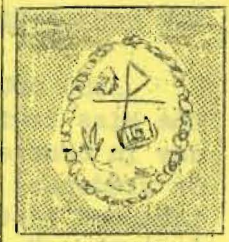




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PI KAPPA DELTA NATIONAL CONVENTION OPENS ON CAMPUS SUNDAY, 700 PERSONS EXPECTED TO ATTEND FIVE-DAY CONCLAVE, PLU ENTERS THREE COEDS IN FORENSIC COMPETITION

The biennial convention of Pi Kappa Delta, national honorary forensic fraternity, opens on campus Sunday with approximately 700 students and faculty representatives from 130 colleges and universities expected to attend the five-day conclave.

One of the highlights of the convention will be the forensic competition. Eight rounds of debate have been scheduled along with four rounds each of oratory, extemporaneous speaking and discussion. There will be separate divisions for men and women in all events except discussion and the open division of debate.

These sessions of the national convention are open to the public. All faculty and staff members are invited to attend the various forensic sessions.

Individual awards will be presented in each of the divisions to students rated as superior or excellent. Team awards will be presented to schools earning superior, excellent, or good ratings in the overall men's and women's competition.

At the last biennial convention of Pi Kappa Delta in Carbondale, Ill., in 1963, PLU was one of four schools to earn a superior rating in both men and women's debate. Other schools to earn such an honor were the University of Pacific, San Diego State and William Jewell College.

In the forensic competition at the last four conventions, PLU has had a superior rating in either or both men or women's debate.

Three PLU coeds will attempt to continue the string of champions next week when they will compete in this year's forensic competition.

Entered in the competition are two sophomores, Lynn Still and LaVon Holden, and a freshman, Kathy Simantel.

Miss Still and Miss Holden will participate in the women's debate. In previous competition this year the two girls won honors at both the Washington Speech Association and the University of Puget Sound tournaments while placing second at the University of Oregon meet.

Lynn also will participate in the oratory competition. She placed first in this division at UPS and was second at Linfield.

Miss Simantell will enter the extemporaneous and discussion divisions of the competition. Among her achievements this year was a first place in impromptu speaking in the WSA meet and a first in extemporaneous speaking at the Oregon tournament.

Forensic activities will run from 8:15 a.m. until approximately 3:30 p.m. each day except Wednesday when they will conclude at noon.

U. S. Sen. Henry Jackson will be the principal speaker, delivering his address at 2:30 p.m. Thursday in the Eastvold Chapel auditorium. He will speak on foreign policy. This session also is open to the public.

The convention will open Sunday evening with a worship service. The Rev. John Larsgaard, student congregation pastor at PLU, and the Rev. Robert Beh of Portland University will conduct the respective Protestant and Catholic services at 7:00 p.m.

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THE ROUNDTABLE

JUDD DOUGHTY (speech) was a judge at the Miss Lewis County contest last Saturday in Centralia.....RICHARD LANGTON (dean of students) spoke at the Rotary Club of Lakewood last Friday on "Do You Want to be a Dion.".....ALICE NAPJUS (education) will leave Tuesday for New York with her husband to attend the wedding of their son Chris on Easter to Miss Barbara Dohren. They will visit earlier in the week with Mrs. Napjus' sister in northern New York state.....JACK ELLINGSON (geology) will attend the Northwest Scientific Association meeting today and Saturday at Portland State College. He will present a paper on "Palisades Lava Flow, Clear Fork of the Cowlitz River, South-Central Cascade Mountains, Washington.".....LAWRENCE HUESTIS (chemistry) assisted with the field work last summer.....GUNDAR KING (business administration) will speak on cost reduction of business transactions at the 26th annual Pacific Northwest Purchasing Agents' Conference today and Saturday in Spokane.....J. E. DANIELSON (admissions) and MILTON NESVIG (public relations) attended a meeting of the Washington Council on High School-College Relations Monday in Spokane.....JIM VAN BEEK AND JON OLSON (admissions) attended a meeting of the Northwest Independent College Admissions Counselors last Thursday and Friday at Gerheart, Ore. GUNNAR J. MALMIN (foreign languages) is directing the inmate choir at McNeil Island Penitentiary to prepare the group for the dedication of the new chapel on April 25.

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"The Fraction of Life can be increased in value not so much by increasing your numerator as by lessening your denominator."
.....Carlyle

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"We shall not produce equality by turning everything upside down." A. P. Herbert

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THE COPY HOOK

The Parkland drive for the PLU Swimming Pool Fund has reached \$10,081 -- one-fifth of the goal of \$50,000. Some 27 individuals or firms have made contributions to date including a \$1,889.91 gift by the Franklin Pierce Education Council Swimming Pool Committee.

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PLU students presented some 11,000 bouquets of daffodils to patients in Tacoma area hospitals Thursday as their part in the annual Puyallup Valley Daffodil Festival. The students adopted the project last year instead of entering a float in the Daffodil Parade.

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Christian College Sunday will be observed on campus with an afternoon program April 25. At 3 p.m. a one-hour presentation on PLU, under the direction of Judd Doughty, will be held in Eastvold Chapel. A campus open house will be held from 4-5:30 p.m. All departments will take part in the open house. Several hundred youth and adults are expected to attend the event which replaces the annual Youth Day program.

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Because of the Easter vacation, there will be no KNIGHTLETTER next Friday. The next edition will appear Friday, April 23.

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APRIL BIRTHDAYS

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| Jack Ellingson | April 21 |
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PI KAPPA DELTA NATIONAL CONVENTION (con't)

Besides the regular convention business sessions and the forensic competition, other features include a talent night Tuesday, a cruise on Puget Sound followed by a salmon bake at Tillicum Indian Village Wednesday, and the convention banquet and awards ceremony Thursday.

CONVENTION NOTES:

Ruth Ellis, a senior education major at PLU has been selected as one of the two student representatives to the National Council of Pi Kappa Delta, national honorary forensic fraternity. The council will meet during the biennial national convention.

A member of the PLU debate squad for the past four years, Ruth was named to the council along with Warren Derbidge of Idaho State College.

In 1963 Miss Ellis helped PLU gain a superior rating at the national convention in Carbondale, Ill., while last year she was a member of the team that placed first in debate in the Province of the Northwest. This year she gained the award of special distinction in the orders of oratory and debate.

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The daffodil has become the official flower of the biennial convention of Pi Kappa Delta, national honorary forensic fraternity, which will begin Sunday at PLU.

Some 2,500 daffodils will be used as decorations for the various convention activities.

The practice of using daffodils at the convention was initiated 12 years ago by Prof. Theodore O. H. Karl, chairman of the Department of Speech, as a way to promote Tacoma and the Puyallup Valley Daffodil Festival.

Daffodils have been used at the last five biennial conventions. Two years ago some 1,500 daffodils were flown to the convention in Carbondale, Ill.

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Theodore O. H. Karl is a regular member of the National Council of Pi Kappa Delta....Dr. Vernon Utzinger, director of the school of fine and applied arts, is a member of the judging committee for the forensic competition....Other PLU faculty members assisting with the tournament are Paul Steen, Judd Doughty, Eric Nordholm and Abe Bassett....The Epsilon Chapter of PLU is host for the convention. Some 27 members headed by Linda Grill, president, are assisting with the numerous behind-the-scenes activities of running the convention.

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CHOIR OF THE WEST TO TOUR OREGON CITIES OVER WEEKEND

The Choir of the West was scheduled to leave the campus at noon Friday for a three-day tour of Oregon Cities.

Tonight Prof. Maurice H. Skones will direct his 61-voice choir in a concert in Central Lutheran Church, Eugene.

Saturday night the singers will be in Oregon City at the Eastham School auditorium.

Two appearances are booked for Sunday. In the afternoon a concert will be given in Milwaukie Lutheran Church at 3 o'clock, and in the evening at 8:00 the choir will give its annual traditional Palm Sunday concert in Central Lutheran Church, Portland.

The group will return to the campus Sunday night.

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| <p>UNIVERSITY IN PROFILE</p> <p>George Elwell, assistant professor of art, will be the guest on the second program of a four-part series "Man and his Search for Security" Saturday on University in Profile on KTNT-TV, Channel 11, at 3 p.m. Elwell will present his thoughts and ideas on how art becomes involved in this search for security. Judd Doughty, producer-director of the show, will moderate the series.</p> |
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KNIGHT TRACKMEN, NETTERS OPEN HOME
SLATE SATURDAY; BASEBALLERS AT SPC

The PLU track team will open its home schedule Saturday as it entertains Portland State College in a dual meet at 1 p.m.

Three PLU trackmen will be attempting to keep their unbeaten streaks alive. Wendell Brown, junior sprinter from Tacoma, will be seeking his third straight victory in the 220 and 440-yard dashes while Craig Knutzen, a junior from Highline, will be after victory number three in both the discus and shot put.

Lief Johnsson, a foreign student from Sweden, will also be vieing for his third triumph in the triple jump. Johnsson set a new PLU standard for the jump last Saturday when he leaped 45-3 3/4 at Bellingham.

The Knights' 440-yard relay also is undefeated this year, setting a PLU record in the first meet at 43.8. Les Rucker, Terry Tommervik, Larry Egeland and Brown comprise the team.

The PLU baseball team will be seeking its initial victory of the season Saturday when it travels to Seattle to meet Seattle Pacific at Lower Woodland Park. The first game of the doubleheader will begin at 1:30 p.m.

The Knights dropped a pair to Central Washington, 9-4 and 5-4, last week as 10 unearned runs crossed the plate in the two contests.

Seattle Pacific will send a veteran team against the Knights. SPC mentor Dale Parker has 16 lettermen back including six veteran pitchers from last year's team which dropped three of four contests to PLU.

Steve Dalgleish, junior first baseman from Kirkland, is PLU's leading batter after the first two games, collecting three hits in five times at bat, including a double, for an even .600 average. He is followed by sophomore pitcher Al Hedman, who has three hits in seven appearances for a .428 average.

The tennis squad also will be seeking its first win of the season as it hosts Puget Sound on the local courts at 1 p.m.

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RICHARD ALSETH NAMED AS NEW
SWIMMING INSTRUCTOR

Richard A. Alseth, physical education instructor and swimming coach at Puyallup High School, has been named as the new swimming coach at PLU.

Alseth, who was selected from some 20 candidates, also will serve as swimming pool manager and physical education instructor at PLU. He will assume his duties July 1.

A native of Mount Vernon, Alseth is a 1962 graduate of Washington State University. He also had done graduate work at WSU.

While at WSU he was on the dean's list for three years and was a member of Phi Epsilon Kappa, honorary fraternity. He also was a graduate assistant during the 1962-63 school year.

Alseth earned four letters at both Mount Vernon and WSU in swimming and was a high school state champion in the 100 and 200-yard freestyle relays. He also set records in the 50-yard freestyle and the 400-yard backstroke relay at WSU.

He has helped develop the swimming program at Puyallup the last two years. His team compiled a 14-4 record this year.

Alseth is also active in community affairs. He is a member of the board of directors of both the Puyallup Lions Club and the Puyallup Y.M.C.A.

He is married to the former Anne Peterson of Moses Lake. The Alseth's, who live at 1324 4th Ave., Puyallup, have two children, Karen 5 and Richard 1.

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