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More than playing house Senator-sized shoes just perfect for '95 PLU grad

By Jamie Anderson
Special to the Mast

"Where is Senator Goings's office, please?"

The security guard in the John A. Cherberg Building at the center of Olympia's legislative campus squints his eyes and digs through some paper. "Senator who?" he asks.

Moments later a smile breaks over his face.

"Oh yes, the new, baby senator," he laughs from his marble booth.

That was just days before the 1996 legislative session began.

Now that the first month of the 60-day session is complete, it would be difficult for anyone not to recognize Senator Calvin Goings.

The Puyallup Democrat is the youngest state senator in Washington's history, possibly in U.S. history. In fact,

just last spring, before "Senator" preceded his name, Goings, then 21, was bustling to and fro on the PLU campus, finishing his political science major and history minor.

The former Lute has been herding his way through flocks of reporters and flashbulbs since his first day in office.

It's not just his age that has him under the media's microscope. The freshman senator has sponsored legislation to ban organ transplants for death row inmates, to add burglary to the list of

offenses considered a "strike" under the state's three strikes-you're-out law and to add a two-

strikes-you're-out bill for sexual predators.

From the quiet of his bare fourth-floor office, Goings explained how a 22-year-old PLU grad found his way to the Senate floor.

Goings' interest in politics and public service began at an early age, roused by dinner table conversations at his home in the Puyallup Valley. "If there's something I'm interested in," he said, "I go for it with gusto." With gusto, Goings was doorbelling through neighborhoods, campaigning for a position as commissioner of Pierce County Fire District No. 9 while his classmates from Franklin Pierce High School were on their senior trip to Mexico.

Goings was elected fire commissioner in 1991. The position tops an exhausting list of associations, councils, committees and advisory boards in which he has been active. Add to that list Goings's job as assistant manager/personnel supervisor of the South Hill branch of Key Bank, and being president of the district Democratic office of Puyallup, and it's no wonder Goings didn't always make it to his classes at PLU.

On a Sunday last November, Goings read in a News Tribune article

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photo courtesy of Calvin Goings

PLU graduate Calvin Goings has come a long way since PLU.



photo by Heather Anderson

Just too small

One young player to be wandered on to the court to see if he could still make the team, but the consensus was obvious, he'd have to wait a few more years before playing with the big boys.

Interim costly; J-term just right

By Hillary Hunt
Mast senior reporter

January. A month of intensive study, intensive relaxing or perhaps intensive work to raise those all-important dollars for financing an education.

Two years after replacing the elective-oriented "Interim" with the more GUR-oriented "J-term", PLU's financial officers are warning that January courses are losing money for the school.

They say they realize, however, that the popularity of January classes makes J-term more than an academic issue.

"Interim" fell to the budget axe in the spring of 1994, giving way to "J-term" which the University hoped would save precious dollars while providing students with benefits of the one month term.

Interim classes — two of which were required to graduate — were outside the mainstream major, minor and GUR requirements. Professors were encouraged to invent new and innovative courses such as "The Films of Ingmar Bergman," "Toxic Substances and Our Environment" and "Evidence and

Explanation: The JFK Assassination."

Judy Carr, Dean of Special Academic Programs, said, "(Interim) provided more breadth to a student's liberal arts education here."

The J-term format focuses on more GURs and other course requirements, although there is still a selection of "invented" courses, such as history professor Chris Browning's Holocaust class.

Interim's demise began in 1993 when a constitutionally created supercommittee was called into being by President Anderson as a part of "Project Focus, Phase I." According to William Frame, vice president of Finance and Operations, the committee was charged with locating ways for the University to save \$2 million.

Included in its suggestions was a recommendation PLU not allocate further funds to the rehabilitation of East Campus.

This resulted in a need to bring classes back to the main campus, Frame said. To make

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Anderson testifies in ACLU legal battle

By Heidi Stout
Mast assistant news editor

Financial aid for nearly 60 PLU students may be in jeopardy due to a pending American Civil Liberties Union lawsuit.

State aid in the form of Educational Opportunity Grants is currently under scrutiny. The ACLU suit aims to prevent this state aid from being used by students at private, religiously affiliated schools.

The ACLU claims that this blurs the line between church and state by contradicting two 1973 state supreme court rulings.

One case does not allow state funds to be applied toward private, K-12 schools. The second case does not allow the state to fund private universities directly.

President Loren Anderson said the ACLU case is without merit. He explains that students may choose to use their scholarships for either public or private education.

"The key thing from our point of view is that (these grants) help the students," Anderson said. "They go to students, they don't go to institutions, and the students in turn bring them to the institution."

Furthermore, said Financial Aid director Kay Soltis, once students are selected to receive an EOG, they must agree not to pursue religious

studies.

Soltis and Anderson said this stipulation has not conflicted with the requirement for two religion classes.

"I think you'll find most private schools require some sort of religious tie," Soltis said. "If you look at our religious classes, they're not tied to only Christianity, they are very open. It's closer to sociology."

Anderson and PLU legal advisors have joined nine other private Washington colleges and universities named in the suit to battle the case. It was filed, and therefore will be tried, in Thurston county.

The PLU administration's points out that the scholarships are no different than the G.I. Bill, which was used to help veterans become educated following World War II, at private schools like PLU.

"We feel it is appropriate to allocate public funds that can help needy students go to private or public colleges and universities. And we think there's no violation of constitutional restrictions regarding church and state," Anderson said.

The EOG is a grant of up to \$2,500 given to students who meet two qualifications. The first, said Kay Soltis, director of Financial

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BRIEFLY

KCCR ready to rock and roll

After taking a January hiatus, 94.5 KCCR has gathered its disc jockeys once again and they will be up and running this afternoon.

KCCR has much in store for the coming semester including the ever popular specialty shows and introducing fully produced news programs.

If you want to hook up and listen, but don't know how, or if you want to be a part of the on air team, call x8860.

To make a request for your favorite music or to win prizes, call x4221.

KCNS6 brings the News back

KCNS6 has brought back live news back to campus. (see page 3)

To find out about campus, community, and national newsmaking events, KCNS6's live news is on Wednesdays at 10 p.m.

Questions? Call x8649.

CAMPUS

SIDEWALK TALK

Question:

Did you feel that your J-Term class was worthwhile?



"I really liked it. It was a good way to catch up on credits and raise my GPA. It let me focus on one subject."

Kevin Christopherson
junior



"I needed my class for my major. Since I took it in J-Term, it fit in my schedule. It wouldn't have during a regular semester."

Katherine Dibblee
senior



"I thought it was worthwhile. They were credits that I needed to graduate, and since I took first aid, I learned skills that I can use in the future."

Steve Cook
senior



"Yes it was. I took golf and the instructor made it fun and used the time wisely."

Liz Russell
sophomore

FOOD SERVICE

Saturday, Feb. 10

Breakfast:
Waffles
Fried Eggs
Pastries

Lunch:
Chicken Sandwich
Bean Burger
Vegetables and Rice

Dinner:
Beef Stroganoff
Noodles
Carrot Cake

Sunday, Feb. 11

Brunch:
Cheese Omelet
Pancakes
Sausage

Dinner:
Roast Turkey
Mashed Potatoes
Vegetables and Rice

Monday, Feb. 12

Breakfast:
French Toast
Oatmeal
Bacon

Lunch:
Grilled Cheese
Beef Ravioli
Onion Rings

Dinner:
French Dips
Fries
Vegetables and Rice

Tuesday, Feb. 13

Breakfast:
Scrambled Eggs
Waffles
Pastries

Lunch:
Hamburgers
Vegetables & Rice
Cheeseburgers

Dinner:
BBQ Pork
Breaded Shrimp
Calrose Rice

Wednesday, Feb. 14

Breakfast:
Muffin Sandwich
Malt O Meal
101 Bars

Lunch:
Chicken Strips
Vegetables and Rice
Roman Rice

Dinner:
Lasagna
Vegetables and Rice
Cheesecake

Thursday, Feb. 15

Breakfast:
Cheese Omelet
Pancakes
Pastry

Lunch:
Burritos
Spanish Rice
Vegetables & Rice

Dinner:
Pizza
Breadsticks
Vegetables & Rice

Friday, Feb. 16

Breakfast:
Oatmeal
Scrambled Eggs
Waffles

Lunch:
Corndogs
Calico Skillet
Chips
Vegetables & Rice

Dinner:
Fried Fish
Teriyaki Steak
Vegetables & Rice
Fortune Cookies

SAFETY BEAT

CAMPUS

The campus portion of Safety Beat is missing from this week's Mast. During a seminar held earlier in the week for those who deal with student records, questions were raised as to whether a student's right to privacy is violated by the release of Campus Safety information released to the Mast. We believe that the problems have been resolved and that Safety Beat will be published again next week.

— Lindsay Tomac, editor

PARKLAND

Friday, Jan. 26

•A Pierce County sheriff's deputy parked in a dead-end stretch of Sales Road watched a car drive into the dead-end. When the driver of the suspect vehicle noticed the patrol car, he abruptly turned around. While making his way out, the suspect repeatedly flashed his brights at an approaching car, which subsequently turned away. The officer proceeded to follow the suspect vehicle and pulled the driver over for turning into the wrong lane of traffic on Pacific Avenue. The deputy learned the driver did not have a valid driver's license and that he was in possession of illegal narcotics. The driver was arrested and his car was impounded.

Saturday, Jan. 27

•The Pierce County Sheriff's Office was called to The Market Place grocery on Pacific Avenue to aid in a shoplifting case. A security guard had witnessed a suspect enter the health and beauty aisle and place a box of Ex-Lax in his pants. The suspect then made his way out of the store

without paying. Outside the store, the guard stopped the suspect and waited for the police. The suspect admitted to stealing the Ex-Lax, saying he was "short on funds." He was cited for third-degree theft, the Ex-Lax was returned and the suspect was released.

•The Pierce County Sheriff's Office was called to a fight at an apartment complex on 108th Street South in Parkland. According to the 911 dispatcher, two men began fighting, and the apartment manager was thrown down the stairs when he tried to break them up. The police officer arrived as the Central Pierce Fire Department was tending to the manager. The officer proceeded upstairs and found two men in an apartment. They denied fighting and said the manager had pushed his way into the apartment, whereupon they pushed him out and locked the door. The men said they did not intend to hurt the manager and did not hear him fall, but when they opened the door again, they saw him lying at the bottom. The manager was unable to answer any questions. No arrests were made.

CAMPUS

NEWS BY YOU

KCNS6 revives news; invites participants

By Alicia Manley
Mast news editor

The aura around KCNS6 Wednesday night was anything but calm.

The air was buzzing with murmurs as people kept voices low so that cues could be heard.

More than 10 crew members and almost as many observers crowded the television studio

or peeked over shoulders from the hallway as the members of KCNS6 student television began the broadcast of their first regular live taping since last May.

"It was controlled pandemonium," said KCNS6 general manager Kevin Marousek. "Not everyone knew what they were doing, but we made the best of it."

For freshman Maureen Francisco, this was a first time experience. "I didn't really know what to expect," Francisco said. "I was so scared that I would press the wrong number or hit a different camera when someone was speaking."

But Francisco managed to avoid major catastrophes for the night, and except for a few minor mishaps such as a momentary blank screen, the evening went smoothly.

"We didn't have to start over, even though we were on tape," Marousek said. "That never happens."

Francisco attributed a big part of the smooth running process to Marousek,

simple words.

"Deal with it."

The team at KCNS6 did deal with it, and with success.

Francisco, even though nervous, said it was amazing to watch everything fall together.

"My favorite part was watching everything be live, how everything works together," she said. "You can't do it by yourself, you have to be a team."

KCNS6 news director Graham Johnson, one of the team's veteran members, was very impressed with the team's first effort at a live news broadcast.

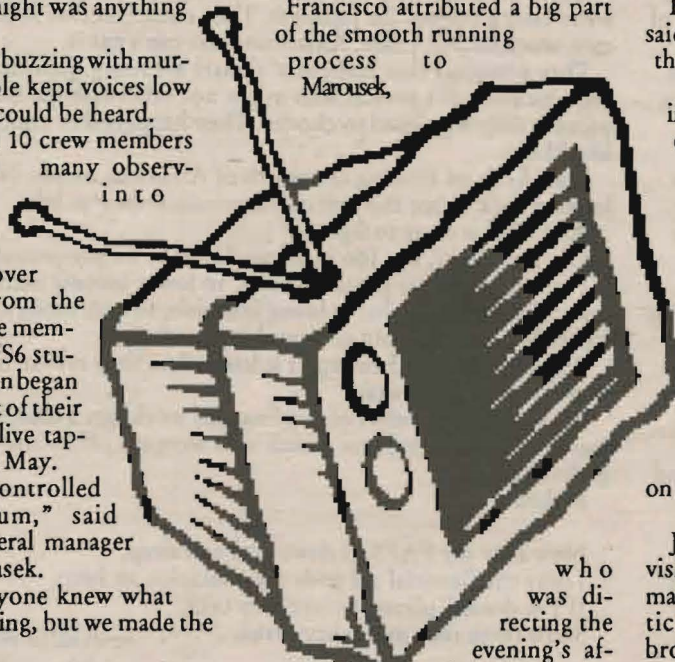
"It went very smoothly, especially for a newscast," he said.

"The reporting team was very on the ball."

Johnson said that student television is a very difficult thing to make look professional and he anticipates comparing this first broadcast to the work they will produce in May.

"It's fun," Johnson said. "You're live, you're prepared for it, but there's a definite sort of excitement about live television, whether you're in front of the camera, pushing the buttons, or what."

The crew of KCNS6 invites anyone and everyone who is interested in broadcasting, not necessarily as a major or profession, to give student television a try.



Not as hard as it looks

Dials, buttons, knobs, gadgets, screens, microphones, lights, camera, action.

This is the sight many people see when passing by the open door of the KCNS6 news room in the University Center Mezzanine.

Constant action. Many people find it intimidating.

"A lot of people think that working for the television station is really difficult, overwhelming," said Graham Johnson, KCNS6 news director.

But while people believe it to be overwhelming, Johnson said that most people, once they break down their barriers, realize they can do it.

Johnson and general manager Kevin Marousek encourage all students interested in learning about working in television to call or stop by and talk to someone.

"Just show up and they'll put you to work," plugged professor Joanne Lisosky of the Communication and Theater department to her students.

KCNS6 News meets Fridays at 10:30 a.m. KCNS6 personnel can be reached at x8705 or email KCNS6@plu.edu.

KCNS CHANNEL

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PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Monday

10 p.m. - News

Tuesday

8:30 p.m. - Word

9 p.m. - It's

Wednesday

10 p.m. - News

10:30 p.m. - Word

Thursday

8 p.m. - Word

8:30 p.m. - It's

Friday

8 p.m. -

The Week That Was

A commuter's life is full of bustle and bustle

Commuter awareness week hopes to add a little spice

By Linda Rowell
Mast intern

Commuter student: any student who is currently living off campus and drives, rides a bicycle or just plain walks to PLU, regardless of the distance.

PLU currently has an enrollment of more than 2,000 such people, and they have more than their definition in common. They also suffer from lack of time.

So PLU sponsored a Commuter Awareness Week, which ended today, to recognize these students and their typically rushed lifestyle.

A variety of activities, many de-

signed with students' limited free time in mind, were offered. However, participation was limited, a fact for which some commuters give an obvious explanation.

"(The activities) looked fun, but I just didn't have the time," said Karrie Cordova, a communication major. She drives for an hour and 15 minutes from Silverdale every day.

"I tried to get involved as much as time and classes permitted," said Lance Coyer of Bremerton, a mathematics major who makes the one hour commute every day.

Commuter Awareness week began Monday at 5 p.m. with a "Meal

Deal." Bistro pizza and espresso drinks were sold at a comparatively low cost to commuter students.

Students who came to school Tuesday and Thursday mornings between 7:30 and 9:30 a.m. with eyelids drooping and stomachs growling were greeted by warm smiles, free coffee and doughnuts in the Administration and Reike lots.

Workshops on Wednesday addressed personal safety, time management, moving off campus, car maintenance and eating on campus.

Backpack weigh-ins, for those commuters who were brave enough,

were held throughout the week and allowed students to find out how sickeningly heavy their backpacks really were.

Commuters who are still awake tonight and have a spare minute or two can participate in a Games Room Tournament. There will be free pool and pingpong at 5 p.m.

"Commuter Students of the Month" parking spaces are being implemented by the University Center and Campus Safety.

Two students who have a GPA of at least 3.0 and who commute full time will be selected at random for a month of exclusive parking. They will be notified by phone

prior to the beginning of each month.

This program will be implemented as soon as the ground dries and signs can be posted marking reserved parking spaces.

Prize winners for Commuter Awareness week will be notified by phone.

Prizes were donated by Magic Touch Limousine Service, AAA, The PLU Bookstore, PLU Northwest, Jiffy Lube and Mr. Muffler.

For upcoming commuter activities during March and April, contact Lisa Upchurch at 535-7487.

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- * Egg Rolls
- * Homemade Desserts
- * Szechwan Beef
- * Moo Goo Gal Pan
- * Chicken or Pork Chow Mein
- * BBQ Ribs
- * Pepper Steak * Plus More!

OPINION

EDITORIAL

Financial aid gods turn a deaf ear to students

Oh financial aid gods, please grant me the serenity to survive yet another year of financial aid cuts. Grant me the knowledge to convince you that my needs are valid, and you the wisdom to know the difference.

Each year at this time, frustration skyrockets as students fill out their FAFSA forms in hopes of being able to afford another year of education.

And as if the sometimes wrathful judgments of the financial aid gods aren't enough to beat down the spirits of struggling students, other demons never fail to ruin what little joy remains.

This year's demon is the American Civil Liberties Union.

The ACLU is currently suing the state of Washington over the Educational Opportunity Grant, because they believe when state grants are used to fund students' educations at private colleges, it violates the Washington constitution (see related story on front page.)

The ACLU claims to fight for justice. It fights to protect the Bill of Rights and freedom of speech. It also fought for freedom of choice; for example, it supports the right to abortion.

Now it wants to take away government education grants from the "neediest of the needy" if those students choose to attend private schools with religious affiliation — such as PLU.

This is the ACLU's way of fighting for separation of church and state.

But what about freedom? The ACLU supports freedom, even fanatically at times.

The ACLU supports the neo-Nazis' right to march and parade where they want, but what about the average citizen's right to be educated where they want?

Where is the common sense?

The ACLU is concerned about the buck, and forgets about the people.

Slashing, cutting, hacking. Heck, I feel like I'm in the middle of a full-blown auction. And what are we auctioning off? Why the American mind, of course. Everything has its price.

Sad.

Governmental and political demons hide behind complaints that we're falling behind the Japanese. They complain that kids don't care, teachers don't care. Americans just can't cut it.

They complain that taxpayers' dollars are being spent to enhance the education of a person who might not otherwise get the chance, because they happened to choose. They happened to choose a place like PLU.

They keep on slashing the worth of American minds. Never looking back to see the trail of decapitation they've left.

And what is done to fight it?

Oh, people try, but too many are lured by empty promises.

Promises to lower property taxes, to lower income taxes, to lower the national debt, to lower inflation, to save money. Promises to lower everything and anything it takes.

People fall for it, then regret it later when they realize they have been blindsided yet again.

By the time the rulers of the financial world get a clue, it will be too late for many brilliant minds who were cut off by the financial guillotine.

Pathetic.

Now I lay my FAFSAs down so I can sleep, I pray the financial aid gods my education to keep.

If I'm denied, please, before they take, Show them they mess they make.

—Alicia Manley
News Editor

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Corrections

Usually, we fill this space with corrections, but as it is the first issue of the semester there are no corrections this week.

However, if you think the Mast made a mistake, published inaccurate information or misspelled a name, please let us know at 535-7494.

A little look can bring a lot of information

It was a Sunday afternoon. The sky was slightly overcast and a light mist covered the windshield.

My husband Chip was at the wheel. He was eyeing the traffic. We were traveling north on I-5 to Auburn.

We had just passed the Tacoma Dome when we saw it.

It was a white pick-up truck. I don't remember the make. All I remember is staring intently as I tried to comprehend what I was seeing. What had caught my attention was the homemade paint job on the tailgate, sides and canopy of the truck.

The scene, depicted in thick paint, was a white pick-up truck. In the background were some trees, some clouds and Mt. Rainier.

Just behind the truck, the artist had brushed in a brick rambler and some tastefully placed shrubs. Next to the truck was a man (quite similar in appearance to the driver of the truck). He was smiling. The sky continued up onto the canopy.

I glanced around at the drivers and passengers in the other cars on the highway. No one seemed to notice the truck. Had they glanced over, they, too, would have gotten an intimate look into the driver's life, and where he and his truck lived.

I can only assume the man painted the truck himself. I thought it was a fascinating slice of Americana; that someone would paint a picture of a truck on that truck.

The moral of the story is that you never know what you'll see if you just start looking.

I noticed that truck because I make it a point to know what is going on around me. I'll admit that I often find out more than I would like to by doing this, but I like to be in the know.

As a PLU commuter student, it is easy to feel uninformed. Like you are out of the proverbial loop. Fortunately, there are many ways to get information here.

Obviously, the Mast publishes pertinent information; that is why you are reading it now.

Be sure to read the Out and About section for current goings-on.

Another good source is Campus Voice (that big yellow piece of paper published every Monday). Not only does it have the scoop on upcoming events, it has a classifieds section where you can place an ad or get a good deal on a used car.

How about taking a minute to read the TV monitors around campus? The Daily Flyer is another good place to get the details on what is going on. Reading posters and calling the Information Desk are other ways to get informed.

Last but not least, pick up the phone. Call the Music Office to find out about upcoming concerts. Same with the Physical Education Office for sports. For student sponsored events, call the ASPLU office. Everyone does their best to publicize activities and we have to make an effort to take advantage of available information.

For example, I hope you commuters read the flyer that was sent to your home address regarding Commuter Awareness Week.

The purpose of the event was to let everyone know just how many commuter students there are at PLU (2,401), and what



CALLING ALL COMMUTERS
By Lisa Upchurch

services are available to them. I hope you take advantage of the activities planned especially for you!

Lisa Upchurch is the Program Coordinator for Student Activities. She can be reached at 535-7487.

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OPINION

Hollywood misses reality of teaching

"Give a man a fish and you feed him for a day. Teach a man to fish and you feed him for a lifetime." Chinese Proverb

As is the tendency at the beginning of the semester, I've been thinking about teachers lately. I think we all do, as we measure up our newest group of adversaries, judging them by their lectures, their syllabus' and how many books they make us buy.

But even more than the new classes, teachers are on my mind because of a movie I recently saw called "Mr. Holland's Opus." It's another idealistic, unrealistic, tear jerker along the lines of other great cinematic homages to the profession of educating, "Lean on Me", "Stand and Deliver", and "Dead Poets Society."

I don't mean to sound cynical. I appreciate Hollywood's efforts to glamorize the profession, and have never walked out of any of those movies with dry eyes.

It just seems a little sad that none of those movies (except possibly Stand and Deliver) managed to show the rewards of teaching the way real teachers feel it. It's not students standing on desk tops, or marching to City Hall or rallying in an auditorium, it's little things, sometimes hard to see, and always hard to film.

My mother is a teacher. And she's good at what she does. But her students will probably never organize a retirement party for her, or thank her when accepting an Oscar. But she loves her job, and she loves her kids. And this love, this passion, allows her to see rewards that those of us not in the profession would miss.

Several of my mom's students will call her at home. Sometimes for advice. Sometimes for a favor. Sometimes just to talk. She's not always thrilled about it, and she doesn't always take the call. She has to have time for herself and her family too. But she knows, without ever saying it, that this is important. These students need her, trust her, respect her. And when she helps them outside of class, they'll listen to her inside.

I've never personally called a teacher at home. I've never gone up to a teacher and thanked them for the job they do. But I've had great teachers. And I tried to show my appreciation too.

But I've also had bad teachers. Lots of them. From second grade to last semester. And it never fails to frustrate me beyond belief.

I say this, because in my four years at PLU I have noticed a disturbing trend. Many of our education majors don't come to college with the idea of becoming teachers. They come to be doctors, or lawyers, or bankers,



RUNNING ON MT
By Matt Telleen

or whatever it is you do with a Physics degree. But after a couple of years, or months, or weeks of 8 a.m. biology classes, they suddenly have a change of heart.

And that's great. I think we need smart, driven, ambitious people in the field. I just hope people are choosing it for the right reasons.

It is often pointed out how backwards it is that lawyers make so much more money than teachers make so little. The reason for this, as I can tell you thanks to a dedicated economics teacher, is supply and demand. There is a infinite supply of people willing to work nine months out of the year.

Unfortunately, there is no Bar Exam for teachers. And many people who wouldn't make dime one in another more competitive profession have long and unproductive careers as teachers.

And who suffers? Obviously the students, but also everyone else. The parents whose kid hates school, the guidance counselor who has to deal with drop outs, and the society who has to deal with kids becoming adults without realizing the love of learning, without being pushed to try new things, without finding their own passion.

So I guess this is basically a request. For all aspiring teachers, please, think about the importance of what you are becoming. It is the most valuable profession that PLU, or any other college, prepares for. Find your passion. Remember the best teacher you ever had, and do them one better. Love what you teach, and love who you teach.

If you need inspiration, look to Hollywood. But don't watch the passion of the students in thanking the star, for few and far between ever get that recognition. Watch the passion of the teacher. It is this aspect of the genre that only you can make realistic.

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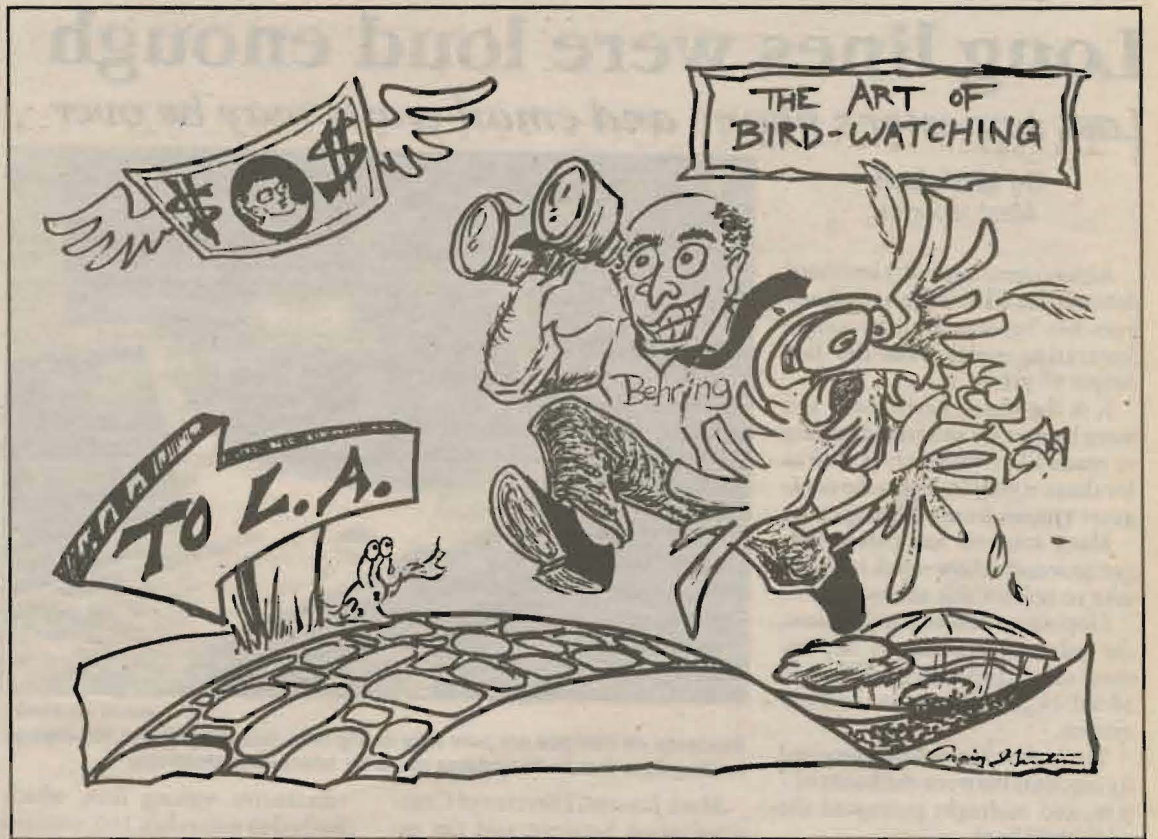


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Old friends bring back meaningful dialogue

There are two minds behind this column and the ideas expressed in it. We are Katie and Jason, old friends who, over the course of five years (nine years collectively) have come to notice a lack of meaningful dialogue outside of the classroom and arranged academic discussion.

We decided to stop complaining about the void and try to combat it. We figured that after a combined 300 credit hours, we should have a few thoughts to kick around.

Now, an introduction:

Katie — A falling-leaf sort of day. I'm thinking while skipping puddles on my way back from turning in a paper about oppression and the limits imposed by the societal roles in which we find ourselves.

It's about how women are expected to have certain domestic roles, and carry out specific tasks; about how I am not supposed to want to be domestic; how our enlightened collegiate attempts to liberate can end up confining, sometimes failing to consider the desires and interests of the persons we are trying to free.

I think as my steps smack on the wet pavement, and consider my confining, and my own confines.

Then I catch wind of a debate, or rather a complaint. A gripe that the nacho bar in the UC falls on the same day as chicken strips. A complaint that our campus paths have puddles, that our residence halls don't have cable television, and that

Diatoms and Diatribes

By Katie Nelson and Jason Thompson

someone should do something about it for us.

It is imperative that we voice our opinions, thoughts and feelings. It is the willingness to speak and the persistence to be heard that forces evaluation and lays a foundation for change. Without catalysts for change, our world would grow stagnant, entrenched in patterns because no one challenged us to reconsider our positions and pull ourselves out.

A television generation hiding under the blank symbol "X", we expect the world to be brought to us. We sit and wait for change to come, for the plot to be better and the jokes to fly faster and more frequently. We expect the news to come in small, graphic digestible bites, enough to titillate but not to force us to think, let alone spur us to action.

We sit at our sets, content to watch reruns and leave editing, writing, and directing to someone else.

I step over another puddle, and decide to take up directing. Part-time.

Jason — A word about this non-title of non-distinction, Generation X. The first time I heard this odious phrase I remembered Malcolm X explain-

ing to a white interviewer the meaning of his name. Born Malcolm Little, he rejected his last name and replaced it with an "X"—a symbol of an identity stolen from an enslaved race.

"Generation X" symbolizes, appropriately, nothing. The "X" is an anti-symbol: a blank space accepted and made more blank with each repetition.

I resent how readily my peers accept "GenXer" as a suitable and appropriate label.

When prodded for the low-down on his sexual orientation, Michael Stipe replied that "labels are for canned food."

Though I understand and share the need for organizational systems to arrange this dynamic world, I despair when a classification simultaneously insults and disallows the people it pretends to represent.

In this way, those who accept the designation become subjugated by the lack of critical thought the label requires.

Had Malcolm X lived to see the devolution of "X" as symbol to "X" as the unfunny parody of symbol, I feel he would be offended. I know I am.

There are two minds behind this column. There are a few thousand minds behind a few thousand eyes reading this column. We welcome any thoughts, criticisms, compliments, or complaints. See you next week.

Jason Thompson is a senior English and classics major. Katie Nelson is a senior biology major.

VOICES

Nursing student raises concerns about ACLU suit

To the editor:

The cost of acquiring a solid education in today's world has risen sharply.

I am a full-time nursing student at Pacific Lutheran University. I am not rich, and I am dependent on financial aid to help me continue my career goals.

The Educational Opportunity Grant has helped me immensely in pursuing and fulfilling that financial need. I am a single parent, and struggling to better myself and pro-

vide stability for my child. This grant is significantly helping me to attain this goal.

The cost of tuition, fees and books are only a part of the package that you acquire when you attend an educational institution. There are many hidden expenses that are not seen by many.

Some of those costs include the following: uniforms and maintenance, paper copies of required research, keeping current with CPR and First Aid certifications, insur-

ance for nursing liabilities, and extra tutorial instruction time.

The personal costs of increased living expenses, child care (especially the weekend costs for work related study groups), traveling costs (gas and maintenance), and those incidentals that some how just frequently arise from nowhere are also present.

This grant along with other financial aid has enabled me to offset the excessive financial burdens in pursuing my chosen degree and

the ability to stay in college.

The reward is reaped when I successfully graduate and become a productive citizen and health care provider to my fellow people.

I am a staunch supporter of the Educational Opportunity Grant. I believe that my ability to stay in school and procure my career at an institution like Pacific Lutheran University is directly related to this grant.

I recently read an article regarding the state constitution and Su-

preme Court rulings on using state money to support private religious schools.

This money is *not* for the benefit of the school but for the needy students who would otherwise not be able to attend and procure a career goal.

Furthermore, the school is not the recipient of the grant. The student is the one who benefits from it and later so does society.

*William Wilson
Nursing student*

CAMPUS

Long lines were loud enough Last semester's phone and email waits may be over

By Mark Lee
Mast reporter

A busy signal caused by increased demand for PLU's limited phone lines has become an increasingly frustrating noise over the last couple of years.

It is the sound heard more and more by parents and friends trying to reach PLU students, as well as for those trying to access the computer system from off campus.

Many students and parents began to wonder how much it would take to resolve this annoyance.

Hoping to relieve the problem, the telecommunications department teamed up with US West and added 14 phone lines to the PLU system.

The high volume of calls received by students between the hours of 7 p.m. and midnight prompted the additional lines.

"Whenever my friends or parents would try to call there is always a long wait or a busy signal," said freshman Julie Newman. "They were complaining to me a lot."



photo by Eric Moody

Students on campus are now able to log onto internet without 100-person waiting lists thanks to updates made by telecommunications.

Mark Janssen, Director of Communication Services, said the expansion was done to alleviate just that problem.

Along with the telephone system expansion, several new ports were added to the VAX Internet system.

Extensive waiting lists, which climbed to more than 160, resulted in hours of waiting during the fall term. The wait time has now been cut to approximately five minutes.

If you have questions or comments about the expansion, please call Telecommunications at x7525.

Sick executives hibernate

Senate keeps plugging along

By Randy Danielson
Mast senior reporter

While executive sickness cancelled a regular meeting, ASPLU continued their programming efforts ranging from Diversity Week to Cave renovations.

ASPLU President Nikki Plaid cancelled Tuesday's scheduled meeting because both she and Vice President Tom Brown were ill. The meeting was rescheduled for next Tuesday.

Diversity Week, an upcoming program, will be hosted by a team of students, senators and ASPLU Director of Diversity Alexis Vasquez. This event is planned for February 26 through March 1.

Each night that week there will be a different theme for dinner, said Lindsay Johnson, upper campus senator.

Part of Diversity Week last year,

the 'Living By an Ethic of Love' forum will be updated and again a part of the activities. Student speakers and entertainment will replace the professional speaker and workshops from last year.

In addition to this event, Vasquez is creating a report on diversity. This will address the university's policy and follow-up procedures relating to diversity issues.

Turning their attention to facilities, ASPLU had planned to renovate the Cave during J-Term. Chris Marien, Cave director, said that the renovation has been postponed due to budget difficulties.

ASPLU is concerned with community relations as well. Eric Montague, at-large senator, is serving as liaison with Safe Streets, an organization that partners with neighbors in the community.

He is working to find ways to lessen problems with the Parkland community. Many neighbors have

complained about the parties PLU students have in their homes off campus.

"Basically, ASPLU is going to be a mediator between off-campus residents and the Parkland community," Montague said.

In order to make better use of meeting time, Public Relations Director Ben Egbers inspired the Senate to cancel their usual Tuesday night meetings once a month.

"It's something new we're doing this year to bring more unity to ASPLU," Egbers said. "We're trying to open it up to new and different perspectives."

The December forum included ice-breakers and team building exercises. "It gave everybody the chance to get to know everyone," Egbers said. The forum included reports given by senators, programmers, executives, and advisors.

The next ASPLU forum will be held February 27 at 9 p.m.

Former eating disorder victim reaches into the hearts of many

By Heidi Stout
Mast assistant news editor

Students and faculty gathered Tuesday night to hear Cynthia Rowland McClure speak with heart-felt candor of her personal triumph over addictive eating disorders.

As part of National Eating Disorders Week, Health Services and the Counseling and Testing center sponsored this visit from a nationally-known author and lecturer Monday night.

Campus Ministries, ASPLU and Student Life also contributed financially to make McClure's visit possible.

An award-winning former television news reporter, McClure told a crowd that filled three quarters of Chris Knutsen Hall about her hidden battle with bulimia-orexia.

This disease, McClure explained, involves a cycle of bingeing, purging and starving oneself.

McClure began her personal testimony with an explanation of the last stages of her disease when she was 28 years old. Despite her ca-

reer in broadcast journalism, McClure had a hidden addiction—her life revolved around food.

She explained that after sitting down to work, a little monster inside her would urge her to destroy herself—to binge. With a handful of quarters, she would buy eight to 12 candy bars from a vending machine.

"Snickers were my favorite," McClure said. "And after I had eaten them all, I would try to self-induce vomiting with my fingers. If the candy wouldn't come up, I'd start popping laxatives."

After work, she'd go to the local 7-11 and buy so much food, the clerk asked her if she was having a party.

McClure ate all of her groceries and a dinner at the news station's cafeteria. She would then buy a large bucket of chicken at a drive-through restaurant and eat it as well. After this enormous amount of food, her stomach would be bloated, she said. She continued taking laxatives.

"I remember going back to work after this," McClure said. "I was so

physically sick I would have to lie down on the bathroom floor to regain my head. But on my 22-mile drive home from work, I would stop at all three McDonald's on the way and buy more food. I was sick all night long, and the next morning I'd vow never to do it again, and I'd fast for three days, only drinking water."

McClure was quick to point out that the food addiction that was destroying her is not an isolated incident. She believes that our society is obsessed by body shape and weight, and because of this parents may unwittingly cause their children to have an unhealthy obsession with food.

McClure's problem with food began when she moved from Portland, Ore., to Oklahoma during her senior year of high school. She turned to food for comfort whenever she felt lonely, sad or angry.

One week before graduation, she said her dad took her aside and said, "Honey, you've gained a lot

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Matt Baxter, President
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ASSOCIATION OF NORWEGIAN STUDENTS ABROAD

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ART GUILD

Thomas Pope
535-7579

ANTHROPOLOGY CLUB

Kara Holland
535-7864

BEACH CLUB

Brian Norman
535-7731

BETA ALPHA PSI

(National Accounting Fraternity)
Monica Jackson, President
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CAAL

(Coalition for the Advancement of Active Learning)
Erik Christopherson
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Thanh Quan, President
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(Service club)
Cari Adams, President
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COLLEGE DEMOCRATS

Hillary Hunt
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(Environmental concerns)
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536-7346

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Tara Hudiburg, Co-leader
535-8087

HAWAII CLUB

Kristen Mark
537-2321

HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

Kim Nadon, President
537-5968

IEEE

(Institute of Electronics & Electrical Engineers)
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535-7803

KWETU

(Black student union)
Isaiah Johnson, Peer Coordinator
535-5014

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Brett Bolinger
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LACROSSE, WOMEN

Alexis Vasquez, Coordinator
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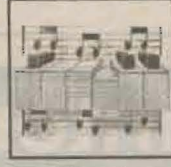
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The Mast is experimenting with club coverage. This week we are listing all clubs.

If you wish to list a meeting date and time in the future, or wish your club to be a subject of Club Focus, please call Alicia Manley at x7493.



OUT & ABOUT



Beyond the classroom

Students get away from it all for J-term

By Jody Allard
O&A editor

While many of us spent **JANUARY** listening to skiers griping about the **LACK OF SNOW**, then regaling us with tales of their extraordinary snow-capades, dozens of PLU students **BEAT THE WINTER BLUES** by either traveling to and studying in seven foreign countries, or at least **GETTING AWAY FROM CAMPUS** by participating in four off-campus J-term classes.

Many of the courses will be offered again **NEXT YEAR**. Applications will be available this semester.

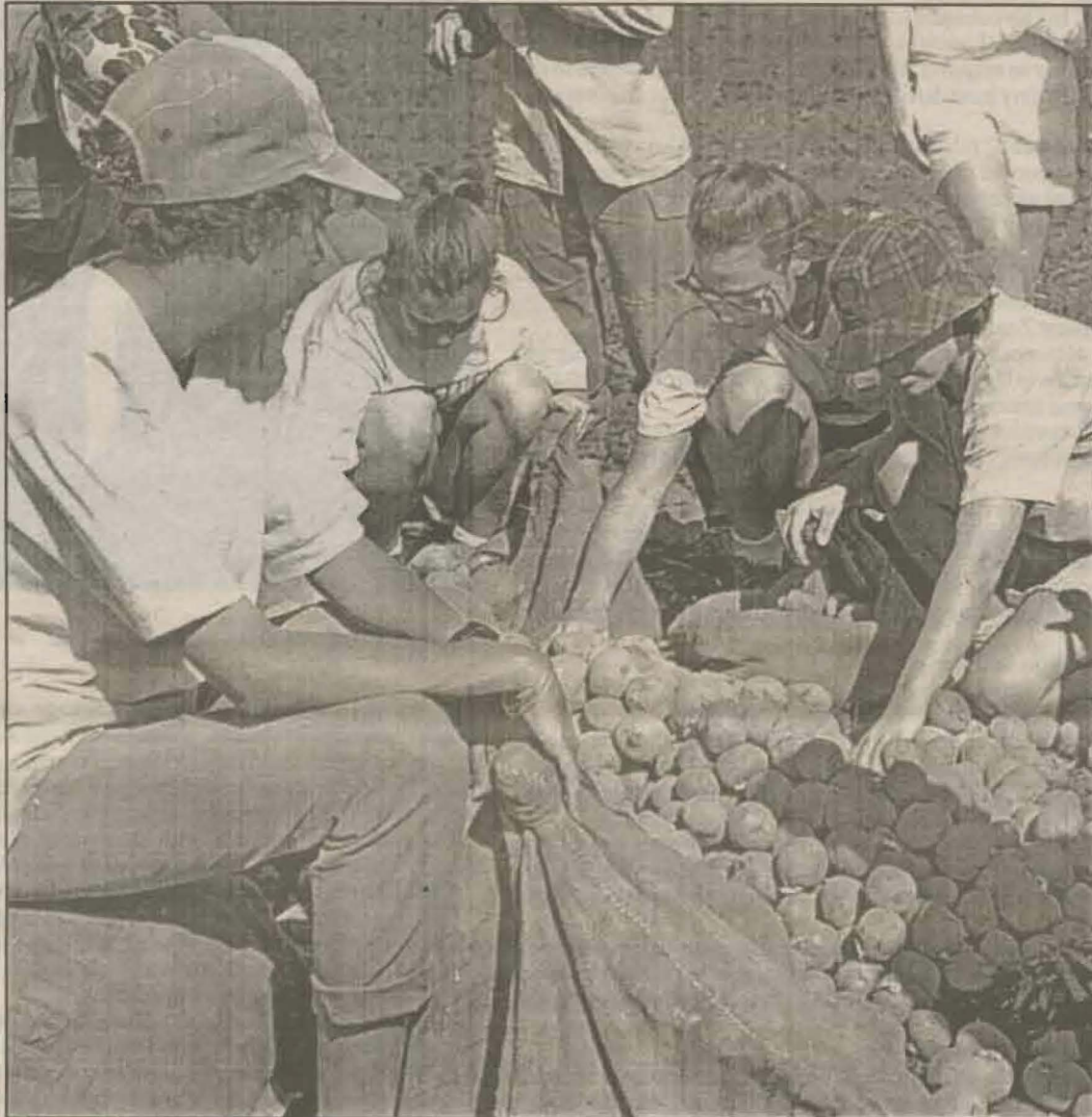


photo by Hillary Hunt

Community development in

CUBA

Under the supervision of associate professor Jim Predmore, 13 students were given the opportunity to spend more than two weeks experiencing the daily life of ordinary Cubans.

From touring Havana to attending a concert at the Casa de las Americas - sipping a daiquiri at Ernest Hemingway's favorite hangout - to lounging on Cuba's white sand beaches, students took advantage of Cuba's pleasures.

But their was academic value in the trip as well. By visiting the Federation of Cuban Women and a sanitarium for AIDS victims, and walking the streets of the unusual Pinar del Rio province, students were given a glimpse into the socialist history and perilous economic balance of Cuba.

"I've always wanted to go to Cuba," said Tayah Rathje, a student who went on the trip.

Students met with community, political and religious leaders and studied the effects of Cuba's socialist alternative to development, and analyzed Cuba's potential means of achieving economic self-sufficiency.

"I've traveled to other Latin American countries and every time I go somewhere new, the more I realize what I Don't know. I can't generalize Latin America. I knew I was going to learn about Cuba specifically," said Rathje.

A closer look . . .

PLU offers students new experiences with study abroad

By Shelly Weaver
Mast intern

Experiences of a lifetime. PLU gives students the opportunity to have these types of experiences.

Studying abroad can open students' eyes to new lands and allow them to become more sensitive to the global community.

Jan Moore, advisor at the Center for International Programs, sees studying abroad as a difficult thing for students to do. "It means leaving your comfort zone," she said.

The Center for International Programs offers a variety of ways for every student on campus to have an international experience, even those who consider a study abroad program as something they cannot afford.

These students risk losing an opportunity to be enriched by another culture or to improve their foreign language skills.

According to Moore, many things scare students away from studying abroad, but most obstacles are easily overcome. The cost is usually first on the minds of students. PLU sponsors some international programs, which means financial aid transfers to the cost of the international program.

An administrative cost is added to these

programs and expenses vary depending on the location of study. On average, however, the costs run about the same as a semester on campus. The Center tries to ensure that the whole student body is able to experience an international study program. Therefore, in addition to the financial aid, there are opportunities for additional scholarships.

Classes taken abroad are noted on transcripts if the programs are sponsored by PLU. The credits are awarded, but the grades are not figured into your cumulative G.P.A. GURs and requirements for majors and minors can also be filled while studying abroad.

The Center advises that students plan with their advisor to guarantee filling the requirements at PLU.

Participating in a foreign study program does not necessarily require that the student speak the language of the country.

PLU offers programs in non-English speaking countries which are taught in English.

Moore said participating in an international study program "encourages students to venture."

"It is a wonderful investment for the university," she said.

"A returning student makes a difference here on campus."

The Center encourages interested students to plan ahead: the applications for next year's programs are due March 1. Planning ahead can also save time and money.

Above: Students enjoy Cuban coconuts



photo by Hillary Hunt

Students climb trees to get coconuts to make into cups.

See more **BEYOND THE CLASSROOM** on pages 8-9

O&A

HONG KONG • HAWAII • COSTA RICA • PARIS • LONDON

Winter Wandering

Here are some of the highlights of the J-term trips.

• 19th Century Art in Paris

Professor John Hallam and a group of 16 students left Tacoma Jan. 2 to experience the café-lined streets and grand boulevards of the city where the Neoclassical, Romantic, Realist and Impressionist art movements all began: Paris.

For four weeks students stayed at an international student center on Paris' Left Bank, and attended classes at the Louvre, the largest museum in the world. They also visited the new Musée D'Orsay. Students walked the boulevards where Monet, Degas, Renoir, Delacroix and Van Gogh lived and worked, and were able to view many of their original works.

• Professional Communication in Hong Kong

In what was, for many, a once in a life-time experience, 16 students spent three weeks in Hong Kong studying professional communication in one of the most exciting cities in the world, led by communication professor Diane Harney.

A strangely harmonious blend of ancient Chinese tradition and 20th-century capitalism, Hong Kong's ability to respond rapidly to market forces and adapt to the demands of a multi-cultural society have distinguished it as a center for international business.

In addition to meeting with public relations and marketing specialists from Hong Kong banks, businesses, government offices, and newspapers, students were able to experience a unique historical environment as Hong Kong prepares to shift from British to Chinese control on July 1, 1997.

As well as attending meetings, students attended a Chinese opera, shopped at the open-air market in Stanley, explored the rural New Territories, and visited Victoria Peak and the Hong Kong Museum.

• Tramp the Tracks of New Zealand

Professor John Herzog accompanied 14 students on a four week backpacking trip over several of New Zealand's world renown tracks, hiking up ancient volcano craters to glacial mountain lakes, and touring sandy ocean beaches.

Students hiked into the beautiful "garden city" of Christchurch, the recreational city of Queenstown (home of bungee jumping), a high country sheep station, and the fjord of Milford Sound.

Although physical fitness was a prerequisite (hikes covered five to 10 miles per day, and with a 30 lb. backpack, that's nothing to sneeze at), the trip offered more than just a physical workout; students were able to learn backcountry safety and survival techniques while experiencing a global view of cultural, political, social, and environmental concerns. On the down side, the course only satisfied one of the four required P.E. credits.

• A Cultural Tour of London and Paris

For eleven days, 23 students visited all the major sites of London and Paris, as well as take a side trip to Versailles and spend one night in Copenhagen.

For one week, students became Londoners and learned to get around the city by way of the Underground. While in England, the group visited the Tower of London, the British Museum, Windsor Castle, St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Oxford, Stratford-upon-Avon, the National Gallery and the Tate Museum.

During their three days in Paris, students walked through Parisian streets and learned to ride the Metro. They toured the Notre Dame Cathedral, the Eiffel Tower, the Louvre, Napoleon's tomb and Le Sacre Coeur; and got the opportunity to experience Parisian night life.

Accompanied by Professor Calvin Knapp, the students also attended productions of the Phantom of the Opera and Les Miserables, a concert given by the London Symphony, as well as assorted other ballet, opera and theater productions on the London stage.

• Language and Development in Costa Rica

For more than three weeks, Professor Tamara Williams and 15 students traveled to Costa Rica as part of a Spanish language and Cost Rican culture immersion experience.

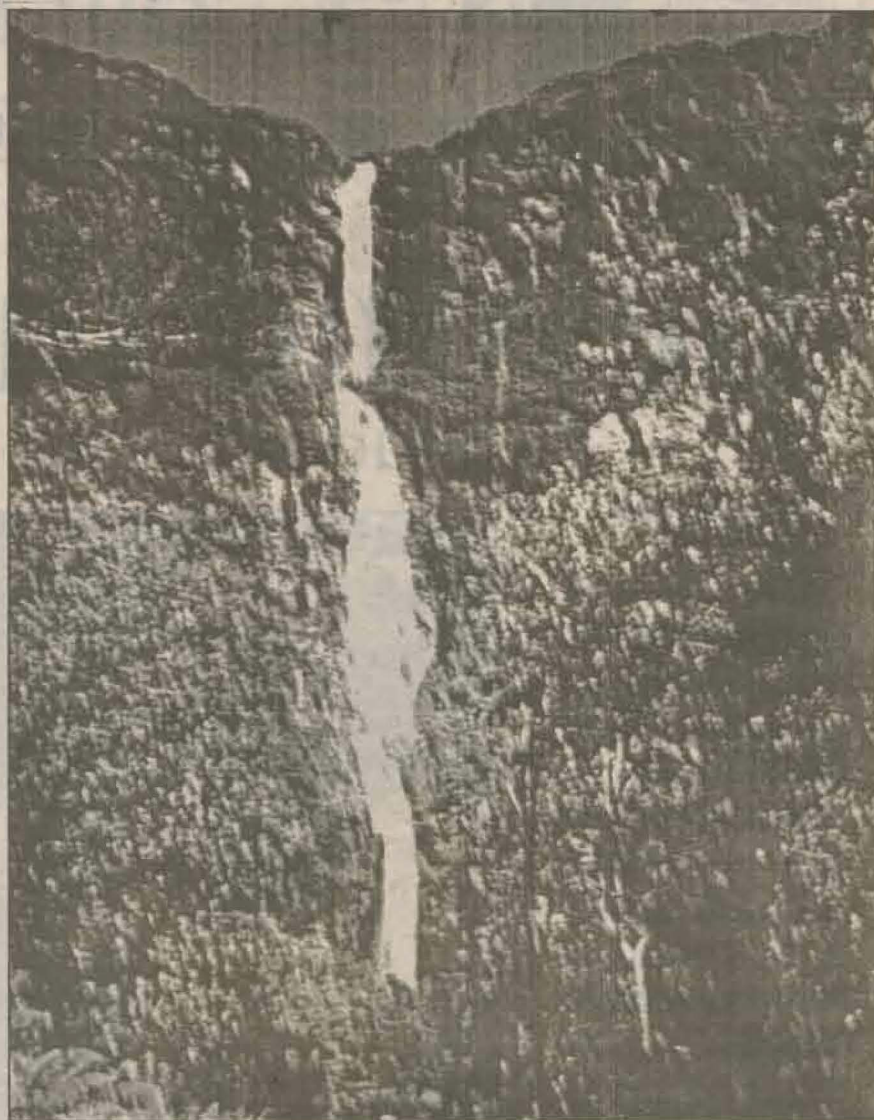


photo by John Herzog

A breathtaking waterfall in New Zealand

Rather than focusing solely on language skills (although students did attend intensive courses in Spanish grammar and conversation for four hours a day, four or five times a week) the class participated in two guest lectures and two excursions per week. There was also a homestay with a Costa Rican family, a volunteer experience, and a weekend at a biostation in a tropical cloud forest.

The goal of the trip was both to improve the participants' Spanish skills and to identify the causes and consequences of underdevelopment.

• Wilderness: An American Religious Experience

Professor Robert Stivers accompanied 18 students to Holden Village, a Lutheran educational center near Lake Chelan, for more than three weeks to explore the impact of Christianity on societal views toward nature. Part of the course was the study of the village's relation to its environment.

Nestled 3,000 feet up in the Cascade Mountains, the students studied nature through the works of American thinkers such as Thoreau, Muir, Leopold, Reuther and Dillard, and the history of nearby national parks and wilderness areas. With about 90 feet of snow for the month, cross-country skiing, music, worship, and a close-knit community provided the ingredients for a unique experience.

• Practicing Anthropology: Makah Culture, Past and Present

For this class, 15 students traveled to the Makah Nation, located on the northwest portion of the Olympic Peninsula, and participated in a research/service project arranged by the Makah Culture and Research Center.

While in Neah Bay, on the Makah Reservation, students received instruction in Makah culture by Makah Indians and learned what life on the Makah Reservation is like. In addition, students examined methods of archaeological research as well as the ethics and responsibilities of such research.

In 1995, students spent 10 days living and working with members of the Makah tribe. They attended a potlatch, heard traditional Makah stories told by a Makah elder, attended a class in Makah language, learned about basket-weaving and carving from local artists, helped prepare local foods, hiked in both the rain forest and on the beach, and worked with 500-year-old artifacts from the Ozette archaeological site.

Although this year's activities differed slightly, the experience of living in a different nation within our state remained.

For more information on how to spend next J-Term abroad, contact Charry Benston in the Center for International Programs at 535-7628.



photo by Diane Harney

The view from a small island off the coast of Hong Kong

O&A

HAWAII

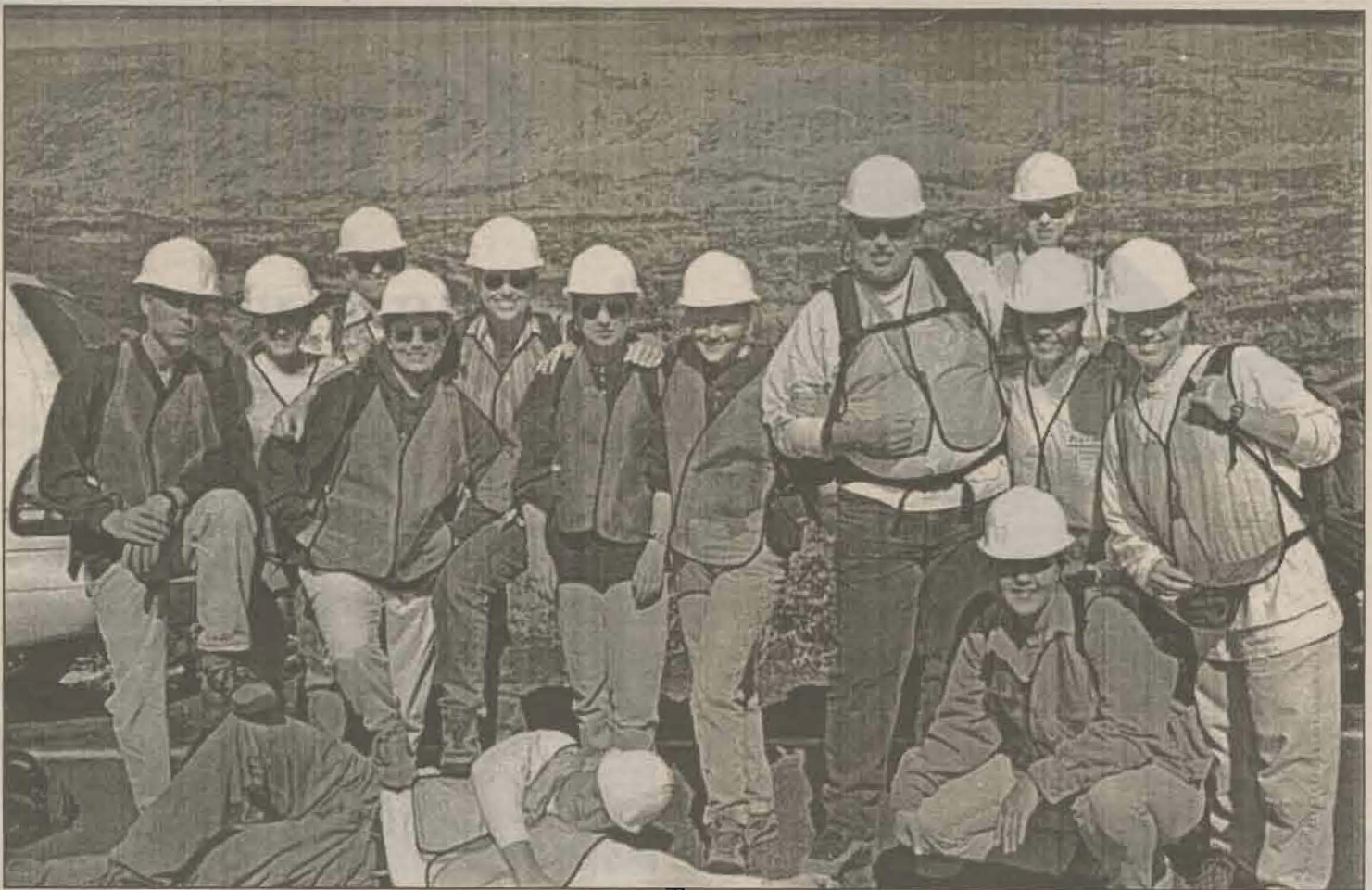


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Students geared up before heading out on the trail. The trip was profitable when they were able to observe hot lava checking in at 1800° C.

HOLDEN VILLAGE • NEAH BAY • CUBA • NEW ZEALAND

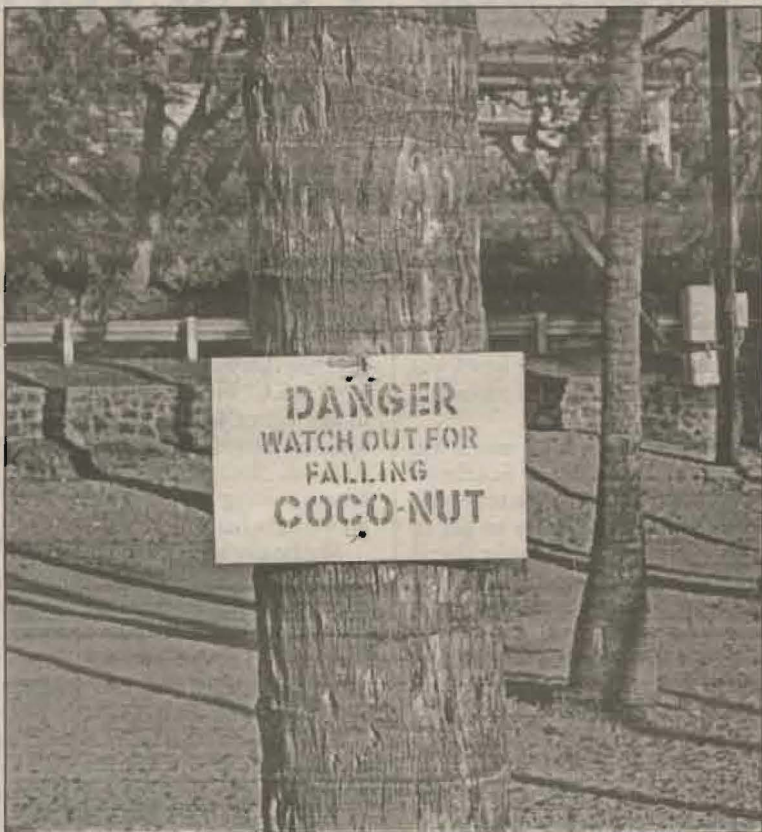


photo by Lindsay Tomac

The dangers of Hawaii were numerous as PLU students braved the beaches.

Along with Professor Steven Benham, 17 students spent J-Term exploring Hawaii's unique natural history and studying the terrestrial ecology, geology, and marine biology of the islands.

During their stay on the islands of Oahu and Hawaii, students observed the rare native plant and animal life, 95 percent of which is unique to Hawaii. With increasing human and animal disturbance, many of Hawaii's rare life-forms have become extinct and many more are in danger.

Students spent the first few days on Oahu visiting the Bishop Museum and Hanauma Beach State Park, where they were able to examine a coral reef habitat. The remaining three weeks were spent on the main island of Hawaii, at the Kilauea Military Camp in Hawaii Volcanoes National Park, where students studied offshore marine environments and geologic features and observed molten lava.

Among other sites, students also visited a geothermal power plant and a windmill farm.

"I looked at it as a good experience for my Earth Sciences major. Plus, it sounded like a lot of fun," said Brian Hampton.

"I had a blast. What struck me the most was that we got to see a lot of stuff that most people have never seen will never see."

— Brian Hampton senior

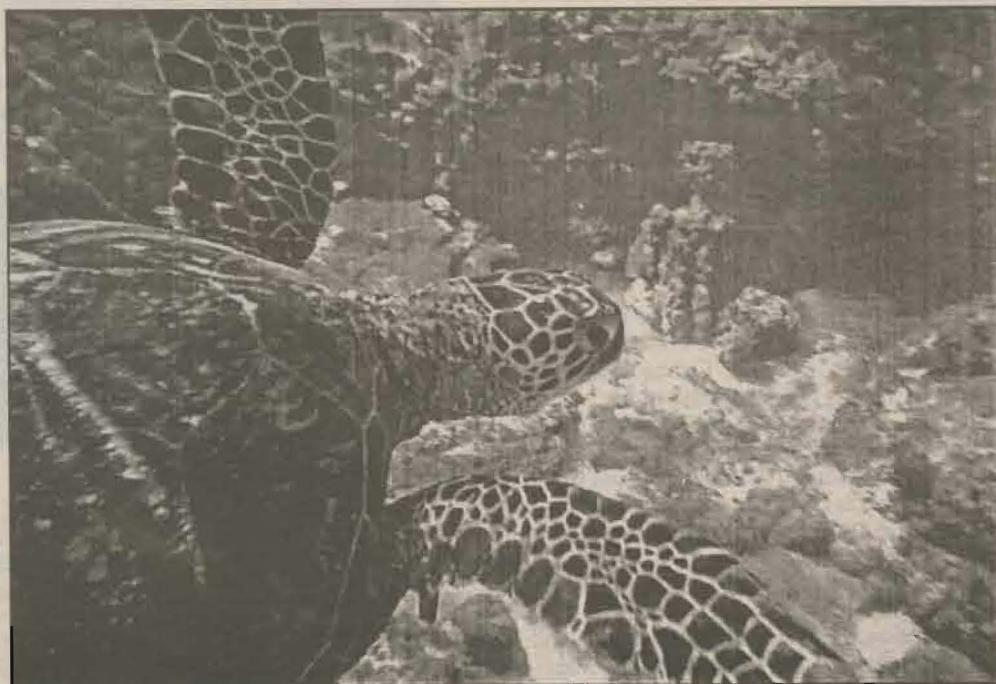


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An underwater camera catches a turtle in action at Kahalu'u Beach Park

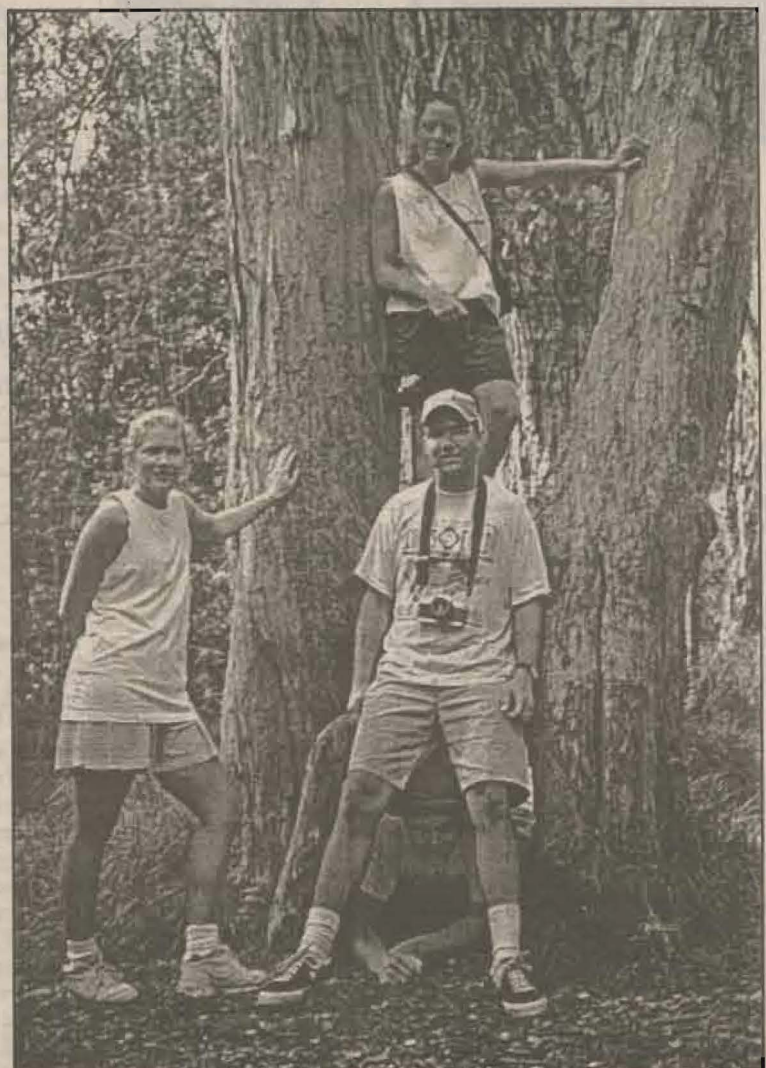


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Burnham, Mary Giuseffi, Andy Glandon and Brian Hampton (clockwise) pose with a twisted tree in Kipuka Puau, a national park in Hawaii.



Cupid Strik

Finding love at PLU a family

By Jody Allard
O & A Editor

Ed Larsen, executive director for charitable estate planning here at PLU, met his wife Betty for the first time in 1954 during his sophomore year at PLU.

Betty's roommate was a good friend of his, so Ed and Betty were often thrown into each other's company. When he first met Betty, Ed thought that she was a really great person.

"I just thought that she was a very nice attractive person who I would like to date. But I didn't, actually," said Ed.

It wasn't until the summer after his sophomore year that Ed and Betty began to date. Their relationship was complicated by Betty's nursing pro-



Ed and Betty when they first met



A musical courtship

By Shelly Weaver
Mast intern

Love happens when you least expect it. It could happen when you see that cute girl from across the salad bar or when you have a study group with the cute guy from biology. Wherever it happens college gives us the opportunities. We are living among a large peer group where opportunities abound. Tammy and Mike Kintner are a perfect example of this.

Their story begins almost twenty years ago when Tammy was a giggly freshman playing at Convocation. She sat next to Mike, a sophomore. It was Mike's birthday and Tammy wished him a happy birthday. Tammy thought Mike was cute so she pursued him although he had a girlfriend at the time. Mike, on the other hand, was not as interested and tried to set Tammy up with his stand partner in orchestra.

One day on the way to the UC Mike pushed Tammy into a wet bush. He felt so bad that he made Tammy a ring out of notebook paper. Their romance continued to bud when they went on tour with the Choir of the West. Tammy wanted the opportunity to get to know Mike better and so she stole his "blankie." "I thought that if he wanted it back, he could come and sit by me and get it." The band director gave them constant lectures about how tour romances never work out.

Three years later Mike proposed to Tammy. They had planned to go to the Copper Creek Inn for dinner and then to see the Seattle Symphony, which was playing in Olson. Instead Mike took her to Point Defiance. Mike chose a rose garden with a wishing well as the perfect spot. He gave Tammy a dime to throw into the well and then told her to close her eyes and turn around. He got down on one knee and asked her to marry him. They got married that summer after Tammy graduated.

It will be fifteen years this August that they have been married. Tammy and Mike have two children, Jeff and Sarah. "We sometimes see the band director that told us tour romances don't last and we say that we've lasted so far."

Perseveranc

By Jody Allard
O & A Editor

Of all the couples who have met at PLU, Monica Ricarte and her fiancee Richard Hurley probably had the most tempestuous courtship.

Monica first met Richard in a communications class, and really got to know him through their study group. They became more acquainted through their work at KCNS 6. They spent hours alone in the office late at night flirting, but Monica always refused to go out with Richard. She even took her cousin to Homecoming so she wouldn't have to go with Richard!

She finally agreed to go see "Aladdin" with Richard, and they had their first real date. After that, Richard dated her exclusively, but she dated other guys as well as Richard. It was another year before Monica agreed to only date Richard, and they became engaged two years later.

Todd's proposal was probably the most unique proposal in history! At 9 a.m., Kirk Isakson from KCNS brought Monica small package which contained a disposable camera. When 10 a.m. rolled around Michelle Pricozzi from the Registrar's office brought her a box with



Lisa and Todd at the Church Council picnic

Lutes link for life

By Jody Allard
O & A Editor

Lisa Dean and Todd Erlander first met in a class their freshman year, but it wasn't until their sophomore year that they became close friends through their involvement in the Church Council.

Although they dated once their junior year, the time didn't seem right for anything more than friendship. Todd had just broken up and Lisa already liked another guy, so they agreed to not get more serious.

But in the summer after their graduation, both Lisa and Todd attended a Church Council picnic. Lisa was dating someone then, but she broke up with him two days after the picnic and began dating Todd.

"It just clicked," Lisa said. The time was definitely right. Seven months after the picnic, Todd borrowed a key to Lisa's apartment from her roommate and let himself in at 5 a.m. He made her breakfast, brought it to her in bed, and placed a rose on the tray. After Lisa had finished breakfast, Todd told her to look at the rose. There was an engagement ring on it.

They were married Aug. 10, 1991, and both use the last name Dean-Erlander.

Lisa currently works for the Admissions office, and will receive her M.A.S.S. from PLU this May. Todd is a math teacher at Lakeridge Junior High and will receive his M.B.A. from PLU in May.



Love survives distance,

By Karen Leahy
Mast intern

Is it true that you can meet your mate at college? Do you believe it can actually happen? Well, it's true and it has happened.

In the fall of 1987, Edward Running began his first semester at Pacific Lutheran University. He made the journey from his home in Camarillo, Ca. to his new residence in Foss Hall to start his next phase in life.

Simultaneously, Kristy Whitmore, wanting to venture out of Puyallup, decided on the University of Washington as her school of choice. But, after a year, she realized that her destiny was to be found at PLU. She made her journey from U.W. to Foss Hall in 1988. It was then that these two lives intertwined.

After you hear how they met, you will want your R.A. to conduct more wing activities for you to partake.

Edward and Kristy, then living in the same hall, on the same wing, joined in on their wing activity. The wing went on an outing to Seattle. It was on this outing that the two sophomores met and thus began a romance.

Kristy, having changed her major from Art to Business with a concentration in Marketing, graduated in the Spring

of 1991. Edward, having changed his major from Business to Architecture, graduated in the Spring of 1992. As you can see, they were meant to connect because of their obvious shared interest.

Kristy Ca. while Edward finished at PLU. But after he graduated, he did not move to California to join her (as we might assume). Rather, he stayed in Tacoma to work for an architectural firm. Then, in 1993, he moved back to Camarillo to take additional courses for graduate school.

At this time Kristy was living in Ventura, Ca. Instead of being the dreaded 16 hours apart, they were now a



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tradition for some students

gram location. Back in the 50s, the nursing students spent two years at PLU and two years in Portland. The all after they began dating, Betty went to Portland, and Ed began making frequent trips to Portland. Ed asked Betty to marry him in May 1956. Betty said "yes," and they were married in May 1958, after Betty graduated from PLU.



Ed and Betty now



Ed and Betty have three children, Karin, Mike and Julianne, all of whom have graduated from PLU and married PLU graduates. Their daughter Karin even married the grandson of the Stuen who Stuen Hall is named for! Karin's ten-year-old daughter Krista, their only grandchild so far, already plans to go to PLU.

e pays off for PLU alumnus

of diamond earrings inside. 11 a.m. night President Loren Anderson brought a dozen red roses, and at noon one of Monica's good friends brought her a locket. At 1 p.m., Kathleen North, associate dean of admissions, delivered a couple's devotional Bible. 2 p.m. brought a gumball machine and heart-shaped candy; At 3 p.m., Monica's boss brought her a bottle of jewelry cleaner. Finally, the KCNS receptionist brought all box which contained a note asking Monica to dinner that night. They met at point Defiance, and picnicked on a hill from all over the world. Richard told Monica that he'd follow her to the ends of the earth and asked her to be his wife.



Monica and Richard at Disneyland

"I said 'Rich, you're so goofy. Yes, I'll marry you,'" said. Their wedding date is set for March 9, they are currently in the process of buying a house. Although both eventually want to work in broadcasting, Monica currently works as an admissions counselor here at PLU and Richard works at The Mac Zone. They hope to eventually move to California, and work on the same TV show. "He's just the greatest. He can be the one and I can be the hyperactive one," said Monica.



Forest and Katie

Love across a salad bar

By Shelly Weaver
Mast intern

Freshman year provides you with enormous possibilities to meet new people. Perhaps these people are ones you are interested in romantically. Forest Monsen saw Katie Nelson for the first time in the UC getting salad. He thought that she would be fun to get to know. A mutual friend said Forest should meet Katie because "she's weird too." The two didn't actually meet until dead week of fall semester. Forest went to the same chemistry class that Katie had to take notes for his roommate. After that Forest spent a lot of time over in Katie's room. Katie thought "he was pretty neat to begin with. How could I resist?"

Forest and Katie invented a book to remember all the special times they have together. Like their first date, special things they've done and funny things they say when they are both tired. Katie would also come and knock on Forest's door. He would open the door and give her a big hug. One day Katie had her hands closed; Forest thought it was a gift and opened his hands. Katie's "gift" was a handful of worms.

When Forest decided to pop the big question he was a little nervous, but "his mind was made up." The night had been planned to replicate the night they had first talked about their relationship. "I had no idea why he was so nervous. I had no idea his was going to ask me." Forest then gave Katie his mother's ring which is very special to him. The two plan to get married sometime this summer.

ime and college stress

mere 20 minutes. Since they were close, they were able to go on yet another outing. But this outing, was something special, it was another milestone in their relationship. Their outing took them to Santa Barbara, and instead of gaging in conversation for they eventually was promoted to General Manager of the restaurant. But an extension program of U.O., and a needed change in scenery and opportunities brought them to Portland, where they now reside.

After reading this very-true fairy tale, you still may not believe it can happen to you.

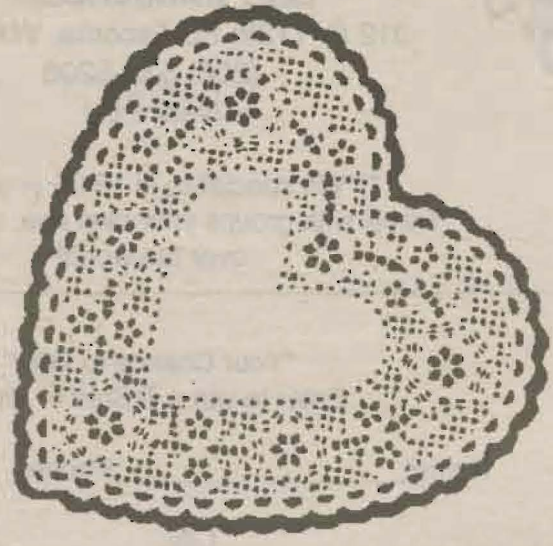
"Meeting someone at PLU is a tradition in my family," said Edward. "Three out of four cousins found their mates [at PLU]."

If this doesn't convince you, what will? Maybe the fact that one of Edward's sisters met her husband at PLU, as well.

So how on earth are you to become so lucky? How are you to meet that special someone at PLU? Take Edwards advice: "Be yourself and honest and let your heart guide you." Obviously it has worked in his family; let it work for you.

Valentine's Day is a day for romance. It's a day to find that someone to fall under your trance. As you can see, PLU is a place where love is in the air. Get out, smile and show that special flair.

We all deserve that wonderful love, so don't let homework get in your way. Enjoy. Enjoy. Enjoy. Have a happy Valentine's Day!



O&A

FROM MOZART TO PUCCINI

by Angel Lepley
Mast Intern

This J-term opera came out of the realm of Pavoratti and the Met and into Eastvold Auditorium.

While the majority of PLU students were cramming an entire semester of French or Philosophy in one month, 45 music students were taking classes and rehearsing the classical genre of Opera.

In October Barry Johnson the director, a PLU voice teacher and highly active performing professional singer, of this seasons production had an open call for all students to bring a prepared opera aria for auditions.

By the first of November the show was cast into nine scenes from famous operas like *The Marriage of Figaro* by W.A. Mozart and into the small comedic one-act opera Gianni Schicchi by Puccini.

Once this was done all the students were released to learn and

memorize the various arias, duets and trios before J-term began.

When putting together the show the Johnson, the director, picked the opera scenes "Because they (the scenes) best fit the personal that I had" he said.

When asked why the class was moved from its traditional place during the regular three month semester Johnson explained that in the professional world of opera a singer is cast and then expected to know the entire part before the first rehearsal. Usually an opera is only in rehearsal for a short period of time and that is usually only to coordinate the singers with each other, the scenery and staging. Having Opera Workshop in J-term allowed students a more concentrated and professional experience of putting together an opera performance.

Further assisted in this effort to put together a very professional show PLU welcomed the highly trained Beth Kirchoff.

Kirchoff is the chorus master for Tacoma Opera and assistant chorus master for Seattle Opera. Kirchoff will act on piano as the orchestra in the final performances after having assisted the in coaching and accompaning during rehearsals throughout J-Term.

When asked what the experience was like freshman and music

major Chris Cook said, "I thought it was very fun, we got to work with professional people like Beth (Kirchoff) and Barry (Johnson) who are both well connected in the professional world of opera in the area."

"This show is going to be a smash," said Johnson.

Bill addresses more than just the Internet

Irony is the bitter laugh of the victim. It's a very bitter laugh. Tonight, if I get any more bitter, I will turn into a cyanotic lemon.

Today, by an overwhelming majority, the Communications Decency Act was passed from a bill into a law. The single greatest Constitutional violation of the century was passed by our friends in Congress. It only needs "Easy Bill's" signature before we've got ourselves an unconstitutional law on the books which has all sorts of nasty implications.

For those of you who have had your heads up your refuse expulsion orifices for the past six months (I can't say "ass" anymore), the CDA was sponsored by Senator Exon and, I believe, Slade Gorton (way to go Slade. Check your email in the morning, pal). It was touted as the anti-Internet pornography bill, which I think was a slick move by the PR boys to keep people from noticing the extent of this bill's reach. It affects the manufacture of televisions, the language we can use in email, World Wide Web pages, pictures we can look at on the Internet, and many, many other facets of our world. I've heard this bill called the "anti-smut" bill that's going to clean up America. Yeah, right.

Kevin Maurousek wrote an outstanding little essay on this event as part of his O.J.U. (O.J. Update). In it, he informed us that the word abortion is now considered foul language as written by the CDA. Now, not only is this the dumbest bloody thing I've heard of, but the next time I hear about an abortion-clinic bombing on the news or read about abor-



Musings Inc.
By Robin of Locksley

tion in the newspaper, I'm going to sue the people who did it under the Exon-Gorton (Nazi) law, er...I mean the Communications Decency Act. Not because I think it's wrong, but because someone has to bring a suit before the Supreme Court can get off it's Geritol-loaded butt (is butt foul language??) and say: "Oh, wait. Mr. President, Congress...You forgot to read the CONSTITUTION!!!" It might as well be me; I like arguing. I especially like arguing for a side I think is totally moronic: that way I can emphasize its many failings.

The irony of it all is that this bill, this anti-smut bill, is brought to you by the same people who brought you Ted Kennedy and his harems, Bob Packwood and his "smutty" lifestyle and Bill Clinton's philandering. What about *Playboy*, that hot-blooded, red-meat eating, sexist American institution? Will it be censored so as not to offend people? Why is it our morals are being questioned by people who screw campaign volunteers and anything with a heartbeat? Why are we being so tolerant of it?

Our forefathers went to war with a much more powerful nation because they were being taxed and under-represented. Because they were being discomfited by an empire across an ocean. We're being told what we're allowed to read, what we're allowed to see and what we're allowed to say. Is this okay? In my mind, the answer's "hell, no." I'm running this column in next week's issue of *The Mast*. I'm going to jump up and down to make sure it's not "edited for content." If you've read it over the Internet, read it Friday and see if it's been changed.

In the meantime, if you think that Newt Gingrich, Slade Gorton, Exon and others are looking a little too much like the Brown Shirts for you, give them a call. Let them know that you're pissed off! This is still our country. This is still a government of the people, by the people and for the people! Here are a few numbers for you:

President Bill "My Room" Clinton: 202-456-1414
Vice President Al Gore: National Park Service Tree #414-3040-233

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TOP 10

Top 10 Signs You're Bored

10. All you have been doing lately is watching revivals of the Muppet shows.

9. You haven't left the warm glow of the computer screen since Labor Day.

8. Most of your day is spent in the U.C. asking lunch lady Doris stupid questions about the Red Light in her scanner.

7. As a desperate act of boredom you wage war on crime and become a vigilante known as the Parkland avenger.

6. The highlight of your day is sculpting with Slim Jims.

5. Your name is Chester and you ride the bus to meet new and exciting people.

4. You bawl like a baby when class ends.

3. Day after day you surf every channel looking for a glimpse of Hootie.

2. When you walk into the mall, everybody shouts your name like the way everybody shouted Norms name on Cheers.

1. You have the Star Wars trilogy memorized line for line.

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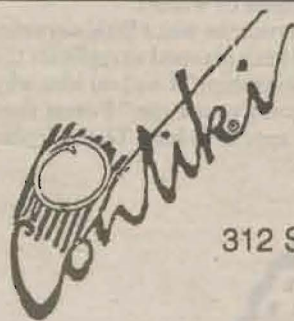
"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion or prohibiting the free exercise thereof, or abridging the freedom of speech or of the press or of the right of the people to peacefully assemble and to petition the government for a redress of grievances." -- U.S. Constitution

CAMPUS CONNECTIONS

Eleven bloopers from actual church bulletins

1. Don't let worry kill you — let the church help.
2. Thursday night - Potluck supper. Prayer and medication to follow.
3. Remember in prayer the many who are sick of our church and community.
4. For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.
5. The rosebud on the alter this morning is to announce the birth of David Alan Belzer, the son of Rev. and Mrs. Julius Belzer.
6. Tuesday at 4 p.m. there will be an ice cream social. All ladies giving milk will please come early.
7. Wednesday the ladies liturgy will meet. Mrs. Johnson will sing "Put me in my little bed" accompanied by the pastor.
8. Thursday at 5 p.m. there will be a meeting of the Little Mother's Club. All ladies wishing to be "Little Mothers" will meet with the Pastor in his study.
9. This being Easter Sunday, we will ask Mrs. Lewis to come forward and lay an egg on the alter.
10. Next Sunday a special collection will be taken to defray the cost of the new carpet. All those wishing to do something on the new carpet will come forward and do so.
11. At the evening service tonight, the sermon topic will be "What is Hell?" Come early and listen to our choir practice.

Do you have a funny joke, story or anecdote that you found on the Internet and want to share in *The Mast*? Send your submissions for Campus Connections to Jody Allard, care of *The Mast*, or email them to ALLARDJR@PLU.edu.



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SPORTS



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Freshman center Brad Brevet pulls down a rebound in last Saturday's game against Willamette. The Lutes defeated the Bearcats 81-76 in their last home game of the year. They will play their last four games on the road.

Playoff picture still cloudy as season comes to end

By Aaron Lafferty
Mast senior reporter

On the road again, I just can't wait to get on the road again ... The men's basketball team may not be singing this famous Willie Nelson tune, but on the road is where they will be for the final four

Analysis

games of the season. Last time we heard from Coach Bruce Haroldson's "Runnin' Lutes" was when they were just opening the season with a 1-1 record. Now the Lutes are tied for fourth in the conference standings with a 5-5 record (10-10 overall), and they have just four games remaining.

Although they are all on the road, they are against teams that PLU has shown it can definitely compete with.

Today the Lutes travel south to play sixth-place George Fox, which lost to the Lutes earlier in the season 78-57. Saturday, the Lutes take on Pacific. The Boxers are tied with the Lutes at fourth place and handed the Lutes a 77-61 loss at home in the first conference game of the season.

Next weekend, the Lutes will travel east to take on Whitman and Whitworth. Whitman is near the bottom of the standings and lost to the Lutes 104-85. But this could serve as the key matchup for determining playoff spots.

The Lutes final stop on the schedule is at No. 1 Whitworth the next night. The Lutes' post season hopes may be determined by this all-important game, but they are not discouraged. Whitworth has not been in first place for long, and

Haroldson's team went head to head with the team earlier this season, barely losing (78-77) in the final seconds.

In fact, of PLU's nine losses this season, six have been by five points or less. The other three losses were against NCAA Division I University of Portland, Central Washington (NAIA Division I), and former conference leader Pacific.

The "Runnin' Lutes" have made some strong improvements over the season as a team, but several individuals have stepped up and contributed to the team's run for the playoffs.

Senior Erik Peterson leads the Lutes in scoring and, as of Monday, was fifth in the conference at

MENS B-BALL

Overall record: 10-10
Nextgame: Tonight, at George Fox, Newberg, Ore., 8 p.m.

17.8 points per game. He also led the NCIC with 2.1 steals per game. Peterson reached 1,000 career points on Jan. 16., though it was a bittersweet milestone, coming as it did in a disappointing double-overtime loss to Lewis and Clark. Peterson is shooting 39 percent from three-point range; canning 59 three-pointers for the season, better than the next three best Lutes combined.

Peterson's co-captain, senior Jason Dahlberg, also has added his share with 9.2 ppg and 4.6 rebounds per game. He is shooting 48 percent from the field. In the Lutes' game last Saturday, Dahlberg scored 14 points and grabbed seven rebounds.

Sophomore Seth Albright has added a consistent spark off the

bench with 11.7 ppg, 5.0 rebounds, and a 56 percent shooting touch. He is hitting at 78 percent from the free throw line.

Speaking of free throw shooting, junior Chris Peirce is hitting about 85 percent of his attempts, including two big free throws in the final minute of a 68-66 win against Linfield.

The point guard position has also been a big factor in PLU's playoff run. Sophomores Zack Douglass and Andrew Mills have split most of the time at the point, each dishing out 3.3 assists per contest. And while Mills delivered a crowd pleasing pass to Peirce in the 81-76 win over Willamette last Saturday, his wife Tonya made him a proud papa when she delivered Bailey Lynn (7 pounds, 13 ounces) Feb. 1.

Freshmen Brad Brevet has improved on offense and added his 6-foot, 8-inch frame to the Lutes' starting lineup. Brevet is scoring 10.7 ppg and pulling down 4.7 rebounds.

Juniors Kevin Mackey and Jason Carrell and sophomore Jason Maners have combined for 14.6 points and 6.1 rebounds per game, giving the Lutes more opportunities on both sides of the ball.

Unfortunately for sophomore Torey Swanson, who spelled relief for Douglass and Mills by shooting 40 percent from the field and 39 percent from three-point range before being injured in January, there is still uncertainty about the rest of his season.

An MRI scan last Friday failed to determine just how badly his knee is damaged. He may have a torn or partially torn his ACL. If so, he will need surgery. Whatever the case, the Lutes will have to continue their run at the playoffs without him.

Young forwards fill up the paint for Lutes

Trio's inside play makes many forget they're underclassmen

By Kristy Daniels
Mast reporter

Olson Auditorium is packed. This is J-term basketball. The opponent is Whitworth.

Tipping the ball for the Lutes is Brad Brevet, a freshman from Lakes High School in Tacoma. He stands ready, all 6 feet, 7 inches and 235 pounds of him. He crouches, waiting for the release of the ball. His Whitworth counterpart shadows him.

A whistle. The two leap into the air. They both miss the ball on the way up, but Brevet manages to tip the ball to one of his teammates on the way back down.

Brevet is one of several new players in PLU basketball this season, representing a strong bench that promises great future seasons for the team.

Brevet is quick for his size. He is also a formidable wall when closing out. He is a strong center and does not let anyone into the key without a fight.

Later in the game, Brevet grabs a rebound, fighting off two Whitworth players. One is sent flying as Brevet rips the ball down and makes an outlet pass; the other is ignored and ineffective.

Brevet's defensive talents are not all that make him stand out. He also scores. He outs in PLU's first

two baskets of the game while under the basket and heavily guarded. He then scores the third basket from the three-point range.

He ends the game with a career high 23 points.

Brevet will tell you the strengths of this year's team are the returning seniors and teamwork.

Men's basketball coach Bruce Haroldson said Brevet's contributions to the team are aggressiveness, physical play, and inside and outside scoring. "And he is quick," the coach says.

Another relatively new addition to the team is Seth Albright, a sophomore from Hudson's Bay High School in Vancouver.

He stands at 6 feet, 3 inches and weighs 205 pounds. He plays small forward.

Against Whitworth, Albright comes off the bench at the 41/2-minute mark. He uses his jumping ability to score 12 points and pull down five rebounds.

Albright says his personal commitment to the team is to go out and play hard. And he does that. He says his contribution to the team is strong play all around, running the fast break and jumping.

Haroldson praises Albright for his quickness at setting up offensive attacks and his growth.

"Since last year his confidence



photo by Heather Anderson

Sophomore forward, Seth Albright goes up for a shot in a home game against Willamette. Albright is one of three young forwards who have made big contributions to the Lutes this year.

level, determination, and technique have greatly enhanced," Haroldson says. "He is explosive and gives us a reason to put in dunk plays. Also, he is a warrior and gives us great endurance."

Another strong freshman is Jason Maners, a small forward from Bellevue who stands at 6 feet, 4 inches. He weighs 190 pounds.

During the Whitworth game, he

comes off of the bench at the 7-minute mark. Almost immediately, he dribbles the length of the floor and scores a lay-in.

Maners prides himself on his running and finishing transitions. His hustle draws a lot of fouls, something Haroldson appreciates. He managed to draw three of Whitworth's 10 team fouls.

Haroldson says Maners gives the

team explosiveness and speed. "He is coming on strong, and has become a force defensively," Haroldson says. "He gives the team a huge lift."

"The strengths of the team are their overall quickness and depth," Haroldson says. "We don't lose anything off the bench. Sometimes we even gain."

SPORTS

Women swimmers drop first meet to Whitworth

Busy, successful month leaves women tied for conference lead

By Erin Rowley
Mast intern

The PLU swim team continued to be competitive in conference and non-conference dual meets in January.

The Lutes swam against The Evergreen State College for their first J-term contest. A non-conference competition, it came out in the Lutes' favor, as the men placed first in 10 of the 11 events and secured a 160-32 victory.

The women's team also won easily, with a score of 168-29.

The 200-meter medley team of senior Matt Sellman, freshman Mike Simmons, junior Fumi Moriyama, and freshman David Viau recorded a season best time of 1:42.02.

The Lutes then came up against a strong UPS team. The UPS men are defending national champions, while the women were national runners-up a year ago. The PLU men lost 125-79 and the women 140-65.

PLU bounced back the next week with a commanding perfor-

mance against Central Washington. Team captain Sellman said it was a motivating meet.

"It brought the team together," he said.

The Lutes then traveled to Eastern Washington to jump back into conference competition. The women suffered their first conference defeat to Whitworth, 83-22.

"The home field (gives) a major advantage," Coach Jim Johnson

SWIMMING

Overall record: Women: 9-2
Men: 7-4

Next meet: Today vs. Willamette, PLU, 6 p.m.

said. "It was a surprise and a shock how soundly they beat us. It is now up to the women to reach back."

Sophomore Kari Bland sees the loss as a learning experience. "It was an upset, but it will help us to know what we have to improve on," she said.

Despite strong performances by the men, they also lost to Whitworth 90-115.

The Lutes came back that same weekend with a victory over Whitman. The men and women won, 120-84 and 141-64, respectively.

The team's most recent success came last weekend with a win over

Lewis & Clark in Portland.

Johnson said there were many outstanding performances during January worth noting.

Among the men, Simmons has the leading time in the conference for the 100-meter breaststroke at 59.41, the sixth fastest time in PLU history. Other standouts who have qualified for nationals include Sellman and Viau.

There have also been notable performances by the women. Sophomore Aurora Bray holds the fastest conference times for the 500- and 1,650-meter freestyle. Bland has qualified for nationals with top times in the 50-, 100- and 200-meter freestyle, as well as the 100-meter backstroke.

The Lutes are now heading into the final weeks of the season. They must swim against Willamette and Linfield before the conference and national championships.

"The women have a shot at placing in the top four or five at nationals," Sellman said. "It would be nice if the men placed in the top eight."

Johnson said he has a positive outlook for the team's upcoming meets, especially the conference championships.

"The women have better depth than any team in the conference. Depth will be the factor," he said. "I am happy with the way we have trained. We've put ourselves in a position to swim fast at the end of the year."

Basketball schedule leaves fans out of teams' finals games

Have you been to a PLU men's or women's basketball game yet this season? Would you still like to see them play?

If you answered "yes" you had better get ready to drive a few hours to Forest Grove tomorrow night to see the Lutes at Pacific University, or start preparing for a trip to Eastern Washington to see the Lutes at Whitworth and Whitman next weekend.

Last Saturday's games against Willamette wrapped up the home schedule for both the men and women basketball teams, which play their last five league games on the road.

Both teams played six home games during winter break and J-term — when a good portion of the student body wasn't around campus.

All together, the men had four home games during regular semester sessions; the women had five.

When the schedule was first announced, men's coach Bruce Haroldson expressed his frustration to the Mast.

"I'm irritated that the conference would do that to us," he said last fall.

The schedule seemed ridiculous when it first came out, and seems even more so now. Both the men's and women's teams currently occupy the last conference playoff spot, but neither will benefit from the support of the full student body at home down the stretch.

It just doesn't make sense

for the league to schedule any team to play five straight road games, especially at the end of the season.

Would it have been that hard to switch the sights of the final games at Whitman and Whitworth with those played at the end of January at PLU?

Even making last Tuesday's contests at Lewis & Clark home games for PLU would have helped.

Even if the bad scheduling didn't make it impossible for a large portion of the student body to attend games, it still would be unfair.

No team should ever have to play six consecutive road games. And in basket-

ball, a game of momentum and intensity, a supportive crowd can make a big difference. Because of the closeness of the fans to the game, it is probably the sport most effected by its spectators.

The Northwest Conference of Independent Colleges needs to re-examine its scheduling process and figure out how this problem can be avoided in the future.

The arrival of UPS to the conference next year gives schedulers a good chance to re-examine the current scheduling

system. Hopefully, they will be able to find a way to insure that it is fair for all the teams in the league.

It's just too bad that some PLU students will have to wait until next year to see their teams

play at home in Olson. Chris Coover is a junior Economics and Political Science major



Sidelines

By Chris Coover

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SPORTS

Win at Lewis & Clark puts women in fourth

Final road games provide last test before playoffs

By Jason Benson
Mast asst. sports editor

PLU women's basketball coach Mary Ann Kluge has encouraged her team to add a little S.P.I.C.E. to their lives this season.

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So far, the Lutes have responded to their coach's encouragement,

W-B-BALL

Overall record: 10-8

Next game: Today at George Fox, Newberg, Ore., 6 p.m.

and playoff time is quickly approaching.

"Right now we are on an up," said senior center Anna Nelson. "We are really focusing on making the playoffs and staying together."

PLU started out the season with a 70-63 win over Northwest College. Sixteen games later, the Lutes are 9-8 overall and in the midst of a playoff race. At 5-5 in the NCIC, they currently occupy fourth place. Four teams advance to the playoffs.

Of the Lutes' five conference wins, four have come against teams below them in the standings. All five losses have been to teams above them. In addition, PLU has won or



photo by Heather Anderson

Tassie Hampton, a sophomore guard shoots over a crowd of Linfield players during last Friday's home game. The Lutes easily defeated Linfield 76-49.

lost no more than two games in a row this season. The Lutes have been consistent while continuing to improve as the season has progressed.

"Everybody has stepped up their game," Nelson said. "We've continued to get better."

Tuesday, the Lutes traveled to Portland to take on a Lewis and

Clark team that had won three games all season. Despite their record, the Pioneers managed to give the Lutes a good run before bowing out.

The 21 points of Jennifer Riches led PLU to a 71-70 win. Riches also collected 11 rebounds and 4 blocked shots. Kim Corbray added 16 points and Anna Nelson had 13

PLU is currently in fourth place in the NCIC at 5-5. The season will conclude for the the Lutes with four road games.

off the bench.

Last weekend, the Lutes ended a four-game home stand with a win over Linfield and a loss to conference leader Willamette.

Linfield failed to cope with the Lutes aggressive, full-court defense, committing 38 turnovers in the 76-49 PLU win. On the offensive end, four Lutes scored in

double figures with guards Corbray and Laura Triplett picking up 12 apiece. Riches added 10 points and eight boards.

The Lutes fell behind early to Willamette, but managed to pull within four points in the second half before losing to the Bearcats

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Hinz takes three tournament titles...

Wrestlers drop three duals, four qualified for nationals

By Chris Coover
Mast sports editor

The Lute wrestlers dropped three dual matches last week and saw their dual meet record drop to 2-7 on the season.

First up was a trip to Ellensburg, where Central Washington nearly swept the Lutes. Freshman Tom Hinz, wrestling at 190 pounds, was PLU's lone winner as the Wildcats won 30-9.

Hinz came back from a 2-0 deficit to score six points in the third period and win the victory.

On Thursday, the Lutes dropped

a close meet to Highline Community College 27-19. Wins for the Lutes came from Tuan Nguyen at 118 pounds, Kyle Weakley at 126 pounds, John Aikens at 150 pounds

WRESTLING

Overall record: 2-7

Next meet: Today, vs. Pacific, PLU, 7:30 p.m.

and Matt Bliss at 167 pounds.

On Friday, the Lutes came home to face a tough contingent of Simon

Fraser Clansmen. They lost 21-13.

The Lutes' only points came when the Clansmen forfeited at 118 pounds, Jeremy Von Bargaen won at 177 pounds and Hinz won at 190 pounds.

Von Bargaen earned a 15-7 super decision when, leading 9-7, he recorded an escape, takedown and two-point near fall in the third period.

Hinz again came from behind. Trailing 2-1, he recorded a three-point near fall with only 30 seconds remaining to defeat SFU's Evan Lavoie who had previously defeated Him 17-3 at the Oregon

Classic in December.

Three dual meets remain on the schedule including home meets against Pacific today and Portland State tomorrow.

During January, PLU competed in several tournaments to supplement their dual meet schedule.

Hinz has won three tournament titles already this season. His most recent win came at the Washington State Collegiate Wrestling Championships in Ellensburg on Jan. 27.

Hinz's win in the 190-pound division followed up his earlier victories at the Pacific Tournament in December and the Clackamas

Community College tournament on Jan. 13.

Other top finishes in Ellensburg came from Bliss who took third at 167 pounds, Nguyen who was fourth at 118 and Von Bargaen who was fifth at 177.

Hinz is one of four PLU wrestlers who have qualified for the NAIA national tournament in March. Sophomore Nguyen and juniors Weakley and Bliss will represent the Lutes with the freshman in Jamestown, N. D., where the tournament will be held for the second consecutive year.

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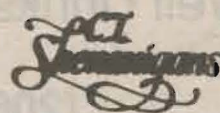
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SPORTS

LUTE SCOREBOARD

MEN'S B-BALL

vs. Linfield

PLU 68-Linfield 66

PLU player stats

	Mn	R	A	P
Mackey	18	5	1	5
Dahlberg	13	4	0	11
Brevet	19	3	1	0
Douglass	14	1	1	0
Peterson	33	0	0	6
Mills	26	3	4	10
Peirce	14	1	1	12
Albright	27	5	0	13
Maners	12	1	0	7
Carrell	21	7	1	2
Schlottman	3	0	0	2

vs. Willamette

PLU 81-Willamette 76

	Mn	R	A	P
Mackey	13	2	3	4
Dahlberg	26	7	1	14
Brevet	28	7	2	15
Douglass	16	1	5	0
Peterson	39	7	1	26
Mills	24	1	4	4
Peirce	20	3	1	11
Albright	14	3	0	2
Maners	8	1	0	3
Carrell	12	1	0	2

at Lewis and Clark

PLU 62-L&C 78

	Mn	R	A	P
Mackey	15	1	0	6
Dahlberg	25	3	1	7
Brevet	20	9	2	6
Douglass	24	2	5	2
Peterson	34	6	5	11
Mills	15	3	1	0
Peirce	20	2	1	11
Albright	16	2	1	5
Maners	11	6	1	2
Carrell	18	4	0	12
Schlottman	2	0	0	0

NCIC Standings

	NCIC
Whitworth	8-2
Lewis & Clark	7-3
Linfield	7-3
Pacific	5-5
PLU	5-5
George Fox	4-6
Whitman	2-8
Willamette	2-8

WOMEN'S B-BALL

vs. Linfield

PLU 76-Linfield 49

PLU player stats

	Mn	R	A	P
Hoseth	30	6	3	7
Price	22	7	0	10
Riches	27	8	1	10
Weiland	23	7	1	6
Corbray	20	3	2	12
Broderson	13	1	3	5
Hampton	17	1	2	4
Triplett	17	2	0	12
Hausch	16	3	0	6
Nelson	15	2	1	4

vs. Willamette

PLU 67-Willamette 76

	Mn	R	A	P
Hoseth	29	2	3	6
Price	24	5	0	4
Riches	31	6	0	9
Weiland	24	1	5	4
Corbray	30	3	2	23
Broderson	3	1	0	0
Hampton	17	2	1	3
Triplett	16	1	0	3
Hausch	14	4	1	11
Nelson	12	3	1	4

at Lewis and Clark

PLU 71-L&C 70

	Mn	R	A	P
Weiland	25	0	3	0
Price	27	10	0	4
Riches	28	11	0	21
Corbray	31	3	6	16
Hoseth	25	2	3	4
Broderson	11	3	0	5
Hampton	13	1	2	3
Triplett	12	6	2	5
Hausch	11	1	2	0
Nelson	17	5	1	13

NCIC Standings

	NCIC	Total
Willamette	8-1	13-6
Pacific	7-2	11-8
George Fox	6-3	12-7
PLU	5-5	10-8
Linfield	4-5	9-9
Whitman	4-5	9-9
Whitworth	2-7	4-15
Lewis & Clark	1-9	3-15

SWIMMING

at Lewis & Clark

Women	PLU
PLU 136.5 L&C 34.5	
200 med. relay	PLU
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100 free	PLU Munden
100 back	PLU Bland
500 free	PLU Settle
100 breast	LC MacCollum
200 free relay	PLU

Men

PLU 137 L&C 29	PLU
200 med. relay	PLU
200 free	PLU Simmons
50 free	PLU Steiner
200 IM	PLU Alexander
100 fly	PLU Moriyama
100 back	PLU Alexander
500 free	PLU Torres
100 breast	PLU Viau
400 free relay	PLU

NCIC Standings

MEN	Women
Linfield	5-0
Whitworth	5-1
PLU	5-3
Whitman	3-4
Willamette	1-4
Lewis & Clark	0-6

Women

PLU	7-1
Whitworth	5-1
Linfield	2-2-1
Willamette	2-2-1
Whitman	2-5
Lewis & Clark	0-6

WRESTLING

Highline CC 27 d. PLU 19

118-Nguyen, PLU d. Bosshart
126-Weakley, PLU d. Walters
134-Buhl, HCC, injury default
142-Lee, HCC d. Chwaszczewski
150-Aiken, PLU d. Anderson
158-Pearson, HCC d. Nockleby
167-Bliss, PLU d. Lancaster
177-Double forfeit
190-Double forfeit
275-Poole, HCC d. Hinz

Simon Fraser 21 d. PLU 13

118-Muhm, PLU forfeit
126-Mckay, SFU d. Nguyen
134-Blomgren, SFU d. Weakley
142-Van Campen, SFU p.
Chwaszczewski
150-Rose, SFU d. Aiken
158-Nasadyk, SFU d. Nockleby
OT
167-Bianco, SFU d. Bliss
177-Von Bargaen, PLU d. Herron
190-Hinz, PLU d. Lavoie
275-Double forfeit

Central 30 d. PLU 9

118-Nguyen, PLU forfeit
126-Smiley, CWU d. Weakley
134-Dockter, CWU d. Mork
142-Hendricks, CWU d.
Chwaszczewski
150-Rotondo, CWU d. Aiken
158-Gusse, CWU d. Nockleby
167-Brummett, CWU d. Bliss
177-Evans, CWU d. Meissner
190-Hinz, PLU d. Boe
275-Holby, CWU forfeit

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SPORTS

Lacrosse hopes to bounce back from troubled season

By Chris Coovert
Mast sports editor

PLU's men's Lacrosse team will open its season tomorrow with hopes of improving upon a disappointing season last Spring.

"The problem last year was strife with the team," captain and player coach Brett Bollinger said. "We plan on doing a lot better this year."

PLU won only 3 games last year, but Bollinger feels an improvement in team chemistry will lead to more success this year.

"The parties who caused the strife are graduated," he said. "Camraderie is a lot better."

The Lutes will be experienced with 17 returnees on the 25 man squad. An experienced squad is "a rarity in this league," Bollinger said.

With all the experience, the Lutes will be able to use a lot of players. "This may be the best depth we've ever had," Bollinger said.

Key returnees are midfielders Matt Nelson and Hans Meyer and attacker Brian Thayer.

Two key losses are Christian Erickson and Ryan Tesarik, both 1995 graduates.

The league the Lutes will play in this year has undergone significant changes. In the past PLU has played in the Pacific Northwest Lacrosse association which included collegiate and men's club teams.

This year, PLU will play an ex-

clusively college nine game schedule. Bollinger said the restructuring has changed more than just the schedule.

"It's a lot more formal, it's not just a scrub league anymore," he said. For the first time players will be required to wear identical uniforms including helmet.

In the past players decorated their helmets individually, Bollinger said.

Last year's champion Whitman

"The problem last year was strife within the team. We plan on doing a lot better this year."

—Brett Bollinger
Men's Lacrosse captain

heads the list of tough league opponents, Bollinger said. Whitman is one of the few teams who has an experienced Lacrosse coach with experience on the East Coast.

Western Washington U. and the University of Washington will also be tough, he said.

The season will conclude with a

final four tournament this season, another product of the reorganization.

"We have a good chance of making the tournament," Bollinger said.

The Lutes take on the Alumni tomorrow and Gonzaga on Sunday. Their season will take place over a two month period.

"Unfortunately our season is very short and all concentrated in the next two months," Bollinger said. "We won't have much time to practice and polish ourselves," he said.

As a club team, Lacrosse has to raise most of its own money.

Fund-raisers such as ushering concerts and sporting events provide the bulk of the team's budget.

ASPLU also gives the team money, Bollinger said, but problems with the appropriations committee have held up the money.

This has caused "incredible financial problems," he said.

One of the team's goals was recently stolen and must be replaced by tomorrow. A replacement will cost \$260.

Other costs include a \$150 game fee the team must pay.

The Lutes will no longer play home games on Foss field this year. They will play on Gonyea field off campus instead.

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Tomorrow — at Pacific, Forest Grove, Ore., 6 p.m.

Wrestling

Today — vs. Pacific, PLU, 7:30 p.m.
Tomorrow — vs. Portland State, PLU, 1 p.m.

Swimming

Today — vs. Willamette, PLU, 6 p.m.
Sunday — at Linfield, PLU, 1 p.m.

Men's Lacrosse

Tomorrow — vs. Alumni, Gonyea field, Noon
Sunday — vs. Gonzaga, Gonyea field, 1 p.m.

B-Ball

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76-67. Corbray once again led the way with 23 points. Missy Hausch came off the bench to score 11.

At 20.0 points per game, Corbray leads the NCIC in scoring and is 14th in NAIA Division II women's basketball. She needs to average 16.8 points in the re-

maining four games to break the PLU single-season scoring record of 433, set by Kelly Larson during the 1987-88 season.

The Lutes will play their final four games on the road, beginning with George Fox today.

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CAMPUS

Two positions lost in budget cuts Disorder

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Drastic cuts being made to meet budget designations

By Lindsay Tomac
Mast editor

The Office of Student Life has taken an aggressive step toward reducing PLU's debt level by reorganizing the University Center Department.

Two positions, the UC Department Assistant and the Program Coordinator/Student Activities positions, will cease to exist. Contracts will be honored through the end of May.

After PLU academics were subjected to major cuts last year, the Office of Finance and Operations determined that about \$400,000 more needed to be cut from administrative budgets.

The President's Council asked Student Life to cut \$50,000 in its budget to help in the effort.

Erv Severtson, director of Student Life, said that when trying to decide where to make cuts the office looked at all its departments and found that only the University Center department did not have its duties clearly defined in its name.

"We looked at a department with a building as its name and tried to define exactly what happened in that building," he said.

The reorganization committee

broke down the UC into two areas: business and student programs.

Under the new plan, businesses, including the Bookstore, Coffee Shop and Food Services, have been named auxiliaries and will report to the Office of Finance and Operations. Auxiliaries are services the school provides that do not directly relate to academics.

All other student programs and activities in the UC will be grouped together to form a new division of Student Life, headed by Dr. Cristina Del Rosario, currently the head of the Multi-ethnic resource center. She will work with Rick Eastman, current UC director, and Jennifer Schoen, assistant director of student activities.

The holders of the two cut positions, Lisa Upchurch, program and student activities coordinator, and Alexandra Rivera-Arroyo, UC Department assistant, said they understand the need to save money but are unsure of their future place in the university.

Severtson said his office is trying to be as supportive to Upchurch and Rivera-Arroyo as possible.

"A reorganization did occur and those two positions will cease to exist. But positions and people are really different," he said. "Our hope is that we can locate positions for

them within the university that will continue to be positions. They are both extraordinary people and we don't want to lose them."

Upchurch said she felt the situation was handled satisfactorily, but did not speculate on what problems may arise as a result of the reorganization. She said she is unsure of what her next step will be.

Rivera-Arroyo said she was initially surprised that her position was being eliminated. She would not comment on whether or not she felt the situation was handled fairly except to say that she could "understand that there were certain issues with the budget that needed to be dealt with."

Both Severtson and Eastman said the new system would require time to test its effectiveness.

"Any time you have less attention and less human resources it's going to be different," Eastman said. "Whether it will be more focused and better, but have a narrower scope of service—only time will tell."

"Because we haven't had experience there are unknowns. There will be time needed for adjustments. Because we are creating a new unit in hands of well-trained, capable people I don't see why it can't work," Severtson said.

of weight this year, and I want you thin for college. So, if you can lose 10 pounds this summer, I'm going to pay you 300 dollars."

"For a high school student, that's a lot of money," McClure said. "My friend told me that if I wanted to lose weight, whenever I ate anything I should just take laxatives or try to throw up the food. It worked."

When the summer was over, McClure had not lost 10 pounds. She had lost 17. Her father carried through on his promise, paying her 300 dollars, plus another 30 dollars for each additional pound.

"What that said to me was that 'Daddy won't love you unless you're skinny,'" McClure said.

From age 16 to 23, McClure used bingeing and purging to control her weight. "I was up to 60 or 100 laxatives and diuretics per day," she said. "It didn't hit me that this wasn't normal."

An undercover security officer changed her thinking. While shopping in a grocery store, McClure ate handfuls of peanuts without buying them and the officer stopped her.

"All of the sudden, I realized—this is sick," McClure said.

For the next five years, she tried 18 different doctors and none had the answer she was looking for. "They said, 'Don't you know that's bad for you?'" McClure said. "I said yes. And then all they said was, 'Well, stop it!'"

But McClure couldn't stop her addiction by herself. Two psychiatrists told her, "You need a man!"

She knew a man would not help her. What did help was a scare.

"After starving myself for three days, I took 22 laxatives on an empty stomach and went to bed. When I woke up, I couldn't see, hear or feel my right side. I remember a doctor telling me to drink Gatorade because the laxatives depleted all my electrolytes and potassium. I drank the entire bottle of Gatorade and saw that my fingers were blue—that scared me."

McClure called a friend for help, and her friend rushed her to the hospital.

"Bulimics are great actresses, so on the way to the hospital, I put on my mask and pretended that everything was OK," McClure said.

Two weeks later, McClure was ready to take her own life.

She called her neighbors to borrow a gun. They weren't home. After saying a prayer, McClure lay down on her sofa and waited. Her friend called, giving McClure the number of a clinic in Dallas, Texas,

that could help.

Grasping this ray of hope, McClure called the clinic and waited a week for an opening, putting her job on hold and telling only her boss and a friend about this decision.

What she expected to be a two-week recovery became a two-and-a-half-month ordeal of working through her food addiction and fighting ghosts that still haunted her.

McClure said she expected the clinic to resemble a spa. She imagined aerobics classes, low-fat meals and a way to get "healthy." Instead, she was required to eat three meals a day—completely. An attendant watched her as she went to the bathroom, to make sure she would not purge again.

She was also monitored for a heart attack for more than two weeks. Her body's nutrient and potassium levels had been so depleted by the laxatives and erratic eating habits that doctors feared for her life.

McClure recalls having tunnel vision, hurting whenever she was touched and while taking a shower. She waited a month for her first bowel movement.

Her recovery program included both emotional and physical healing. "I told my doctor I had a dieting discipline problem, and my doctor wouldn't buy it. He asked me instead about my family," McClure said.

She remembered being seriously burned at age four, an incident which left her emotionally and physically scarred. She also explained how the workings of her family during her childhood had contributed to her eating behavior.

Only after understanding and then dealing with her grief and fears, she said, was she able to "cry wet tears."

After this emotional catharsis, her doctor asked her to go to every patient in the clinic and ask for comfort. "We all have needs," McClure said. "I need people to pray for me, to be my friend, to rejoice with me. My doctor told me that when I get that urge to binge—I need people! I should be a people-binger, not afraid to bother anybody."

As she concluded her speech, McClure conveyed her passion for living. "Once I met Mother Theresa when I was a reporter. She touched my life with her words more than a preacher ever could have. She said, 'We are starving for food in India, but you Americans are starving from a disease called loneliness.'"

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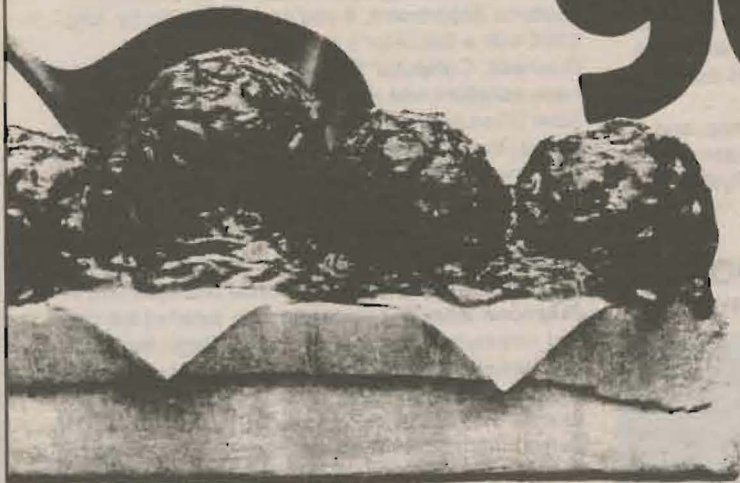
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NATION

Political question of negative campaigns takes a turn

By Hillary Hunt
Mast senior reporter

Republicans and Democrats alike were calling the January 30th vote-by-mail election in Oregon's senatorial race, the first of its kind in the nation, the barometer for the 1996 races.

Dr. Wallace Spencer of PLU's political science department believes Democrat Ron Wyden's one percent victory is too narrow by which to gauge the electoral mood for 1996.

"Almost anything can be the cause of a one percent margin, so what you have to look at is the degree to which factors affected the margin," Spencer said.

Bob Packwood's resignation late last year left one of Oregon's two Senatorial seats open, and the Senate Republicans with a 53-46 majority.

To fill the position Oregon state called a special election. Voting began 3 weeks before the January 30th cut-off date. Most of the 1.1 million votes cast were mailed-in to the state, although 160 drop sites were available around the state for those who had waited too late to mail-in their ballots.

This relatively new manner of conducting elections resulted in a

high voter turn-out. By January 31st a 60 percent turnout had been reached, with only 80 percent of Oregon's precincts reporting their results.

Spencer said that while a high turn-out is normally expected in senatorial races and in the State of Oregon, considering it was a special election and an off-year it was a remarkable turn-out.

The leading Republican candidate, Gordon Smith, is the owner of a frozen food company and was elected to Oregon State Senate in 1992. According to the Associated Press he contributed more than half of the \$3.7 million spent on his campaign.

Wyden, who has served as a member of Oregon's congressional delegation since 1982, spent \$2.8 mil-

lion of which \$250,000 came from his personal finances.

During the campaign both candidates employed negative advertising, a tactic Spencer said has proven successful and worked sufficiently well to encourage campaigns to continue using them.

10 days before the end of the election the trailing democrat pulled his negative ads from the air, hoping to instead accentuate the positive issues of his campaign.

Wyden's ads had portrayed Smith as rich polluter receiving hundreds of thousands of dollars from federal and state agencies to bring his company into compliance with environmental regulations. Ads also attacked Smith's abortion stance, portraying him as a pro-life extremist.

Smith's TV ads, which contin-

ued to run for the duration of the election, utilized a pop quiz from an Oregon television station in which Wyden was unable to locate Bosnia on a map and refused to estimate the price of a loaf of bread the Associated Press reported.

"The fact that Wyden won doesn't prove negative campaigning isn't successful," Spencer said. "It's possible he was hurt more by the negative ads (from Smith's campaign) than he gained from taking the virtuous position by not running them himself."

Spencer also pointed to a number of other factors which could have influenced the election. The traditional Democratic constituencies of labor, environmentalist, seniors and abortion-rights activists, who were missing at the 1994

polls, turned-out for the special election.

"There's also the possibility the margin represents a last minute decision by the undecideds," Spencer said.

Estimating the effect of this election on the future, Spencer said he expected more vote-by-mail elections because they increase participation and save money.

However Wyden's victory after cutting his negative advertising does not signal an end to the medium to Spencer.

"It may have worked on the margins (of the vote), but no more so than other issues worked on the margins... It may be that history will prove this a pivotal moment in campaign history, but don't count on it," Spencer said.

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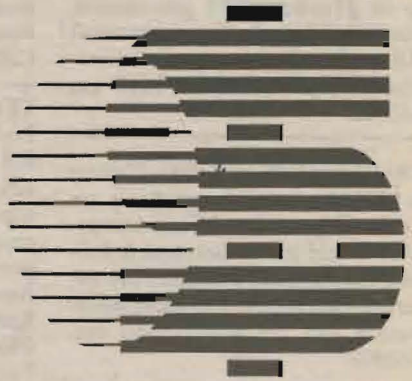
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Goings

that Marc Gaspard, the senator from his district, had been named executive director of the Higher Education Coordinating Board. That move left his senatorial position vacated.

Then his phone started ringing. People from the party wanted Goings to run for Gaspard's seat.

Again with gusto, Goings decided to go for it. He showed up before the Metropolitan King County and Pierce County councils, which chose him over two other candidates.

Goings said he hasn't talked to any of his PLU political science professors about his position yet. He guessed their reaction would be, "Huh?"

"If they only knew..." Goings said wistfully, reminiscing about his time in their classes.

Dick Oluffs, a PLU political science professor who occasionally acted as Goings' advisor said the young senator came to PLU with a keen sense of politics. He described him as a born negotiator.

"He is one of those people everyone believes is much older than he actually is," Oluffs said. "If he wore a suit, middle-aged people in grocery stores would call him 'sir.'"

Wearing the shade of gray you would expect a politician to wear, a Lowry-esque bright tie painted with multi-colored children, and shiny tasseled loafers, Goings looks the part of a state senator. He talks the part too, comfortable and animated, punctuating his sentences with gestures and pauses, his voice rising and falling at the right times.

"My number one priority is to fight for policies for families," he said with the confidence of a well-seasoned political speaker.

Goings is fed up with all the attention to his age. A recent Seattle Times article about him headlined, "I don't like this whole 'age thing.'"

However, it's a tough subject to avoid.

"People wonder if I'm 'legit,'" Goings said. "But it's the same thing as people's gender or their

ethnicity. (People should) judge me on whether or not Calvin Goings fought for the people back home."

At 25, Sen. Bill Finkbeiner, R, Woodinville, is now the second-youngest Washington state senator. "I'm still the youngest elected senator," he joked.

"Who you are is very much about this job here," Finkbeiner said. "It's hard to get around your age."

His advice to Goings is to take advantage of his perspective as an outsider.

Goings, who describes himself as "humble" and "private," has been doing exactly that — sitting back and watching, sometimes shaking his head at the bureaucracy.

He commutes to Olympia from Puyallup every day, while most senators and representatives live in apartments near the campus during session. "That's where my heart is," he said of his home town. "Life is more than Olympia."

For the next 30 or so days, Goings's life, however, will con-

tinue to be Olympia. He usually works between the hours of 5:30 a.m. and 10 p.m. When he gets home at night, there are messages from constituents to return.

"I'm the guy next door," Goings said. "The first thing I do when I get home is put on some sweats and order a pizza."

Goings' first and most controversial bill, Senate Bill 6243, would forbid public money to be spent on a life-saving organ for any death row inmate.

The bill was inspired by public outrage over Mitchell Rupe, the infamous death-row inmate who avoided his sentence of hanging because a state court ruled it would be cruel and unusual punishment. Rupe argued that because he was grossly overweight, hanging could result in decapitation. Now he is in need of a kidney transplant.

Goings said he talked to a woman in Pierce County who was horrified because her daughter was also waiting for a kidney.

"This bill is very simple, very

common sense, and yet it's never been done," said Goings who describes himself as a socially responsible, but fiscally conservative Democrat.

Goings' did encounter some opposition as the bill debuted on the Senate floor.

Following a long-standing tradition of hazing freshmen senators, nearly the entire body voted against his measure.

They changed their votes at the last minute after his impassioned pleas.

After passing through the Senate, the bill is presently making its way through the legislative gauntlet. Goings is crossing his fingers it will meet approval in the Republican-dominated House.

Goings said his senatorship didn't really hit him until early one morning while rounding the bend of Interstate 5 where the capital building comes into view.

"The sun hit the dome, and it just sunk in," he said.

J-term

up for the reduction in space, the University's first alteration was to create the Monday, Wednesday, Friday; Tuesday, Thursday class schedule now used.

The next move was to take away the Interim requirement so that faculty were concentrating on GURs and no longer "inventing" new courses.

Once this decision was made, deliberations moved to whether or not to dispose of January classes altogether or redesign the month into the J-term we now use.

According to Frame, opponents of maintaining January courses argue that the credit hours necessary to fulfill the University's budget would still have been scheduled by the students for fall or spring if there were no J-term option.

Frame said opponents of J-term also argue that by starting spring semester in the middle of January,

PLU students would have a head start on the job market.

But when asked if J-term would be preserved, Frame answered with a firm "Yes."

"The basic argument for J-term is not economic," he said. "Once we decided to (keep J-term), we made a commitment to make it a substantial part of our academic calendar."

Carr said, "The January term had become so much a part of the PLU culture that when threatened, it was seen very quickly that both students and faculty would defend it."

Among the benefits Carr cited for the current J-Term are that it provides students with flexibility in scheduling — primarily to reduce the credit load during one of the semesters, to give extra time to students with learning disabilities and to help double majors and mi-

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nors fit in extra courses.

Fiscally, the new J-term has exceeded the University's expectations, but Frame said in the long term, it may hurt more than help.

In the 1994-95 school year, PLU created its budget expecting 5,100 J-term credit hours to be sold. In fact, 7,300 hours were sold.

Expecting a decline due to changing graduation requirements, the University budgeted for 5,317 hours in 1995-96, worth about \$2.3 million. In actuality, 7,230 hours sold, yielding \$3.1 million.

However these J-term profits are misleading. Frame suspects a large portion of these credits are not "extra," that is, over the full load of 32 credits per student per year.

"At some point, swelling J-term hours probably starts cannibalizing spring term ... but we don't know where that point actually is," Frame said.

ACLU

Aid, is need. These students, she said, "generate a tremendous amount of documented need. The profile of these students is usually self-supporting. They qualify for a very large percentage of gift assistance."

The second criterion is circumstantial. Soltis said, "EOG was originally designed to help very needy students who were single or self-supporting and who were 'place-bound.'"

"This means that they can't leave the vicinity in which they are place-bound. They have a job that's related here, someone ill who needs to be taken care of, or small children."

Jerry Sheehan, legislative director for the ACLU, believes that financial hardship is not an adequate justification for suspension of the state constitution.

"It states that no public funds can be allocated in support of 'religious establishments,'" said Sheehan. PLU's motto, "Quality education in a Christian context" demonstrates that tie, he said.

EOG recipient, Kirsten Brooks, believes the ACLU is "defeating what they ought to defend."

"If you cut aid to us, we will only stay in the system longer," Brooks said. "It's like shooting yourself in the foot."

Brooks, a nursing major and single mother of four, is receiving

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the EOG for a second year. This assistance is a welcome addition to her Pell grants, a Q-Club scholarship and loans which are providing financial assistance through college.

"This program helps me get an education so that I can help myself," Brooks said. "To see a lawsuit like this... this is so discouraging."

"I don't think that there is a violation of the separation between church and state," Brooks said. She remembers signing the contract which stipulated that she could not use this grant toward a major or minor in theology.

Both Anderson and Soltis pointed out that this program, in its sixth year, has remained relatively small.

"The cumulative number, \$636,000 since it started in 1990, shows that it's been a very small program," Anderson said. This year, PLU will receive \$152,500 in state funds for its EOG students.

Students who qualify for EOGs also receive PLU need-based assistance, which Anderson estimates to be two to four times greater than that which they receive from outside sources.

"2500 dollars is really a drop in the bucket compared to actual tuition cost," Soltis said. "On the other hand, it's gift assistance for which funds are limited."


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