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Dr. Wiegman Visits PLU Campus



DR. EUGENE WIEGMAN

Committment. . .relevance. . .
like-mindedness. . .academic standards. . .
student participation. . .

These and many other ideals and goals were stressed by Dr. Eugene W. Wiegman during a four-day visit at PLU which ended Monday.

Dr. Wiegman will succeed Dr. Robert Mortvedt as president of the university in August.

A committment to a way of life, the Christian way of life, is one of the intangibles a church related institution like PLU can offer that other liberal arts or state schools can't, he emphasized. This, he admitted, was one of the things he missed at Federal City College in Washington, D. C., where he is presently a dean.

He does, however, see PLU as broadening its old image as a homogeneously Lutheran, Norwegian institution in order to serve a wider community.

Dr. Wiegman spoke of relevance in terms of understanding the historic and cultral development of the past in order to more properly and practically relate to what is relevant in the present.

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ROUNDTABLE

KENNETH CUBBAGE (bus. admin.) has been elected to the Financial Executives Institute. . .DAVIS CARVEY (bus. admin.) has been elected to the National Purchasing Management Association. . .In reporting the death of ANDERS NELSON, we erroneously stated that he was living with his son, Gene, at the time of his demise. . .Gene Nelson is on the faculty at Midland College (Neb.). . .Anders had been living with his daughter, Mrs. Drew (Miriam) Hall, the past several years. . .don't get too shook up when you see part of the lawn around the Temporary Union Building disappearing. . .the sod is being taken off and moved down to resurface the football field. . .sometime in May the TUB will be coming down to make way for the University Center. . .bids for the Center will be opened at 8 p.m., April 24, and it is hoped that a contract will be awarded the following week after a meeting of the regents' executive committee. . .DONALD PATTIE (bio.) attended the annual meeting of the Puget Sound Science Teacher's Association at Olympic Junior College last Friday. . .LUTHERAN FAMILY NIGHT at the Shipstads and Johnson Ice Follies will be Sunday, May 4, at 6 p.m. in the Seattle Center Coliseum. . .tickets may be ordered at the information desk for \$4, \$3, and \$2.50 for adults and \$2.50, \$2 and \$1.75 for children 16 and under. . .these rates are \$1 under the regular price. . .orders must be made prior to April 27. . .

Physics Department Receives Two Grants

Pacific Lutheran University is the recipient of two grants this spring which will help in developing and continuing undergraduate education program in physics.

The National Science Foundation is providing \$4,200 to sponsor undergraduate participation in research for 10 weeks during the summer. The projects include theoretical study of low energy interaction and quadruple resonance and surface physics.

A \$2,500 grant has been received from the General Electric Foundation which will help support the overall physics program and make possible research and laboratory equipment additions.

Forensics Team Heads For National PKD Tournament



Forensics team heads for Tempe: From left, Chris Boerger, Pattie Cowell, Barbara Thompson, Jim and Cathy Collins, Lynn Moody and Harry Wicks.

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Seven members of the PLU forensics team have qualified for the National Pi Kappa Delta Debate Tournament at Tempe, Ariz., March 31-April 5.

The tournament is held in conjunction with the annual conference of the national forensics honorary. Theodore O. H. Karl, chairman of the PLU speech department, is completing his second year as president of the national organization.

PLU students competing are Cathy Collins, interpretive speaking and oratory; Jim Collins, extemporaneous speaking; Barbara Thompson, extemporaneous speaking; Pattie Cowell, debate; Harry Wicks, oratory and championship division debate; Lynn Moody, debate and extemporaneous speaking; and William Boerger, discussion.

The national honorary presently has 264 chapters and more than 42,000 members. Seven Lutheran schools, including PLU, have chapters.



Dr. Weigman On Campus....

Like-mindedness, he explained, does not mean that we all agree on specific methods and goals. But the common thrust of Christian endeavor gives this type of institution a focus that is not possible at other types of schools.

Commenting on PLU's involvement in the education of the disadvantaged, Dr. Weigman asserted that academic standards need not be lowered. "The disadvantaged student would resent a university compromising its standards to accommodate him. It would be a new form of the old paternalism," he said.

Instead, he saw special tutoring, summer programs, financial help and innovative teaching methods as ways of dealing with the problem.



He also saw the students as participants in the life of the university, stressing that they should provide more input into university affairs.

Avenues of communication should be kept open, he said. "In many cases, schools have not been able to respond quickly to student concerns so they become demands.

With the help of advisors in all areas, Dr. Weigman will seek to effectively "wear three or four hats" during his administration. He viewed the presidency as a position requiring the talents of an academician, fund-raiser, administrator and public relations man.



Randy Senn Earns All-America Honors



Steve Senn, Coach Alseth and Randy

SENN BROTHERS PLACE AT NAIA NATIONALS

PLU' Randy Senn held a national small college swim mark for a few hours Saturday, but lost the mark and the race in the NAIA finals at George Williams College near Chicago.

Randy led the 100-yard butterfly qualifiers in 53.7 seconds and swam even faster in the finals (53.3), but finished second to David Tempkin of Claremont, Mudd, Calif., in the finals.

He also led the 50-yard freestyle qualifiers in 21.9, but slipped to third in the finals.

He finished sixth in the 100-yard freestyle after easing up to save himself for the butterfly final.

Steve Senn, a freshman, qualified 12th in the 50-yard butterfly and finished 12th in the 200-yard individual medley.

Randy Senn became PLU's first NAIA All-American swimmer with his performances at the national meet last week, according to coach Rich Alseth.

The Lute junior qualified for the honor in two events, the 100-yard butterfly and the 50-yard freestyle, based on his qualifying time.

The first three places in each event at nationals achieve All-American status, according to Alseth.

Randy, the first PLU swimmer to earn All-American status, became the 10th first team All-American athlete in the school's history.

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The Senn brothers gave PLU 15th place in the meet which was won by Eastern Michigan for the second straight year.

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