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## Tires slashed: \$1000 in damage done

BY ERIC RUTHFORD  
Mast reporter

Sixteen cars belonging to PLU students parked on streets near lower and upper campus had tires slashed Sunday night.

A total of 19 tires were destroyed, causing an estimated \$1,000 in damage.

Campus Safety had no leads on Tuesday. Twelve of the cars were parked on 121st Street, and 4 were parked on 125th street.

Campus Safety Director Walt Huston said they were targets of convenience for whoever vandalized the cars. None of the cars were parked in PLU lots.

The damaged tires were discovered by Campus Safety between 9:49 p.m. and 11:12 p.m. Sunday.

The cases have been turned over to the Pierce County Sheriff's office, but Huston said it was unlikely the vandals would be found.

Huston speculated that the perpetrators were probably high school-aged kids. "I would suspect it was juveniles, because when they get older they take the cars, not just damage them," said Huston.

"It's just a hassle," said Bethany Wolbrecht, a Senior psychology major who had one tire destroyed Sunday. She said she planned to buy a used tire for \$25 to replace the old one.



One of the sixteen cars that had its tires slashed Sunday night.

Photo by Eric Dannon

## Regents meet to discuss budget and long-term goals

**The beginning of May heralds the arrival of PLU's regents, who will meet to discuss three major features of PLU's financial state and well-being.**

BY DMITRY WHITE  
Mast reporter

PLU's Board of Regents, the decision-making panel that guides PLU's policies and actions, will meet on campus for the final time this academic year.

Three features highlight the agenda for this May 1-3 meeting: a vote on the approval of an endowment-building campaign, a vote on the acceptance of a budget for the 1998-99 school year, and the presentation of the results of the second annual student satisfaction survey.

In their January meeting, the Regents voted for the approval of a \$100 million campaign to build PLU's endowment and fund other areas of the school's financial picture.

According to President Loren Anderson, the time since that legislation has been spent planning the actual distribution of the capital from the campaign. The school will submit a recommendation to the

Board regarding the sub-goals of the plan.

"The number one purpose would be the continued building of the university's endowment," said Anderson.

The school's recommendation allots \$55 million toward maintaining and increasing the school's permanently-invested fund.

This fund is like a "savings account" for the university: a long-term investment from which the university annually takes a small percent to enhance the school's operating budget.

The second largest chunk of the \$100 million would be \$25 million toward what Anderson termed "brick and mortar": construction and maintenance on the school's buildings. This money would go toward remodeling Xavier and Eastvold, as well as building the new Center for Learning and Technology.

The remainder of the money, \$20 million, would act as a type of reserve fund to be used for student

scholarships, equipment and research grants, and other special projects.

This is the distribution plan that will go before the Board for approval. "Once they've made that decision, we're in position to move into the leadership phase," said Anderson.

Conditional to the approval of the Regents, this kick-off will be within the six-month prediction made by Regents Chair Gary Severson in January.

The second major action of the Board will be to approve the operating budget for the 1998-99 school year.

Anderson said that the construction of this budget hinged on the decision made by the Regents in January to increase next year's tuition by 3.1 percent. This figure combined with the expected enrollment numbers determines much of the school's income. This gives Anderson's administration a dollar figure against which to balance planned expenditures.

Anderson was confident that the enrollment for next semester will be at or near the target set by PLU 2000, the university's guiding mission statement.

Anderson believes that this figure is "where we would like it to stay," saying that though there is "room for a little bit of growth, we're pretty much at full utilization."

The third major item on the agenda is the presentation of the results of this year's Student Satisfaction Inventory. (See related story on back page.)

Anderson said he viewed presenting the results of this survey to the Regents as a way of showcasing the progress of the school and its reaction to student concerns.

Several minor issues on the docket for the meeting include the official declaration of a department of Computer Science and Engineering, approval of summer construction projects, and the laying of legal groundwork for a university-run, apartment-style residence hall.

## In search of senators

BY LAURA RITCHIE  
Mast reporter

An interest meeting marked the beginning of the 1998-99 ASPLU senatorial campaign on campus on April 21.

Applications for senatorial positions are available in the ASPLU office until April 27 at 5 p.m., when mandatory candidate petitions and policy statements are due.

ASPLU senate positions include upper and lower campus, clubs and organizations; commuter adult, transfer, traditional, and at large student; international student; and at large student senators, in addition to two freshman senate positions which will be filled next fall.

A total of 15 positions are available, not including the freshman positions.

"It's a great opportunity for students to get involved," said Lisa Birnel, ASPLU president. "The senators are the voice and ears for the students, both on campus and off

campus."

"[Senator responsibilities are] to be visible ... and to utilize their positions as being a senator for ASPLU, to provide for the needs and wants that students have, and to express more of the concerns that students have about PLU," Birnel said.

Birnel emphasized the importance of commuter student senators as well as resident senators.

"That's a neat thing [PLU has] with the commuter senators ... they live off campus as well, so with the off-campus communication they can gather that group of students," she said.

"And besides," said Cave Director Ryan Bebe-Pelphrey, "senate is a blast."

Birnel mentioned the many steps that current senators have taken toward better representing the PLU student community.

See SENATE, back page

## Accreditation team visits campus

BY NATHE LAWVER  
Editor-in-chief

After four days of intensive investigation, PLU received its preliminary report from the Northwest Association of Colleges accreditation team. The complete report will be issued in June.

The team, headed by Stephen J. Reno, President of Southern Oregon University, gave the results during a 20-minute session Wednesday morning.

According to their findings, PLU received six commendations and three recommendations.

Commendations are areas where PLU is doing exceptionally well. Recommendations are specific areas that need improvement.

PLU received high marks for their preparation for the visit. The team specifically noted a self-study conducted during the 1996-97 academic year. A report from the study was compiled by a PLU faculty and administrative committee.

Divided into nine distinctive sections, the report was read by the committee before their arrival. The sections included institutional mission and goals, educational programming and its effectiveness, student life, faculty, li-

brary and information resources, as well as governance and administration.

During their time on campus, the evaluation team candidly interviewed members of the administration, staff, and students, in relation to the above areas.

They compiled the data, and issued an evaluation and report based on the two days of interviews.

In two weeks, the team will send a draft to President Anderson to review for factual accuracy.

The final text will be presented to the commission during its full session in June. At that time the accreditation of PLU will be decided.

Accreditation is a process that universities go through approximately every 10 years.

This routine procedure is to ensure that the university is maintaining its educational quality, and seeking to improve through the maintenance of its goals. The loss of accreditation means a loss in financial aid, and institutional prestige.

PLU has been a member of the NASC since 1936.

Northwest Association of schools and Colleges is an independent accreditation commission staffed by volunteers from various universities. (See related story on page 6)



## In Brief...

## SAFETY BEAT



### Norwegian Heritage Festival

The 23rd annual Norwegian Heritage Festival is April 25 in the Scandinavian Cultural Center, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be traditional Norwegian foods, entertainment, craft displays, and demonstrations of rosemaling, woodcarving, spinning, and embroidery. Live performances will take place on the half-hour, and door prizes will be awarded throughout the day. For more information call Gerd Spencer at (253)862-2990.

### Panelist to speak on trade with China

"China Trade in the Spotlight," a luncheon and panel discussion on issues regarding trade between Washington state and China, will be held on April 30. The panelists include Lance Dickey from the Seattle Times; Midori Okazaki, special

assistant to U.S. Senator Patty Murray; Marvin Brashem, CEO of M. Brashem, Inc.; Bruce Kochis from the University of Washington; and others. The presentation will be in the Scandinavian Cultural Center from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Admission is \$5 or a meal card, for students. To register, call Thad Barnow, x7300.

### Conversation with Rabbi Glickman

Campus Ministry is sponsoring coffee and conversation with Rabbi Mark S. Glickman, of Temple Beth El in Tacoma. The event begins at 4 p.m. on April 28 in the Regency Room.

### Community Garden needs supplies

The PLU Community Garden needs supplies: shovels, hoes, seeds, and helping hands. If you can help, call Brain Norman at x8339.

### Apr. 5

• A PLU student reported that his tan Honda Accord had been broken into and the car stereo stolen.

### Apr. 6

• A PLU faculty member reported that his CD player and three CDs had been stolen from his office in the Russell Music Center. He admitted that he left his door unlocked during his absence.  
• The Evergreen Court fire alarm was inadvertently activated by a PLU student when the vacuum cleaner she was using unexpectedly blew dust throughout her residence.

### Apr. 8

• During routine patrol, Campus Safety officers made contact with an apparent homeless person who was found passed-out on the northern external stairs of East Campus. The man was found to have three unopened cans of beer in his possession. The man was informed of both the PLU alcohol policy and the PLU trespassing policy, and was subsequently escorted from campus by Pierce County deputies.  
• Medical assistance was requested for a Pflueger resident who had sustained a small head laceration when he slipped on his linoleum floor and hit his head on a chair.  
• Campus Safety's assistance was requested in contacting a drunk student that was wandering around Tingelstad Hall. The student was exhibiting signs of controlled substance abuse, as evident in his bizarre speech, behavior, and the lack of pupil contraction. A bottle of wine was discovered in the student's residence, but no illegal narcotics.  
• A PLU student reported the theft of his backpack from the UC Commons shelves.

### Apr. 9

• During routine patrol Campus Safety Officers witnessed a blue Mazda driving recklessly on campus. A check of county records identified the owner of the vehicle as a PLU student. Student Conduct was notified.

### Apr. 10

• A PLU student requested medical assistance for a deep laceration he had sustained on his finger, while cutting an apple. Campus Safety cleaned and bandaged the wound, but the student was advised to seek additional medical assistance, as the likely need for sutures was apparent from the depth of the wound.  
• Two PLU students reported witnessing three individuals steal several candy items from the vending machine on the first floor of Pflueger Hall. Campus Safety was unable to contact the suspects.

### Apr. 11

• During routine patrol, Campus Safety made contact with a PLU student who was suspected of printing pornographic material from the computer terminals in the Rieke Science Center. This suspicion was later confirmed when a Pierce County deputy made contact with the student and confiscated several sheets of printed pornography. Campus Safety informed the student that his pass-list access to the facility was suspended pending further action and investigation by Student Conduct and the PLU Administration.  
• A PLU student reported that his red Geo Storm had been tampered with: the gas tank had been filled with water. No suspect were identified.  
• The night custodial staff for Olson Auditorium reported vandalism in the men's first floor restroom; the stall doors had been forcibly removed.  
• A PLU staff member entered that Campus Safety office demanding access to the Administration Building so that he could retrieve his payroll check.

When the man was told that the University was on Easter recess and that all buildings were secured, he became extremely belligerent and nearly violent. After careful consideration, the man was escorted into the Administration Building to retrieve his payroll check. When it was discovered that his check was not in evidence he was quickly escorted from the building and off campus. The PLU Administration was notified of the matter.

• A PLU student reported having interrupted the break-in in progress of his vehicle parked in the North Residence's parking lot. The student was unable to give any specific description of the suspects involved, but did note that he saw four individuals in the act of breaking in. The individuals rapidly sped away from campus in a new-model black Honda Civic hatchback. The license plate of the suspect vehicle was obtained, but a check with the Law Enforcement Support Agency identified the vehicle as having been stolen from Auburn, Wash. The Pierce County Sheriff's Office was notified.

• Two local Parkland residents reported having been victims of intimidation by two older Parkland teenagers on the PLU campus, who were claiming to be acting in the authority of the Campus Safety office. Pierce County deputies were immediately notified, but the two suspects were unable to be contacted. The teens were described as white males, 6'1" and 5'4", one wearing a black jacket and the other wearing a puffy blue Adidas-style jacket with red and blue stripes.

• During routine patrol, Campus Safety officers witnessed a red Jeep Cherokee driving recklessly on campus, causing damage to the small grass area adjacent to the Reike Science Center. Although the driver of the vehicle was unable to be contacted, the license plate was obtained. A check with the Law Enforcement Support Agency identified the vehicle owner as a PLU student.

• Campus Safety officers confronted two PLU students attempting to smuggle two 12-packs of beer onto campus.

• Campus Safety officers confronted six PLU students attempting to smuggle 40 cans of beer and four 750 ml bottles of various alcoholic beverages onto campus.

• Campus Safety officers confronted three PLU students for attempting to smuggle a case of beer onto campus. Two of the students had been confronted for alcohol infraction only 30 minutes previously.

### Apr. 13

• A PLU staff member reported the possible break-in of the East Campus kitchen. Campus Safety responded and determined that the evidence of break-in had been reported several months earlier, and was thus not a current event.

### Apr. 14

• A PLU staff member requested assistance with a confused individual who was attempting to convince the Office of the Provost and, later, the Office of Plant Services that he had invested a significant amount of money into the University in the 1960s. Campus Safety made contact with the individual, a Tacoma resident, and escorted him from campus. A check with Western State Hospital confirmed that the individual was a former patient of the institution and was just recently released. Western State officials requested contact if the individual continued to be problematic for the University.

Belligerent parents to date: one  
Car break-ins this semester: 15

## SIDEWALK TALK



"The inappropriate use of funds."

Gayle Franks, third-year student

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"The food service."

David Michelson, first-year student



What do you think is the one thing PLU was trying to hide from the accreditation team?



"The poor quality of the professors."

Joe Montgomery, second-year student

???

"The lack of diversity."

Lynn Waller, first year student



## FOOD FOR THE WEEK

<b>Fri. Apr. 24</b> <i>lunch</i> Beef Ravioli Grilled Cheese Brown Rice Potato Bar Rice Krispie Bars	Spinach Cheese Squares Sticky Rice Bread Pudding	<i>lunch</i> Teriyaki Chicken Burger Black Bean Burger Nacho Bar Crackers & Frosting	Vegetable Stir Fry Burrito Bar Orange Cake	<i>lunch</i> Beef and Bean Burritos Bean and Cheese Burritos Salad Bar Banana Bread
<b>Sat. Apr. 25</b> <i>breakfast</i> Muffin Sandwich Fried Eggs Strudel Sticks	<b>Sun. Apr. 26</b> <i>breakfast</i> continental Raised Donuts	<i>dinner</i> Chicken Fajitas Tamale Pie Pasta Bar Ice Cream Sundaes	<b>Wed. Apr. 30</b> <i>breakfast</i> Apple Pancakes Hard Eggs Donuts	<i>dinner</i> French Dip Sandwiches Fish and Chips Spinach Filo Pie Fruit Bar Apple Cobbler Blackberry Cobbler
<i>lunch</i> breakfast cont. Fishwich Baby Red Potatoes SW White Bean Soup	<i>lunch</i> Fresh Waffles Cheese Blintz Scrambled Eggs Bear Claws Veggie Gumbo	<b>Tues. Apr. 28</b> <i>breakfast</i> Belgian Waffles Scrambled Eggs Cake Donuts	<i>lunch</i> Chicken Strips Baked Mastaccioli Italian Blend Sub Sandwich Bar Ice Cream Novelties	<b>Fri. May 2</b> <i>breakfast</i> Breakfast Bagel Fried Eggs Sliced Ham Raised Donuts
<i>dinner</i> Chicken Strips Baked Fish Italian Tortilla Pasta Bar Banana Splits	<i>dinner</i> New York Steak Steak Fries Artichoke Broccoli Casserole Pasta Bar Lemon Bars	<i>lunch</i> Grilled Turkey & Swiss Sandwich Macaroni & Cheese Pasta Bar Vegetable Soup S'Mores	<b>Thurs. May 1</b> <i>breakfast</i> Pancakes Cheese Omelet 101 Bars Cinnamon Rolls	<i>lunch</i> Hamburgers Turkey Burgers Garden Burgers Curly Fries Pasta Bar



## Dean of education department leaves PLU after six years

BY ERIC RUTHFORD  
Mast reporter

School of Education Dean John Brickell will leave PLU this fall. He said he has not decided where his next career step will be.

This is Brickell's sixth year at PLU. At the end of this semester, he will have completed a five year term as Dean of Education.

He said the circumstances of his departure were amicable.

"It came to the point where all involved agreed that a change in leadership would be mutually beneficial," he said.

Since Brickell does not have

faculty rank, he could not have chosen to stay at PLU, though he said the university offered him an extra year of employment as professional courtesy.

He did not accept that offer, he said.

"I came to the decision that it was time for me to explore different avenues of interest outside of PLU," he said.

While Brickell said that testing and assessment is a field that appeals to him, he does not know where he will go next.

Education professor Myra Baughman will serve as acting dean for the 1998-99 school year.

Provost Paul Menzel said the

university has not begun searching for a permanent replacement yet.

Before Brickell came to PLU, he worked in the Washington State Department of Education. He has also been a math teacher and a school district administrator.

In 1993, Brickell was hired as acting Dean of Education after Bob Molder left. While he was in that position, several School of Education faculty members circulated a petition requesting that Brickell become the new dean.

Brickell said that he was very gratified by the petition. He became dean in 1993.



Photo by Amy Parlini

## Eternal Victory March

Students gathered in Red Square on Saturday for the 3rd annual Eternal Victory March. Speakers Paris Mullen and Pastor Pana Mamea, from Hilltop Christian Church shared messages concerning unity and love to the crowd of approximately 50 students. Attendees also joined in singing and watched a drama. Afterwards, they marched around campus. The March signified the closing of Spiritual Awareness Week.

## Smooth take off for formal

BY LAURA RITCHIE  
Mast reporter

Spring Formal 1998 soared to success at the Boeing Museum of Flight April 18.

"[Attendance was] super-high for a spring formal," at over 50 people, said ASPLU programs director Bradd Busick. "Up about 200 from last year. We're very pleased."

Student response to the event was positive.

"The Museum of Flight was a marvelous place to have it," said dancegoer, Joy Barber.

"I thought it was a blast," said Amy Buehler, another attendee. "It was a laid back atmosphere. You could be pretty comfortable no matter how you come or who

you come with."

The only part of the event to get mixed reviews was the music.

"It got really repetitious," said one student about the disc jockeys selections.

Kristen Russell, ASPLU programs committee dance coordinator, was pleased with the way the evening went.

"It was such a pretty place to have it," she said. "It turned out really nice, really classy."

"All in all, I haven't heard too many complaints," Busick said.

A raffle was held April 8 in the Cave after a showing of South Park to encourage early ticket sales.

Students who purchased tickets prior to this date were entered into the pool.

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won a trip for two to San Francisco, the grand prize of the drawing.

**"The Museum of Flight was a marvelous place to have it."**

—Joy Barber

## Cruising into the sunset Harstad invites Lutes to set sail

BY LAURA RITCHIE  
Mast reporter

Harstad Hall council is opening the boating season on Elliott Bay May 2 with a "Party on the Big Boat" dance aboard the Spirit of Seattle, an Argosy Cruise Lines vessel.

The dance was called the Harstad Spring Cruise last year and took place in Tacoma.

It will be a bigger event this spring, said Harstad Hall Council Vice President Jenn Bauer.

"It's a larger boat than last year," said Bauer.

The Spirit of Seattle has three decks, including two enclosed

levels and a top level open-air deck.

"I believe we're having Mariah Toft and perhaps another student [discjockey the dance]," said Bauer. "Student DJs from around here."

Raffles for prizes, including gift certificates to local restaurants, will take place throughout the evening.

Dress for the event is "very casual, like jeans and a T-shirt," said Bauer.

"No dates are needed. Just grab your friends and go out and have a great time," she said.

Several resident assistants in various halls are planning "Get

Your Roommate A Friend" (GYRAF) wing activities in connection with the dance, Bauer said. The event is open to all PLU students.

Boarding will begin at 8 p.m. The boat will depart promptly at 9 p.m. and cruise the Sound until midnight.

"A couple people missed the boat last year, so we're stressing the 8:30 p.m. boarding time," Bauer said.

Tickets for the dance are \$13 and are going on sale in the UC the week of April 20.

Tickets are also available at the Harstad front desk. All tickets will be sold in advance.

## Foss hosts annual Luau, precautions taken

BY ERIC RUTHFORD  
Mast reporter

Last year's Foss Luau ended more than 13 police cars arriving on campus to break up an unruly crowd that had been waiting in pouring rain outside Xavier.

This year, the Foss Luau dance will be moved to the Olson Fieldhouse to ensure that enough space is provided.

"There's no such thing as an average Foss Luau," said Campus Safety Director Walt Huston. "The last two years (of) having the dance in Xavier were absolutely a disaster," he said.

The alcoholic nature of the event lends itself to certain

abuses, said Huston.

"By the time the party starts, some people are three sheets to the wind, and that can be a problem," said Huston.

Brook Buchanan, the president of Foss Hall, said that his group is striving to hold more solid events to keep the drinking from being as severe as it has in past years.

By moving the Luau to the Fieldhouse, said Buchanan, the organizers hope to avoid the overcrowding problems they had in Xavier last year.

"One of the problems (was) that no one anticipated how big it was going to get," said Buchanan.

Tomorrow, most of the Luau's

events will happen on lower campus. From 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., there will be a slip n' slide, volleyball and basketball tournaments, and a barbeque on the east side of Foss.

A bonfire is scheduled for 8 p.m. outside of Foss, where the PLU band "Twilight" is scheduled to play.

BEACH Club will have a root beer keg for students.

The dance in the Fieldhouse will cost \$2 and will be from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. PLU ID must be presented for entry into the dance, and only one guest per student is allowed.

The all-campus clean-up is scheduled for 10 a.m. Sunday.

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## Students invited to join conversation

LISA BIRNEL  
Guest editorial

*Editor's note: Wednesday afternoon a group of more than 30 student leaders gathered to discuss students' experiences on campus. The forum was organized by the Student Life office.*

Unity and cooperation are marly words until you put them into action.

The first steps of positive progress are now underway. Wednesday, we witnessed the joining together of student leaders representing a number of PLU student organizations, to discuss issues of campus and community.

This type of open forum is the necessary step that will link students together on our campus and allow for a cooperative effort in improving the quality of student life at PLU.

I commend the students for their candor in addressing a variety of issues, as well as the administration and staff, who came with no other agenda than to listen and be open to suggestions.

Issues included safety, student housing, student drinking, commuter awareness, community relations and resources, and the availability of social activities both on and off-campus. ASPLU intends to continue this forum for the discussion of student issues, in order to pursue resolutions that promote awareness and integration among students, faculty and administration.

We invite all students concerned about their education and the community we live in to step up and join in this active effort.

*Birnel is 1998-99 ASPLU president.*

## Garden a step in the right direction

Brian Norman and those who broke the ground for the first community garden at PLU deserve a thousand thank yous (see photo page 16, and story last week).

This is the first step to not only strengthening relations within PLU's borders, but also to the greater community of Parkland.

The garden has great potential to tie PLU to the surrounding community through planting, harvesting, and celebrating the gifts that it brings.

### Corrections

From time to time errors do appear in the Mooring Mast. We apologize for the following errors in our April 10 issue: Cristina del Rosario-Fridenstine's name was misspelled last week.

Tamra Miller's name was misspelled.  
A tennis picture on page 14 was misidentified. Brianne McQuaig should be the name in the caption.  
Arlene Nahm's name was misspelled



## Opening the closed dome



Kaia Benson/  
LUCIFEROUS

I've spent a number of years here at PLU, and thus feel I am now wise enough to make an observation about what the one common bond all PLU students have is: their shared detest for PLU.

Orientation weekend freshman year was my first time at PLU. The typical question that weekend was not "What's your major" but "Why did you chose PLU." It seemed to me that nearly everyone I talked to said, "Because they gave me a lot of financial aid."

That speaks well of the school, but not the students. It was almost as if no one wanted to be here, right from the start.

During my sophomore year, one of my friend's staple lunch-time "conversations" was, "God I hate this place. Look at these people." They looked like college students to me. Perhaps she was disappointed at not finding herself in the middle of "90210: The College Years."

My friend who works in Seattle told me that one of her colleagues had been down here recently. When he returned he asked her, "How did you spend four years there? That is the most depressing college campus I have ever been on."

At lunch the other day I heard someone whining about their class. He specified that he didn't have a problem with the topic of the class; he had a problem with the students in the class. "So

your problem is PLU?" I asked. He answered yes.

Administrators and student leaders at PLU are always trying to discover why PLU students are so apathetic. They plan hundreds of events — most of which continue to be poorly attended — in hopes of changing our apathetic mind sets.

But perhaps the problem is not that we are apathetic, but that we hate PLU. We have no desire to attend any event on campus; we want only to get off campus, and as much as possible.

Of course, what people don't realize is that going to these events is just as good as getting off campus, because you're not going to see any other students there. We're apathetic, remember?

Last Friday night the Diversity Coalition helped put together an Arabic Night, with a movie, food, poetry, performances, and music. Most of the seven non-Arabic PLU students there were getting paid to be there as part of an on-campus job.

Do people not realize what incredible exposure to the world they can receive here on campus? Is it really that difficult to step out of your little White-Anglo-Saxon-Protestant shell?

The answer is yes. The Dance Ensemble performance was quite well attended. As was the Spring Formal. That's great; I'm not trying to contradict myself by ridiculing your attendance at these

things. I, too, was there.

But they are such safe, controlled, occidental things. Do you really think the world is composed entirely of such 18th century European aristocratic events? You're not royalty here kids.

There were dance performances at the Arabic Night, too. But apparently God has forbidden any of you to appreciate the culture from whence your precious little religion originated.

If people hate PLU so much, why don't they branch out and explore the many little pockets of diversity, which are merely hidden by the majority's lack of interest.

If we weren't all stuffy and uninterested, the campus would become a much more interesting place. Don't tell my professors I said this, but most of the opportunities for learning during college are not in the classroom, nor in the cafeteria.

Where you learn the most is in exploring the NEW things around you. I'm sure you've all been to dance performances and formals. And I hope you enjoy them. But it is also possible to enjoy Arabic poetry. Baklava. Sprucing up a poor neighborhood. Joining a drum circle. Seeing slides of someone's travels abroad.

Don't let that stuffy "real world" of American consumerism possess your spirit. You can always rent those brainwashing movies when they come out on video — but some of the opportunities you have on campus only come around once.

Don't hate PLU; PLU has given you the opportunity to experience the world. Hate yourself for sitting around being bored every night with your comfortable clique of unimaginative friends.

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## King Dad and his two princesses, then and today

My girlfriend and I drove to the Olympic mountains last weekend.

On our way, we spoke a great deal about our fathers. We both come from families where "Dad" is the only male influence. The rest of the household is overflowing with women: mothers, and sisters. Our conversation was about the role a father plays in his daughter's life.

I think this is an important issue because often times the relationships between fathers and daughters get overlooked. It's always the mother/daughter and father/son relationships that get high lighted. But what about Dad?

Dad was always the biggest, most cuddly person to play with. He'd come home from work and



Megan Smith/  
**OFF PISTE**

it would take a strong mom to get you off his leg. I think of my father in a different light now compared to the way I thought of him as a child.

When I was little girl, Dad was my savior. He was the king with two princesses: my sister and me. He had all the answers to every question and more. He knew how to throw a baseball straight up into the air and catch

it right underneath his nose. He knew how to drive a car, fast, and he went to work everyday in a suit and tie. That was Dad then.

Dad still works in the same clothes and still drives fast cars but in my eyes Dad is different today. Dad is a man. The first man I ever got to know. Today I see how he paved his own road to a good life. He never had to tell me how I should live; he sim-

ply showed me.

As long as Dad was present, everything was going to be fine. He didn't have to say anything, just sit back and nod after my mother would make comments. Dad was always subtle and charming, rarely strict. He had his own style with his daughters and got through to us somehow.

My girlfriend and I talked about our fathers and described them as men, not dads. It was a conversation that you really couldn't have with your father. You had to pick the situation apart and look at it from a distant perspective.

We looked at us (the daughters) and asked the question, "How did Dad do it? How did he turn my eyes to focus? How did he deal with me, my sister,

and my mother all at the same time?"

The answers to these questions could forever remain a mystery. Who ever thought the day would come when questions about Dad would arrive? Yet the day has come and Dad's influence continues to grow through these transitional years.

Dads and daughters are reading this right now and are probably thinking of their own relationships. We're all maturing in these relationships with each passing day and hopefully we pose questions like this from time to time. What are you doing for Dad now?

I like knowing that Dad will always and forever be the man in my life. Present or not, we walk side by side.

## Lava lamps: the random number generator

As my quest for useful information on the World Wide Web continues, I turn up more off-the-wall experiments.

Recently I discovered Silicon Graphics' "Lavarand" site.

Here a group of scientists at SGI set up six lava lamps with a digital camera hooked to a computer that generates random numbers.

Why?

Well, currently they are using this extremely advanced technology to generate lottery numbers and random haiku. Useful, huh?

The whole theory behind the experiment is quite interesting. Generating true random numbers has been a quest that math-



Joel Larson/  
**WEBMASTER WORLD**

ematicians have been after for some time. Many people thought that computers could generate random numbers, however it has been discovered that computers do not generate random numbers, rather they pull numbers from a very extensive list.

What the lava lamps and digital camera allow a unique situation each time the camera takes a shot.

Lava Lamps operate in a chaotic manner. What the lamp will do is completely dependant on the temperature of the lamp and the 'lava'. A digital camera al-

ways adds 'noise' to a picture so even if one was to take a picture of the same exact thing, the extra 'noise' in the picture will always be different.

The scientists at SGI had two things going for them: the chaotic nature of lava lamps and the standard operation of a digital camera.

Once the picture has been digitized, the numbers are run through an algorithm and the random number is generated.

This might not be very useful, but creative thinking can sometimes help to solve a problem. While this site really doesn't have a direct purpose, the impact that this experiment could

have on mathematics is astonishing.

**Don't Forget!!!!**

Stump the Webmaster topics are due into the Mast (mast@plu.edu) no later than Midnight on Monday, April 27. (That's midnight between Monday and Tuesday).

If anyone should happen to stump me, they will receive a \$10 gift certificate to Red Robin. The first Person to stump me wins. If I get stumped, I will continue to look for topics. But once the Certificate is gone, it's gone. I don't think I'll lose, so I'm looking forward to some Mudd pie!

## OTHER VOICES

### Housing sign-ups yield multiple frustrations

To the Editor,

After coming across the housing sign-ups results, posted Wednesday in the University Center, we, along with many others, were immediately mad and discouraged at what we saw. We are very disappointed with the way Residential Life has chosen to address and handle housing changes.

It seems to us that the whole process appears to be pointless with a turnover of only about 25 students having the opportunity to move into their desired residence hall.

Their system is not conducive to those students who have serious problems with their current living situation. One friend convinced another not to leave PLU by promising to be roommates next year. The two are still stuck in their respective residence halls, now leaving a student seriously considering leaving the PLU community.

We strongly feel that roommates should be one of the highest considerations for residence hall priority changes, because students should be allowed to live with the person of their choice, and not left with roommates who they do not get along with, and make their college experience less than memorable.

Finally, we are somewhat disappointed with the idea that incoming freshmen receive more priority on where they would like to live than someone who currently attends PLU.

These freshmen are simply choosing his/her room solely by the measurements and information given to them in one of the many packets that PLU sends out, trying to make the school appear as though it is very student friendly. After attending school here, it becomes evident that this is solely a façade, used by the administration to entice prospective students.

We understand that there will never be a perfect solution for addressing such situations, just more appropriate ways of handling things that will be more conducive and beneficial to all students, without leaving many unhappy and others contemplating which school they will be attending next year.

Amy Schneider  
Jennifer Ritchie  
Harstad Hall

## 'Faculty of color' justified in current discussion on race

PROVOST PAUL MENZEL

Guest Response

The opinions you voice in the "Menzel's Words Raise Questions" editorial of April 17 deserve comment. You object to my use of the term "faculty of color" in remarks at the April 7 forum about the need for universities—and PLU in particular—to help increase the number of under-represented faculty available in the academic professions. (And I then used the term in describing PLU's efforts to attract African-American, Asian-American and Pacific Islander, Latino/Latina-American, and Native American faculty.)

What is the issue, and how should we talk about

### McGinnis, Nessel miss point of evolution and creation debates

GLENN VAN WYHE

Guest Response

In the article on the debate over creation vs. evolution (April 17, p.3), Dr. McGinnis was quoted as saying about the creation arguments, "They're not science basically." About the person who argued for creation he said, "He's not going to believe evolution because it's not consistent with the Bible. That was the basis of his argument."

This is a complete misrepresentation of the position of Dr. Gish (the creationist), but reflected the straw man set up by the two PLU evolutionists, McGinnis and Dr. Nessel.

Gish made no significant reference to the Bible in the debate, so the efforts of the PLU professors to ridicule the Bible were misdirected and foolish. Also, what Gish did was the essence of science, while what the PLU professors did was the essence of demagoguery.

it? In regard to what is the issue, you object, I take it, to focusing on diversity of color instead of on diversity more generally.

But the "President's Initiative on Race," of which the forum was a part, was not intended to focus on diversity more generally.

I don't apologize for that, as if the Initiative's focus were wrong. There are problems of race and color in our society, among all the other problems of diversity, and to see them as never distinct will so dilute our attentions that we will not notice things unique to the history and situation of persons of color.

See PROVOST, page 15

The scientific method involves testing our beliefs. We formulate a theory based on our beliefs (which may often come from our observations, whether singular or multiple).

We make a testable prediction (a hypothesis) based upon our theory. Then we test the hypothesis to observe whether it is supported by the facts or not.

Gish followed precisely that procedure. For example, he said that the theory of evolution says that there is no force outside of matter which causes evolution.

Therefore, matter should have within itself a tendency toward increasing order and complexity, pointed out Gish. That would be a reasonable prediction. Instead, however, what we find is the very opposite. The second law of thermodynamics shows that

See DEBATE, page 15



## Published history professor records history of adoption

BY CYNTHIA WILLIS  
Mast intern

Associate Professor of History, E. Wayne Carp, gave a lecture on the subject of his second book, *Family Matters: Secrecy and Disclosure in the History of Adoption*, last Friday.

Carp discussed how things have changed regarding access to adoption files for adopted children, biological parents and parents who adopt.

He opened by giving a historical overview of adoption, and explained throughout his speech how few records were kept concerning adoption and how methods of placing children were hazardous.

Carp's interest in this subject stems from the history of his own family.

As a child, he was told that his father spent some years in a state orphanage, but was later returned to the care of his mother.

Because of this, Carp began to search for his father's history.

During this discovery process, Carp discovered that his father was not adopted.

However, he was surprised that no one had written a history

### Family Matters: Secrecy and Disclosure in the History of Adoption

of adoption.

Part of the reason for this was a lack of information on the subject, as case histories remained closed to historians as well as the rest of the public for some time.

As well as doing research for his book, Carp spent a year working with the Children's Home Society of Washington, an agency that dealt with the placement of children until the 1970's.

Through this, he sought to gain more of a feel for the actual

adoption process.

Although the agency had stopped placing children, after volunteering there for some time, he was allowed to read the case histories of past adoptees.

In this way, he was able to find out much more about adoption than had previously been known by historians, and decided to publish a book on the subject.

Writing is not new to Carp. He also wrote a book on the American Revolution.

He plans to edit another essay on the history of adoption.

Carp said it is a rarity in universities the size of PLU, as only about ten percent of all dissertations are published, and of this ten percent, only ten percent of

these authors manage to write a second book.

Carp was also asked to discuss his latest book during a lecture series held by the Social Sciences division.

"It's intellectually stimulating. One learns from one's colleagues, and one is also interested in what others are doing," Carp said.

Although the process of researching and writing are extremely time consuming, Carp said that he can manage to do research by looking at one source at a time, while still continuing his regular professorial duties.

PLU also has a generous sabbatical policy that allows professors to take time off, giving them the opportunity to form their ideas into books.

## Planning for action, RHA council selected

BY AMY PARDINI  
News editor

The Residential Hall Association (RHA) executive council has been selected for the 1998-99 school year. (See table below for new positions.)

President elect Robby Larson has several goals for the new year.

His primary goal at this point is the coordination of organizations on campus.

Campus events sponsored by different organizations are very much the same, said Larson.

"People (from different organizations) are not working together. . . We need to work on pooling our resources," said Larson.

The new executive council has already met with the elected hall presidents for next year, as well as with the members of the 1997-98 RHA executive council.

Larson called this period of time a "transition period" until May 1 when the new executive council "will take over full control."

Planning has already begun for Homecoming next year, as well as for other programs that occur near the beginning of next year.

The summer, said Larson, is when most of the programming for the coming year starts to take place.

"We're trying to get as many people as possible involved on campus, with planning programs. It's a way of helping the campus move forward," said Larson.

Larson spoke of RHA as an incredible resource and method of communication for students living on campus, one that has not been recognized or taken full advantage of by students.

### RHA Executive Council

President	Robby Larson
Vice President	Michelle Englund
Secretary/Treasurer	Pat Gannon
Campus Wide Programmer	Brook Buchanan
Environmental Activities Director	Maree George
Christian Activities Director	Cara MacDonald

## Accreditation team gives preliminary report

BY NATHE LAWVER  
Editor-in-chief

After four days of evaluation, the Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges shared a preliminary report of their observations at PLU. (See related story on page 1) Their findings were as follows:

PLU received the following commendations:

1. The hospitality of the PLU community during the visit, and the preparation leading up to the time.
2. PLU's "clear sense of mission as outlined in PLU 2000"
3. A strong sense of community, and concern for students across campus.
4. The integration and innovation of the faculty
5. Excellent service provided by the library and information services staff
6. The financial progress of the university in eliminating short-term deficits and building the endowment.

The following recommendations were made:

1. Further development of PLU's assessment program.
2. Improvements in faculty evaluation processes.
3. Concerns over the staff and faculty's knowledge of new computer systems (specifically the new Banner system.)

## Lute wins R.A. award, places second in Nation

BY PAM WATKINS  
Mast reporter

Ordal R.A. Rob Haugen was recently nominated by Residential Life for a national award of Residential Assistant of the Year. He was selected for the R.A. on Duty Newsletter award, sponsored by Paperclip Publications.

Nominees from across the nation were judged in ten categories, including leadership ability, community development, academic scholarship, and the ability to be a team player.

Eighty candidates were judged based on this criteria and a ten point scale.

PLU's Rob Haugen finished second with a 9.07 rating. The winner, from Ohio, received a 9.4 rating.

For his outstanding efforts and dedication, Haugen was given a plaque and letter of congratulations from Paperclip Publications.

## Professor fired for using f-word

College Press Service

A Northwestern University chemistry lecturer said he was fired for swearing in front of a student who didn't like "the F-word."

Thomas Weaver told the Chicago Sun-Times that he has lost all of his teaching duties.

Students say they admire the 52-year-old professor who has been known to swear, drink liquid nitrogen and perform a variety of wacky stunts to get their attention.

Weaver, a senior lecturer who has taught for 21 years, admitted using the word. He said he still plans to teach summer school and night adult classes. He said he might also hire an attorney.

Dean Eric Sunquist, saying student complaints were taken very seriously, said, "We have expectations on professional conduct by faculty."

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# Species 2: An exhibition in Sci-Fi Stupidity

BY DAVID HEGGE  
Mast Reporter

What do you get when you take a \$160 million-grossing Sci-fi piece of junk, hire a second-time screenwriter to write a sequel, that could have just as easily been written by a trained chimpanzee named Zimbu, and deceptively lure back the few characters who actually survived the first installment? Well, if you're an exec over at MGM studios, you will be the proud (or not so proud) owner of a rotting carcass of a film called "Species 2."

On an over-cheesy and obviously computer-generated sound stage, strangely reminiscent of an old "Lost In Space" episode, the film begins with the introduction of a team of American astronauts, and their highly-publicized mission to obtain soil samples from the surface of Mars.

Unfortunately, Captain Patrick Ross (Justin Lazard), and fellow space invaders Dennis Gamble (Mycletti Williamson) and Anne Sampas (Myriam Cyr), become exposed to a sample of beastly DNA that was left behind by the very same Species that reeked havoc so successfully in the first film.

As they head for home, people of Earth may have more on their hands than they bargained for, but it is the filmgoers who will be the true victims of this horrific experience.

After being cooped up in their high-tech tin can for an eternity, there are obviously certain "Earthly desires" that must be met by this motley crew. We eventually learn that Gamble and Sampas's infections are relatively harmless, but Ross's cosmic bug is another story. As a result, we are privileged-or not so privileged-to a series of bizarre, and very gory mating sequences (if you've seen the first film, you will know what I mean).

Meanwhile, "Eve" (Natasha Henstridge), a supposedly more-docile clone of the original alien/human hybrid "Sil," has been created in a lab and is being detained in a top-secret military facility (you'd think they'd learn their lesson). While she is originally only used as a tool to help find Ross, her otherworldly instincts eventually take over

**"This is the kind of film that, if it had been made in the 50s, would be perfect fodder for an episode for 'Mystery Science Theatre 3,000.'"**

—David Hegge



when she attempts to further the Species with her male counterpart.

Somehow duped into reprising his role in the first film, Michael Madsen is back as mercenary for hire Preston Lenox. Teamed with Gamble, and former flame Dr. Laura Baker (Marg Halenberger), Lenox must find Capt. Ross and stop him from successfully mating with Eve—an event that would have disastrous results to mankind, and does have disastrous effects on the audience.

The most exciting moment of the movie occurred when an unfortunate moviegoer in the next aisle over spilled his soft drink all over the floor.

This is the kind of film that, if it had been made in the 50s, would be perfect fodder for an episode of "Mystery Science Theatre 3,000"—and perhaps should, for that matter. The laughter in the theater sometimes got so loud that it was difficult to hear the dialog (and this was not intended to be a comedy).

While the writing may be horrible, Director Peter Medak deserves a hearty share of the blame for this monstrosity. I've seen gory horror films in which the director exhibits more artistic taste, knowing when to cut away from a shot that may be too disgusting, than Medak uses in this film.

He seems to almost enjoy making us suffer through this visually painful mess of deplorable camera work, sloppy pacing, and hideous production values. After sitting through cinematic drivel like this, one must almost feel sorry for the actors who were lured to participate in this project.

After seeing "Species 2," I feel as if I have been psychologically violated. They have taken an hour and a half of my life away, and I want it back. And in case you're wondering why I have proceeded to waste even more valuable time by writing this review, it for no other reason than to warn you of the impending doom that awaits you under the marquee entitled Species: 2.

Avoid this film like the plague!

## Whats Playing **Big** On the **Screen**

In Tacoma theatres near you! See Sound Life for listings & times.

**-The Object of My Affection R**

**-Major League III PG-13**

**-Polly PG**

**-Lost in Space PG-13**

**-Good Will Hunting R**

**-Homegrown R**

**-City of Angels PG-13**

**-Species 2 R**

**-My Giant PG**

**-The Players Club R**

**-Mercury Rising R**

**-The Man in the Iron**

**Mask PG-13**

# BULLETIN BOARD

## MUSIC

Elvin Jones Jazz Machine will perform for 6 nights at Dimitriou's Jazz Alley. Showtimes are Tuesday through Thursday and Sunday at 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Dimitriou's Jazz Alley is located on 2033 6th Avenue in Seattle. Tickets are \$16.50 - \$20.50 call (206)-441-9729 for more information.

Kevin Navarro will be performing in a piano recital on April 26 at 3 p.m. and May second at 8 p.m. The performance will be in Lagerquist hall. Funds from the concert will go to a Piano Performance major scholarship for PLU students. Kevin Navarro recital May 2 8 p.m. Call 531-9723 for more information.

The University Jazz Ensembles will be performing tonight at 8 p.m. in the Mary Baker Russell Building.

Ned Charles Kirk, pianist will be performing in a Staff Recital at 8 p.m. in the Mary Baker Russell Building on April 29.

The Tacoma Master Chorale seeks extra singers for Poulene's Gloria and Bernstein's Chichester Psalms, presented with Tacoma Symphony on May 30. For information call 565-6867.

## THEATER/SHOWS

The Tacoma Musical Playhouse presents the Cole Porter musical "Anything Goes" from April 17 through May 10. The musical will run Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sunday afternoons at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$13 for adults, \$11 for students, seniors and military. All seats are reserved. Group discounts are available for 10 or more. For more information or reservations call (253)-565-6867.

The Northwest Chamber Orchestra present Mozart in the Park on Sunday, April 26 at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$12.50 call (206)-343-0445 for more information.

PLU's Humanities Film Series presents "The sum of us" tonight in Ingram 100 at 7 p.m. Call x7226 for information.

General Cinemas in Lincoln Plaza 8 and The Velvet Darkness present a special showing of The "Rocky Horror Picture Show." The show will be attended by Sal Piro, the President of the Official "Rocky Horror" Fan Club. The show will take place tonight at 11:45 p.m. in the General Cinemas Lincoln Plaza 8. Call 912-0534 for more information.

The Cave will present Jackie Chan's Drunken Master II, the last free movie night of the semester on May 6 from 6-8 p.m. Refreshments are available.

## ART

The Tacoma Art Museum presents a new exhibition, "Working Class Heroes" with Luis Jimenez and images from Popular Culture. The exhibition will take place from April 10 - June 21, the hours are from Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Admission is \$3 for students. For more information call (253)272-4258.

The Scandinavian Cultural Center presents a woodcarving, weaving, spinning, rosemailing, embroidery, a Scandinavian folkwear exhibit, live entertainment and ethnic food in the 23 annual Nowegian Heritage Festival. The event will take place on April 25 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the SCC.

The University Gallery features Malgorzata Zurakowska, one of the rare practitioners of mezzotint, a complex intaglio print making process. Public hours are 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Monday - Friday. Admission is free, call 535-7573 for more information.

Linda Caspersen-Andreson presents a slide presentation and fashion show "If These Clothes Could Speak". The event will take place on April 28 at noon in the SCC.

Students from the Design 196 class showcase their skills in a mixed-media installation in Wekell Gallery. Public hours are from 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday - Friday.

## MISCELLANEOUS

The Tacoma Shrine Circus will appear in the Tacoma Dome on May 8-10. Performances times are Friday at 7:30 p.m. Saturday at 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. and Sunday at 1 p.m. Ticket prices are \$12 and \$8. Discount coupons are available at Tacoma area Subway and Fred Meyer stores. Call 253-564-2327 for information.

PLU's first annual Hawaiian Club Luau will be held tonight at 6 p.m. in the CK. Real Hawaiian food and entertainment will be offered. Tickets are \$12 per person and are available through Hawaiian Club Members. For more information call Brandon, 535-8128.

The Seattle African Violet Society and the Puget Sound Gesneriad Society will be holding their annual flower show and sale on, April 25 from 12 to 5 p.m. and April 26 from 12 to 4 p.m. This event will be held at the University of Washington's Center for Urban Horticulture located at 3501 NE 41st St., Seattle. The event is free. For further information, call Merri Naka (425) 513-1346.

The 17th Annual Foss Luau will be held this Saturday. Events will be on the east side of Foss Hall from 1:30 - 8 p.m. The Luau Dance will be held in the Fieldhouse the cost is \$2 and a Lei is provided

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# FOSS LUAU

## Trouble in Luau Land

**MAGGIE SANTOLLA**  
Mast Reporter

Ahhh... It's that time of year again. Time for fun, games, barbecues... and getting sloshy first thing in the morning. Yes, it's time for the Foss Luau, a 17-year-old tradition at PLU that has a very checkered past.

The Foss Luau is an annual event that provides a day of fun and relaxation at a time of the year students need to release some tension.

The Foss Luau had humble beginnings in 1982, when it was known only as a "Hawaiian Party." Through the '80s the Luau remained an inter-hall event, with a barbecue and dance in Foss to cap off the activities. In the '90s, Food Services turned the barbecue into an all-campus event, and the Luau "escalated into what it has become today," said Brook Buchanan, president of Foss Hall. However, Buchanan added, from what he understood, the Luau has "always had the reputation it has."

The event is well-known among students for being a great opportunity to get plastered. On a poster advertising the Foss Luau in the UC, someone added with a ballpoint pen "Lots of Alcohol!" "Drunk people," "alcohol," and "getting drunk" are words used by PLU students to describe the Luau.

The reputation of the Luau has not been helped by recent incidents. For instance, at the 1994 Luau, four or five students

jumped off the roof of Pflueger, aiming for the sandy volleyball court. One student suffered injuries from the leap and had to be taken to the hospital. That same year, some other students threw

**"We're going to make sure last years incident doesn't happen again."**

—Brook Buchanan

fire extinguishers through the windows in Tingelstad's fourth-floor study lounge, ripped an extinguisher box out of the wall, and tossed a phone out the window as well.

Last year at the dance in Xavier, two deputies were called in to deal with the crowds that had formed in and outside the building. When they decided the situation was beyond their control, they sent out a call for backup.

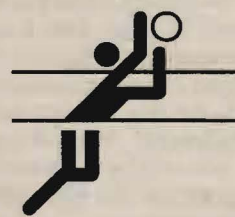
Nineteen vehicles, two canine units, and officers from the Pierce County Sheriffs Department, Washington State Patrol, and City of Tacoma Police rolled up to deal with the so-called "riot." A couple students reported being nipped by dogs, and many others felt the officers used excessive force. This incident was a result of a bad judgment call by police, said Buchanan.

However, Campus Safety Director Walt Huston is not worried about this year's festivities. "Last year was an isolated incident where someone made a bad call," he said. Also, this year's venue for the dance, Olson Fieldhouse, is a lot less likely to become overcrowded. Nevertheless, two deputies will be on duty to patrol the Luau in addition to the one who usually patrols the campus, and extra Campus Safety officers will be on duty as

well.

Buchanan also met with Campus Safety to discuss the prevention of other problems. "We're going to make sure [last year's incident] doesn't happen again."

Buchanan also added, "You never see the kind of turnout, 700 to 1000 people, at other events. Some people in the Administration would probably like to get rid of [Foss Luau], but we want this opportunity to make it better."



6 on 6 Volleyball



3 on 3

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Dance



### EVENTS

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- 3-on-3 Basketball
- 6-on-6 Volleyball

Sign-in at 1:30 p.m.

Tournaments 2-5 p.m.

- Slip-n-Slide 2-5 p.m.
- Barbeque 4-7 p.m.
- Bonfire 8 p.m.

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- Luau Dance 10-2 p.m.

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**Who's Your Daddy**

LAURA RITCHIE  
Mast Reporter

LollaPLUza will rock Garfield Street for the second year in a row on May 9.

The free concert had been held in various locations on the PLU campus, including Olson Fieldhouse and Foss Field, for four years before making its way across campus last spring.

This year LollaPLUza features seven bands, in addition to several vendors.

"We went outside of the Garfield Street vendors and got outside vendors," said ASPLU Programs Director Bradd Busick. "It's a festival atmosphere... a lot bigger than last year."

ASPLU Programs Board Entertainment Director Josh Ford and the programs committee worked to increase the stature of bands coming to perform at the concert.

Super Deluxe, Engine 54, Goodness, The Retros, The Cagneys, Chicken Scratch, and Who's Your Daddy will be performing.

The show will begin at noon and continue until 7 p.m. The stage will be set up at the end of Garfield Street nearest campus, next to the Harstad parking lot. Vendors will include a barbecue grill and an all-hemp products stand.

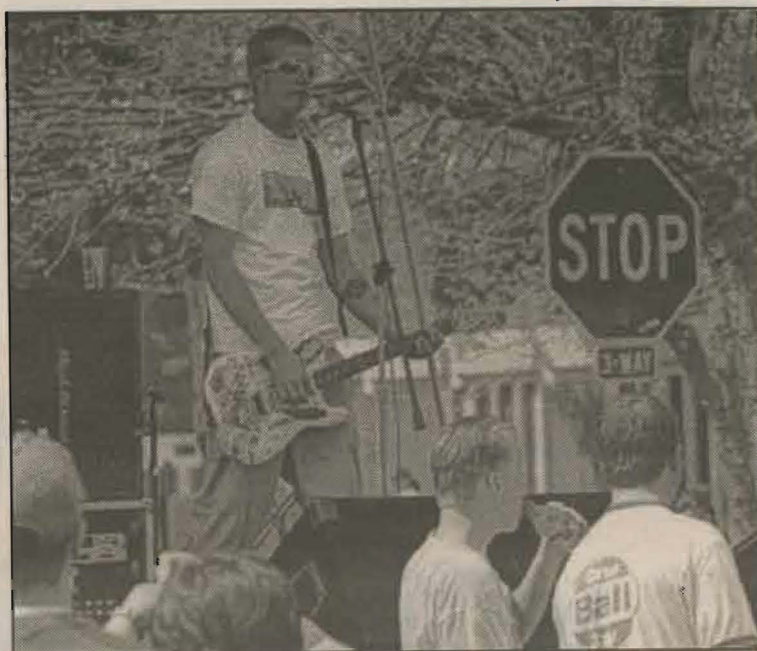
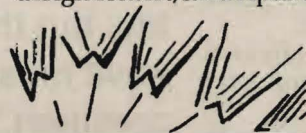
Some last-minute substitutions were made in the band line-up due to sudden changes in touring schedules.

"We're happy with the line-up we've got," Busick said, stressing the increased prominence of this year's featured groups on the music scene.

Publicity for this year's event has included coverage in The

Rocket, said Busick.

LollaPLUza t-shirts have been ordered once again, and will be sold in the UC beginning April 24. Prices will be set when they go on sale. Mark Dunn, a Pflueger resident, won this year's t-shirt design contest, held April 6 to 14.



Lutes having a blast at last year's LollaPLUza

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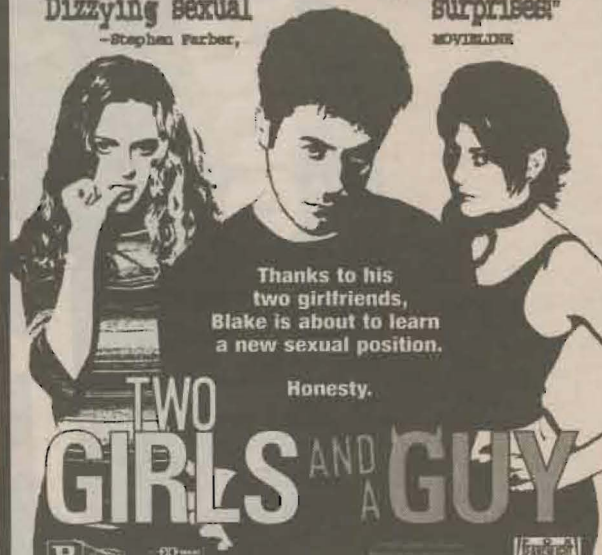
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# Arts program makes Music

BY PAM WATKINS  
Mast Intern

The University Symphony Orchestra is currently midway in their preparation for their fourth and final concert of the year. The concert, held May 12th at 8 p.m. in Lagerquist Hall, will be the concluding performance of this year's Masterpiece Series.

Orchestra director Jerry Kracht is pleased with the performances of the 65 players, not all of whom are music majors.

"They come from different walks of life, but they have music in common. . . this is what makes performing both the challenge and the thrill," said Kracht.

The University Symphony Orchestra has had numerous performances throughout the year, including a performance of student soloists in February and a tour with Choir of the West and University Chorale during the Christmas season.

Kracht says the orchestra also "begins and ends the year at PLU" by performing at opening convocation and spring commencement.

**"They come from different walks of life, but they all have music in common."**

—Jerry Kracht

"We've had an outstanding year," Kracht commented. "We've got a lot of freshmen, and they're strong and willing to work hard. I see that the success we've had this year bodes well for the future."



Jerry Kracht conducts the PLU Orchestra

Photo by Chris Tumbush



BY PAM WATKINS  
Mast Intern

### University Singers

The University Singers is PLU's all-female choir. They will be touring Mt. Vernon, Oak Harbor, and Lynnwood in early May, and will conclude with an on-campus concert on May 6th at 8 p.m. in Lagerquist Hall.

### University Chorale

The University Chorale is currently on a five-day tour in Spokane, Wenatchee, Chelan, and Everett, and will return Sunday evening. They have a concert in Lagerquist Hall on Tuesday at 8 p.m.

### Choir of the West

Choir of the West recently visited the St. James Cathedral in Seattle on the 19th, and gave back-to-back concerts at PLU on April 21 and 22 in Lagerquist Hall.

On May 16, they'll be recording a new CD in Lagerquist.

A Christmas CD of Choir of the West is now available. The choir was under the direction of Richard Sparks, Richard Nance, and James Holloway. This CD can be purchased through Audio Services at extension 8754, or by calling 1-800-727-5566. A website with information is also available, at [www.plu.edu/~asvc](http://www.plu.edu/~asvc).

### PLU Jazz Ensemble

The PLU Jazz Ensemble will be hosting the South Sound Summer Jazz Camp for high school students this summer. The camp, which runs from June 29 until July 3, is designed to provide students with an introduction to college level jazz by teaching the fundamentals of jazz theory and improvisational techniques. PLU faculty will be involved in this event, as well as prominent jazz musicians from the Puget Sound area including Mark Taylor, a saxophone freelance performer, and Jim Sisko, an active jazz trumpet player and teacher in Seattle. Don Immel, PLU jazz instructor, will have an active role in the week-long camp.

### Wind Ensemble

PLU's Wind Ensemble has been busy this year. . . busy traveling, that is. The ensemble toured Hawaii during January. One of their performances was at the Hawaii Music Educators Convention. They also traveled to Reno, Nev., in March to perform at the Western/Northwestern Division of College Band Directors National Association Convention.

### PLU Music Department

The PLU Music Department is hosting a summer convention for the Washington State Music Teachers Association. This will take place in the Russell Music Building from June 17th through the 20th, and will feature specialized master classes and lectures. Hosted by Richard Farner, piano faculty at PLU, there will be approximately 250 teachers and 50 students attending.

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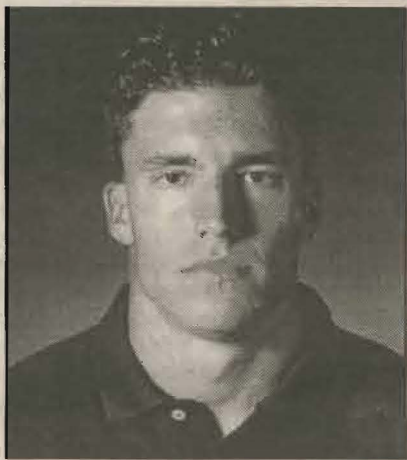
## Lerum signs free agent with 49ers

BY JENNY CHASE  
Mast sports editor

Senior Karl Lerum has signed a free agent contract with the San Francisco 49ers of the National Football League (NFL). He was offered the contract by the 49ers on Sunday following the NFL draft, and the 6-3, 215-pound wide receiver signed on Monday. Lerum travels to the Bay Area this weekend to participate in a weekend mini-camp.

Signing onto a team as a free agent differs from being selected for the NFL draft. In the draft, each team selects players to join their team. Those who are not selected for the draft can sign free agent. The team gets contact players who they believe could be an asset and give them an opportunity to try out for the team. By signing a free agent contract, the player is not eligible for other NFL teams.

Lerum's success as an EMAL is shown in earned honors and broken records during his four years at PLU. He broke the Pacific Northwest Small Colleges (PNSC)



Karl Lerum

receiving yardage record, and has earned NAIA Second Team All-American honors in 1995, 1996, and 1997. His sophomore year was one of Lerum's strongest, as he caught 67 passes for 1,047 yards and eight touchdowns. A year later, he had 68 catches for 998 yards and four

scores.

During his senior season, Lerum caught 54 passes for 590 yards and six touchdowns. He ended his career as the all-time PNSC receiving yardage leader with 3,507 yards. With 237 career catches, he finishes second on the PNSC pass receptions list.

After the 1997-98 season ended, Lerum earned first team All-NCIC football honors for the fourth straight year, becoming the second Lute to earn that honor and the first to do so all four years in one position.

The Lutes, during Lerum's four years, compiled a 31-10-1 record and reached the NAIA national football playoffs three times, including an 11-2 mark and an appearance in the Division II title game in 1994.

"We're very excited that Karl has been given this opportunity by the 49ers," said Scott Westering, football offensive coordinator, who himself signed a free agent contract with the 49ers in 1982. "He's been a special player for us throughout his career."

## Thornton, Rubeling named NCIC Athletes of the Week

BY JENNY CHASE  
Mast sports editor

Two Lute athletes have been honored as NCIC Athletes of the Week due to their accomplishments in their sport. For women's golf, Cecilia Rubeling was acknowledged for shooting 168 for two days at Quail Valley to medal at the Pacific Invitational, held in Forest Grove, Ore. on April 15-16. Rob Thornton of the men's tennis team was named because he's lost only six games in, going 4-0 last week. He and partner Paul Hemry also lost just six games in four doubles wins.

Thornton, a junior biology major from Tacoma, held the title in perspective.

"It's an honor and I'm happy, but I'd rather have a conference championship."

Thornton competes this weekend in the men's tennis NCIC championship, hosted by the Lutes.

"I feel fortunate to be recognized and hope that I can live up to the expectation," he said.

Rubeling, a business major from Stockholm, Sweden, has spent 10 years perfecting her game.

"It feels great. It's been really fun," she said about being named.

Next on her list is the NCIC championships this weekend.

"I'm looking forward to it," Rubeling said. "Anything can happen. We're just going to do our best."

## Injuries threaten women's tennis

BY LENA TIBBELIN  
Mast senior reporter

The PLU women's tennis team anticipates the NCIC conference championships with excitement and concern as the tournament starts today.

The team left yesterday for Newberg, Ore., and will participate in the singles and doubles championship.

"I feel good about our ability to play well in our matches," coach Mike Benson said. "We'll see what happens from there."

The concern for the team is stress fractures that have kept players out of the line-up throughout the season. Sophomore Shayna Cusack and freshman Kristin Rorvik could not play, and freshman Brianne McQuaig was side-

lined last week when PLU played Puget Sound. The match featured Cusack's return to the top six players for PLU, and last week Rorvik returned to the courts.

PLU's line up for the conference tournament was decided in practice earlier this week, when the players played sets against each other to see who will go.

The top six singles spots for con-

**"I feel good about our ability to play well in our matches. We'll see what happens from there."**

— Mike Benson

ference championships are as follows: Janel Broderson, Whitney Freed, Sofi Tibbling, Jennifer Rossow, Shayna Cusack, and Katrina Johnson. The top three doubles spots are held by Broderson-Freed, Tibbling-Brianne McQuaig, and Rorvik-Sarah Ofner.

The team is led by captain Janel Broderson, who goes to the tournament with a 15-3 overall record in first singles, and considered to be one of the top four seeds.

Broderson and PLU's second singles Whitney Freed are undefeated in conference doubles. They have a good shot at the conference title in doubles, said Broderson, as they came to the tournament with a 16-2 overall doubles record.

Also on the PLU line-up is Sofie

see TENNIS, page 12

## Lutes win Shotwell meet

BY JENNY CHASE  
Mast sports editor

Pacific Lutheran swept the men's and women's team titles at last Saturday's J.D. Shotwell Invitational, hosted by Puget Sound. The Lute men scored 100 points, followed by Highline CC with 85.5. On the women's side of the ledger, PLU had 138.3 points, followed by Western Washington with 111.3.

Senior Jenni Krueger placed first in the hammer throw at 150-6 and tied for first in the long jump at 18-7

1/4. The jump was a personal best for Krueger. Sophomore Maree George won the 5000 in 18:02.34. Senior Christine Axley won two events, 100 meters in 12.18 and the 200 meters in 25.31.

Sophomore Ryan Dirks qualified for the national meet and won discus with his personal best of 163-5. Junior Davy Logue also scored a personal best with a winning javelin throw of 205-10, and sophomore Thorin Southworth placed first in the 100 meters in 11.17, also a personal best.

## El Nino determines future of NBA finals, but Geoff ain't telling



Geoff Beeman/  
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I know who will win the NBA Finals.

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How can I say the most dominating team of the decade will not win it all?

Easy—El Nino. The crazy weather pattern that has caused problems all over the world has also caused chaos in the world of sports.

Look everything so far this year. The Florida Marlins won the World Series. Did anyone think they would actually get past Atlanta and then go on to beat the Indians.

If you answered yes, you are a liar.

Next, Denver wins the Super Bowl. Sure there were many who wanted them to win, but no one could have really thought they would do it.

So clearly the Bulls will not win the championship.

I know everyone is going to hate this next part, but the Sonics will not win either. Seattle is just lucky that Dallas didn't make the playoffs. If that was the first round match-up, Seattle might not even make it out of the first round. Sure, the Sonics are a much better team than last year. But they do lack the most important thing to

have success in the playoffs—a dominant center.

I know, the Bulls haven't really ever had a dominant center but when you have Mike you really don't need much else.

It has been proven throughout NBA history that a dominating center is key to victory.

So does that mean that the Lakers are going to win it all?

Noway! The Lakers lack the experience to really be a threat in the playoffs. More importantly, is a center really that dominate if he can't hit a free throw.

So who has a chance in the Western Conference?

The Sonics will make it to the Western Conference Finals and they'll face Utah.

What's that, the Jazz don't have a dominant center?

One great thing about sports is if there is a rule, it will be broken.

Utah has many of the same strengths that the Sonics have: a great point guard, great three-point shooting, and an outstanding power forward. The Sonics are more athletic, but the Jazz are a better rebounding team. Another key in the playoffs is rebounding, something the Sonics don't do.

In the East, I see a number of teams that don't have a chance.

First, New York. They are without their best player and will never again be the team that used to battle the Bulls every year to get to the finals.

There are only two other teams in

the East that have any chance at all, the Heat and the Pacers.

The Pacers have a strong center, a great shooting guard, and one other thing, a new coach.

There are some players in history who just wouldn't settle for anything but victory and two of them have become coaches.

Magic Johnson tried with the Lakers but he thought all his players should have the same talent that he did. He never really had to work as hard as a mortal NBA player did to achieve his greatness.

Larry Bird did have to work. The opinion of anyone who ever played with or coached Bird says his work ethic is unmatched. Has he been able to instill that ethic in his Indiana players?

So the NBA playoffs are here again. Sonics fans are happy because Sean Kemp (Does anyone remember that guy) isn't complaining and telling anyone listening that he will never play in a Seattle uniform again.

Bulls fans are wondering if Jordan will return next year after he surly brings Chicago another championship.

Utah fans are hoping that their team has peaked at the right time and can finally bring a banner home with the ageless Stockton and Malone.

Portland fans are remembering the early 90's when their team was always the one everyone picked to go to the finals.

And finally, Denver and Dallas fans forgot they have basketball teams, but they do have two of the best teams in the NHL and it's playoff time on the ice as well as the hardwood.



## Crew fights hard, but only men come out on top

In two close races for the Meyer/Lamberth Cup, Puget Sound sneaks past women in the annual race ridden with Lute and Logger rivalry.

BY JENNY CHASE  
Mast sports editor

It's hard to argue with size. "When Puget Sound started to edge up on us, we pulled harder, but it is hard to win a pulling contest with girls as big as they are," said Scyller Borglum, women's crew captain at Pacific Lutheran.

At the annual Meyer/Lamberth Cup races, Puget Sound pulled ahead of the Lutes in the last 100 meters to win the Lamberth Cup, an victory eluding the Loggers for the past 15 years.

The men were a little luckier, defeating the Loggers to take home the Meyer Cup. The race was held April 18 at American Lake.

The Lamberth Cup was a tight race throughout for the rival schools. Both schools had a solid start and neither boat gained on the other by more than three seats during the 2000 meter race.

The competitive level from the Lutes and the Loggers helped



Members of the Lamberth cup boat and crew fans cheer on the men's boat for the Meyer cup.

the schools to each set a school speed record for the women's teams.

The Lutes lost their fragile edge in the last 100 meters. The pulling contest gave the Loggers a four-seat lead, adding up to a two second win for Puget Sound. Their winning time was 6:58, followed by PLU with 7:00.

**"The guys really raced their race. All races were very good, competitive races."**

— Doug Nelson

"I couldn't believe it," Borglum said about her reaction to the loss. "I have had the opportunity to row in three Lamberth races now, and I wanted those girls who were rowing it for the first time to know how good it felt to win it."

Head coach Doug Nelson was pleased with the high level of competition displayed by the women's boat.

"They raced very well," he said. "They raced well even until the final sprint."

The Meyer Cup was also close between the Lutes and the Loggers, but the Lutes gained control early in the race and never let go.

They pulled ahead at 1000

meters and maintained their slight lead to the finish line. The Lutes had almost passed the Loggers when they completed the race in 6:23. The Loggers finished with 6:27.

"The guys really raced their race," Nelson said. "All races were very good, competitive races."

The Lutes were successful for the other races of the day, taking first place for varsity women's lightweight four, varsity men's lightweight four, and novice men's four.

The novice women's eight also won their race, hanging onto their undefeated record for this year. The boat has been invited to compete at the Opening Day regatta,

hosted by University of Washington on May 2. Nelson states the invitation is an honor for a freshman boat.

Nelson credits the hard work of all the crew members and his two assistant coaches for the success of PLU's crew team this year. Taylor Olson and Megan Berg work with women's novice rowers, teaching them the technicals of rowing.

Two major events will crown the peak of the rowing season for PLU crew. First is the Northwest Small College Championship Cascade Sprints, held at American Lake on May 25. Then the Lutes head to Sacramento, Calif. for the Pacific Coast Rowing Championships May 16-17.



photo by Eric Dennon

Off in the distance, PLU's men's crew crosses the finish line to win the Meyer Cup in 6:23.

**"... I wanted those girls who were rowing in it for the first time to know how good it felt to win it."**

— Scyller Borglum

## Lutes defending home court, championship title

### PLU hosts men's tennis NCIC championships

BY LENA TIBBELIN  
Mast senior reporter

The real season starts today. The NCIC conference championships started this morning at the PLU tennis courts.

The Lutes are ready to defend their home court and their title, said co-captain Rob Thornton.

"It's a big deal to play in front of a home crowd," said Thornton.

The Lutes ended the season with four straight 7-0 wins over Puget Sound, Lewis & Clark, George Fox and Pacific.

The players among the top six comes with unbeaten streaks individually as well. Senior Paul Hemry leads with 13 straight victories followed by Thornton who has eight wins and sophomore Karl Sjoborg with seven wins.

The PLU defends their conference title as a team, and also defending the doubles title by senior Matt Braund

and sophomore Clayton Harris. In the singles for fourth to sixth players Sjoborg is defending champion.

"Our chances are fairly good," said coach Mike Benson. "There are a lot of good teams and a lot of good players. It's going to be a difficult battle, and we are going to have to play well."

Playing well is something that PLU has done when they finished up the regular season with a road trip to Oregon. PLU played against George Fox and Pacific on April 18 and defeated both teams 7-0.

Thornton said that the team went down and took care of business. On April 17 Lewis & Clark was defeated by the Lutes 7-0 and the day before the Loggers came to PLU only to go home without winning a match.

PLU ends the regular season with an overall record at 15-3 and in the NCIC conference play 12-0. This gives the Lutes a 57 unbeaten streak in dual matches in conference plays.

### NCIC CHAMPIONSHIPS MEN'S TENNIS April 24-26 @ Pacific Lutheran University

#### Rules:

The singles tournament are divided into two brackets. The first bracket consists of the first to third singles players. The second bracket consists of the fourth to sixth singles players.

The doubles tournament is played in full, two sets matches, instead of the conference double first to eight points.

#### Schedule:

- Friday:** Matches start at 8:00 a.m. and continue all day.
- Saturday:** Matches start at 8:30 a.m. and continue all day.
- Sunday:** Matches start at 10:00 a.m. and semi-finals doubles and finals for singles and doubles will be played.

Times are approximate. In case of rain, the alternate site is at the indoor courts at University of Puget Sound.

## Senior athletes honored at sports banquet

BY LAURA RITCHIE  
Mast reporter

Outstanding senior Lute athletes will be honored once again this year by the PLU athletic department at the annual All Sports Banquet in Olson Auditorium on May 3 at 6 p.m.

The banquet has been planned and organized with student athlete input thought the Student Athletic Advisory Committee, or SAAC.

"The coaches got together and drilled [the selections] out," said Michelle Iannitto, head of senior awards for SAAC. "[It was] a big, long meeting."

The athletes will be officially honored at the sports dessert banquet, at which time four-year varsity athletes will also be recognized.

The Stan Mueller award for outstanding athletic trainers goes to Jen Anderson and Jen Thompson.

Travis Hale and Karl Lerum receive Man of the Year awards, while Kim Corbray and Sarah Johnston are PLU's Women of the Year.

Seth Albright and John Aiken are the class of 1998's Male Senior Athletes, while Aurora Bray and Sheree Deskin are honored as the Female Senior Athletes.

The Lute Inspirational award goes to Tuan Nguyen and Shannon Robinson.

Josh Johnston and Christine Axley are the recipients of the Scholar Athlete award.

"When seniors participate in varsity athletics for four years," said Iannitto, "they get this huge blanket that's worth a lot of money."

## Tennis

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Tibbling, who playing third singles for PLU and has compiled a 13-4 overall record this season.

The conference tournament starts today and the finals will be played on Sunday.

The Lutes finished their regular conference season with a home match against Puget Sound on April 18. The Loggers won a close match 4-3, that started at PLU but due to the rain moved to Puget Sound's indoor courts.

Broderson's win in the first singles over Mari Hrebenar was a very strong performance, said Benson. Broderson won 7-6, 7-5. The Lutes only needed to win one other match to have turned the match in to PLU favor, but Rorvik and Cusack both went to three sets matches and lost. It was a very close match, said Benson.

PLU finishes the season with a NCIC record of 10-2 and a overall record of 13-6.

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American Lake



## Baseball one victory away from a winning season

BY ANDREW BENTZ  
Mast reporter

The Lutes turned their momentum around and defeated the Saint Martin Saints at PLU last Wednesday.

With this victory, the Lutes have 20 wins on the season. There are six games left in the season, and by winning every game, this year's team will break the PLU record for season's winning percentage.

Craig Willis says breaking the record is the team's big goal since they are out of the playoffs after the loss to Willamette.

Going into the top of the seventh inning, the Lutes were ahead, 3-1. The Saints rallied on Lute hurler Ryan French and scored twice, tying up the score at 3-3. PLU answered back by loading up the bases, and Tim Beaudin's fly ball brought in one runner.

Next at the plate was first baseman Kevin Wynkoop, who hit a grounder allowing two more Lutes to score. Beaudin brought in another run when he stole third and a bad throw by the Saints made it possible to head for home.

PLU lead at the end of the seventh inning, 7-3.

The Lute defense held the Saints scoreless through the top of the eighth inning.

PLU's diamond experienced another incident with the ejection of the Saints' coach. Beaudin was at bat, and the count was 3-2 when Beaudin had a check swing that the umpire called a ball. The Saints' coach disagreed. A heated discussion erupted, and after the coach yelled at the umpire several inches away from his face, the umpire ejected him from the game. He is the fourth person in two games to be ejected.

With the bases loaded, designated hitter Toby Kock was walked, bringing in a runner. The inning ended with second baseman Jay Chennault grounded out to first base. PLU's defense shut down the Saints' hopes for a comeback.

"If we play up to our potential, we can win the next six in a row," Willis said.

A three game series is next on the team's roster. They face Pacific tomorrow and Sunday.

## Playoff hopes slip through Lute fingers

Willamette swept a three-game series against PLU baseball, killing their chance for a playoff berth.

BY ANDREW BENTZ  
Mast reporter

The Lute baseball team's hope for a playoff berth are extinguished. They dropped all three games against the Northwest Conference of Independent Colleges (NCIC) leading Willamette Bearcats (15-1) this past weekend here at PLU.

During the first game, Willamette was down 2-1 after the second inning when the Bearcats went on a six run rally in the fourth inning. Ryan Hazelbaker got the rally started for Willamette with a two run double.

Nine walks between Lute

hurlers Brian Farman, Andy Justice, and Jeremy Robbins aided the Bearcats. PLU was held to four hits in nine innings and had three errors to boot. Farman got the loss for the Lutes bringing his record to 4-3.

"The biggest disappointment was our pitching, myself included," hurler Mike Olson said.

The visiting Bearcats capitalized on two PLU errors in the second game in the ninth inning to break a 5-5 tie and pull out the win. The Lutes trailed 4-0 going into the bottom of the sixth inning when senior catcher Aaron Stevens hit his eighth homerun of the season with a runner on base to cut the lead in half.

That opened up the door for PLU's three run rally in the seventh inning, topped off by a Craig Willis two run single to tie the score, 5-5.

Burke Eathorne, who led off

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# Loggers shock Lutes in softball

BY MIKE SAFFORD, JR.  
Mast reporter

Puget Sound hurler Kassia Vote stymied the big bats of Pacific Lutheran, as the Loggers swept a Northwest Conference doubleheader from the No. 24 Lutes, 7-1 and 3-0.

Vote, a sophomore from Novato, Calif., fanned nine PLU batters in the first game, as Puget Sound rallied for seven runs in the last three innings.

A pitcher's duel ensued through the first four innings, and the Loggers manufactured a run off PLU starter McKenna Dotson in the fifth. Lexi Ashcroft led off with a single, and was sacrificed to second base. After an errant pick-off attempt moved her to third, Ashcroft scored on a wild pitch, giving UPS the 1-0 lead.

Puget Sound (14-6 in NCIC, 19-17 overall) erupted for three runs in each of the last two innings, the big hit coming from Allaire Maki, as she lined a two-run double just inside the right field line in the sixth.

"(In) the last eight games we

have found our zone," said UPS head coach Robin Hamilton about their current eight-game winning streak. "The nine players on the field and the eight players on the bench are getting better everyday, and have come together as a unit."

In game two it was much of the same, as Vote used 11 strikeouts to hold Pacific Lutheran at bay. The Lutes lost, 3-0.

PLU (15-3, 25-7) was its own worst enemy, as the Lutes had a runner in scoring position every inning, but could not score. The Lutes left 12 runners on base in the game.

"They came to play, and we came not to lose," Mandy Flores said. "We just weren't ourselves, and we haven't been for quite a while."

Erin Peterson hit her seventh home run of the season for the Loggers in the nightcap, and Meghan Zyger went 2-for-4 with two doubles for the victors.

This weekend they play Lewis & Clark at home, Saturday at 2 p.m. On Sunday they face Western Oregon in a doubleheader at noon.



photo by Kathi Munro

The Lutes huddle in between innings against Puget Sound last Saturday. From left to right are infielders Michelle Iannitto, Salena Goudreault, Mandy Flores (8), Tharen Michael, Sadie Woolsey, and Sarah Johnston.

# Softball pulls three wins, one loss out of weekend

PLU and Linfield split messy doubleheader

Rasmussen ties record, Lutes sweep Willamette

BY MIKE SAFFORD, JR.  
Mast reporter

Tharen Michael hit a two-out, three-run home run in the bottom of the fifth inning, as Pacific Lutheran salvaged the second game of a NCIC softball doubleheader with Linfield College, 7-6.

The Lutes (13-1 NCIC, 23-5 overall) were trailing 6-3 going into fifth, but plated four runs off Linfield starter Kacey Brice in the inning. The game was halted in the bottom of the sixth inning, due to darkness.

Capitalizing on timely hitting, the Wildcats jumped to a 4-0 lead, before Michelle Iannitto launched a three-run home run, her fourth of the season, in the fourth inning.

The Wildcats added two unearned runs in the fifth before Michael's dramatics in the twilight.

"It was unbelievable," said PLU head coach Rick Noren. "To come back from the rain delay, the cold, and the adversity and to pull out this win, it was great."

Linfield (7-4-1, 13-18-1) won the first game of the twin bill 10-4, scoring 10 unanswered runs after No. 20 ranked PLU jumped out to a 4-0 second inning lead.

Nikki Craig belted a grand slam home run off PLU reliever Sadie Woolsey in the Wildcats six-run fifth, and Jaime Jones added a three-run shot in

the sixth to lead the Wildcats to victory. The first game was delayed by rain for almost two hours in the bottom of the seventh inning, before play resumed.

Karissa Way fanned seven Lutes in picking up the complete game victory.

"We hit the ball well today," said Wildcats coach Laura Kenow. "I am proud of the way we played; I wish we could have pulled the second game."

**"It was unbelievable. To come back from the rain delay, the cold, and the adversity and to pull out this win, it was great."**

— Rick Noren

BY MIKE SAFFORD, JR.  
Mast reporter

Carli Rasmussen tied the Pacific Lutheran single-season RBI record as the Lutes swept an NCIC softball doubleheader from Willamette University, 14-1 and 9-0.

Rasmussen, a junior outfielder from Edmonds, hit a pair of three-run home runs in the Lutes (15-1 NCIC, 25-5 overall) opening win. The six RBI balloons her total to 50 RBI for the season, tying the mark set by former NAIA All-American Jenny Kindle in 1996.

Michelle Iannitto opened the floodgates for PLU in the first game with a bases-clearing double in the first inning.

A three-run second, and a six-run third inning were all that was needed for freshman Sadie Woolsey, who re-

tired the last seven batters she faced.

Kristen Gurske and Noelle Farrand were a combined 5-for-5 with six runs scored and two RBI for the Lutes in the opener.

"We went into the game feeling confident," Gurske said. "Everybody had a really good day that day."

The nightcap saw much of the same, as Gurske handcuffed the Bearcats (1-17, 2-30) in throwing the complete game, a two-hit shutout.

Senior catcher Sarah Johnson went 3-for-3 with three RBI as PLU pounded out 11 hits off Willamette pitching.

The most crucial game for the Lutes will come against Pacific. They have one more loss on their record than the Lutes. If PLU beats Pacific, they nab a spot in the regional playoffs. If they lose, the playoff spot is determined by games against other teams. The game has been canceled due to rain, and will be rescheduled.

**"We went into the game feeling confident. Everybody had a good day that day."**

— Kristen Gurske

## Baseball

the game with a homerun, singled to open the ninth inning. With one out, Nik Lubisich hit a single, but PLU third baseman Nate Cano's throw to first was off the mark, allowing the score.

The Lutes offense came from Cano who was 3-for-5 from the plate with two runs scored and a run batted in (RBI). Teammate Stevens was 2-for-3 with a two run homerun, and Willis was 2-for-4 with two RBIs.

"The second ballgame was exciting from a fans' perspective and our perspective. They just scored three runs in the top of the ninth inning to put us away," Marshall said.

Willamette, who scored all ten of their runs in the first four innings, slammed the third game

of the series home. Senior Matt Kosderka hit a three-run homerun in the second inning that put the Bearcats up, 5-1.

Kosderka on the defensive side of the game got the win for Willamette by holding the Lutes to four hits and striking out seven along the way.

PLU's defense held the Bearcats scoreless through the last five innings but their offense couldn't catch up.

The lone bright spot for the Lutes was Justice, who came into the game in the fourth inning and allowed no runs and three strikeouts.

Outfielder Tim Beaudin went 2-for-3 from the plate with a run scored.

"Overall I don't think we

played to our capabilities," Cano said.

There was an incident in the third game against Willamette. The starting pitcher Olson, third baseman Cano and coach Marshall were all ejected in the fourth inning.

"I hit a couple of guys in the early innings and the umpire came out and warned me. I told him straight up that I didn't hit the guy on purpose. The next inning I hit a guy with an 0-2 curveball and he still threw me out of the game," Olson said.

Cano became upset when the umpire threw out the Lutes starting pitcher.

"I just lost it when Mike (Olson) got tossed," Cano said, "I got tossed for arguing the call

the umpire made."

According to major league Rules, if the starting pitcher is ejected then the manager/coach is also ejected.

"I don't why I was ejected, I haven't talked to the umpire that ejected me," Marshall said. "I'm assuming the reason that I was ejected from the game was because normally in the major leagues if a pitcher is throwing at a hitter and it is obvious that takes place the manager gets thrown out as well because he is in charge and he is responsible for everything."

The Lutes have seven games left on their schedule, including the teams' final road trip of the season this coming weekend when they travel to Forest Grove,

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Ore., for a three game series against Pacific.

PLU's final games are May 1-2. They'll host Lewis & Clark College in a three game series.

PLU has 19 wins on the season. The 1994 team set the record of 26 wins. Only three Lute teams since 1949 have won 20 or more games in a season.

With two more wins, the Lutes will assure themselves an overall-winning season. They'll also tie the record for most wins in a season, 26, and break the record for winningest season.

"That's a big incentive for us," designated hitter Toby Kocks said. "We're excited about that."

"We'll win our next seven games. I guarantee that," Cano said.



## Indiana University explores ways to curb grade inflation

BY CHAD BROOKS  
College Press Service

Indiana University thinks it has found a way to fight grade inflation — considered by many to be one of the biggest problems plaguing higher education.

Giving students better grades than they deserve might enhance their resumes in the short run, but will devalue them in the long one, many experts say.

After all, what good are good grades if everyone gets them? And if everyone gets good grades, what does that say about a university?

"I am a great example of why the system is failing," said Scott Hayman, a senior at Indiana. "I get great grades and barely do anything for them."

It's clear that grade-point av-

erages are on the rise around the nation. At the University of California at Berkeley, the average undergraduate GPA rose from 2.91 in 1986 to 3.08 in 1996.

In 1986, 47 percent of students had a C average. A decade later, only 35 percent fell in that range.

At Duke University, the average GPA rose from 3.0 to 3.3 between 1986 and 1994. And in 1992, more than half of undergraduate students at Stanford University were getting grades of at least an Aminus.

Officials at Indiana University had similar scores to report. Between 1976 and 1996, the school found that its average student GPA rose from 2.83 to 2.96.

To ensure that a C remains average, and that average students get what they truly deserve, Indiana officials approved the Expanded Grade Context Tran-

script.

Implemented in March, school officials say it is the first grade reporting system of its kind to be adopted by any university in the nation.

"What we are trying to achieve by this is a way to put each grade in a context so it can be appreciated and its value can be shown," said Richard Carr, co-chair of IU's educational policies committee.

The new system of reporting offers much more than the traditional information: department, course title, credit hours and grade. It also includes the instructor's name, the average GPA of students enrolled in a particular class and the overall GPA of students enrolled in a particular section. The report also shows students how many of their classmates scored higher, lower or the same as they did.

Carr concedes that many of Indiana's faculty members don't like the new system.

"I must admit that when brought before the faculty, it did not pass unanimously," he said. "There are many faculty members who want the right to give whatever grade they see fit."

Despite instructors' complaints, many students have embraced the more detailed reports.

"They really let you know how you did in comparison with the other people in your class," said Senior Jason Rosenthal.

Even with the new system, Carr said he believes there is no way to completely stop grade inflation. Many experts agree.

Louis Goldman, author of "The Betrayal of the Gatekeeper: Grade Inflation," wrote that the trouble started in the 1960s, when professors gave students higher

grades to help them avoid the draft. Today, however, he cites several factors contributing to the current problem.

Among them is one Carr said he has observed at Indiana University: Teachers fear for their job security.

"The younger faculty is concerned, and they do tend to grade higher," he said. "Students want to be challenged, but they aren't going to go into a class knowing that the highest grade they can get is a C."

If given some time to work, the new system will wind up helping everyone in the long run, Carr said.

"Is the average student being put in a bad position by this," he asked. "Maybe. But we have to think of the people we're most proud of. This group will benefit the most."

## Faster, more reliable internet on the way

BY CHRISTINE TATUM  
College Press Service

Three high-tech communications companies and 122 universities are teaming up to produce a faster and more reliable Internet.

The revolutionary network—so fast it will download all 30 volumes of the Encyclopedia Britannica in one second—will forge new ways of using computers, from long-distance learning to allowing a doctor in another city to view live images of a beating heart.

Vice President Al Gore announced the partnership and a \$50 million investment in Internet-related projects by the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency, the Defense Department's research organization.

The companies—Cisco Systems, Nortel and Quest Commu-

nications International—have pledged equipment valued at more than \$500 million to help a consortium of universities develop the new fiber-optic network.

Their donation, in turn, will allow them to work with top researchers in the field of computer technology.

The consortium, also known as Internet 2, plans to have the network working by the end of the year and fully functioning by the end of 1999.

The new project, nicknamed Abilene for the frontier-era railroad terminus in Texas, aims to transmit information 100 to 1,000 times faster than today's Internet is capable of achieving.

Computer experts say the faster transmission speeds are needed to take advantage of multimedia and advanced research techniques that could help computer users conduct a vari-

ety of tasks—including more accurate weather forecasting and the remote use of electron microscopes.

The new network also promises to cut down on the number of traffic jams slowing down the Information Highway, administration officials said.

Unlike the current system, which sends all information at the same priority, the new Internet would route information based on its level of importance.

President Clinton referred to the new network during his 1997 State of the Union address, promising federal support for a "second generation of the Internet so that our leading universities and national laboratories can communicate in speeds 1,000 times faster than today."

The Clinton Administration's latest budget proposal sets aside \$110 million for Internet development in fiscal 1999.

## New Texas education law benefits Asian Americans

College press service

Figures released by the University of Texas indicate that Asian Americans are benefiting the most from a new state law designed to help more blacks and Hispanics get into top-notch state colleges.

The law, put into effect last year, guarantees college admission to Texas high school students who graduate in the top 10 percent of their class.

It was supposed to curb the effects of an earlier court ruling, which struck down affirmative action policies at colleges and universities statewide.

But the new data show that just one more black student in the top 10 percent is getting a chance to attend UT this fall, compared to 1996. Before the court ruling took effect.

Admissions for white and Hispanic students jumped 7 percent for each group.

But Asian Americans were the big winners.

Their offers increased 16 percent, even though they had not experienced declining enrollments under the court ruling.

University officials said they hope parents will give the "top 10 percent law" time to work.

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## Provost

To be sure, one of those problems may be that color is indeed in our consciousness, and that ideally we should be color-blind. It does not follow, however, that in a society that has disadvantaged people by color, we should ignore that category of problems. For one thing, many people of color appeal to us not to be afraid to notice and understand their situation, something that can hardly be done if we *always* merge that focus into a wider concern for diversity generally.

So the issue did not need to be broadened, certainly not for the April 7 forum.

Still, how should we talk about it?

"Diversity" will not do, for there are other "diverse groups" than those referred to as "of color" (African-Americans, Asian-Americans and Pacific Islanders, Latino/Latina-Americans, and Native Americans). To be sure, terminology here often shifts. For a considerable time in the 1970s and 1980s, the terms "minority" or "ra-

cial minority" were commonly used.

That raised legitimate objections, especially in the eyes of people of color themselves: "minority" is not always statistically correct (in southern California, e.g.), and in any case it may carry a negative connotation of "small" or "oddball out."

"Under-represented" persons may be better in many contexts but again, like "diversity," takes in much more than the issues of people of color.

Most important, I believe we should take our primary cue from those we are talking about. How do they want us to talk about them?

They vary, too, no doubt, but I note that many prominent African-Americans, for example, do not shy away from the reference "color" for a moment; witness the titles of books by eminent black Americans (Michael Eric Dyson's "... Navigating the Color Line"), and the use of "... of color" by some students on the panel on April 7.

Indeed, "people of color" may have its own dangers, but they appear to be less—or certainly no greater—than any other sufficiently determinate term.

You raise another matter: genetics. Indeed, genetically and scientifically the concept of "race" has been discredited, and thereby the notion of different "races" marked by color. Does that mean that we should abandon the term "race" in all of our discussion? Hardly.

Race is still a social reality, and to understand it as such we probably have to talk about it, not something else. (Again witness the title of an eminent African-American author's book, Cornel West's "Race Matters").

To talk about "faculty of color," the valuable contribution they make here, and the need to increase their numbers is hardly something we can avoid. Nor should we.

In any case, I appreciate the opportunity to continue this discussion that your editorial has spurred.

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## Debate

matter, left to itself, tends toward disorder and disintegration.

In another example Gish pointed out that evolution is only believable because it theorizes that major changes take place over long periods of time.

Therefore, we would predict that when life makes a major transition from one kind ("species") to another, and takes millions of years to do it, there should be plenty of evidence of the transition.

If we have millions of fossils of one kind of life, and millions of fossils of another kind of life which is supposed to have developed from the first, then we should have millions of fossils of the transitional forms of life. In fact, what we find, according to Gish, is that there is no evidence of any transitional forms of life at all.

A third example of Gish's also relates to the theory that major changes take place in small increments over long periods of time.

Therefore, we would predict that there are no organs or processes which are both highly complex and useless except in its final form.

An organ or process which is highly complex and useless except in its final form would have to develop all at once, in all its complexity. But Gish pointed out the existence of such a process: metamorphosis. In particular, he described the process of becoming a butterfly.

I have also heard the eyeball used as an example of an organ that cannot be explained by incremental evolution (and non-incremental evolution is essentially the equivalent of a form of creationism). There are many other examples.

It is clear that Gish was following the scientific method. The PLU professors, however, made no such effort, but preferred to hide behind taxonomy and trees (proving only that their theory is elaborate).

Admittedly, Gish had the easier task. Evolution as-

sumes that matter itself creates all that is. One merely has to look at matter to see that this is not so, and evolutionists are constantly forced to defend against the weaknesses of matter.

But the only alternative to natural creation is supernatural creation. Of course, there is no way to look at matter to prove or disprove supernatural creation. Matter can only prove or disprove natural creation. So evolution must necessarily always be on the defensive.

What was distressing is that the PLU professors offered no significant defense for evolution, and yet they emphasized their faith in it.

Their presentations were meant to impress naive sophomores, but not an intelligent adult. They should take Gish's arguments seriously, and either defeat them or admit honestly that their position on evolution is a faith—i.e., a religious belief which by faith rejects the supernatural (that is, God).



## Senate

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"They've come a long way; they've done a lot of forums," Birnel said. "Each senator group has been in charge of a forum this semester, so they've put on a lot of forums."

Attendance at these forums has been high. Two or three forums at the Cave drew over 30 students, said Bebe-Pelphrey.

"If there's that many people who've shown up, then obviously [the issues are] a concern, which means that the senators are getting their jobs done," Baldwin said.

Senatorial campaigns will continue through April 29. Elections will be on April 30 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Polling stations will be set up in the University Center, Administration, and Rieke.

## Students like school better? Lutes rate PLU higher than before

By DMITRY WHITE  
Mast reporter

In a survey administered last October, students rated PLU higher in most areas than in past years.

PLU showed improvement in all but two composite categories in the recent survey.

There was a comparative increase in 10 composite categories.

In the areas where the survey results didn't improve, PLU maintained a comparative rating in one area, and dropped in another.

The survey was administered in 1997 to 866 PLU students, comprising approximately 25 percent of PLU's enrollment.

PLU received comparatively high ratings on a statistically significant level in seven composite categories.

These categories were Instruc-

tional Effectiveness, Concern for the Individual, Student Centeredness, Campus Life, Campus Climate, Service Excellence, and Campus Support Services.

The university's comparative scores were significantly below the survey's national mean in three composite categories.

These categories were Recruitment and Financial Aid, Academic Advising, and Safety and Security.

PLU's raw scores increased in all composite categories with the exception of Recruitment and Financial Aid.

The survey's organizing body, USA Group Noel-Levitz, administered this survey to 117,438 students at 253 other four-year private institutions.

Items on the survey ranged from questions about faculty and academics to intellectual growth and student life.



Photo by Eric Dannon

## Planting with purpose

PLU's first community garden broke ground to coincide with this week's Earth Week. The Women's Center, located near Olson, is host to the 8 x 20 plot. Organizers hope that the garden will become a success through the support of the community. Above, Director of the Women's Center Judy Mladineo gets down and dirty, with the help of Senior Michelle Sayler and Junior Kristin Tremoulet.

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