl, Katharine Ann, born Nov. 14, 1977. they live in Eugene, Ore.

PATTI CUMINGS and Steven J. Smith, were married June 18, 1977 and are now living in Ft. Collins, Colo., where Patti is working as nursing consultant in Nursing Homes for Geriatrics, Inc. of Greenley, Colo. Her husband is an attorney and is in partnership practice.

M/M Souglas Sorensen (JEANETTE THORP) are the parents of a daughter, Katrina Lynn, born Oct. 12, 1977. She joins a sister, Kaaren Marie, born April 11, 1975

## 1973

DANIEL and ROBIN (George '72) GEHRS are living on a ranch in the Santa Cruz mountains near Saratoga, Calif., 50 miles south of San Francisco. They are in partnership with an older gentleman and have founded a small premium winery called Congress Springs Vineyards. Wines are produced from grapes grown on the property and from other local vineyards. One of their 1976 wines recently won an award at the Los Angeles County Fair.

BRANDT KNUTSON x'73 and Lori Fox of McMinnville, Ore., were married last fall in St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Portland. Brandt works for Lampus Furniture in McMinnville.

M/M Jonathon Peterson (RUTH OLSEN x'73) are the parents of a son, Ola Clinton, born Dec. 9, 1977. They have a daughter, Ananda Rose, now two and one-half.

LINDA STONE lives outside of Eatonville, Wash., on Clear Lake. She is in her fifth year of teaching first grade. She also coaches junior high girls' track.

MERI C. MATTSON and DENNIS PERRY '74 were married June 22, 1974. They live in Puyallup, Wash.

M/M Anthony Burt (LESLEE ANN ADAMS) are the parents of a son, Adam Michael, born Jan. 23, 1978. Adam is their first child. They live in Portsmouth, Great Britain.

M/M DAVID BEATTY (JUDY SWALLING '72) are the parents of a daughter, Kristine Marie, born Oct. 14, 1977. They live in Klamath Falls, Ore.

MIKE WILLIS and Diane Gaines were married Dec. 17, 1977 at St. Paul's Catholic Church in South Seattle. Mike is teaching and coaching at Tahoma High School where he has been for the past four years. He also has an interest in a trophy company in Kent, Wash., where he resides.

KRISTINE (Baldwin) and STEVEN D. HILDEBRAND '77, are living in Juneau, Alaska where Kris is a legal secretary and Steve is an internal auditor for the State of Alaska in the Department of Labor.

## 1974

CURTIS BEEMAN of Redwood City, Calif., continues to work as a chemist at Stanford Research Institute. On Jan. 14, 1978 he married Lucy Beavers from Redwood City.

First Lieutenant MARKE MININGER is participating in "Red Flag 78-3," a Tactical Air Command training exercise conducted at Michael Army Airfield, about 60 miles southwest of Salt Lake City, Utah. Mark is a F-4E Phantom pilot at Seymour Johnson AFB, N.C., with the 336th Tactical Fighter Squadron. The Red Flag exercise series is designed to provide air and ground crews with realistic training while operating simulated combat conditions.

M/M DALE ROWLEY x'72 (Ellen Rowley '74) are living in Bellingham, Wash., where Dale is working with his father as a general contractor. Ellen is at home being a full-time homemaker, and mother. They have one child, Jason, who is one year old.

M/M Brian Stump (ANN BALERUD '74) are the parents of a son, Kevin William, born Feb. 5, 1978. Ann is an RN in Oakland, Calif., at Providence Hospital in the intensive care unit. Brian is a graduate student at University of California - Berkeley in geophysics and writing his doctoral thesis on seismology.

DANIEL P. JOHNSON lives in Seattle, Wash., where he has been a flight attendant with Alaska Airlines for the past three years. As a second position he does leaded and stained glass window construction.

LIV ELIN NIELSEN x'74, and husband Deryl, are living in Norway where they are both working on completing their Norwegian university degree. This past year they spent six months in Montpellier, France, as part of their university studies.

CRAIG and NANCY (QUILLIN '75) HUISENGA live in Tacoma, Wash., where Craig is working at Rainier Mortgage Company as a financial counselor. He is also acting and directing in the local community theatres. Nancy is teaching jr. high English and drama for the Tacoma Public Schools.

LAURA M. RUTLAND recently became a journeyman-level specialist at the FAA Fairbanks Flight Service Station in Fairbanks, Alaska, working as an air traffic control specialist GS-9. She is active in the National Association of Air Traffic Specialists and a member of the facility operations advisory committee. Her leisure activities include photography, tropical fish and growing her own herbs.

SARAH JEAN COOPER will enter graduate school at the University of Washington in June. She will enter the master's program in nursing administration. Currently Sarah is an associate director of nursing at St. Alphonsus Hospital in Boise, Idaho. She and her family live in Nampa, Idaho.

Air Force First Lieutenant DOROTHY E. BURGE, has graduated from the U.S. Air Force medical service officers orientation course at Sheppard AFB, Tex. She has been assigned to Holloman AFB, N.M., where she will serve as a clinical nurse with a unit of the Tactical Air Command.

## 1975

ANNE ELIZABETH JACOBSON and James Roger Salo were married in January 1978 in Our Saviour's Lutheran Church in Buri, Wash. Following a honeymoon at Waikiki, Hawaii, the couple is at home in South Seattle.

JOSEPH E. STERBA graduated from the U.S. Air Force's security policy specialist course conducted by the Air Training Command at Lackland AFB, Tex. He has been assigned to Fairchild AFB, Wash.

Sister ANNETTE GETZENDANNER and Rev. Charles T. Britton were married March 30, 1978 at St. Mark Lutheran Church in Salem, Ore. They will reside in Malvern, Penn. where Charles will continue as pastor of Grace Lutheran and Annette, as a deaconess of the Lutheran Church in America.

PAUL and PATTY (Millson '76) FREESE are living in St. Paul, Minn., where Paul is finishing his 2nd year at Luther-Northwestern Seminary. He expects to begin his internship this summer, hopefully on the West Coast. In June and July he will be on an archaeological dig in Israel. Patty is teaching learning disabled students for Roseville School District and will be starting her master's in special education this summer.

M/M STAN SMOKE are the parents of a daughter, Amber Lani, born April 21, 1977. Stan graduates with his M.E.D. May 21, 1978 from the University of Hawaii and will return to Washington in June to begin a new position at Bethesda Christian College and Bethesda Elementary and Intermediate Schools in Wenatchee, Wash.

## 1976

CHRISTINE ERICKSON and Robert Urata were married Jan. 7, 1978. Christine is working as a gynecology clinic nurse at the U.S. Public Health Hospital. Her husband is a first-year resident in family medicine at the University of Washington Medical School. They spent their honeymoon in Hawaii and are now living in Seattle, Wash.



From left, Olaf Malmin, Robert W. Moore, Marylou Carlson and Paul Carlson.

## Alums Gather In Maryland

Several PLU alums gathered at the home of Robert and Serena (Hopp '62) Moore '62 following an evening at a choir concert conducted by another PLU alum, Olaf Malmin '62, when the Augustana College Choir from Sioux Falls, SD, traveled to the East Coast earlier this year.

Those in attendance other than the Moores were: Olaf Malmin '62, Paul Carlson '60, Marylou (Engen) Carlson '59, Larry Shoberg '57 and his wife, and Kim Anoe '74 and her husband, Ken.

They reported a very congenial and enjoyable evening and a special treat was a selection from the Choir of the West that was presented on a program on WGMS featuring music from the State of Washington. Five of those present were former members of the Choir of the West.

2nd Lt. JOYCE D. HEGGEM has graduated from the U. S. Air Force medical service officers orientation course at Sheppard AFB, Tex. Joyce now goes to Travis AFB, Calif., where she will serve as a clinical nurse with a unit of the Military Airlift Command.

JANET OLSON and RICHARD BUDKE '73, were married January 28 in Christ Church of Northgate in Seattle, Wash.

BECKY SNIDER will spend the next two years in Japan where she will be teaching English to Japanese high school students in Kofu, Japan. Her address is: c/o Yamanashi Eiwa Jr. College, 360 Atago-Machi, Kofu Shi Yamanashi Ken, Japan.

"Gus" DAVID C. WALBOLT is living in Danville, Calif., a suburb of San Francisco. He has taken over as head of a publishing company, Amcal, Inc., publishers of calendars, fine arts prints, Christmas and note cards.

MARK FARNHAM is currently associated with Gibson Bowles Realtors in Portland, Ore., where he has been since July 1977. Prior to that he was working in Alaska in the Aleutian Islands for Pan Alaska Fisheries.

LIANNE and GINA ('77) HALVORSON backpacked through Europe from Sept. 21 to Nov. 20, 1977 and stayed in Norway until Jan. 16, 1978, when they returned to Montana. While in Scandinavia they visited four PLU alumni members: Martha Olsen, Dave Emmons, and Carol Greer in Oslo and Marnee Hollis in Stockholm (all 1976 graduates) and one former PLU student, Lori Huseh. All six graduates were in Mayfest together while attending PLU.

CAROL PETERSON and Terry Boyer were married Nov. 12, 1977 in United Methodist Church in Montesano, Wash. They are residing in Kennewick, Wash., where Carol is employed as a bilingual migrant resource teacher for the Washington State Department of Migrant Education. Her husband is employed in the construction industry.

MARY BOSENIUS and DOUG STEDJE x'73, will be married Sept. 2, 1978 at Christ the King Lutheran Church in Tacoma, Wash. Mary is currently a teacher at Sunrise Elementary School in Puyallup, Wash., and Doug is an operating engineer from Kalispell, Mont. They will make their home in Puyallup.

JOHN D. INSELMAN, MA '77, is now serving at Kunsan AB, Republic of Korea, with an Air Force Communications Service unit. He is a first lieutenant and a communications systems officer.

SCOTT BARNUM is working for Young & Rubican Inc., an advertising firm in New York City. Scott lives in New Canaan, Conn.

LINDA ZURBRUGG and Gordon Hutchins of Port Orchard, Wash., were married on Dec. 17, 1977 at First Methodist Church in Bremerton. They are living in Suquamish on the waterfront and Linda is teaching English and journalism at Bainbridge High School. She is also the newspaper advisor.

KATHRYN M. KOENIG and STUART J. RIGALL were married Aug. 6, 1977 in St. Paul Lutheran Church Mountain View in Palo Alto, Calif. They are making their first home in Lake Oswego, Ore.

JAMES and BARBARA (Taylor '76) STUDNEK are living in Anchorage, Alaska. Barb and Jim were married Oct. 7, 1977 at Holy Family Cathedral in Anchorage. He is working in construction and at present they are visiting the lower 48 states for two or three months and then will return to Anchorage.

SHARLENE B. ANDERSON and MATTHEW D. KLEIN were married Nov. 26, 1977. They are living in Puyallup where Sharlene is teaching choir at Ballou Junior High School. Matt works for Kent Gypsum Supply Company in Kent.

TERESA J. EBERT has been hired as a police woman at the Bellevue Police Department in Bellevue, Wash. Prior to becoming a police woman Teresa was a medical corpsman in the Navy on active duty for three years.

TERRI GEDDE is youth director at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church in Bremerton, Wash. In addition to her duties as youth director, Terri enjoys singing and last year she sang the National Anthem at both the Mariners and the Seahawks games and has received an invitation to sing for the Mariners again this season. She also sang for the inauguration of the new mayor of Tacoma, Wash. in January of this year.

RICHARD A. WEATHERBY and Robin Ann Christie were married Nov. 25, 1977 in Zion Lutheran Church in Bellingham, Wash. The couple is living in Bonners Ferry, Ida., where he is a music teacher for the Bonners Ferry School District.

GEORGE YOUNG is living in Hermiston, Ore., where he is teaching in Sunset Elementary School.

## In Memoriam

OLIVER B. HARSTAD, '11 a retired educator and businessman who was the son of the founder of Pacific Lutheran University, died March 3 at the age of 88.

Born in North Dakota, Harstad moved to Parkland in 1891 when his father, the late Rev. Bjug Harstad, was sent by his Lutheran synod to establish a high school for Norwegian Lutherans.

The Rev. Harstad started Pacific Lutheran Academy in 1894 and served as the first president until 1900.

Oliver Harstad graduated from PLA in 1911 and later graduated from Luther College, Decorah, Ia. He was an educator in the midwest for many years before returning to Parkland in 1931 to join his brother in the operation of a lumber mill.

He later worked for the state Employment Security Department and retired in 1951. His wife, Nora, died in 1952.

Survivors include a daughter, Hazel Harstad of Tacoma; a son, Paul of Tacoma; and two brothers, Dr. O.T. Harstad '14 of Milton-Freewater, Ore., and the Rev. Adolph Harstad of Madison, Wis.

LESLIE F. MCKAY x'51 passed away on Dec. 21, 1977 in Kennewick, Wash. He is survived by his wife, Melba I. Erickson McKay and five children.

MRS. JOHN (DAGNY SKATTEBOL) TENWICK, 94, died April 15 in Salem, Ore. Funeral services were held there April 21. She is survived by two nephews, George Fisher of Tacoma and John Fisher of Seattle.

Dagny Tenwick, the daughter of a Lutheran minister, attended Pacific Lutheran Academy from 1905 to 1907. She married John Tenwick, a student at PLA 1904-1906, and they subsequently moved to Aberdeen where he was a wholesale grocer and she taught piano.

In 1954 the Tenwicks moved to Parkland where they built a home at 123rd St. In 1962 PLU bought the home for use as a president's residence. It became the Alumni House in 1970 when the Gonyea House was given to PLU. The Tenwicks moved to Salem in 1962. He died in 1971.

Her sisters included Mrs. J.U. Xavier whose husband was a member of the PLU faculty, and Mrs. George Fisher who was on the library staff.

CORY KENNETH CARLSON, 23, was killed April 11 when the private airplane he was piloting crashed into a mint field near Junction City, Ore. He was alone in the aircraft and the cause of the accident is not known.

Carlson graduated with honors from PLU in May 1977 with a bachelor of business administration degree. He was also commissioned a second lieutenant in the U. S. Air Force Reserve. He had

just received orders to report for flight training in Texas on April 24. Memorial services were held April 17 in Springfield (Oregon) Lutheran Church. He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. (Dorothy Skilbred, '49) George Carlson and a sister, Jordi.

MRS. MICHAEL (JOSEPHINE) DEDERER died in Seattle April 15. Her husband, who survives her, is a former chairman of the PLU Board of Regents. He served as a regent from 1967-73.

## Grant Builds PLU Japanese Collection

A \$5,000 grant which will substantially build the selection of Japanese resource materials in Mortvedt Library at PLU has been received from the Japan Foundation of Washington D.C.

The grant was awarded to the PLU Foreign Area Studies Program at PLU, coordinated by history professor Dr. Mordechai Rozanski.

The Foundation plans to make eight awards nationally this calendar year to schools planning to develop meaningful contacts with Asia, particularly Japan. Previous grant recipients have included Harvard, Yale, Stanford and Columbia Universities.

In recent weeks the Foreign Area Studies Program has hosted the Conference on U.S. — China Trade and the campus Asia Through the Camera's Eye film series.

## Redfield is Saga Editor

Joye Redfield of Olympia, a sophomore at PLU has been appointed editor of Saga, the PLU yearbook, for the 1978-79 school year.

Redfield, a communication art major at PLU, has been serving as Saga layout editor this year. She also has had experience on high school yearbooks at Yokota Air Force Base High School in Japan.

The daughter of C.E. Redfield of 5202 SW 81st Street, Olympia, she graduated from Yokota High School in 1976.

# Sports

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## PLU Athletes Perform On 'Gong Show'

By Jim Kittilsby

It's the Gong Gang for whom the bells toll.

However, a necrology for PLU's recently "disbanded" ding-a-ling sing quintet, the Non-Lettermen, may be a bit premature.

The vocal group, made up of five PLU footballers, which rose from the musical pits (the University Center Cave) to reach a zenith on NBC-TV's April 18 Gong Show, recently announced that the May 9 All Sports Banquet would be their "farewell" performance.

They did leave the door slightly ajar "should a mandate of the people (loosely interpreted to mean phone calls from two or three coeds) compel us to reconsider."

Organized following the pre-season grid training camp in the fall of 1976, the then-sophomore, now-junior contingent of Phil Earley (Port Angeles defensive end), Mark Accimus (Bellevue fullback), Kris Morris (Tacoma linebacker), Mark Reiman (Seattle guard), and Mike Catron (Hoquiam tackle) adopted the Non-Lettermen moniker, since all had fallen short of PLU monogram credits as frosh.

This past season, all were starters for Frosty Westering except pianist Reiman, the only legitimate musician in the lot, who, according to spokesman Catron, "left football to concentrate on ticklin' the tusks."

Neither continuity nor harmony is the backbone of the NL's. Morris, who warbles the lead, has been the only permanent fixture on the group's singing side. Catron slipped in during a brief Accimus exodus, then stayed around, beefing the group up from its original quartet mold. Earley was shelved for a while with a football knee injury.

Accimus, Catron, and Earley wear the "backup" tags, which is to say that gyration and gesticulation are major ingredients as the NL's attack tunes of the 1950's and '60's. The aforementioned trio's vocal support of Morris is limited to the "who-who", "she-was", she-was", and hoots utterances.

The Non-Lettermen's repertoire numbers some dozen songs, with "Young Blood," the Gong Show selection, perhaps the favorite. "Precious and Few" and "Surfer Girl" rank high on their ratings.

Performances in the Cave, a wed-



Non-Lettermen clockwise from left, Mark Reiman, Kris Morris, Mike Catron, Mark Accimus and Phil Earley.

ding engagement (Earley's brother), plus sundry banquets and campus conventions set the stage for the go-for-broke run at the big-time. "Even if we had been rejected by the TV moguls, we'd have fulfillment from our pool-side show — an impromptu affair — at the Vista del Sol Motel in Palm Springs," injected Catron.

Reiman, an accomplished performer at the keyboard, gets the credit for making contact with Gong Show executives at NBC-TV. The group motored to California during the recent spring vacation and had a preliminary audition at the Small World Restaurant in Los Angeles on March 17. Gong producer Chuck Barris, after reviewing their "Young Blood" routine on video tape, summoned the group for a command performance at his Hollywood studio three days later. On March 26, the NL's spent the entire day at NBC studios, rehearsing, then taping the show.

"We received good crowd response," stated Catron. "We didn't get gonged and scored 26 points out of a possible 30 from panelists Jaye P. Morgan, the Unknown Comic, and Pat McCormick.

"It was a real eye-opener — the bright lights, the seven-and-a-half hour rehearsal-taping session, the tight security, and the eight-page legal release we had to sign," summarized Catron.

Call them the Non-Lettermen, but give them an "A" for ambition and artistry.

## Olson Elected To National NAIA Body

Pacific Lutheran University athletic director Dr. David M. Olson has been elected to a four-year term on the executive committee of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics, PLU President Dr. William O. Rieke announced.

The 11-member executive committee is the governing body of the NAIA, which represents 513 four-year degree-granting institutions nationwide.

"Considering the significant issues facing college athletics today, I consider it a great professional challenge and opportunity to serve on this committee," Dr. Olson commented following his election.

Olson, who has served for 10 years as PLU athletic director and director of the School of Physical Education, has been chairman of NAIA District I for the past five years. The district represents 11 northwest NAIA schools. He will resign from that post effective May 1 to assume his new duties.

Last year he served as chairman of the association of 32 NAIA district chairmen.

Olson also served last year as president of the Washington Association of Health, Physical Education and Recreation (WAHPER), an organization with which he has been associated for the past five years.

During the past five years under Olson's leadership, PLU has captured the John Lewis All Sports Trophy, symbolic of total program athletic supremacy in the Northwest Conference.

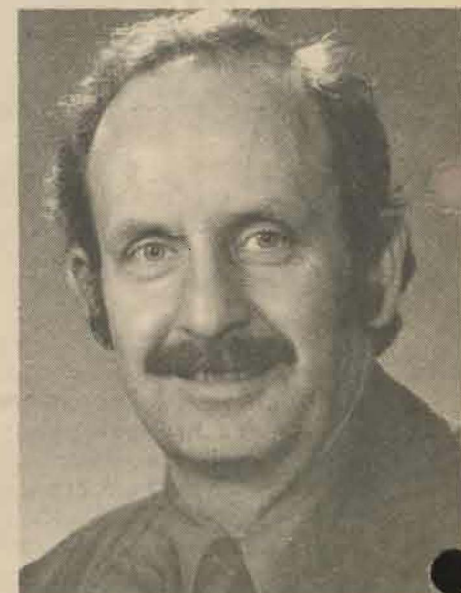
## Women 10th In National Swim Meet

Pacific Lutheran women swimmers finished second in four events to claim tenth place at the Association of Intercollegiate Athletics for Women's national swim meet at Brenau College in Gainesville, Ga.

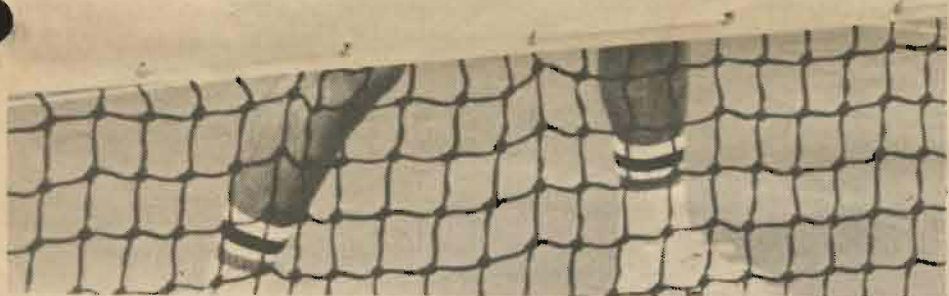
In the three day meet, which concluded March 11, Bob Lovrin's tankers were sparked by Bellevue junior Tami Bennett, who registered a runnerup finish in both the 100 and 200 butterfly. Wendy Hunt was second in the 50 freestyle and seventh in the 100 free.

PLU's other deuce was in the 200 free relay. Again, Hunt and Bennett had a role, along with Jane Miller and Heidi Olson. The Lady Lutes were seventh in the 400 free relay and picked up a pair of eighth place ribbons in other relays.

Miller wound up in thirteenth place on the 100 breaststroke. Debbie Sill had matching eleventh place awards in one and three meter diving.



Dr. David Olson



Actor William Windom, on campus April 18 to present his "Thurber" stage program, took time out for a tennis match with students on the PLU courts.

## Baseballers Start Fast; Net, Link Teams Shine

With a few notable exceptions, individual achievement took the spotlight away from team performance as ten PLU sports reached the midway juncture of the spring season.

PLU's 4-5 net record did not reflect the collective excellence of the Lute tennis squad. Four of the setbacks occurred on a spring vacation Southern California tour. All-America singles ace Dave Trageser compiled a 9-0 record, while freshman Mike Hoeger, a year removed from a South Dakota state prep championship, was 7-2.

As a duo, they were 8-1 in doubles play.

Lady Lute netters, under new coach Alison Dahl, had a 7-3 start, with Kathy Wales packing a 9-1 singles ledger.

Lack of personnel in the field events left Lute tracksters on the slim side of dual meet scores, but individual goals were realized. Prentis Johnson headed the sprint and relay contingents, while Steve Kingma and Greg Price hit 6-6 and 6-4 in the high jump. Gary Andrew consistently led the pack in both the long and triple jumps.

Carol Auping's distaff spikers were sparked by high jumper Peg Ekberg, who bettered regional qualifying standards with a 5-4 leap. Sprinter-long jumper Teddy Breeze and quarter miler Marcy Sakrisson were other blue ribbon recipients.

Lute diamonders enjoyed their best baseball start in over a decade, hitting the 7-1 conference mark with five straight victories. Three Lute hurlers, Steve Klein (2.55), Bryan Grassi (2.34), and

## \$94,000 Grant To Fund New PLU Track

New outdoor physical fitness facilities at Pacific Lutheran University are a step closer to reality as the result of a \$94,000 grant received from a Seattle-based charitable trust.

Announcement of the grant was made by PLU President Dr. William O. Rieke.

Proposed new facilities, according to Rieke, include construction of a 400-meter eight-lane rubberized asphalt track on lower campus. The maintenance-free all-weather facility would play a major role in PLU's commitment to a comprehensive physical fitness program for both students and the community, and would be the first and only metric track in the Pierce County, he indicated.

PLU officials envision a total facilities improvement project that would cost approximately \$130,000, with additional funds from other private sources as well as proceeds from the recent PLU Jogathon.

Dr. David Olson, PLU athletic director, anticipates high utilization of the facilities by pre-college youth as well as PLU students. High school track meets, summer track and field camps and age

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"There are people on our track now as early as 5:30 a.m.," he said.

Additional spectator seating, track and field equipment and adjacent storage facilities are among the needs which can be aided by project funding, Olson indicated.

"The very significant commitment PLU has made toward community and student fitness opportunities was an important factor in the award of this very generous grant," he observed.

## Lute Men 8th In National Swim Meet

Ron Barnard, NAIA national champion in the 200 backstroke three years ago as a freshman, capped off a distinguished Pacific Lutheran swim career by capturing the 100-yard NAIA title, leading the Lutes to an eighth place finish at the national championship meet staged March 9-10-11 at Lewis & Clark College.

Barnard, a Tacoma senior, cruised through the 100 in 54.39. He also stroked to third place in the 200 back.

Seven of PLU's eleven entries claimed All-America honors, finishing individually, or in relays, among the NAIA's elite twelve in their respective events.

Scott Wakefield placed second in the 100 back, fourth in the 200 back, and tenth in the 200 individual medley. His clocking in the latter, 1:58.8, established a school record. Bruce Templin splashed to sixth in the 100 freestyle. Charlie Robinson set a school standard with his 1:58.7 in the 200 butterfly, good for eleventh place. Dave Kruger was a notch behind in twelfth.

Steve Crowley and Wayne LaVassar joined the All-America parade for their roles in the seventh place 400 free relay finish. Barnard and Templin were the other pair in that quartet. Wakefield, Barnard, Robinson, and LaVassar joined forces to place eighth in the 400 medley relay.

Scott Johnson (2.37) had sparkling earned run averages in NWC play. Center fielder John Zamberlin and shortstop Steve Irion stroked .478 and .438 league batting marks.

Bob Wiewusch, Jeff Peck, and Mike McIntire maintained 69-or-better averages as the Lute golfers battled Lewis & Clark for top honors in the Northwest Small College Classic with two rounds to go. Roy Carlson's tee squad won the Northwest University Invitational.

In crew, PLU men geared up for a run at the Western Sprints, while the Lady Lutes have designs on a berth at the national rowing regatta. Crew chief Dave Peterson directed PLU to a fifth place showing among 21 schools at the University of British Columbia Invitational.

Women softballers displayed batting punch in pounding out three straight wins to open the campaign. Women's soccer surfaced as a club sport playing a blend of collegiate and rec league opponents.



# Calendar Of Events

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## May

- 2 Concert, University Symphony Orchestra, Eastvold Aud., 8:15 p.m.
- 3 Concert, Regional Eskimo Choir, University Center, 12:30 p.m.
- 4 Asian Film Series, Ingram Hall, 7 p.m. Concert, Composer's Forum, University Center, 8:15 p.m.
- 4-6 University Theatre, "The Beaux Strategem," Eastvold Aud., 8:15 p.m.
- 6 May Festival, University Center, 12 noon-5 p.m. Mayfest Dancers, May Queen Coronation, Olson Aud., 8:15 p.m.
- 7 Sophomore Nurses' Capping Ceremony, Trinity Lutheran Church, 2 p.m.
- 9 Pluto Awards Banquet, University Center, 5:30 p.m.
- 12 Entertainment Series, Pablo Kruz, Olson Aud., 8:15 p.m.
- 19 Semester ends
- 20 Senior Nurses' Pinning Ceremony, Trinity Lutheran Church, 11 a.m. Graduation Concert, Olson Aud., 8:15 p.m.
- 21 Graduation Worship Services, Olson Aud., 9:30 a.m. Commencement, Olson Aud., 3 p.m.
- 31- June 1 LITE Seminar

## June

- 2-4 Conference, American Lutheran Church, North Pacific District
- 5-6 Early Childhood Education Workshop
- 16-17 TOPS Conference
- 16-18 Mormon Youth Conference
- 17-18 Rainbow Girls
- 19 First Summer Session begins
- 19- July 6 PLU Summer Piano Institute
- 19- July 29 PLU Middle College
- 23-25 Evergreen (Tingelstad Hall) Reunion
- 25-30 Summer Institute of Theology
- 26 Concert, Norstrand Band, Eastvold Aud., 8:15 p.m.

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