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Photo by Nathan Lunstrum

See ya CAL! We're going to Iowa!

Women's basketball fans Kyle Asplund (32) and airborne Robby Larson celebrate PLU's 56-54 win over Cal. Lutheran in the NCAA div. III first-round playoff game.

Student teaching program prepares education majors for new careers

BY JENNI DILLON
Mast reporter

For some, college is a place to take classes, find direction and narrow down future career options. For others, like senior Jennifer Spiegelberg, it's an opportunity to jump into the future head first.

Spiegelberg is currently spending about one-third of each day in teacher Katherine Brown's third grade class at Brookdale Elementary School. The rest of the day is spent interacting with the kids, leading them to recess, in the library, at lunch, and providing one-on-one help for those students who need it.

"Most of them have responded quite well [to my presence]. It's a developing relationship," Spiegelberg said. Both Brown and Spiegelberg approach the opportunity with a team attitude. "Some teachers will take a traditional attitude and just leave the student teacher to teach. To me, it's more of a coaching role. I provide feedback, share ideas and act as a bouncing board," Brown said.

"I felt a little apprehensive at first, but confident," said

Spiegelberg, who has spent the last year and half interacting with kids through a variety of practicum programs.

Through the PLU education department, she has worked with students in both the Franklin Pierce and University Center school districts. "It's good to see all points of view before you get out there. It has really helped broaden my horizons," she said.

"I've always known I wanted to be a teacher; I just didn't act on it for a while," Spiegelberg said. After earning an associates degree at Pierce College, she said she decided it was time to act.

"I chose PLU based on the reputation," said Spiegelberg. Once she graduates in May, she plans to try to get on a substitute teacher list. "You get lots of experience in different places and it gets your name out there," she explained. She wants to try to find employment for the next year, then hopes to come back to PLU to begin graduate school.

Teaching is still in her future though, Spiegelberg explained. "I love students, I love children.

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ASPLU-RHA merger debate

Proposal gives each hall president a seat on Senate

Sticking points include Tingelstad representation and off-campus inclusion; RHA amends proposal

BY ERIC RUTHFORD
Mast news editor

Members of the Associated Students of PLU and the Residence Hall Association met this week to discuss a proposed merger between the organizations that would give each residence hall a vote in the Senate.

RHA will vote on whether to send the proposal

to ASPLU at its Sunday Presidents' Council Meeting.

The proposal, which would combine the two organizations under the name "ASPLU," would make each hall president have a seat in the ASPLU Senate. Under the original proposal, which was amended, Tingelstad Hall would have gotten only one seat in the Senate.

This has been a sticking point, along with off-campus representation, overworking hall presidents and proportional representation.

At a special Wednesday meeting of the RHA's President's Council, three amendments were attached

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ASPLU Primary election

It's Marvitz and Larson for president

Pickett and Hutson advance in vice presidential race

BY ANNE KALUNIAN
Mast intern

Robby Larson and Desi Marvitz emerged victorious from presidential primaries Wednesday in an election that drew barely more than one-quarter of the voting population.

Greg Pickett and Linda Hutson also came out on top in the primary election, eliminating Keith Pranghofer from the running.

The final election will be Tuesday, March 9.

The seven candidates spoke Tuesday night at a debate in the Cave that drew about fifty people and was broadcast live on campus by KCNS television.

In the debate, none of the candidates expressed disagreement

with each other on a single issue. None of them criticized any of the other candidates for anything.

The candidates spent the evening promoting themselves.

"How do we (ASPLU) hear student voice and recognize it as the majority and tackle the issue as opposed to just hearing the minority voice?" vice presidential candidate Linda Hutson said. Greg Pickett said in response to a panel question about leadership style, "A leader is not a leader unless they have people who follow." Pickett also said he was a very proactive person and a master of communication. "I am very intense and put all my effort into a job till it is done," he said.

A member of the audience asked the candidates, "What do you plan to do for diversity on

campus?" Presidential candidate Desi Marvitz responded, "Diversity is more than the color of a person's skin. It is also a learning disability or a handicap. Having more support for what diversity means would break down barriers."

Presidential candidate Robby Larson said in his final speech, "I want to see (PLU) prosper and some people I highly respect came to me and told me I would do a good job. I encourage every student to become educated with candidates and their platforms and to go out and vote tomorrow."

The election turnout, according to results tabulated by ASPLU, consisted of 52 percent

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By the numbers

Candidate	Vote	Total %	On-campus voting	votes	eligible voters	% Voting
<i>President</i>						
Larson	364	39%	Pflueger	117	171	68%
			Tingelstad	151	308	49%
Marvitz	293	31%	Foss	95	170	56%
			Kriedler	24	63	38%
Hardin	147	16%	Hong	54	100	54%
			Stuen	58	92	63%
Howell	100	11%	Ordal	84	155	54%
			Hinderlie	71	112	63%
			Harstad	75	219	34%
<i>Vice President</i>						
Hutson	348	37%	Sub-total	729	1390	52%
Pickett	283	30%	Summary			
Pranghofer	255	27%	on-campus	729	1390	52%
			off-campus	203	2294	9%
			Total turnout	932	3684	27%

In Brief...

SAFETY BEAT



"Are we playing God?"

The 1999 Conference on Faith, Science, and Religion is today and tomorrow at the Columbia Conference Center. Pacific Lutheran University Provost Paul Menzel will conclude the conference with a review of all topics discussed at the convention.

General admission to the two-day conference is \$25 or \$5 with a PLU ID. Call x7423 for more information.

Application Deadline

Applications for the School of Education for the fall of 1999 are due today. If you have any questions, e-mail nielsebb@plu.edu with "SOE application" in the subject line.

Essay Competition

It is time for PLU's annual Raphael Lemkin Essay Competition. The topic of the essays is "Genocide: What does it mean to you?" The deadline for essay entries is March 12.

A panel of faculty members will judge the entries and choose the winners. Winners of the competition will be awarded \$750 for first place and \$250 for second place. For more information and official competition rules, call x7669.

Future Lutes

The Admissions Spring Open House is Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Prospective students and their families are invited to attend the 10 a.m. worship service and several sessions with information on academics, athletics, financial aid, and admission. For more information call x7151.

SIDEWALK TALK



"Is that possible?"

Jocelyn Flick,
second-year
student

"Probably not until next fall."

Mike Manuel,
first-year
student



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How many days of sun does it take to absorb the western Washington rain?



"Twelve days of sun to every one day of rain."

Leith Anderson,
first-year
student

"Too many...I'm not sure."

Erin Burraston,
first-year
student



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FOOD FOR THE WEEK

Fri. March 5 Lunch Grilled Turkey & Swiss, Tuna Casserole, Curly Fries, Cookies	Sun March 7 Breakfast Continental: Old Fashioned Donuts, Oatmeal	Tues. March 9 Breakfast Pancakes, Scrambled Eggs, Tator Triangles, Bacon, Donuts	Dinner Hard & Soft Tacos, Black Bean Ratatouille, Spanish Rice, Churros, Omelet Station	Scrambled Eggs, Tator Tots, Donuts
Dinner Sweet & Sour Chicken or Tofu, Egg Rolls, Sticky Rice, Fortune Cookies	Lunch Fresh Waffles, Blueberry Pancakes, Scrambled Eggs, Sausage Links	Dinner Philly Beef S'wich, Pesto Penne, Onion Rings, Entree Salad Bar, Cream Pies	Wed. March 10 Breakfast Fresh Waffles, Fried Eggs, Hashbrowns, Cinnamon Rolls	Lunch Southwestern Wrap, Veggie Burrito, Mexi Fries, Burger Bar
Sat. March 6 Breakfast Biscuits & Gravy, Scrambled Eggs, Potatoes, Zoom	Dinner Herb Pork Roast, Au Gratin Potatoes, Stir Fry Blend, Fruit Cobblers	Lunch Teriyaki Chicken, Stir Fried Veggies, Grilled Cheese, Tomato Soup	Dinner Cannelloni, Manicotti, Baked Salmon, Sub S'wich Bar	Dinner Beer Battered Shrimp, Baked Chicken Breast, Mediterranean Pasta, Fries
Lunch Breakfast Menu plus Fishwich	Mon. March 8 Breakfast Pancakes, Scrambled Eggs, Hashbrowns,	Lunch Chicken Club Pasta, Rueben S'wich, Peppers Salsa'lito, Toll House Cookies	Dinner Cannelloni, Manicotti, Baked Salmon, Sub S'wich Bar	Fri. March 12 Breakfast Biscuit S'wich, Scrambled Eggs, Bacon
Dinner Gyros, Sparukopita,		Thurs. March 11 Breakfast Blueberry Pancakes,		Lunch Fried Chicken S'wich, Cheese Ravioli & Pesto, MYO Burrito Bar

Feb. 20

• In the course of routine patrol, Campus Safety Officers discovered that a Honda Civic had been broken into. The owner of the vehicle, a PLU student, was contacted and informed of the incident. The student then confirmed the theft of two car speakers. No suspects were identified. Estimated cost of loss - \$500.

Feb. 21

• In the course of routine patrol, Campus Safety Officers discovered that a Nissan Stanza had been broken into. The owner of the vehicle, a PLU student, was contacted and informed of the incident. The student confirmed the theft of two car speakers. No suspects were identified. Estimated cost of loss - \$75.

• A PLU student contacted Campus Safety to report having witnessed a local Parkland juvenile looking into the Delta Hall residence room window of a PLU student. Campus Safety officers immediately responded and made contact with the juvenile.

The juvenile was immediately recognized by the officers as the same suspect involved in lewd and inappropriate conduct via entering the women's restrooms one year previous.

The suspect was confirmed as having been reported as an unwanted person on the PLU campus due to the previous incident.

Pierce County Sheriff's Department was notified.

The on-duty PCSD deputy responded and placed the juvenile under arrest for Criminal Trespass.

• A PLU student contacted Campus Safety to request medical assistance for a fellow student who had suffered a severe laceration to her mouth and face after a running impact with another PLU student while playing soccer.

Campus Safety responded and cleaned and bandaged the wound.

Due to the extent of the injury, and the likely need for sutures, the patient was transported to Tacoma General Hospital by her friends.

Feb. 23

• A PLU student contacted Campus Safety to request medical assistance for a twisted right ankle sustained while playing soccer.

Campus Safety responded and assessed the patient's injuries, determining that Emergency Medical Service contact was not necessary. Ice was applied to the injury and the patient was advised to seek additional medical assistance.

• A PLU student contacted Campus Safety to request medical assistance for a laceration sustained on her left knee following a fall.

Campus Safety responded and cleaned and bandaged the wound.

Due to the depth of the wound, the patient was transported to St. Clare Emergency Room by friends for further assistance.

Feb. 24

• A PLU student contacted Campus Safety to report having received an harassing phone call from an on-campus extension.

A trace of the PLU phone records revealed the identity of the students that live in the residence from where the call had originated.

The findings were turned over to Student Conduct.

• In the course of routine patrol, Campus Safety officers witnessed a Saturn Sedan accelerate to approximately 40-50 mph while traveling westbound on Garfield Street South.

The Sedan went through the intersection of Park Avenue South and continued over the eastern curb entrance to campus.

A full speed, head-on impact with the northeastern corner section of Harstad Hall, the physical location of the Campus Safety Office, resulted.

Campus Safety officers immediately responded to the scene and found the vehicle driver, a local resident, conscious, but confused.

The driver had been secured by her seatbelt, and the vehicle airbags were activated.

Central Pierce Fire and Rescue, the Washington State Patrol, and Pierce County Sheriff's Department responded to the incident.

An assessment of the patient was conducted by CPFR, who identified her as having received no injuries.

WSP promptly arrested the driver for driving under the influence of alcohol.

An initial assessment by CPFR identified no structural damage to Harstad Hall, but significant damage to the grass on the northeastern section of the immediate Harstad grounds was sustained.

Plant Services was notified of the damage and the driver's insurance company was notified of the incident.

• A PLU student contacted Campus Safety to report that his Subaru Legacy had been broken into and numerous items appeared to be stolen.

Campus Safety responded and advised that the student make a formal report with Pierce County Sheriff's Department.

No suspects were identified. Estimated cost of loss - \$1140

• A PLU student contacted Campus Safety to report that, while driving out of the Olson Parking Lot, she had accidentally hit a parked vehicle belonging to a PLU student.

No injuries were sustained and the vehicles sustained only minor damage.

Both drivers exchanged insurance information.

Feb. 25

• Two PLU students contacted Campus Safety to report the theft of numerous personal items from Eastvold.

No suspects were identified. The students indicated that the items had been left unattended and unsecured for a lengthy period of time.

Pierce County Sheriff's Department was contacted and a report was written. Estimated cost of loss - \$175.

Feb. 26

• A PLU student contacted Campus Safety to report that the Tinglestad Secure Lot parking decal had apparently been stolen from her vehicle.

No suspects were identified, and no damage to the vehicle was apparent.

Both the PLU Parking Enforcement Officer, and Auxiliary Services were notified.

Alarms to date:

- Fire: 22
- Intrusion: 32
- Panic: 2

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Addiction in American culture topic of lecture

PLU hosts 25th Annual Walter C. Shnackenberg Lecture

BY EMILY LAINE
Mast intern

Peter Stearns said the concept of addiction in American culture has expanded from describing merely addiction to alcohol, to encompassing everything from drug addiction to sex addiction to Internet addiction.

His lecture was entitled, "Addiction in American Culture: Mixing Science and Values." Stearns, Heinz Professor of History and Dean of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences at Carnegie Mellon University, delivered the 25th Annual Walter C. Shnackenberg Lecture on March 1, in the Scandinavian Culture Center.

The presentation explored the connections between American culture and addiction.

"I'll be arguing that addiction is not merely a medical and scientific artifact but also plays a surprisingly flexible and even sometimes a contradictory role as Americans

look at their own behaviors and particularly, of course, the behavior of others," explained Stearns.

The lecture explored the development of the addiction concept from colonial times to the present, outlining three distinct stages.

Stearns stressed the ambiguity of the concept. He pointed to debate over perceiving addiction is a disease or a moral conflict and whether addiction results from addictive properties of a substance or moral weakness.

Stearns explained that the addiction concept in American culture following the repeal of Prohibition, served social purposes. "First, while granting that it was no longer possible. . . to urge against drinking for everybody, addiction served as an ongoing caution," he said.

"Without requiring a condemnation of drinking, which was now unfashionable, it facilitated genuine moral anxiety and widespread discussion, reminding many people that wariness was essential, less addiction ensue,"

he said.

The lecture ended with Stearns' comments about addiction in general, stressing the concept's cultural importance. He concluded, "We, as a society, . . . have become addicted to addiction."

Members of the PLU community had mixed reactions regarding the lecture. "I thought he covered a wide range of topics on addiction. But honestly, I didn't like it," said second-year student Julie Marples.

However, PLU Provost Paul Menzel said he felt Stearns' lecture examined "a vital contemporary social topic. Addiction is a concept that we need to examine much more skeptically and understand more culturally."

The Walter C. Shnackenberg Memorial Lecture was created

on February 8, 1974, by the Schnackenberg family. Shnackenberg was a history professor at PLU from 1952 until 1973.

During his time at PLU, he served as chair of the Department of History and as faculty representative to the Board of Regents. "He was one of PLU's finest professors," said Professor Wayne Carp, current chair of PLU's history department.

During his career at PLU, Shnackenberg frequently expressed hope that PLU might establish a lecture series to bring distinguished academic lecturers to campus. The Shnackenberg Memorial Lecture was established in his honor after his death.

"We try to bring lecturers who are both excellent lecturers and distinguished in their field," said Carp.

Stearns received his A.B., A.M. and Ph.D. from Harvard University. He founded the "Journal of Social History" in 1967.

He has authored or co-authored 63 books and 163 articles. "Not only is Professor Stearns an excellent teacher but he has also been a most prolific scholar. The words that come to mind when looking at the publications of Professor Stearns' are 'colossal,' 'prestigious,' and even 'awesome,'" said Carp.

"We, as a society, . . . have become addicted to addiction."

-- Peter Stearns



Photo by Nisha Ajmanil

Peter Stearns discusses the influences of addiction in today's American Culture at the 25th Annual Walter C. Shnackenberg Lecture.

TEACHERS

At the elementary age, they're so excited about learning. You can see their little faces light up," Spiegelberg said.

No matter how much students want to learn, however, they need opportunity, said Brown. The children have limited exposure to cultural experience, Brown said. She recalled one year when PLU students provided a puppet show for the students at Brookdale and said she would like to see more of this kind of interaction between the two institutions.

While many PLU education majors are involved with Brookdale students, Brown envisions a future where PLU choral, symphony and drama departments interact with the kids.

Both Brown and Spiegelberg cited the enthusiasm and energy of the students. "This is a very energetic group of third graders; the day just flies by," said Spiegelberg. With such energy, however, creative teaching styles

are needed, she said. One such approach is a reading program based on popular children's author Dr. Seuss.

Tuesday was Dr. Seuss' birthday, and the school celebrated with teachers dressing in costumes, projects with the students, and a reading exchange. In Brown's and Spiegelberg's class, part of the day was dedicated to choosing a favorite Dr. Seuss book, donning "Cat in the Hat" attire, and reading to partners.

Spiegelberg is one of over 40 PLU students currently in the student-teaching portion of their education. The program begins with classes on education theory and practicum experience in the third year, and ends with a semester-long residency in a local classroom.

They progressively teach more and more of each day and by the end of the semester, lead classes on their own, which prepares them for a class of their own in the future. "You're definitely



Photo by Jenni Dillon

No, Sam-I-Am

In celebration of children's author Dr. Seuss' birthday, senior Jennifer Spiegelberg dons "Cat-in-the-Hat" headwear with children at Brookdale Elementary.

prepared by the time you get to the fourth term," attested Spiegelberg.

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Taking merger past talk, toward action is commendable

The issue of an ASPLU-RHA merger is something that has been brought up every spring at election time for years.

Normally, it is mentioned in passing and then promptly dismissed once the new ASPLU and RHA executives take office.

Now, student leaders in both organizations say that having both structures is no longer beneficial to students; in fact, it has hurt the campus as a result of competing purposes and poor communication.

The pros and cons of this proposal are explained in detail elsewhere in this issue of the Mast, and excerpts of the proposal itself are included. Students can determine their positions on the proposal for themselves.

The Mast has not agreed with some of the actions ASPLU President Bradd Busick and RHA Campus-Wide Programmer Brook Buchanan, the primary authors of this proposal, have taken.

The Mast did not receive a copy of the proposal at the time it was distributed to the presidents of residence hall councils campus-wide.

This placed the Mast at a disadvantage in researching a very important issue for both on-campus students and the off-campus population for which this publication is a primary source of information.

The RHA President's Council meeting was closed to the public last Sunday, further excluding student media and the students themselves from the opening stages of the discussion.

These actions cannot go unnoticed. However, Busick and Buchanan have gotten something very, very right.

They have stopped discussing and started doing.

As many of the candidates for ASPLU executive positions mentioned in the Cave debate Tuesday evening, the campus abounds with talk.

Action is harder to come by.

This merger proposal may pass, or it may fail.

But it is clear evidence of the triumph of doing over discussion.

For this, Busick and Buchanan deserve commendation.

In coming weeks, as this proposal goes before RHA and then ASPLU, the Mast encourages students to do the same.

Attend the meetings.

Talk with your representatives on campus.

Write the Mast and post your opinions in a forum with a circulation of 2,000.

Take action on issues that affect you.

Force campus leaders to listen.

-LR



Guest columnist: Anders Blomgren

Congrats to Lady Lutes, halftime hoopsters

"We love to come to PLU and put on a show," confessed Rawdawg point guard A.C. Crawley after the Rawdawgs' convincing 14-0 win over the unranked East Side Boys Club.

The game occurred during half-time of the Lady Lutes' NWC clinching victory over George Fox last Saturday.

The Rawdawg defensive duo of Jerry "Tredogg" Zonker and Geof "The Mitten" Patten put the stop on the East Side post-up offense. "We just couldn't get anything started, and they were real physical inside," stated East Side captain Yams Potcher, possibly hinting at the absence of a ref in the middle.

"I knew they couldn't stop me," said scoring leader Jer "The Flava" Thomas. "They tried a man-to-man defense which gave me room to move." This was quite evident as Thomas popped in 10 straight points and often made a mockery of his defenders with his Allen Iverson-like crossover dribble.

The East Side's frustrations boiled out of the pane when Dug "The Beef" Randall got in a "beef" of his own with Vern Reid, the cousin of former UNC Tarheel star J.R. Reid.

"I would like to apologize to the PLU fans for my outburst," Randall said.

I am quite convinced we will see several Rawdawgs in the future, either in the NBA finals or in Olson as a Runnin' Lute.

"We just take one game at a time," said Thomas, "but we do get a little extra pumped up for the vocal Lute crowd."

Congrats to the Rawdawgs, and to the Lady Lutes in winning the Northwest Conference Championship in fine fashion.



Photo by Nathan Lunstrum
The Rawdawgs and East Siders hoop it up during halftime of the women's game Saturday night. For more information on the Lutes' game, see p. 12.

Anders Blomgren is the assistant wrestling coach. He is also pursuing a secondary education teaching certificate.

Readers can submit "Guest Speaker" items

Do you have something you want to say in more detail, or a discussion you want to begin on campus?

"Guest Speaker" is a Voices page feature which offers readers a way to explore a topic in depth, or to express an opinion that won't quite fit into a letter to the editor.

Send proposed articles to editor-in-chief Laura Ritchie, The Mooring Mast, PLU, Tacoma Wash. 98447 (or e-mail her at mast@plu.edu).

Correction

In the Feb. 26 edition of the Mooring Mast, PLU softball player Sarah Johnston's name was misspelled. The Mast regrets this error.

The Mooring Mast strives for accuracy. If readers notice errors in the Mast, they are encouraged to inform the editorial office by telephone at x7494 or via e-mail at mast@plu.edu.

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Trinity community outreach is positive for Parkland

For over a semester now, I've lived across the street from Trinity Lutheran Church, an institution that serves as a kind of utopia in the heart of Parkland.

It appears utopic, at least, from our front porch, where I can see into Thompson Hall through its large windows at the activities going on, from Boy Scout meetings to senior citizen lunches to live accordion-playing.

I can hear the preschoolers, often even inside our house, laughing and howling on the playground next door to the hall.

Trinity's bulletin boards and newsletters are kept full with activities.

On Tuesdays and Fridays, the food pantry is open. Once a month, individuals and families



Great Wide Open Sarah Beck

in the community can eat a free lunch and receive a bag of groceries free of charge.

In association with the Red Cross, a meal is served every weekday noon to senior citizens.

A women's group, men's group, and youth groups for all ages meet at Trinity.

They have a lively music program with five choirs, a handbell ensemble, a youth theater group, and a concert series that lasts throughout the school year.

Trinity is, in essence, a spiritual home for all ages and interests.

Pastor Leesa Schmidt believes Trinity owes much of its ministry success to its "strong mission emphasis."

This daily pandemonium I witness from across the street is reassuring for me on several levels.

The Lutheran church often laments its lack of influence in the community in comparison to

nondenominational churches.

Even as Lutherans are making progressive ecumenical decisions like linking arms with the Episcopal church and trying to mend centuries-old differences with the Catholic church, most Lutheran churches do not attract passionate thousands like the Fundamentalists.

Thus, Trinity is proof that Lutheranism does indeed have something unique and worthwhile to say, and is alive and kicking.

While Trinity's membership comes mostly from the outskirts of Parkland (and Schmidt sees reaching out to its closer community as a worthy goal for Trinity), the church is nonetheless a positive force in Parkland — which, as previous articles in the Mast

have suggested, is a necessity in revitalizing the area.

Sometimes I awake to a men's group from Trinity busy patching up holes in the wainscot of our house or resealing the roof. Trinity members were also generous in lending us many furniture items.

Perhaps I am going overboard when I call our neighbors across the street utopic, but Trinity's nonstop action proves to be an excellent model of intergenerationalism, social service, faith building, and community building for both the Lutheran church and the Parkland area.

Sarah Beck is a senior English and French major.

Friday nights in Britain are a whole new experience

The day: Friday.

The time: 7 p.m.

Your mission, should you choose to accept it: go out, have as much fun as you can physically and mentally handle and come home happy and satisfied.

This is the eternal weekend mission of virtually every college student, whether in London or Parkland. However, successfully accomplishing it overseas becomes an entirely different story.

When a student at PLU claims they are "going out" for the evening, you can easily predict what this ambiguous phrase means.

He or she is going to possibly take a shower, change into a nicer pair of jeans and head over to a friend's house for some beverages and laughs. If he or she is feeling really crazy, he may even end up in Lagerquist for a Choir of the West concert.

Friday night? Got it covered.

In London, "going out" is a little more complex — perhaps too much so for my Spokane-raised mind. Let me explain.

The process here goes in various stages, and requires both



Lost in the Fog Kelly Kearsley

knowledge of the entire city and usage of foreign vocabulary.

The sentence, "we're going to an indie-funk back beat club on the west end with ten pound cover, no trainers and a DJ who spins retro-house" meant nothing to me until this weekend.

Last Friday, 12 of my closest friends and I decided to go clubbing.

The first step done, we quickly moved into the second and most distressing phase (queue scary music): "getting ready."

And "no jeans for you," demands the "club nazi." They are actually not allowed in the clubs; nor are tennis shoes.

Instead, we are talking full-on costumes: dancing pants, glitter, anything vinyl and black, and

enough makeup to basically create a fake human sans the organs.

At about 10 p.m. the city streets come alive, and we dove right in, consulting our maps and asking for directions to these elusive havens of dancing fun.

After searching various alleys and side streets, we succeeded in arriving at Freedom. We chose this place arbitrarily from a long list including names like Plastic People, Madame Jo Jo's and Sonic Mook Experiment.

The door man eyed us suspiciously, and we eyed him with immense fear as he held in the palm or his hand the key to our Friday night. All 6' 5" and 300 pounds of this man, dressed in leather pants and vest (no shirt for this big fella) stared us down. After a long wait, he graciously

let us humble wannabe clubbers go by.

At the top of the stairs, a woman wearing various scraps of plastic over her private parts informed me that although before midnight this club is a little tame, "after 1:00 it becomes one wild, dancing, massive mind-numbing orgy."

How, exactly, one is supposed to respond to that I am not sure, so I paid her the rest of my money and finally entered THE CLUB.

It was about as crowded as the UC on chicken crispito day, and virtually impossible to move without having full body contact with the person next to you.

Unfortunately, this was the exact reason why most of the guys were there.

The place put the Saturday Night Live boys to shame. Everybody moved in sync to one, deafening beat (techno, of course), the lights flashed around the room in spasms of fluorescent color, and beer spilled freely from the glasses everyone was holding.

I managed to make my way

to the edge of the "orgy," if you will, and rested on the sidelines, observing the mess of people with whom I had been gyrating and comparing them to those I knew at home.

The only differences that were apparent between a handful of Lutes and these British blokes were the all-too-common vinyl boots ala Pretty Woman and the occasional forehead piercing.

Halfway across the world, I stood packed like a sardine, sweaty and trying to keep my distance from the couple who were making me part of an unwilling threesome.

And I thought profoundly to myself, "This is not much different from home."

The means of "going out" in London may have been more complex, the clothes a little more crazy and the venue a little darker, but the end result was still the same: a lot of spilled beer, smoky clothes, a lot of fun and a lot of laughs.

Kelly Kearsley, a sophomore, is studying abroad in London this spring.

Come on, spring; give the storm drains a break!

I've been having the "I miss sunshine" conversation with people lately.

There's a rumor going around campus that it's rained for 96 consecutive days.

Despite the fact that the recent weather patterns are pretty normal for these parts, I think the rain is grating on everyone's nerves at least a little.

Look at it this way: we've more than doubled Noah's record.

Granted, we don't have the ground cracking open and spewing water up out of the depths of the earth, but the permanent cloud cover is probably pretty similar to what Noah and all those practically prehistoric people were used to.

If it weren't for the rainbows I see in the sky at least once a week, I'd almost forget that God was keeping his promise not to flood the earth again.

Especially now that we have a permanent moat of puddles surrounding our house.

But I guess I should look at that more as a blessing than a curse.

The moat must certainly keep all the bad guys out of our little



Any Ideas? Amy Pardini

castle.

(Thanks, God!)

In fact, I usually like having rain because it means that we have a lot of green, and I really like green.

I like the brightness of leaves, and rich, dark grass.

That's one of the reasons I came to Washington.

It's just a pity that there aren't just a few more sunny days in which to enjoy all the beautiful colors.

But we have our moments. I remember, last Sunday, waking up and seeing bright blue sky through my blinds.

I got up out of bed without even pressing the snooze button once, and went to put on a nice, cute springy dress (with a sweater, of course).

Well, wouldn't you know it, when it was time to walk out the

door for church, it was pouring rain.

And not just any kind of rain, either.

I'm talking about that hard stuff that stings when it hits your skin.

Later on that day there was hail.

I've given up on the springy little cute dresses for a while longer, at least until I start to see more of a pattern of sunshine.

And those days are coming.

Spring is coming, slowly. For instance, the days are getting longer.

When I wake up for work in the morning, at least there's more light in the hard, gray sky than there was before.

I don't have to use the headlights as often when I drive, and the flowers in the front yard are poking their little heads through

the wet, fertile earth.

Spring is always a good time to be alive.

Maybe that's because it's that procrastinating time of year, when it's always best to do your homework sitting on a blanket in the grass.

I'm looking forward to those days: breaking out the tank tops and shorts, wiggling my bare toes in the grass, smelling the earth and grass, and realizing that everything I thought was so important before really isn't as important as I thought it was when it was raining.

I have fond memories of living in Pflueger my sophomore year when spring was springing.

Everyone's out on the grass, soaking up the sunshine (even though it's still not bright enough to do any damage) and playing volleyball.

It's also a good time for the guys to get macho and take their shirts off.

There's music blasting from a room with a big stereo, and everyone looks cheerful and very comfortable, even if it's finals week.

I, myself, prefer not to wear my bikini top until the weather

is at least in the 80s. I grew up in Hong Kong (hot and humid city!), so 65 still seems a little chilly.

But I'll wear my shorts with everyone else, and drag out the old blanket my grandma knitted for me, not to mention a good book.

I don't mind a little sun therapy or some socializing in the sunshine.

In fact, I'm really pining for it. So come on, spring, we welcome you!

We need you to grow our flowers and make us warm and cheerful.

We need you so that John Nelson doesn't have to wear a raincoat every day.

We need you so that summer can come after you, so we won't be fishy and pale (even through we know it's healthier to be fishy and pale!)

We need you so that we can wear our springy, cute dresses again.

So come, springtime, come!

Amy Pardini is a senior English major with an emphasis in creative writing.

ELECTIONS



Photos By Nathan Lunstrum (5)

When Vice Presidential Candidate Greg Pickett was asked how he would handle a conflict with the directors, or Brenda Washburn, the ASPLU administrative assistant, he smiled and said he didn't think it was possible to disagree with Brenda.

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on-campus students and 9 percent off-campus students. This both pleased and disappointed current ASPLU President Bradd Busick.

"The turn out for tonight's election was excellent. It was a good event for ASPLU", he said.

Voting within the residence halls was a new alternative for balloting this year. "The voting in the dorms was a first time event and a huge success," Busick said.

Pflueger Hall had the largest voter turnout with 68 percent of the residents voting. Harstad on the other hand had only a 34 percent turnout.

Student Angela Storey, right wanted to know what the candidates thought about support for political groups on campus. Most of the answers were positive, but no specific plans were outlined.



Busick said because of the strong turnout, voting in the residence halls will probably happen again.

The most troubling turnout to ASPLU was the off-campus students.

There are 2,249 off-campus students while only 203 of them voted.

Vice President Ryan Bebe Pelphrey said, "I thought the debate went smoothly and Bradd and I feel a lot better knowing that we can leave." Vice President and Dean of Student Life Erv Severtson, said this was the best turnout he has ever seen at a PLU primary debate.

In response to some of the

questions asked at the debate on Tuesday, many of the candidates name-dropped associations they had with Busick and Bebe Pelphrey.

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-ASPLU President Bradd Busick

"Our names (mine and Ryan's) were merely mentioned because the new president or vice president likes what we have done this year and would like to mirror this next year," Busick said.

Bebe-Pelphrey added, "No one gave a straight, honest answer. The candidates should have proposed a solution to a well known problem, such as parking, instead of just beating around

the bush."

Busick said, "Some candidates had to dodge to questions because of a lack of foundation. The students don't deserve answers like this from the candidates."

To gain a better understanding of what the students wanted, vice presidential candidate Linda Hutson held an open forum in her residence hall, Hinderlie, Busick said. Presidential candidate Robby Larson began going out and talking to students before campaigning started.

"For every candidate it is wise to go around campus introduce themselves to all the organizations, clubs, residence halls they can," Busick said.

Busick and Bebe Pelphrey will preside over their last Senate meeting March 23 and the new president and vice president will conduct their first April 6.



Vice Presidential Candidate Linda Hutson, above, said ASPLU needs to recognize the student voice as the majority, and not to be overly influenced by the minority.



Robby Larson, above, said he is running for ASPLU President because he "loves PLU" and because friends he highly respects encouraged him to do it.

From the Mooring Mast Archives: 10 years ago

Students may use phone to register

Taken from the March 3, 1989 Mooring Mast

BY BRETT BORDERS
Staff reporter

With summer and fall registration right around the corner, many students will soon find themselves standing in long lines waiting until the time on their watches matches the time on their registration card. But if all goes as planned, that may become a thing of the past.

In an attempt to make the ordeal of registering for classes "as efficient as possible," Registrar Charles Nelson is currently considering the purchase of a computerized phone registration system.

If the system is implemented, it would make Pacific Lutheran University the third university in the area to utilize computerized, touch-tone registration technology. Both the University of Washington and Seattle University have been using computerized registration for the past year.

At present, the system is still in the planning stage. The Registrar's Office has been fielding offers from several companies and had been experimenting with a demonstration system which was installed for use during the month of February.

All calls placed to the registrar's office during the month were answered by a computer that instructed callers to enter a number which corresponded to the kind of information they needed to know.

According to Nelson, that system received around 1,500 calls during February. About 75 percent of those were handled directly by the computer, the other 25 percent were forwarded to registrar personnel.

The proposed registration system would operate similarly.

Students would be able to register from anywhere, provided they call from a touch-tone phone. Nelson feels this is vital because it addresses the needs of commuter students, who make up over half of PLU's enrollment. "Our goal is convenience for the students," Nelson said.

Although not included in the current budget, Nelson said that he hopes the \$50,000 system will be up and running in time for pre-registration of the 1990 spring semester.

Nelson points to the amount of money such a system would save the university. For example, Nelson said, the annual \$600 cost of printing the carbon registration slips would be eliminated. In addition, the system would eliminate the filing of paperwork and would greatly reduce the amount of time spent by registrar personnel performing date entry, thus saving labor costs.

Nelson said that he anticipates some opposition to the implementation of a computerized system, but added that he feels such a system would be generally well received. "It's a win-win situation in my mind," Nelson said. "We're a first-class institution, we should provide first-class service."



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Books at PLU may not be as expensive as the alternatives

BY LARA PRICE
Mast reporter

Angela Zurcher, associate director of PLU's bookstore, said PLU's prices are lower than most other sources, and she's done her homework to prove it.

In order to provide supporting evidence, the bookstore conducted its own research project, comparing the bookstore with other sources, like Amazon.com and Barnes & Noble. She said the bookstore is less expensive 95 percent of the time.

In a comparative study of randomly selected books, conducted by the Mooring Mast, results show that PLU's bookstore total prices are less expensive than Powells's and Amazon.com's.

There seems to be a misconception about the bookstore's prices, Zurcher said. She said she thinks it's because "lack of knowledge breeds fear and misunderstanding." The bookstore marks their books up by 26 percent; 8 percent is for shipping and 10 to 11 percent goes to labor, leaving the bookstore with a gross market income of 6 to 8 percent.

Although they prefer to buy the publications straight from the publishers, the PLU bookstore also purchases some of its text books and novels from a number of other sources, such as Amazon.com and Barnes & Noble. If the publishers are out of stock of a particular book, the bookstore will consult a national used books company in Chicago. Speaking for the bookstore, Zurcher said they've dealt well with students' complaints and constructive criticisms. "We've always been up front and honest."

"The (PLU) bookstore is like the UC, a lot of people complain," Freshman Christa Voie said. She

Book Titles	Book Comparison Chart		
	PLU	Powells	Amazon.com
Dreamer: A Novel	23.00	23.00	16.10
After Heaven: Spirituality in American Since 1865	29.95	29.95	20.97
Never Cry Wolf	5.50	5.50	4.79
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You Mean I'm Not Lazy, Stupid or Crazy	14.00	14.00	11.20
The World's Religions	15.00	15.00	12.00
Subtotal:	130.10	144.45	121.81
Tax:	11.06	0	0
Shipping and handling:	0		21.98
Total:	141.16	144.45	143.79

When totaling prices of selected books at the PLU Bookstore, Powells and Amazon.com, the PLU Bookstore is the better deal.

had a book fiasco at the beginning of the semester. As she raced from source to source, she searched for the best deal on the 10 books required for her Philosophical Issues 101 class.

She originally bought all her texts and novels at the PLU bookstore for full price. "I was paying the most I could pay," Voie said, after she calculated all the re-

ceipts, which totaled \$130.

She then decided to seek out other sources in order to find better deals. After she found cheaper sources, she returned the more expensive texts to PLU's bookstore.

Lutebooks.com was one of those cheaper places. "It's like Christmas," Voie said. She said she searched in used bookstores

for novels for her literature class. "The hole in the wall, shady, kind of bookstore" was a good place to purchase books and save money, Voie said.

"I think the key is just calling up bookstores and seeing what they have," Voie explained about being a smart consumer.

She concluded that buying books from outside sources saved

her more money than the PLU bookstore. Overall, she saved "like a couple dollars per book."

Availability and time issues can be an obstacle, Voie said. Nevertheless, she said she found it helpful to buy books outside the PLU bookstore. "I'll even raid the attic," Voie said.

As an alternative to the bookstore, students, like Voie, may turn to Lutebooks.com, designed by senior Karl Philip Lund. He became interested in creating his web site when he sold his books back to the bookstore at the end of last semester. Lund said he received only a fraction of what he purchased them for. "I felt like there had to be a better way to do it," Lund said.

His main motivation behind the web site project was to "do something new and create something."

Lund said he thought the bookstore should improve their buy back policy.

Before he created his idea for Lutebooks.com, his original idea was to create a "student flea market" in the Field House, so students could sell and buy heavy nursing text books, dramatic Arthur Miller plays or King James Bibles.

"On the main street in my home town, people just sit down and start selling their books on the street," Lund reported.

Though it may not be as easy as walking down a neighborhood street, the bookstore has gone out of its way to please its frugal customers, Zurcher said. This includes supplying several used books. "It's a lot harder to work used books than it is to just get all new books."

"Books are a big business," Zurcher said, because they're in such high demand. She said the bookstore's goal is to make sure the students are provided for.

Congress and president debate over present government surplus

BY BROOKE MATTOX
Mast intern

Republicans and Democrats do not usually see eye to eye, yet when the President of the United States proposes a plan, they all listen. On Jan. 19, Clinton stated that he intends to put the budget surplus into social security. The Republicans discreetly opposed. The Republicans in Congress want to see the budget surplus go to tax cuts. The government can not protect the surplus, as they see it, and a cut in taxes is better than increased spending in the long run.

Laura Medrud, Evaluations Administrator in the Registrar's Office, is a Democrat, yet does not believe her chosen political party should dictate her decision. Medrud thinks the money should be used to "chip away the deficit."

Cassie Klippen, a junior at PLU, said she never sides with the Republicans, but is more apt to choose tax cuts. The money is in the hands of the government, explained Klippen. She said she feels the revenue is from taxpayers pockets.

Last year Clinton pledged to save every dollar of the budget surplus for social security but a clear plan has not been presented. It is anticipated that the budget surplus will total \$2.3 trillion over

the next decade.

This amount is larger than past estimates. Clinton proposes to use a portion of the surplus for social security and \$675 billion to go into the stock market, so that it can collect interest.

Members of Congress estimate \$3 trillion will need to be invested in social security to prevent depletion by the year 2032.

"Without the program benefits, half of the elderly would live in poverty," Henry J. Aaron and Robert D. Reischauer wrote in the Washington Post.

The revenue would also be used to expand a rental-assistance voucher program for poor, elderly and their housing budgets. These programs would help with inner city employment and attempt to rebuild abandoned buildings.

Dick Olufs, a professor of political science at PLU, said that Clinton's proposal plan promises to run into trouble and believes that the government is not disclosing all the facts.

However, many economists also believe the surplus should be applied to the debt, which will result in lower interest rates, raise national savings and investments, and increase long term growth.

The Congress and President will decide how the money will be distributed later this year.

Hidden tunnels underneath Harstad, Xavier and Mortvedt Library reveal artifacts of PLU's past

BY SARAH KORST
Mast intern

PLU has a secret. Hidden underground is a network of tunnels connecting some of PLU's buildings. One tunnel runs from beneath Mortvedt Library to the top of the building.

"But [the tunnels] are not like what people think," said Dave Wehmhoefer, director of plant services.

One of the bigger underground tunnels runs from the University Center to Harstad Hall and the library. But this tunnel is only two feet wide and two or three feet high, Wehmhoefer said.

"Mostly they're steam tunnels."

There is a boiler in the University Center and its steam is pumped underground through the tunnels to heat Xavier, Harstad Hall and the library.

"Back when regulations weren't so tight, we'd send people in them to fix problems," Wehmhoefer stated. Because of new, stricter regulations,

Wehmhoefer said, no one has been in the tunnels lately.

"Now we have to excavate when there's a problem," he said.

The Mortvedt Library tunnel is also used for heating, but this tunnel doesn't run underground.

The tunnel runs from beneath the library to the top of the building to circulate heat to all parts of the library, Wehmhoefer explained.

This tunnel is bigger and has lights. It has also been used as a hideout for a bird worth a \$1000.

The wooden bird is part of a collection of African tribal art donated to PLU in 1972.

Mischievous students used to birdnap the 57 inch carving, a West African fertility symbol they affectionately named Big Bird. Big Bird would often be found hidden in the library tunnel. The birdnappings became a tradition throughout the 1970's, but Big Bird is now nailed to the library floor, Wehmhoefer said.

No other valuable discoveries have been made in other tunnels, Wehmhoefer said.

"Maybe there's another tunnel sealed up with past PLU presidents' secrets," he said and laughed. "We just haven't found it yet."

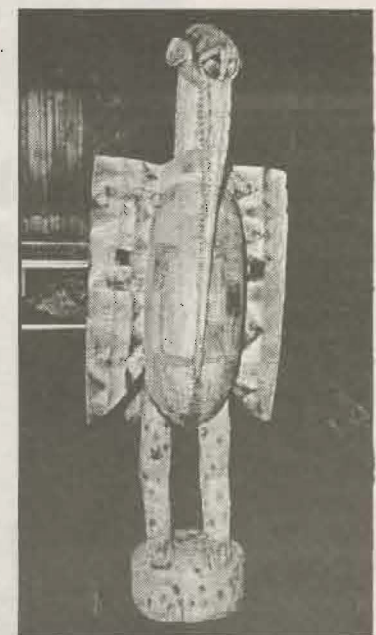


Photo by Josh Miller
African art piece, "Big Bird," was found hidden in library tunnels.

Pulitzer-Winning Journalist Eric Nalder
will speak on Monday, March 8, at 8 p.m. in Ingram 100.
Admission is free and refreshments will be provided.

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Photo by Lisanna Selm

Nathan Rice and Kevin Lee (Left to Right) discuss matters in their authentic 16th century attire.

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Man



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BY JOY BARBER
Mast theater critic

The long-awaited opening of PLU Theater's first show of spring semester happens tonight.

"A Man for All Seasons" by Robert Bolt begins its two-weekend stint in Eastvold at 8 p.m.

Having finished last semester on a thoughtful religious note with the performance of "Shadowlands," the playbill appears to be continuing in this contemplative vein.

"A Man for All Seasons" is set in 16th century England and examines the political and religious struggles of Sir Thomas More.

More served as Lord Chancellor of England during the reign of King Henry VIII. It was King Henry who, in a bid for a male heir, proposed separation from the Roman Catholic Church so that he might divorce his wife, Catherine of Aragon.

Both More's faith and his politics were called into question when King Henry demanded his support in this endeavor. In the name of his church and his country, More chose to remain steadfast in his opposition to the king.

The play itself stays very true to its historical roots, and is commendably accurate in its portrayal. It also has an "epic feel" that can be attributed to the talents of playwright Robert Bolt.

After authoring "A Man for All Seasons" Bolt also adapted the story to a screenplay. The movie "A Man for All Seasons," under the direction of Paul Scofield, received an Academy Award.

Bolt went on to write the screenplays for "Dr. Zhivago" and "Lawrence of Arabia."

Some theater-goers are inclined to balk at plays that contain a historical slant, and "A Man for All Seasons" is a bit longer than some performances.

However, director William Becvar believes that there is definitely an audience for "A Man for All Seasons" here at PLU.

"This is a cerebral play of ideas and clashing philosophies," he said. "There are a number of insightful scenes about the mind and human condition."

With characters embroiled in political ambitions and pursuits of power, the play stands up well as an interesting foray into the world of personal integrity.

"A Man for All Seasons" certainly addresses large issues of individual morality and courage that, especially with the current political arena, will resonate with today's audiences.

As Dr. Becvar noted, "This play still says something about today."

Interestingly, this play has one of the larger casts of this theater season. Eighteen actors are required to fill out the roles in this production.

That means a lot of costumes. Former PLU student Kathy Anderson is now in charge of wardrobe for PLU's Theater Department.

She has been responsible for decking the cast out in historically accurate 16th century attire. Most of the costumes have been made from scratch.

Student Rona Pryor reported that her dress alone weighed nearly 25 pounds.

The combination of political intrigue, moral debate and the grandeur of 16th century attire and ceremony should make for a dynamite show. More's history and Bolt's prose are now in the hands of the actors.



Photo by Lisanna Selm

Rachel Morton (Right) bows before Jon Nelson in the first PLU Theater production of the spring semester.



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Rachel Morton, Meg Sanders and Nathan Rice (Left to Right) hold hands in prayer in "A Man for All Seasons."



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Jon Nelson thrusts his fists in triumph during a scene of the latest PLU Theater production.

A&E Movie Review

This isn't just some 'other' movie

BY ERICA RISCHÉ
Mast intern

Family dynamicism, first love, and issues of independence comprise the new movie that just came out from Touchstone Pictures.

"The Other Sister," starring Juliette Lewis, Diane Keaton, Tom Skerritt, and Giovanni Ribisi, is the touching story of one woman's journey of self-discovery as she learns who she is and what she is capable of doing.

Twenty-four-year old Carla Tate (Lewis) is determined to live her own life and be independent.

For the last ten years, she had lived away from home at a boarding school specializing in teaching students who were mentally challenged.

Carla excelled at the school, was well liked, and felt good about herself while there.

She returns home to her over-protective mother, Elizabeth (Keaton) and her soft-hearted father, Radley (Skerritt), who are San Francisco socialites.

Immediately, she feels smothered and controlled as her mother tries to mold her into her own image. Elizabeth feels guilty for all of the years she was not there for Carla.

She tries to make it up to her with tennis lessons and shopping sprees that she thinks Carla will enjoy.

None of these "treats" make Carla happy, though. She wants to be her own person and develop her own talents and interests and not be a socialite clone of her mother.

Carla asserts her desire for independence by requesting that she be allowed to attend the community college, Bay Area Polytech.

Her mother is adamant that Carla should not attend the school.

She wants to protect her daughter from anything and everything that could possibly hurt her out in the real world. Carla convinces her, however, that she is ready to experience life for herself.

Her father and two sisters support her in her desire to go to



Photo courtesy of Touchstone Pictures

Danny (Giovanni Ribisi in dog costume) meets Carla's (Juliette Lewis in duck costume) parents (Diane Keaton and Tom Skerritt) in the newly released Touchstone Pictures movie, "The Other Sister."

school, wanting to give Carla a chance to prove herself, so Carla begins her classes with determination and pride.

She meets Danny (Ribisi), who also has some learning limitations, and as outsiders at Polytech they quickly become friends.

Danny takes her out for sodas and snacks and they have long talks. They spend much of their time together and grow to care for each other deeply, ultimately falling in love with each other.

Watching the two of them onscreen brings back the memories of what it is like to fall in love for the first time, the awkwardness, joy, sweaty palms, unconditional acceptance, first kiss and excitement that are all part of falling in love with somebody.

The movie does an excellent job of portraying the complexities, challenges, and humanity of Carla and Danny.

The focus is not on the fact that they are two mentally challenged people who fall in love, but that they are two human beings who fall in love and overcome all of the obstacles to be together.

They are not portrayed as innocent, vulnerable children like some movies portray characters with learning limitations.

The director, Garry Marshall,

also does a good job of weaving other issues into the movie.

Carla's sister, Heather, is a lesbian, but is not represented in the usual stereotypical "ugly, angry man hater" way that most films historically tend to portray gay/lesbian characters.

Heather (Sarah Paulson) is a beautiful, successful young woman with a good job and a steady, committed relationship with her girlfriend.

Conflict is created between Heather and her mother, Elizabeth, whenever Heather tries to talk about her partner at family events.

Elizabeth initially has a hard time accepting her daughter's sexual orientation and doesn't want to know anything about it.

At the end of the movie, however, she finally meets Heather's girlfriend and realizes how stupid her initial prejudices had been.

One of the larger issues this film brings up is how society in general deals with mentally challenged people.

It is a good reminder of how much work and discourse still needs to occur in order for there to be greater understanding of learning limitations and how they affect individuals and society.

"What's going on" calendar for 3/5 to 3/12

Friday 3/5

University Pastor Dennis G. Sepper and Choir of the West are featured at chapel. 10:30 a.m. to 10:55 a.m. Trinity Sanctuary.

Tuesday 3/9

Karaoke in the Cave with "Sammy V." from the Ram. 8 p.m.

Saturday 3/6

Outdoor Recreation presents a Cross-country skiing expedition to the western edge of Mt. Rainer. Cost of \$7 includes transportation. Call x7480 for more info.

Wednesday 3/10

University Pastor Nancy J. Connor, PLU Woodwind Quartet and the Chapel Choir are featured at chapel. 10:30 a.m. to 10:55 a.m. Trinity Sanctuary.

"Women's History Month Banquet." Speakers, music and more. Students, staff and faculty are invited. 5:30 p.m. CK For tickets call x8759



Sunday 3/7

University Congregation in Lagerquist Hall with the traditional Lutheran Book of Worship. 10 a.m.

Thursday 3/11

"Faces of America." A thought-provoking, one-woman show deals with multi-culturalism in our society. 5:30 p.m. CK For more info call Leilani at x7480

Evening Worship in Tower Chapel with the PLU-commissioned Now the Feast service. 9 p.m.

Friday 3/12

Pastor Dan Olson from the Division for Global Mission of the ELCA/Chicago and "Gregory, the great bishop of Rome" are featured at chapel. 10:30 a.m. to 10:55 a.m. Trinity Sanctuary.

Monday 3/8

Pastor Howard Fosser from Grace Lutheran in Port Townsend is featured at chapel. 10:30 a.m. to 10:55 a.m. Trinity Sanctuary

"Exploring the History of Choice." Videos and discussion for Women's History Month. 11:30 a.m. Regençy Room



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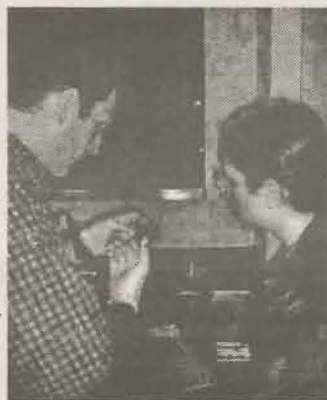
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Lutes advance to second round after 56-54 win

BY ANDREW BENTZ
Mast senior reporter

The Pacific Lutheran University women's basketball team defeated the visiting California Lutheran Regals, 56-54, with a buzzer beating shot by junior forward Tara Millet.

The Regals are the defending champions of their conference, the Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SCIAC). They have won their conference, four out of the last five seasons.

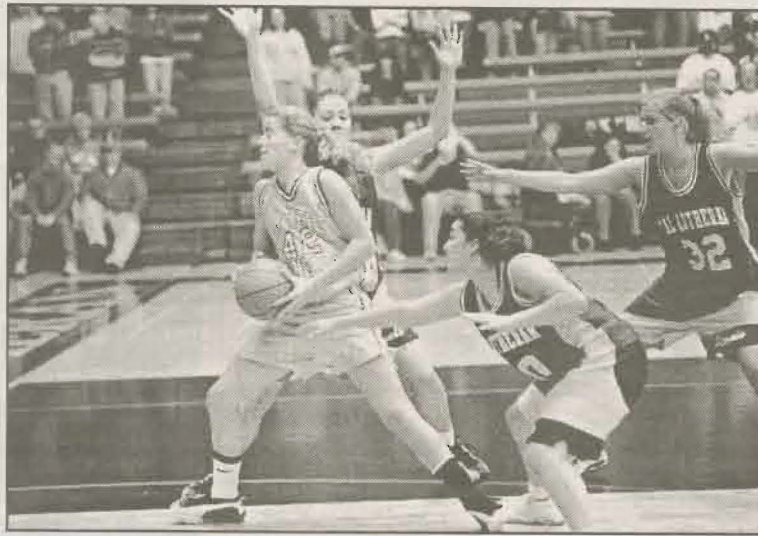
This is the third time California Lutheran has made it to nationals. They lost in the first round in both the 1995 and 1998 seasons.

PLU made its debut in the NCAA tournament this year because this is the first year that PLU has been affiliated with the NCAA. Last year the Lutes made it to the NAIA division II tournament but lost in the first round.

Both teams started off strong offensively, matching score for score. When Cal. Lutheran scored a three-point shot from sophomore guard Nicole Sanchez, the Lutes fell behind until five minutes left in the game.

"We were down most of the game but we knew that we had to keep on coming," sophomore guard Lucy Barker said. "We had the heart, so we pulled it out."

California Lutheran increased their lead to ten points after back to back three-point shots from



Freshman forward Jessica Iserman (42) leaves three California Lutheran players behind in the first round playoff game.

sophomore guard Katie Placido and Sanchez.

With five minutes left in the first half, the Lutes went on a 12-6 run, chipping away at Cal. Lutheran's lead and bringing the score to 29-33.

The Regals shot an amazing 68.8 percent from the field (11-16) in the first half and 75 percent (3 for 4) from beyond the arc. The Lutes could only muster 36 percent from the field (12 for 33) and 0 for 8 from behind the arc.

Sanchez led California Lutheran at the half with 14 points, while freshman forward Jessica Iserman led the Lutes with seven points.

PLU opened the second half with a three-point shot from Barker. That sparked the PLU offense and from there they started to chip away at the California Lutheran lead.

For the next 12 minutes, PLU was within three points of the Regals. With five minutes left in the game, junior forward Holly Morganthaler hit a jump shot that gave the Lutes the lead, 47-46.

Regal senior center Missy Rider converted a three point play, giving back the lead to Cal. Lutheran with 3:50 left in the game.

Only 16 seconds later, Barker hit a shot from behind the arc and returned the lead to the Lutes 50-49.

California Lutheran went to junior forward Haley Jones, who hit a short jump shot. On the next possession, she was fouled and

shot the bonus, one and one, and converted one of the free throws.

With 2:30 left in the game, the Lutes tied it up at 52, with Millet making a strong move to the basket. On the next Lute possession, freshman point guard Becky Franza was fouled and made both of her free throws, giving PLU a two point lead.

With less than a minute left in the game, a loose ball foul was called against PLU which sent Sanchez to the free throw line. She made both of the shots and the score was tied at 54 with 56 seconds left.

After the inbound pass, the California Lutheran defense forced PLU to make a shot with one second remaining on the shot clock. The shot by Morganthaler missed the mark and after the Regals pushed their offense up the floor, Jones missed a short jump shot that would have given Cal. Lutheran the lead.

PLU grabbed the rebound and called a time-out with 7.6 seconds left in the game.

The Lutes inbounded the ball to Franza, who then passed the ball to Iserman at the half court line. Iserman turned and passed the ball to Millet, who shot the ball as the buzzer rang, scoring the game winning shot.

PLU defeated the Regals of California Lutheran 56-54.

"Once I got the ball and saw that there was no time, I just tossed it up there," Millet said.

The crowd exploded and flooded the court as Millet hit the winning shot. The Lutes had an



Photos by Josh Miller

Dueling 32's. Cal. Lutheran's Missy Rider, left, and PLU's Tara Millet battle below the basket.

advantage by hosting the tournament game with a crowd that sat down for a total of about 2 minutes of playing time. The PLU fans were yelling at the other team and cheering on the Lutes.

The Lutes defense held the Regals to 28.6 percent shooting from the field (6 for 21) and 0 for 6 from three-point land. PLU shot 30.8 percent from the field (8 for 26) and 60 percent from beyond the arc (3 for 5) in the second half.

The high contributors for California Lutheran were, Sanchez with 18 points and Rider with 10 points and 11 rebounds.

"PLU recognized that she (Sanchez) was our top scorer this year and made every shot that she took difficult." California Lutheran head coach Tim La Kose said.

The Lutes were led by Millet with 12 points and nine rebounds. Also adding to PLU's point total were Morganthaler and Barker, with 10 points each. Iserman added eight points and grabbed eight rebounds.

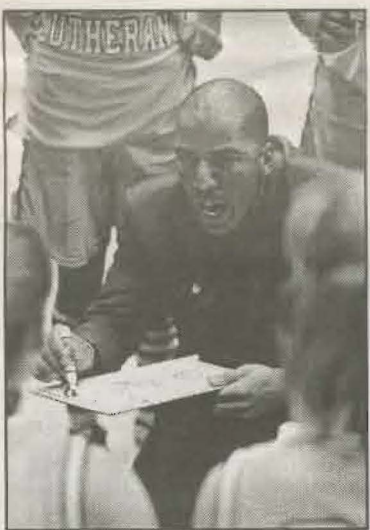
"I think that everybody stepped up to their role in the team," Millet said. "Becky (Franza) and Jessica (Iserman) did an awesome job."

With this win, the Lutes advance to the second round of NCAA division III playoffs, where they face Simpson college in Indianola, Iowa. Tomorrow, the Lutes will face off against the No. 2 seed in the West region, Simpson, who carries a 24 game winning streak.

"I think this was one of the best teams we have seen all year, if not the best," La Kose said.

On behalf of the women's basketball team and Athletic Department, we would like to express our sincere congratulations to our fans for helping set a wonderful atmosphere for college basketball. "Yes, we can," made a big difference.

Thanks also to Lutheran Brotherhood, ASPLU, RHA, and the Student Life office for your support. It was and is a great day to be a Lute.
- Paul Hoeseth, Athletic Director



Head coach Gil Rigell explains the next play during a time-out.

The help to success comes from small places

I can't live without my wristwatch. Without my watch I'm lost, I don't know what time it is and have no idea how much hard work I put into school and work.

I admire my watch, considering I'm somewhat careless when I assume it can live through anything that I think I can do. I admire it because it still works after five years of constant wear and tear, showers, dips into muddy marshes and wrestling practice.

Yes, wrestling practice.

Any normal watch would have its job description stop after keeping the time.

But wrestling practice, I'm not sure that my watch will ever allow me to lend it out to the wrestlers again.

My watch participated at wrestling practice once, which is more than I have done.

I visited practice before, to observe the hard work and realized that I would never survive a workout with the team. I could not even get through speedball, the warmup. However, a watch at practice only keeps time, which seems simple enough. Wrong.

Last week I was at practice and the wrestlers didn't have a watch, which posed a serious problem for working on match drills.

I volunteered mine, showed the coach how to work



IN THE STANDS Lena Tibbelin

the buttons, and I left for the reminder of practice.

I don't really know what happened at practice, but when I came back to pick up my watch, it was handed over with the comment: "I think I did everything the right way, except for the last time. It won't stop."

I looked at my watch, pushed multiple buttons and nothing happened. "I think you owe me a new watch," I told the coach. He looked at me as if I was kidding, and said, "It's not one of those funky Swedish watches, is it?"

"No, it's a normal watch," I answered and turned my attention to fix the problem; to stop my watch from counting seconds. I pushed the stop button, jammed. I pushed the pause button, jammed. Mode, recall, and adjust buttons; nothing worked. The light button worked, but that was all.

My clock kept on counting seconds and no buttons would make it stop.

Half an hour later my clock made a loud BEEEEP. And

stopped counting seconds!

A quick prayer - please work normally again. I pushed the adjust button, and suddenly things were working again. Numbers changed and I could switch functions.

A few minutes later, my watch was working perfectly and I began breathing normally again.

I took a moment to reflect on the adventures of my watch, wrestling practice, which a pretty tough assignment. "No wonder it freaked out," I thought, "considering that not even I would try to attempt to survive wrestling practice."

Therefore the admiration towards my watch.

My watch and I have been through a lot over the years and I'm thankful it will be there for me in the future. I would like to think that my watch and I can look back at the 1999 wrestling season and feel that we contributed to the success of the program.

Hard work does pay off and sometimes we need to remember our tools, like watches, that enable us to succeed.

Lena Tibbelin is a senior communication major. She loves her watch and has made a promise to it to give it a calmer life as soon as wrestling season is over.

Seniors close out season, careers

BY CRAIG COOVERT
Mast reporter

All good things must come to an end. Well, in Olson Auditorium last Saturday night against George Fox, three good things came to an end for the men's basketball team.

Seniors Torey Swanson, Brad Brevet and Brad McKnight, played in their last games as Lutes, ending a trio of fine careers.

"It's hard to let go of these three guys," junior Tim Kelly said. "I'm going to miss them incredibly."

The game, which played second fiddle to the emotions surrounding the final game for the three seniors, saw PLU run away from the Bruins in the second half, in route to a 88-74 victory.

"We were the better conditioned team out here tonight," Kelly said. "That showed in the second half."

George Fox came out of the blocks on fire, hitting three three-pointers over the first four and a half minutes, building a 13-3 lead to start the game.

"They came out fired up," Kelly said. "We were contesting their shots, they were just hitting them."

The Lutes slowly began to chip away at the deficit, as George Fox grew more and more cold from the outside. Eventually PLU cut the deficit to two, with 6:30 remaining in the game PLU outscored the Bruins 16-5 over a five minute stretch.

The momentum swung into full effect when freshman Erik Dordal, juniors Jason Preuit, Garrett Miller and Chris Hunter came in.

That fired the rest of the team up, as the starters returned with

renewed life.

"I was trying to do too much too early," McKnight said. "At half time, I told myself to do what got me this point and I had a successful second half."

McKnight wasn't the only one who had a successful second half. PLU as a team outscored George Fox 53-34 at the half.

With the score tied at 62 and 10:30 to play, Kelly drove the lane and fed a nice pass to McKnight, giving McKnight two of his 11 points.

Over the next six and a half minutes, the Lutes went on a 16-3 run, building a 78-65 lead. This put the game out of reach for George Fox.

Playing like a man wanting to go out on top, Brevet led all scorers with 24 on 8 of 12. He also led all rebounders, with nine.

Kelly continued his hot play, handing out 14 assists and scoring 16 points, on 7 of 8 shooting from the free-throw line.

Swanson continued to shoot from the three-point range, where he has been deadly all season, hitting 4 of 8 from long range and scoring 16 for the game.

The night before PLU came away with an impressive victory, defeating the Boxers of Pacific University, 86-72.

In a game that PLU never trailed, McKnight led all scorers with 21 points and grabbed nine rebounds.

Brevet also had another big game, scoring 18 points.

"The two played solid games," head coach Bruce Haroldson said.

The Lutes came out with a lot of energy, building a 18-6 lead.

The Boxers made a couple of runs throughout the game, but nothing that got them closer than four points, which occurred at the

4:20 mark of the first half.

PLU then went on a 13-7 run to end the half with a 10 point lead.

"There was a lot of energy out there tonight," Haroldson said. "A lot of passion for the game."

Swanson once again bettered his three-point shooting average for the season, hitting 5 of 8 in route to 15 points. Sophomore Shane Makanani added 14.

Haroldson said he was really pleased with the leadership of the seniors. All were the top three scorers.

As for the seniors, they end their careers at PLU with impressive numbers.

Brevet leaves as the 11th all-time scorer in PLU men's basketball history. His 42 point effort his sophomore year is also good enough for a second spot for all-time points scored in a game.

For the current season, Brevet has led the team in scoring with a 15.6 ppg average.

Swanson leaves PLU as one of the best three-point shooters in its history. He ended the season with 51 percent average from behind the line, which put him eighth in the nation for Division III players, at press time.

Swanson also was the third leading scorer on the team, averaging just under 11. He leaves with a 45 percent career shooting percentage from three-point range.

In McKnight's two years at PLU, after transferring from Gonzaga, the 6'9" big man compiled a 12.6 career scoring average. He also averaged 14.5 ppg this season.

McKnight was 10th in the nation in blocked shots per game, at press time, averaging 2.7 per game, as well as 16th in the na-

tion in field goal percentage, shooting 60 percent from the floor.

While the Lutes did not make it to the playoffs this season, they finished with a 12-6 record, good for second in the conference. This betters their fourth place conference finish from last year.

Kelly leads nation in assists

Tim Kelly set a goal for himself this season: get 200 assists for the season. Kelly reached that goal last weekend, and in doing so, ended up leading the nation for Division III players in assists per game.

Kelly ended his season with 214 assists, which averages out to 8.7 assists per game.

"Tim (Kelly) has been fun to watch," Haroldson said. "He has had a great season."

While Kelly has had a great season, he is modest about his



Photo by Josh Miller
Senior Brad Brevet makes a basket as Bruins Ben Kroon (34) and Jordan Green (14) attempt to stop the shot.

efforts. He says he really can't take credit for all of his assists. "An assist is just giving the ball to great shooters like Torey (Swanson)," Kelly said. "If the rest of the team didn't hit shots, I wouldn't get assists." The junior from Reno, Nevada also had his best scoring season of his career, averaging 8.1 ppg, and had assist-to-turnover ratio of two to one.

Women grab second conference title, NCAA berth

BY ANDREW BENTZ
Mast senior reporter

The Pacific Lutheran women's basketball team sealed both the conference championship title and a berth to the NCAA division III tournament this past weekend, with wins over George Fox (61-35) and Pacific (49-39).

It was do or die for both PLU and George Fox. If the Lutes won they would advance to the NCAA division II championship tournament, if they lost, they would be eliminated. If George Fox were to win, they would receive a berth to the NAIA division II national tournament and if they lost, they would be eliminated from tournament play.

George Fox saw themselves in the exact same position in their own division NAIA division II.

"In the first five minutes we came out very strong. We weren't going to let George Fox take us out of it (the national tournament)," sophomore guard Lucy Barker said.

The Lutes opened the game strong going on a 12-2 run in the first three minutes of play. A three

point shot from Barker and a three point play from freshman point guard Becky Franza, lead the run.

The Bruins fought back, scoring the next 10 points in a span of seven minutes, tying the score at 12 with 10 minutes left in the half. To finish off the half, PLU went on a 13-6 run that ended the half with a score of 25-18, PLU.

At the start of the second half, the Lutes defensively shout down George Fox, allowing only three points in the first 10 minutes. Meanwhile, the Lutes increased their lead from seven to 21 points. Midway through the second half, the Lutes led 42-21.

"We pulled away and then it was our game," sophomore guard Betsy Ruud said.

George Fox's Katie Greller tried to get the Bruins offense going by scoring seven straight points late in the second half, but it was not enough to start a comeback. The Lutes finished off George Fox 61-35.

The Lutes are known throughout the conference as having a very strong defense and they proved this against the Bruins.

George Fox's Christy Brock is

the leading scorer in the Northwest conference with 17.46 points per game (PPG). Against PLU, she was held scoreless and shot 0 for 13 from the field.

"I think we played the best defense we have played all year," freshman guard Jamie Keatts said. "Normally we have one or two players playing really strong defense but never the whole team, like on Saturday."

The big contributors for the Lutes were the starting guards, Franza and Barker, each scoring 14 points. Junior forward Tara Millet added ten points for PLU while grabbing seven boards.

Last Friday night the Lutes faced off against the Pacific University Boxers.

The Boxers started the game very strong, defensively. The first half was a battle back and forth, with PLU gaining a slight advantage going into the half, 22-19.

"What Pacific did caused half of our frustration and misery. The other half was brought on by ourselves. We pretty much fell apart in that game," head coach Gil Rigell said.

In the second half, the Lutes shot 55.6 percent from the field (10 of 18), compared to the 42.1 percent that Pacific shoot (8-19). The Lutes outscored the Bruins 27-20 in the second half and finished the game 49-39.

Pacific held PLU to its second lowest point total of the season with only 49 points. The Lutes' lowest point total was in a non-conference loss to St. Martin's on Dec. 19, 48-55.

"I think it was the worst game we've played all season," Barker said. "Luckily we pulled it out."

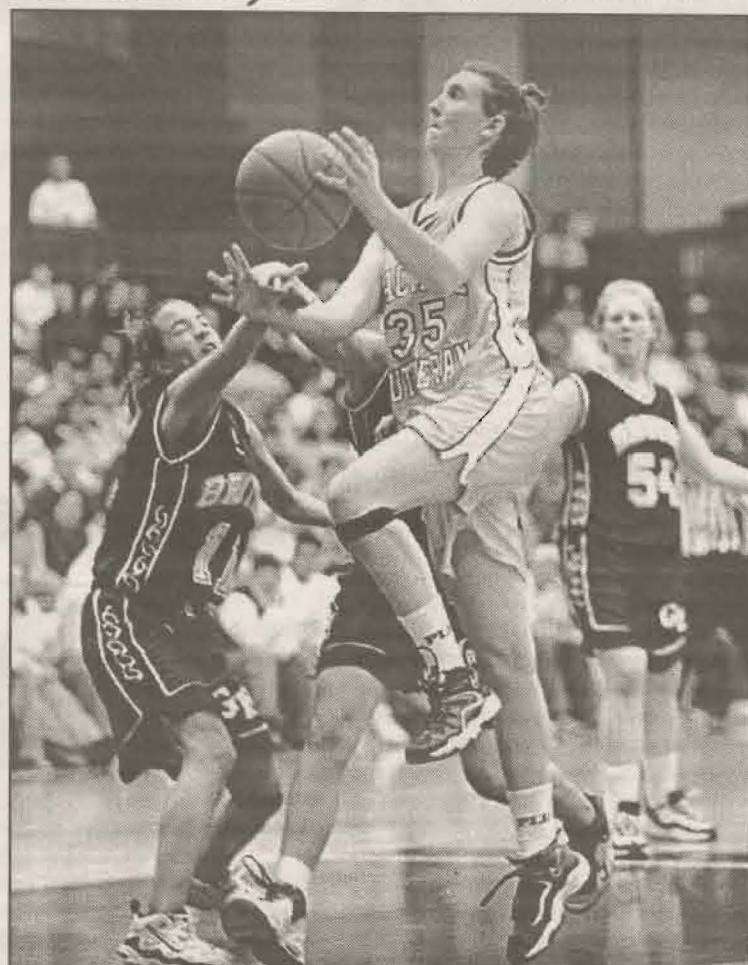


Photo by Josh Miller
Jamie Keatts is airborne as she goes up for two more Lute points against George Fox.

Junior center Amber Hahn led the Lutes against Pacific with 12 points, while Millet and Iserman each contributed eight points and nine rebounds.

The Lutes ended the regular season with a 19-5 overall record and a 17-1 record in the conference. The Lutes successfully defended the Names court in con-

ference play, 9-0.

"We thank everybody for their support. I want to thank the softball team and a couple of the players from the men's basketball team that came to our national tournament party, to find out what our seeding was. That shows a lot of class and support," Rigell said.

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Track & field season starts with rain, good results

BY PETER WHITE
Mast intern

In the cold and miserable weather, the men and women's track and field teams opened their season with a relay meet at home, last Saturday.

It rained almost the entire day, but in spite of the adverse conditions, several of the Lutes showed that this will be an exciting season for the track and field fan.

Although this was not a typical meet, the Lutes displayed their talent and toughness. The relay meet was more like a jamboree because it did not count toward league standings and there were only a few individual events.

One of the outstanding performances for the men's team came from senior Luke Jacobson, who won the hammer throw, the discus, and the shot put events.

Cusack continues to win for women

BY CRAIG COOVERT
Mast reporter

Last year Shayna Cusack had to battle her worst enemy — her head.

This year it seems that the junior from Vancouver, Wa. has learned to control her emotions. In her first six matches of the season, Cusack is undefeated, playing at the No. 5 spot for the women's tennis team.

"My mental game is much better than it was last year," Cusack said. "I'm much more focused and concentrated than I have ever been. It has been a real big turnaround for me."

Senior co-captain Katrina Johnson has also noticed considerable improvement in Cusack's game.

"In the past, she would let things get to her," Johnson said. "This year she seems to be much more focused."

Last weekend Cusack extended her streak against Linfield and Willamette, winning both her matches in straight sets. The team also won easily, with scores of 8-1 and 9-0.

So far this year, Cusack has been greatly challenged only

twice, and one of those matches came against NAIA powerhouse, Lewis-Clark State. In this match she was the only player to win a match.

"Whitman and Lewis-Clark State have definitely been my two toughest matches," Cusack said, "but I have had to play my best to win all of them."

Cusack has not been the only hot player this year for the Lutes, transfer Kaleinani Kowalski is also making her mark at the No. 3 spot.

"Kalei (Kowalski) is an all-around good player," Cusack said. "Her strokes are awesome and her mental game is unbeatable."

Johnson agrees, stating that Kowalski has a "smooth stroke and hits the ball extremely hard." Kowalski has only lost one match so far this season, and that came against Lewis-Clark State, a non-league match. Thus far in league, she is undefeated.

The women remain undefeated in league, with the two wins in Oregon bettering their league record to 4-0, 5-1 overall.

They have three matches this weekend at home, starting with Lewis and Clark today at 3 p.m.

Freshman Seth Berghoff was impressive in his Lute debut, taking second in both the high jump and the javelin. He also placed third in the 110 meter high hurdles, behind fellow Lutes, junior Shipley Ennis and senior Judd Hunter.

Senior Kristi Osborne took first place in the long jump and in the women's 100 meter high hurdles. Another extraordinary performance for the women's team came from sophomore Leslie Seelye, who won the hammer throw, and placed second in the shot put.

The Lutes have high expectations for the season, which officially opens tomorrow in a league meet at home at the Salzman Invitational.

"The weather was not so great, but we have some good talent. We may not have as many numbers as the past, but the quality is there and I am excited about the possibilities," coach Brad Moore said.

One loss snaps winning streak

BY CRAIG COOVERT
Mast reporter

A streak of 60 consecutive conference victories came to an end last weekend when the men's tennis team fell to Whitman.

By a score of 5-2, the Lutes lost to a Whitman team they knew would be difficult to beat.

"We definitely knew (Whitman) would be a tough team," junior co-captain Clayton Harris said.

Whitman is strong due to their numbers. Five of their top six players are seniors, meaning they have a lot of experience. And according to Harris, much more experience playing against PLU as well.

"It's always a battle when we play them," Harris said. "Last year we came out on top, this year it was their turn."

Harris, the No. 2 singles player, was one of two Lute players to come away with a victory. In his match, Harris easily handled his opponent, winning in straight sets 6-1, 6-1.

"I was on the top of my game that day," Harris said. "I was able to not focus on the fact that I was playing Whitman."

Junior transfer Hao Nguyen also won his match against Whitman, winning in straight sets, 6-3, 6-1. According to Harris, Nguyen, who plays in the No. 3 singles spot, is playing solid tennis.

"I'm really impressed with Hao (Nguyen)," Harris said. "Every week he keeps improving his game."

While the streak the Lutes held was nice, Harris is not that concerned about it.

When asked what the streak was before the loss to Whitman, Harris wasn't sure. He said he didn't worry about that type of thing.

This was the second time in school history the men's tennis team had a streak of 60 conference wins, the first was from 1973-1988.

The previous day against Whitworth, the Lutes had an easy time of handling the Pirates, winning 7-0.

According to Harris, Whitworth is not very strong, but the team as a whole still had to play solid tennis to pull out the victory.

"It's easy to get comfortable when you play a team like Whitworth," Harris said. "We did a great job of playing some good tennis."

The men's tennis team conference record now stands at 3-1, 3-3 overall. They play Seattle University today in Seattle at noon.



Photo by Sarah Allen

PLU's relay runner takes the inside track at a race at the Northwest Conference Relays.

NWC Relays
PLU winners

Women:	
100-meter high hurdles	Kristi Osborne 15.17
4X100 meter relay	48.52
4x400 meter relay	4:03.67
1,600-meter sprint medley	4:18.81
Women's long jump	
Kristi Osborne	17'05.25
Shot put	
Leslie Seelye	33' 08.00
Hammer throw	
Leslie Seelye	148' 05.00
Men:	
110-meter high hurdles	Shipley Ennis 15.52
Shot put	
Luke Jacobson	48' 07.25
Discus throw	
Luke Jacobson	160' 05.00
Hammer throw	
Luke Jacobson	170' 04.00
Javelin throw	
Davy Logue	197' 06.00

Wrestlers Cypher, Werner take on nation

BY LENA TIBBELIN
Mast sports editor

Junior Mark Cypher, at 184 pounds, and senior Matt Werner, at 149 pounds, are PLU's representatives at the NCAA division III wrestling national championships this weekend.

Cypher and Werner won their respective weight classes at the Great Lakes Regional on Feb. 20 to qualify for nationals.

The wrestlers and their coaches John Aiken and Anders Blomgren, left Tuesday for Trenton, N.J. where the College of New Jersey hosts the championships.

The preparation for the National tournament for Cypher and Werner have been short goes in practice and intensity on the mat.

"They are mentally ready," Blomgren said about Cypher and Werner.

Cypher said that he worked on "always being the aggressor and quicken the tempo" during practice where teammates, whose seasons' are over, still showed up for practice to help Cypher and Werner.

The expectations from

coaches are high, as PLU enters the NCAA scene of wrestling. "We'll show up and make our mark, and the results will come," Aiken said.

"Matt and Mark have individual goals, and hopefully we have done all the things we can," Aiken said, "Matt and Mark only have to go out and do it."

The difference between the regionals and the nationals, in the minds of Aiken and Blomgren, is that there is less in terms of performing. At the regionals everyone came in knowing that if you didn't win the final, you didn't go to the nationals. Now that everyone knows that the season ends here, one can relax and wrestle to their best potential, Aiken said.

Cypher looks forward to the tournament, and said, "it should be really fun."

Cypher's approach is to take it one step at a time and said, "my goal is to make every match count and wrestle every match as my last match. In doing so, I want to be proud of how I wrestle."

Cypher comes into the tournament with a 27-14 record and a three match winning streak. Werner comes to the tournament with a 32-2 record and a current winning streak of 18 matches.

Lacrosse keeps a winning style

BY PETER WHITE
Mast intern

The men's lacrosse team continued their winning ways last weekend, beating Lewis & Clark College and Oregon State University, and extending their winning streak to three.

In their home match last Saturday, the Lutes avenged last year's loss to the Pioneers. Strong team showing and a clutch defense, kept PLU undefeated in league play.

Attackman Andy Ecklund scored four goals, leading the way to a 11-9 victory.

"They beat us last year pretty bad at home, so it was an important game for us," attackman Joby Titus said. "This win was big,

people will be headhunting us because we are now the team to beat."

Goalkeeper Herb Lehman, held the up-tempo Lewis and Clark offense in check. Lehman was assisted by Rob Case, who played tough defense after making the transition from attackman to defender for the first time.

In the game last Sunday, the Lutes came out on top 10-9, in a non-league match against the larger Oregon State University team.

The men came out on fire and lead by three at the end of the first quarter. But the Beavers scored two quick goals in the second quarter, jumping right back into the match.

The Lutes did not falter in the

second half, holding a one-goal advantage throughout the match, Adam Sundstrom said.

Lehman came through again for the team with several crucial saves, including a few while the team was a man down, due to penalties.

The Beavers only scored one goal during the Lute penalties. This is a great improvement from the first game of the season, in which the Lutes gave up several goals to Washington State University during penalty time.

Keith Pulley, Chad Booth, and Ecklund scored two goals each. Rookie Kyle Berggren also scored the first goal of his Lute career.

The Lutes host tomorrow against Linfield, and Oregon State University on Sunday.

Rowers gain varsity status

BY ABBY WIGSTROM
Mast reporter

It's 4:55 in the morning. The sun is not even up, but they are. Junior Tyler Long is one of the car-pool drivers who makes the rounds of campus to pick up half-asleep rowers. With their sweats, mittens and hoods on, the rowers head for American Lake at Harry Todd Park.

The crew team listens to the instructions from coach Doug Nelson, take fifteen minutes to stretch, goes for a short run, hauls the boats and oars down to the water, takes off their shoes and climb into the boats. It's 5:45 a.m.

The crew team has always been an integral part of the PLU athletic experience. Hundreds of student athletes throughout the years have participated in this successful sport.

This year, however, the crew team, which has always been a club sport, is experiencing a change. They have been added to the PLU athletic department's list of varsity sports.

As the crew team makes the lap around American Lake, they do so with a new feeling of pride.

Sophomore Kirstin Cannon said the change is a feeling of recognition for their hard work. "Finally we are taken seriously, we aren't just a club sport," Can-

nonsaid. "We work just as hard as the other sports teams."

Their hard work was one of the reasons, according to Athletic Director Paul Hoseth, the athletic department decided to make crew a varsity sport.

Hoseth said the athletic program tries to create opportunities for student athletes. He said that when deciding to add crew to the varsity list, the department looked at the history of the sport and the number of participants.

They also looked at how much the sport costs for the students and the school, as well as who else in the conference will be able to compete at the varsity level.

"Crew has been here for over 20 years," Hoseth said. "The history of the sport and the number of people involved have been consistently high and the competitive levels have been outstanding."

He added that crew is unique, in that they have a novice program to develop freshman rowers and those who have never competed.

This is important, Hoseth said, because there aren't many high schools in the area that offer crew. "When we offer a varsity sport



Junior Eric Stuen holds on to the dock as the men's varsity eight boat prepares for practice.

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The women's varsity eight boat soars over the water.

Crew has a new home

BY ABBY WIGSTROM
Mast reporter

Thirteen-month-old Kona is right at home in the crew team's new boathouse. The water-loving chocolate lab, named after the coffee that wakes up his owner (and crew team coach) Doug Nelson, frequently finds himself in trouble when he sneaks off with someone's water bottle or wanders into the adjoining boat bay inhabited by the boats of the UPS crew team.

Despite the scolding, Kona, like the rest of the crew team, is happy to be in their new home at Harry Todd Park.

"The new boathouse is amazing," junior Tyler Long said. "We have heating, plumbing, electrical security features, and it's huge."

The new facility was made possible by the donation of the land from the Park District of

Tacoma and efforts from the community, coach Nelson, said as he watched Kona running toward the lake.

"The Park District charges us \$1 a year to lease the land, but we do have to pay the operating expenses," Nelson said.

The old boathouse, leased out by Fort Lewis, was located on the opposite end of American Lake, Nelson said. "It was a decent facility, but less than adequate. It was an old barn with no lights and no bathrooms."

With the move from club sport to varsity sport, and their new boathouse, Nelson hopes that student and staff interest in crew will rise.

As he watched Kona jump into the American Lake, Nelson said, "Now that we have the new boathouse we would love to have more students and faculty come watch us," and muttered, "Kona, you're a knucklehead."

Baseball hosts Invitational

BY ABBY WIGSTROM
Mast reporter

The Lute baseball team is gearing up for the Lute/Logger Invitational this weekend, with two wins and one loss under their belts.

Weather permitting, the Lutes will host the University of British Columbia at noon tomorrow, for a double header. Sunday, PLU will take on Whitman College at noon for another set of games.

Meanwhile, over in Logger Land, the UPS baseball team will host the University of British Columbia on Friday, Whitman on Saturday and the University of British Columbia again on Sunday. All games will begin at noon.

Head coach Larry Marshall, said that the team has had two weeks of practice since their last game against the National Baseball Institute, on Feb. 21. The Lutes won 10-0, and have been able to "focus and fine-tune" their game since then.

The games this weekend do not count for the conference season record, but the Lutes are still taking these games seriously.

Junior centerfielder Casey Harvie, said that tournament-like situations are important to check the stamina of the team and the pitching staff.

After the Lute/Logger Invitational PLU will attend the Banana Belt tournament next weekend in Lewiston, Idaho to kick off the start of the conference season.

Marshall said the Lutes are ready to start playing again and that the team is "anxious to get into the meat of the schedule."

Sports on Tap

Week of March 5-11

Baseball

March 5-7 — Lute/Logger Invitational
March 6 — vs. **BRITISH COLUMBIA (DH)** Noon
March 7 — vs. **WHITMAN (DH)** Noon

Lacrosse

March 6 — vs. **LINFIELD** 1 p.m.
March 7 — vs. **OREGON STATE** Noon
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Men's Tennis

March 6 — vs. **Seattle U** Noon

Women's Tennis

March 5 — vs. **LEWIS & CLARK** 3 p.m.
March 6 — vs. **GEORGE FOX** 9:30 a.m.
March 6 — vs. **PACIFIC** 2 p.m.

Track & Field

March 6 — **SALZMAN INVITATIONAL** 10 a.m.

Softball

March 5-7 — **CWU Tournament**
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ASPLU Memo discusses the effects of RHA-ASPLU merger

The following are excerpts from a proposal authored by ASPLU President Bradd Busick and RHA Campus Wide Programmer Brook Buchanan. This version was released at the March 2 Senate meeting.

At a March 3 RHA Presidents' council meeting, several amendments were added to the proposal. (See article, page 1) A printed copy of the amended plan the RHA will consider at its Sunday Presidents' Council meeting was not available at press time.

Plan of Reconstruction

•see diagram

Proposed Revisions

•To revise the following ASPLU positions, incorporating new roles and positions:

President

•Oversight of the new Senate districts: Upper campus, lower campus, and off campus as well as the clubs and organization senators, the international stu-

dent senator, and the freshman upper and lower campus senator.

•Responsible for the oversight of the Hall Treasures committee, which falls directly under the guidance of the ASPLU finance director.

Vice President

•Responsible for oversight of new committee additions in the areas of Programs, Outdoor Recreation, and Christian Relations. (See these positions for more detail.)

•Responsible for communication with residential life, as well as the residence hall Vice Presidents.

Off Campus Relations Director

•Responsible for oversight of the off campus senators that sit on the off campus committee.

Christian Relations Director

•Responsible for oversight of the Christian Activities Leaders from the residence halls which form the Christian Relations committee.

Director of Finance

•Responsible for oversight of the residence hall treasures, which form the residential finance committee.

Outdoor Recreation

•Responsible for oversight of the Environmental Activities Coordinators, which assist in the daily functions of Outdoor Recreation

Programs Director

•Responsible for the implementation of a Hall Programs Chair to sit on the programs board. Responsible for the implementation of a Volunteer Chair to sit on the programs board.

•The Volunteer Chair is responsible for being the head liaison between ASPLU and the

Volunteer center.

•Responsible for the oversight of the Hall Programs committee which falls under the direct supervision of the Hall Programs Chair.

•Responsible for the oversight of the Community involvement committee which falls under the direct supervision of the Volunteer Chair.

ASPLU Senate

•The ASPLU senate will consist of 16 seats. Each residence hall will occupy one seat in the ASPLU senate, consisting of nine seats all together. These senate duties will be in addition to their regular hall responsibilities. In addition, there will be two clubs and organization senators, an international student senator, two off-campus senators, and two new student senators.

•There will one caucus leader from Lower campus, one from upper campus, one from the clubs

and organizations, one from off-campus, to form the Executive Senate Council. (ESC)

•Senate will be based on the existing standing committee structure, which will enable all the facets of PLU to be represented.

Initiation

•Executive elections for RHA will not occur for the 1999-2000 academic year.

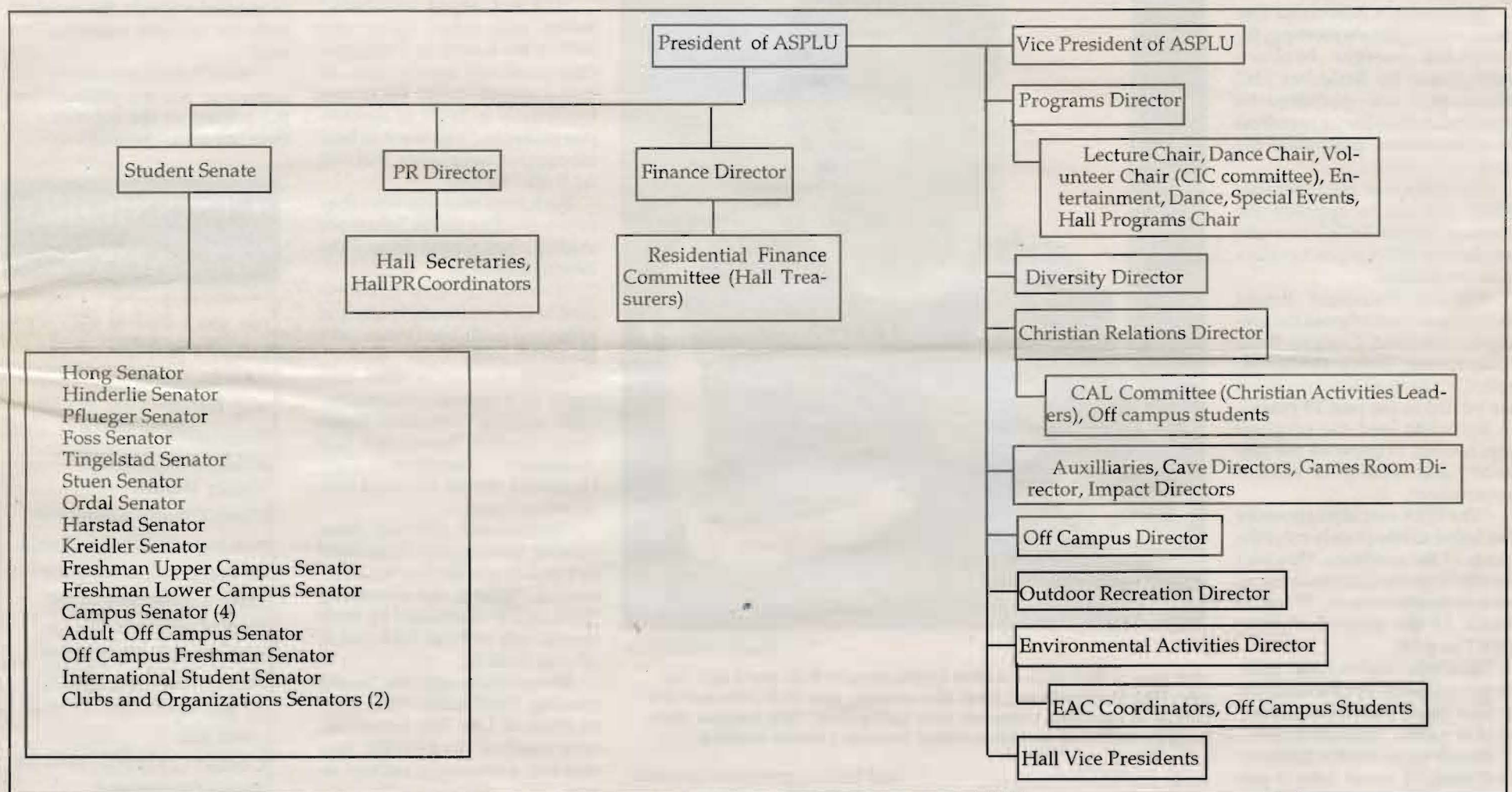
•ASPLU Senate elections will occur in conjunction with the Hall Council election procedures that occur in March.

•The Hall Council system will undergo reconstruction to form a collective governmental body.

•The proposed reconstruction will be presented to ASPLU, RHA and Student Life for final approval.

•The ASPLU constitution will be sent to the Constitution and by-laws committee for reconstruction.

New Structure as proposed by Bradd Busick and Brook Buchanan



Hinderlie president proposes an alternative to merger

In response to Busick's and Buchanan's proposal, Hinderlie Hall President Phillip Misner a counter-proposal on Tuesday, excerpts of which are included here.

Mandate for a New Charter between Residential Life and the Residence Hall Association

In the best interests of all residents, an effective relationship must exist between Residential Life and the Residence Hall Association. Therefore, we, the President's Council, mandate that Residential Life and the Residence Hall Association form a joint committee for the purpose of drafting a new charter for the Residence Hall Association.

Further we mandate that the new charter include:

•A general grant of power to the Residence Hall Association from Residential Life.

•Structure for effective interaction between the two fore mentioned

organizations.

•The purpose of the Residence Hall Association.

•A way of review and amendment to the charter.

To complete this mandate for a new charter for the Residence Hall Association, the joint committee shall submit a draft to the Central Staff and the President's Council for ratification.

Mandate to Re-Draft the Articles of Affiliation between the Residence Hall Association and the Associate Students of Pacific Lutheran University

In the best interests of all students of Pacific Lutheran University, there must exist a functioning and effective relationship between the Associated Students of Pacific Lutheran University and the Residence Hall Associate. There-

fore, we, the President's Council of the Residence Hall Association, mandate that a joint committee between the fore mentioned organizations be formed with the purpose of re-drafting the Articles of Affiliation.

We further mandate that the new Articles of Affiliation reflect the structural and purpose changes between the fore mentioned organizations.

To complete this mandate for new Articles of Affiliation, the joint committee shall submit a draft to the ASPLU Senate and the President's Council for ratification.

Recommendations to the Associated Students of Pacific Lutheran University for the Residence Hall Association

In an expressed concern for the Residence Hall Association to have a larger voice in student

government, we, the President's Council of the Residence Hall Association submit these recommendations to ASPLU.

We recognize that ASPLU is the recognized student government of Pacific Lutheran University and that the Residence Hall Association is the recognized forum for resident concern. In order to give ASPLU a stronger link to the resident community and RHA a stronger voice in student government we recommend that the RHA Executive President and Executive Vice President be given seats in the ASPLU Senate as voting members. Reflecting this change, we recommend that the structure of appropriations be opened to RHA and the Residence Hall Councils by whatever means are necessary in the business office.

We further recommend that the RHA Executive Board members that already sit ex-officio on

ASPLU's Committee structure be made voting members in an effort to tie ASPLU back to the resident population.

Lastly, we recommend that the Community Involvement Committee of RHA be absorbed into the ASPLU Standing Committee Structure. The committee shall still be overseen by the Volunteer Center and a representative from each hall shall still serve upon the committee. The reason for this move is that community involvement is wider than just the residence halls and outside the scope of the Residence Hall Association. The Community Involvement Committee would better serve the student body under the ASPLU Standing Committee Structure.

The recommendations are respectfully submitted for full and open debate among the Senate of the Associated Students of Pacific Lutheran University.

PROPOSAL

to the bill, one which would give Tingelstad two votes on the Senate instead of one, an amendment to increase the number of off-campus seats on the Senate to eight, and a requirement that ASPLU complete the changes to its by-laws by April 9.

Alpine President Erik Samuelson said at the meeting that some kind of proportional representation had to be worked into the bill. Otherwise, he said, his council had instructed him to vote against the proposal.

"If the demographics of representation are irrelevant, then I think the whole plan is irrelevant," he said.

ASPLU President Bradd Busick and RHA Campus Wide Programmer Brook Buchanan, who wrote the proposal, have said that the issue is not about the numbers.

The Wednesday meeting was a heated and chaotic session that rarely stayed within the bounds of parliamentary procedure.

At times it descended into personal attacks and squabbling.

In reference to the amendments that had been proposed by Hong Hall President Jesse Stratton and Hinderlie Hall President Phil Misner, Buchanan declared, "I feel you're just trying to raise discontent."

Buchanan also tried to attack the Hinderlie counter-proposal, but he was quickly reminded by Busick and RHA President Robby Larson that it was not up for debate at that meeting.

"Regarding your proposal, it's obvious you like to put things in little boxes," Buchanan said before he was declared out of order.

At Sunday's President's Council meeting that included all the hall presidents, Vice President and Dean of Student Life Erv Severtson, and Residential Life Associate Director Tom Huelsbeck, RHA President Robby Larson closed the meeting due to what he called the "sensitive" nature of the issue.

When asked by a reporter what he did not want people to know, he replied, "Nothing. It's just the decision that was made."

He was then asked if he was comfortable with the public not hearing the RHA perspective on the issue, and he said he was.

At the beginning of Wednesday's special late-night session, Larson took special care to note to tell the audience of two students, a reporter and Residential Life Associate Director Tom Huelsbeck, if they were unruly in any fashion they would be "exiled" from the room for 24 hours.

Larson did not follow through on his threat. Larson himself has avoided expressing any solid opinion on whether he supports or opposes the proposal.

"I think we need some sort of equal representation," he said Wednesday afternoon when pressed for a position.

"We need to find a way between the two organizations that we can represent the students more effectively," he said.

Busick and Buchanan have argued one of the reasons they support giving Tingelstad Hall only one vote is because if Tingelstad got more, it would set off a flurry of protests over the low number of off-campus seats on the Senate.

To that, Larson responded, "You can't use those seats to justify a discrepancy in representation."

Before the Wednesday night meeting, Samuelson, the Alpine president, said his hall council had expressed some concerns on the proposal as well.

"They think that it brings up a lot of good ideas, brings to light a lot of the issues that are a problem between RHA and ASPLU," he said. "They're also really concerned that Tingelstad gets kind of short-changed."

He said he did not understand why the Senate structure had to be the way Buchanan and Busick proposed it. "My council was really adamant about this — they wanted at least two representatives for Tingelstad."

ASPLU hears arguments from all sides on merger

BY ERIC RUTHFORD
Mast news editor

At Tuesday's Associated Students of PLU Senate meeting, the proposed merger between ASPLU and the Residence Hall Association was discussed by senators and audience members in a sometimes passionate debate.

No action was taken because RHA still has to approve the measure before ASPLU can take any action. RHA plans to take a vote on Sunday.

ASPLU President Bradd Busick, who co-authored the proposal with RHA Campus Wide Programmer Brook Buchanan, called it "the most solid proposal we've had in the past 13 years."

Buchanan said the proposal was needed to improve the efficiency and quality of student government.

"The RHA executive structure has failed to adequately meet the needs of the residents. This isn't an attack on the hall councils, as a lot of people believe. This is an attack on the executive structure," he said.

"Basically we've been spinning our wheels. For the last three or four years, I haven't seen any kind of gains," Buchanan said.

Busick turned to the audience and said, "I could take a poll right now of how many of you out there know who your senators are, and I could honestly say it's probably not a question I want answered."

Busick opened the meeting for questions from audience members. The questions often became strong expressions of opinion.

Wendy Garrigues, a former president of Harstad, said it concerned her that more work on the shoulders of the hall presidents might discourage people from running. She said when she was encouraged to run for president, she did not have a clear idea of what she was running for.

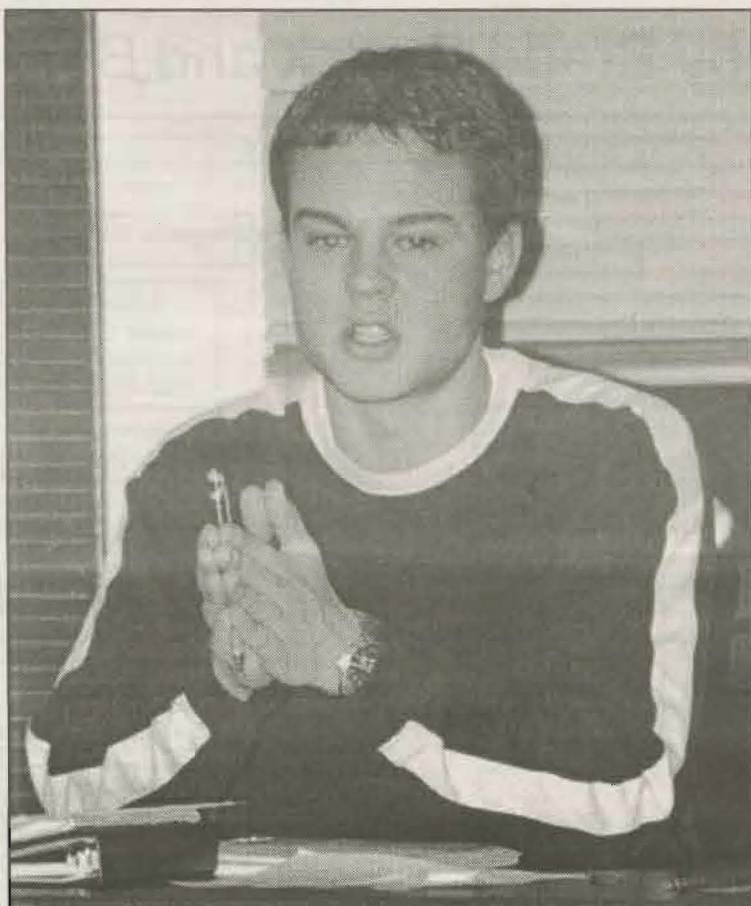


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"I've been in RHA since I walked on this campus three years ago. I've seen RHA at almost every level. As a member, as a (hall) president and now as an executive. I know my stuff, bottom line," RHA Campus Wide Programmer Brook Buchanan said at Tuesday's Senate meeting.

what she was running for.

"I'm not sure if we're having trouble getting people to run for any particular spot if this would be any improvement," she said.

Greg Pickett, a junior Tingelstad resident who is presently a vice presidential candidate said he was concerned that the 60 residents of Kreidler Hall get the same amount of representation as the 320 residents of Tingelstad Hall.

"My biggest concern with this is that with the merger would be the loss of the minority voice," he said. "I don't see any positive, direct representation there."

After Pickett sat down, Busick

said he had gone over the numbers before the meeting.

"You are right. The numbers are not even right now. But if we are going to go on numbers based on demographics for representation, we would have more off-campus senators than we would on-campus," he said.

Andy Meyers, a student, said, "It takes time to hear the voices of your constituents. The fewer of us that are involved directly in ASPLU and RHA and the fewer amounts of hours we will be able to spend listening to your constituents."

After the meeting, Busick and Buchanan emphasized the point that the plan was simply an outline, which is open to amendment.

He pointed out at the meeting that the opposition to the proposal was mainly voiced by a few audience members who dominated most of the question sessions.

"Those were biased, biased views who had made up their minds before they came," Busick said. "More people are content with the old problems than new solutions."

The idea of disproportionate representation of the halls did not bother Busick or Buchanan.

"It's not about numbers," Busick said. When asked why each of the houses in Tingelstad Hall could not have a vote, he said it would weigh the Senate too heavily in favor of on-campus students. "You want to hear off-campus complaints, that will set it off," he said.

Buchanan said that once they began dividing up the Senate per student, they would destroy the intention of RHA.

"The truth of the matter is Residential Life is already looking at a plan to consolidate Tingelstad," Buchanan said.

When Buchanan said that again at a special Wednesday night meeting of the RHA Presidents' council, Residential Life Associate Director Tom Huelsbeck shook his head and raised his hand.

"Residential Life has been moving to recognize Tingelstad as a building with four houses," he said. "That is not something that could be mandated by Residential Life without the by-in of all four houses."

The morning after the Senate meeting, Vice President and Dean of Student Life Erv Severtson, who watched the meeting, said this was primarily a student issue.

"Fortunately the students are open for discussion with us in advisory roles," he said. "I don't feel excluded from the process, but it really is a student process."

If there is a merger, it needs to give strong representation for

both on-campus and off-campus students, he said. "I think there will always need to be some kind of student voice in the resident halls for resident students," he said.

"What I tried to listen to last night was not the passion, but the content or the substance of their remarks," he said.

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Hong Hall President Jesse Stratton, who made several trips to the podium at the Tuesday Senate meeting, said he believes RHA's purpose is mainly as a forum rather than a government.

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