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Elwell, Laughlin--Two-Man Showing

A two-man showing of painting and constructions by Pacific Lutheran University artists will be exhibited in the library gallery at PLU from Sept. 24 to Oct. 20.

G. Robert Elwell, assistant professor of art at the university, and Donn W. Laughlin, a PLU evening instructor who also teaches art at Charles Wright Academy, will have their works on display from 8 a. m. to 9 p. m. daily.

Elwell, who works in photography, assemblage, constructions and painting "in a non-representational way" will exhibit 10 constructions. A like number of oil paintings by Laughlin reflect a painting style that "is akin to that of abstract expressionism," according to the artist.

Elwell, who taught art at his alma mater, New York University, and later at Youngstown University, before coming to PLU, believes that "vision is but one narrow porthold into the awesome vastness of physical reality. Its truth concerns the awareness of the infinite nature of light, the organic wholeness and the fantastic variety of the visual world-at-large.

"I am, and have been for a long time," he said, "concerned and preoccupied with the equivolents between this light world and the internal world of the human spirit and psyche. I have tried to explore intellectually, intuitively and sensuously some forms of that equivalence."

Laughlin studied at California College of Arts and Crafts and is currently the head of the art and drama department at Charles Wright. He is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Tacoma Art Museum and President of the Tacoma Arts and Crafts Association.

Faculty Art Exhibit Begins



Artists Elwell and Laughlin compare notes

Concerning his work, he explained, "Because my canvasses convey the expressions of my subject, my painting style is akin to that of abstract expressionism. Specifically, I am concerned with an understanding of the movement of light and atmosphere as shown by the forces of nature, such as fog, sunlight, or falling leaves. I am strongly influenced by the romantic paintings, especially Claude and Turner."

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Grants For Graduate Study

The competition for United States Government grants for graduate study or research, or for study and professional training in the creative and performing arts abroad in 1969-70, is nearing its close.

Congressional funding for Department of State grants in Fiscal Year 1969 (July 1, 1968-June 30, 1969) is substantially below last year's total. It is not possible, therefore, to assure candidates of the availability for all countries of the grants shown in the printed announcements already issued.

Reductions will be applied most heavily in the categories of grants for Americans to go overseas because of the desire of the government to reduce travel overseas at this time. Competition for such grants will, therefore, be all the keener. The number of 1969-70 grants for Americans may, on the average, be reduced as much as two-thirds from the preceding year.

The awards are available as part of the educational and cultural exchange program of the U. S. Department of State. The general purpose of the program, administered by the Institution of International Education, is to increase mutual understanding between the people of the United States and those of other countries.

Application forms and detailed information for students currently enrolled at PLU may be obtained from the campus Fulbright Program Advisor, Elvin M. Akre. The deadline for filing such applications on this campus is Oct. 25, 1968.

Jim Van Beek, financial aid director, will attend the fall conference of the Pacific Northwest Assoc. of College Admissions Counselors in Olympia Saturday. . . He will then depart for the All Lutheran College Night in Minneapolis and the ACAC conference in New York City early next week.

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T. H. Langevin, Academic Vice President has been asked to make a presentation at the forthcoming Annual Meeting of the Western Association of Summer Session Administrators at Denver, Colorado on October 9-11, 1968. He will be on a panel to discuss "Challenges Facing the Summer School Administrator". . . Clayton B. Peterson, vice-president for development will be guest speaker at a Puyallup Community Chest kickoff breakfast Tuesday, Sept. 24. The breakfast, held at Nettie's Cafe at 7:30 a. m., officially begins the annual Chest drive, expected this year to raise \$42,000. The Puyallup campaign is closely coordinated with Peirce County United Good Neighbors, which had its kick-off Sept. 17. . . The alumni and admissions departments are sponsoring a hamburger fry and pre-game rally at Thousand Oaks, Calif., preceding the CLC-PLU football game. Representing PLU are Milt Nesvig, university relations; Jon Olson, alumni relations; Ron Colton and Mark Andersen, admissions. . . Left off the list of new staff members last week was the name of Myron Sandberg, stage technician. A 1966 PLU graduate, Sandberg was spent the last two years as a chaplain's assistant in the U. S. Army. . . Dr. Emmet Eklund and Rev. Kenneth Christopherson (both religion) are serving as pastors of the McNeil Island Community Church, a congregation whose members are on the staff of the U. S. Penitentiary . . . the men alternate the Sunday morning preaching. . . Theodore O. H. Karl (speech) spent 10 days in Arizona in August chairing the council planning for the national Pi Kappa Delta convention to be held at Arizona State this winter. . . Karl is PKD president. . . Mrs. Rhoda Young (retired P. E.) has several living room furniture items for sale, including a davenport, chair, rocker, lamp and tables. . . her phone is LE 7-5559. . . Ronald Genda (econ.) was in Seattle Wednesday attending the convention of the National Bankers Association. . . Rev. Harvey Neufeld (Ch. Rel.) was in Springfield, Ore. last weekend where he spoke at the ALC's Willamette Conference convention. . . our sincere apologies for an error in a picture caption last week. . . we had Wilma Peterson incorrectly identified as Melba Cather . . . THE RED COATS ARE COMING Oct. 14. . .

Faculty Promotions Announced



Dr. William Giddings
professor



Dr. Curtis Huber
professor



Dr. Lynn Stein
professor



Dr. Jane Williamson
professor

Faculty promotions and the granting of tenure were announced by President Dr. Robert Mortvedt at the convocation opening the school year Thursday, Sept. 12.

Promoted to professor were Dr. William Giddings, chemistry; Dr. Curtis Huber, philosophy; Dr. Lynn Stein and Dr. Jane Williamson, education.

Named associate professor were Dr. Lowell Culver, political science; Calvin Knapp, music; Dr. Erving Severtson, psychology; and Dr. Frederick L. Tobiason, chemistry.

Joseph Broeker, physical education; Melba Cather, nursing; Sarah Officer, physical education; Lois Mae Rimer, nursing; and Kathryn Strickland, music, were promoted to assistant professor.

Granted tenure were Roy E. Carlson, physical education; Josephine Fletcher, nursing; Gene Lundgaard, physical education; Alice Napjus, education; Dr. Philip Nordquist, history.

Appointed chairman of departments

were Dr. Hens Knudsen, biology; Dr. John Herzog, (acting) mathematics; Dr. David Olson, health, physical education and athletics; and Dr. Rodney Swenson, foreign languages.

PhD's Eligible For Fellowship

Brochures and application blanks for anyone interested in applying for the fellowships under the National Endowment for the Arts and Humanities (Public Law 89-209) are available from the Dean of the College of Professional Studies.

Any person in the Humanities or in History, criticism, theory, and practice of the Arts, who was born prior to October 14, 1928 and who has a doctorate is eligible to be nominated for a summer stipend or for a full year fellowship.

The brochure explaining this program and the application forms are available in the academic deans' office.

If any faculty members are interested

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History Professor Returns From Nigeria

'Races Can Work

A college professor committed to action for the benefit of mankind has returned to Pacific Lutheran University from Nigeria, where he spent two years as Peace Corps director.

Dr. Peter Ristuben, 34, a professor of American history at PLU since 1960, volunteered to spend two years in the hot, barren wastes of northern Nigeria when he reached the final personal realization that "I considered myself a liberal and an activist and felt a responsibility to do something rather than just talk about it," he added.

"As an American who has always claimed to be interested in social issues, I felt a responsibility to do something rather than just talk about it," he added.

Doctor Ristuben was given responsibility for the Peace Corps' in-service teacher education program. He supervised a team of American instructors seeking to upgrade the quality of northern Nigerian teachers through a personal tutoring program. Official Nigerian cooperation was complete, as education is among the young nation's top priorities.

During his two-year stay, Ristuben saw over 1,600 Nigerian teachers successfully complete the program. This is approximately 10 per cent of the Nigerians now teaching in the northern region, the professor explained.

Ristuben's team of 60 instructors worked primarily with teachers who had seven years of schooling and three years of

teacher training. As a result of the tutoring effort, these teachers received the equivalent of two more years of teachers' college.

"The success of the program was measured by a West African examination prepared by the British," Ristuben said. "The students of the program was measured by a West African examination prepared by the British," Ristuben said. "The students did better than we ever dared predict.



Primitive Nigeria

"One tutor reported that 100 per cent of his students passed one of two subjects, arithmetic and English. Both courses were passed by 92 per cent," he added.

"Another tutor's class had 92 per cent passing one subject with 87 per cent successfully completing both."

Ristuben is convinced of the Peace Corps' worthiness. "It is by far the cheapest and most effective way of promoting understanding between nations," he asserted.

He admitted that it is much more difficult to explain the benefits gained by his family and himself. "It's a personal experience," he related. "Our family became more closely knit. As for myself, it gave a greater sensitivity to problems and aspirations of other cultures. As a historian, this sensitivity can be employed."

Ristuben's program was conducted throughout an area roughly the size of Texas. He recalled 12-day trips covering 2,000 miles, while 1,000 mile tours were completed in five days.

After UPS Loss—

PLU Knights Seek First Win At CLC

PLU's Knights began preparing Monday for another tough non-conference grid tilt this Saturday at California Lutheran College after falling to a veteran University of Puget Sound Logger team, 21-6, Saturday at Franklin Pierce Field.

The Knights matched the Loggers yard for yard throughout the game with the exception of two "home run" strikes by the visitors, a 59-yard punt return by half-back Jerome Crawford in the second quarter and a 79-yard aerial touchdown from Bob Cason to end Dan Thurston in the third quarter.

PLU's only touchdown, late in the second quarter, climaxed a 54-yard drive with Rod Bolek hitting end Mike Murphy from three yards out for the score. It was Rod's fifth straight completion during the drive.

Coach Roy Carlson was displeased with the two defensive lapses and four early game fumbles, but was optimistic as he looked ahead to the CLC contest. With a small squad, the Knights must avoid injuries and in that respect they were successful Saturday.

LIBERAL ARTS STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS OFFERED

The Liberal Arts Study Abroad Programs for spring and summer 1969, offered by the University of Washington in cooperation with the Northwest Interinstitutional Council on Study Abroad, will be announced at an informal meeting for interested Tacoma area college and university students Tuesday, September 24, at 7 p.m., at Pacific Lutheran University, Hinderlie Hall.

A Council member and the University of Washington Counsellor for study abroad will be at the meeting to familiarize students with the study programs.

Two additional meetings will be held on the University of Washington campus on



Dave Halstead scoots for daylight during UPS game Saturday.

Carlson is making a few changes this week to try to get more speed in both the offensive and defensive backfields. Quarterback Grant Spencer is being tried at fullback and end Tim Chandler will get a chance at a defensive halfback slot. Rod Bolek, who gave a good account of himself Saturday, may get the starting quarterback nod at CLC.

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October 1, at 4 and 7 p.m., in the UW Student Union Building. (Room number will be posted at entrance.) Faculty and student participants from past years, as well as faculty members for the 1969 programs, will be at these meetings to speak to students. In addition, Mrs. John Mottram, Overseas Director, will be visiting from London and will address the 4 o'clock meeting.

Study locales for the programs are London and Avignon in the spring, and London/Dublin and Paris in the summer.

Students unable to attend these meetings can request additional information about the Programs from Miss Laurie Glass, Counsellor for Study Abroad, University of Washington, 98105, telephone number 543-0840.