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## PLU celebrates student athletes



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Athletes, coaches and administration gathered to celebrate a great year of wins this Sunday in Olson Gym during the annual Athletics Dessert Banquet.

Pacific Lutheran University faculty pride themselves on having student-athletes who always put "student" before "athlete." At the banquet, outstanding students and coaches were recognized for excellence in academics and athletics.

The first award of the night was the George Fischer Scholar Athlete Award for athletes who maintain the highest GPAs and membership in PLU's honor societies. This year's recipients were Michaela Edgers from Women's Basketball and Volleyball and Todd Hoagland from Men's Soccer. Edgers not only maintained a 3.89 GPA but is a two-sport athlete who volunteers

at the Pierce County Humane Society and will graduate this year and attend the Washington State Veterinary Medicine Program. Hoagland, equally as impressive, maintains a 3.79 GPA and is attending grad school for criminal justice next year after graduation.

The Women's Swim team took two big team awards on Sunday, the Team GPA and the Team of the Year Award, officially taking this school year by storm. The Women's Swim team not only took first in the Northwest Conference, but they had multiple 4.0 students and broke several PLU records this year.

PLU Athletics also honored two all-around Athletes of the Year, Shanell Sullenberger and Brandon Lester.

Sullenberger helped the PLU Women's Swim team continue their domination of the Northwest Conference with its third straight conference title. Sullenberger finished the season with first-team all-conference performances in six of her races, and second-team in the seventh. She

set program records in three events and finished the NWC Championships meet with six event titles.

Lester helped lead the Men's Basketball team's return to the postseason for the first time in six years, advancing to the Northwest Conference Tournament finals for only the second time in program history. The junior guard became the first Lute to score 400 points in a season since 2008 and finished the season ranked second in the conference in scoring (17.4 points per game). He became the twenty-fifth PLU player to reach 1,000 career points and currently sits at 1,066, number 22 on the PLU all-time scorers list.

The last awards of the evening went to Melissa Dean and Drew Oord for the Lute Career Achievement Award.

In her four years as a Lute swimmer, Dean has been the model for the women's swimming programs definition of holistic excellence. She is an eight-time conference champion and holds five school records. She earned 20 all-conference honors and is a

member of SAAC, serving as vice president and president as well as representing PLU as the NWC SAAC vice president for 2015-16. She is also a member of Beta Alpha Psi, the accounting honor society.

A dual sport student-athlete, Oord is known for making big plays on the football field and baseball diamond. A four-year letter winner in baseball, Oord has a career .334 batting average with a .419 slugging percentage. In 153 games, he posted 180 hits – sixth all-time in PLU history including 33 doubles, two triples and four home runs and has crossed the plate 94 times. A three-year letter winner in football, Oord has recorded 31 tackles in 15 games. Off the field, he has been involved in the Lister Elementary mentoring program and Special Olympics volunteering.

In her closing words, Director of Athletics and Recreation Laurie Turner said Athletics will continue to look toward excellence, striving to get better each year, bring in more athletes and break academic records as well as athletic ones.

*2015-16 student athletes celebrated at 46th annual Athletics award dessert*

From left to right: All-Around Athlete of the Year Brandon Lester, Lute Career Achievement Award Winner Melissa Dean, George Fischer Scholar Athlete Award Michaela Edgers, All-Around Athlete of the Year Shanell Sullenberger, George Fischer Scholar Athlete Award Winner Todd Hoagland and Keith Cooper, recipient of the Lute Service Award.

## BEYOND BURKAS AND BOMBERS: PLU SCREENS "ISLAMAPHOBIA" FILM

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JuliAnne Rose returned to her roots and presented again to Pacific Lutheran University students on one of her distinguishing projects from her time as an undergraduate student PLU.

On April 26, a screening of the 2013 MediaLab documentary "Islamaphobia" was held in Xavier. The screening was followed by a conversation with Rose, the executive producer of the project.

Rose graduated in 2013 from the global studies and political science departments. During her time at PLU she worked on

the documentary, which examined the links between public perception of Islam and the media portrayal. The documentary especially focused on using comedy as a means to break down barriers and increase understanding of the politicized religion.

Rose is now pursuing a Masters degree, looking at Islamaphobia and the work



JuliAnne Rose presented her documentary, "Islamaphobia," in Xavier to a small crowd of students.

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she started at PLU, at the University of Melbourne.

The PLU community talked with Rose about their own experience with Islamaphobia, in the media, the current political rhetoric and in their own lives. Students shared their stories being confronted about their hijab and questions about their religion.



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## Friends of 88-5 FM proposes cheaper sale, PLU to analyze proposal

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Friends of 88-5 FM released a letter of intent last Tuesday asking Pacific Lutheran University to lower its asking price for KPLU from \$7 million to \$6 million, citing the \$1 million the university would save by not paying severance and unemployment benefits.

Additionally, the letter of intent proposed to let KPLU continue operations on-campus in the Martin J. Neeb center, rent-free, provided that they would consolidate all of their operations to the first floor.

Former chair of KPLU's advisory council and current chairman of the Friends of KPLU governing board Stephen Tan called the deal "substantially similar" to the offer to KUOW.

"We're saving them over \$1 million, so we're asking for a \$1 million reduction in the cash to be paid," Tan told Current the day of the announcement.

Vice President of Finance Allan Belton said that they had received the proposal last week and are currently analyzing it. Belton also pointed out that the cost of allowing the community group effort has reached \$1.5 million, which far exceeds the savings indicated by their offer.

"They are only counting what they estimate as perceived savings to the



PHOTO BY JEFF DUNN  
Midday Jazz Host Robin Lloyd in the KPLU studio in the Martin J. Neeb center. Under the new proposal, Friends of 88-5FM would purchase KPLU for \$6 million and be allowed to operate on the first floor of Neeb, rent-free.

university for accepting their offer," Belton said. "They are ignoring costs to the university of allowing the six month fundraising period that has already more than offset those savings."

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**Allan Belton**  
Vice President of Finance and Administration

The Save KPLU campaign just passed \$5 million at press time, meaning that if PLU agrees to the new proposal, Friends of 88-5 FM would only need \$1.3 million more to prevent the impending sale to KUOW. Tuesday was also #GiveBIG Day, a donation holiday ran by the Seattle Foundation. Friends of 88-5 FM received so many donations through #GiveBIG, the Seattle Foundation's website actually went down for several hours, prompting the Seattle Foundation to extend the donation time period another 12 hours.

## Round 2: PLU holds sexual assault forum for students

*University responds to students' concerns*

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Student Life held a forum about sexual assault and campus culture two weeks ago, inviting students and faculty to join in a conversation about their concerns and questions regarding assaults on campus. The event was part of a series that continued this Monday, focusing on the questions brought up in the first forum.

More than 75 questions were posed in the first meeting about the student conduct policies and, according to Vice President of Student Life Joanna Royce-Davis, Student Life is currently making revisions to the policy fairly quickly.

This Monday, the group focused on increasing transparency within the conduct system and the differences between the system's perceived strength versus its actual power.

One of the main issues focused on was the no-contact orders that students can enact if they feel unsafe around another student on campus. When a no-contact order is put in place, Student Rights and

Responsibilities looks at both students' schedules and finds routes and alternative classes to make sure they don't need to be in the same rooms at the same time or cross paths. It's a long process, but the university believes it's necessary.

Director of Campus Safety Greg Premo explained that campus no-contact orders are different than legal restraining orders. No-contact orders aren't legal documents and aren't noticed by the state or police. Instead, they are a sanction for campus and a student can be removed from campus or suspended for breaking one.

Students aired more concerns throughout the night, suggesting strengthening the feedback loop between Student Life and students as well as having documentation about rights and written consequences for each action that Student Rights and Responsibilities abides by.

After the discussion was over, Joanna Royce-Davis said a group of faculty and staff would take suggestions and make changes to the policies. The next step will be to come back as a community at the end of the year and discuss the changes and create a timeline for new policies.



"I thought that [May 2] we did a good job of responding to the sticky notes from the first forum [...] its hard to explain comprehensively a process that gets tweaked for every unique case."

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# 22nd Annual Natural Sciences Fest

## Makes science fairs cool

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Ann F. Tolo

The 22nd Annual Natural Science Academic Festival takes place this Friday and Saturday in Morken and Rieke.

Students studying a variety of sciences will present detailed posters outlining their research in the fields of physics, mathematics, chemistry, geosciences, computer science, computer engineering and biology.

The event is open to the public. Friends, family and fellow Lutes are encouraged to support the students who have worked hard on their incredibly inciteful presentations.

Student science presenter Marjorie Rasmussen commented on her experience working on her class' presentation on microbial diversity within compost.

"We have different types of soil from different parts of the farm that we're working with, but pretty much we're just characterizing bacteria that live in the soil and drawing a tree relationship with them," Rasmussen said. "Kind of like a family tree for the bacteria."

Rasmussen's group also talked about the importance of the festival in preparing students for their capstones. The kinds of presentations at the festival closely resemble the presentations students prepare for their senior culminating projects. The experience of presenting in front of a supportive audience acts as practice that can thoroughly improve confidence levels and public speaking skills.

Another student presenting at the festival, Katie Caspary, discussed her presentation for the event. Caspary worked with Professor Neal Yakelis and Shawn Brookins on a presentation about a medical procedure that provides drugs to patients in a localized way. The goal is to avoid nasty side effects that occur when the drug reacts with other parts of the body the medicine is not meant to affect.

"We're working together to formulate these compounds that will undergo Diels-Alder reactions and Retro-Diels-Alder

reactions," Caspary said. "Basically the idea is that, if you have these compounds that can undergo these reactions, then you can have them bind to a polymer, and then they have a drug bound to it. Then when they undergo these reactions in your body, they release and break apart, and then that drug can go in your body and medicate you that way."

Administrative Associate Ann F. Tolo has helped the Natural Science division faculty for 11 years with the science festival. This year, Tolo is in charge of arranging the presentation spaces, organizing complementary catering (including a pizza lunch) and event scheduling.

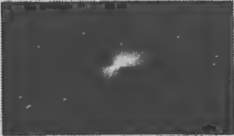
Tolo looks forward to this year's science festival, explaining the significance of the event to Pacific Lutheran University students.

"I think it's very important to have this open-to-the-public time so that the public, as well as parents and friends of the students, can see what they have been doing all of this time that they've been at PLU in their majors," Tolo said. "Unless you've actually taken some classes, you


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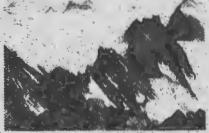
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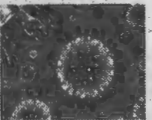
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may not understand all the things that they are learning in the different departments."

The Natural Science Academic Festival students present their work this Friday from 12:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. and this Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Come by and support your local Lutes, and expect to learn something new!

## Lutes react: Cruz drops out of GOP primaries

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After losing Indiana's primary in a landslide to Donald Trump on May 3, presidential candidate Ted Cruz announced that he was leaving the presidential race for good. This currently leaves only two Republican candidates in the running for the party nomination: Ohio State Senator John Kasich and business magnate Donald Trump.

"With a heavy heart but with boundless optimism for the long-term future of our nation, we are

suspending our campaign," Cruz told his supporters. T w o Lutes on polar opposite sides of the political spectrum had plenty to say about Ted Cruz's unexpected departure and its implications for the presidential election. First-year Taylor Rost, co-founder and co-president of the College Republican club, and first-year Haedon Brunelle, ASPLU senator and Bernie Sanders supporter, were both surprised.

"I was expecting Trump to win Indiana, but I had no idea that Cruz would drop out after losing," said Brunelle. "Especially because he just announced Fiorina

would be his VP." He suggested that Cruz leaned too heavily on Fiorina to overcome Trump's strong lead in Indiana.

Brunelle noted that now that Cruz will not participate in an open convention, it is mathematically impossible for him to become president. "I believe the results from Indiana made him think that there's no chance of an open convention. But if I were him, I wouldn't have dropped out."

"Cruz leaving was kind of out of the blue," said Rost. "I knew he was on a narrow path, but I thought he had it in that state." She had hoped that Cruz would

go on to challenge Trump's lead.

Rost expressed concern that now that Cruz has officially left the race, Trump is likely to be the Republican nominee. "I'm not a big Trump fan, so I'm hoping people will think, 'We've lost a great conservative. What do we do next?' We have to do something different. I hope it opens people's eyes."

When considering the remaining state primaries, Brunelle suggested that Cruz left the race prematurely. "Trump has the chances of getting West Virginia, a majority of California and New Jersey. If he won those states by about 2/3 or 3/4, Trump

would still be about 50-100 short from getting the nomination, which would force an open convention. Cruz in my opinion would've won by landslides in the other states I mentioned."

Rost anticipates that, come November, a difficult decision lies ahead. Though she intends to vote, she isn't fond of Trump or Hillary Clinton, whom she believes will win the Democratic nomination. "Honestly, I can't say who I'll vote for," she said. "I don't think a bully should be running our country, but I have very conservative views, and I don't see myself voting for Clinton, either. It's tough."

## CSI: Campus Safety Investigations

### Taken from weekly Campus Safety reports

**General Policy Violation**

CSAF was contacted by a PLU custodial who reported finding empty beer cans in the garbage can in Morken 128. CSAF was able to identify those who had accessed the space but was unable to verify who may have left the cans.

**Property Damage (non-vandalism)**

A student contacted CSAF to report damage to their vehicle in the Ivy lot. CSAF observed a white paint transfer on the vehicle. A review of footage was inconclusive. No further action taken by CSAF.

**Medical Aid in Harstad**

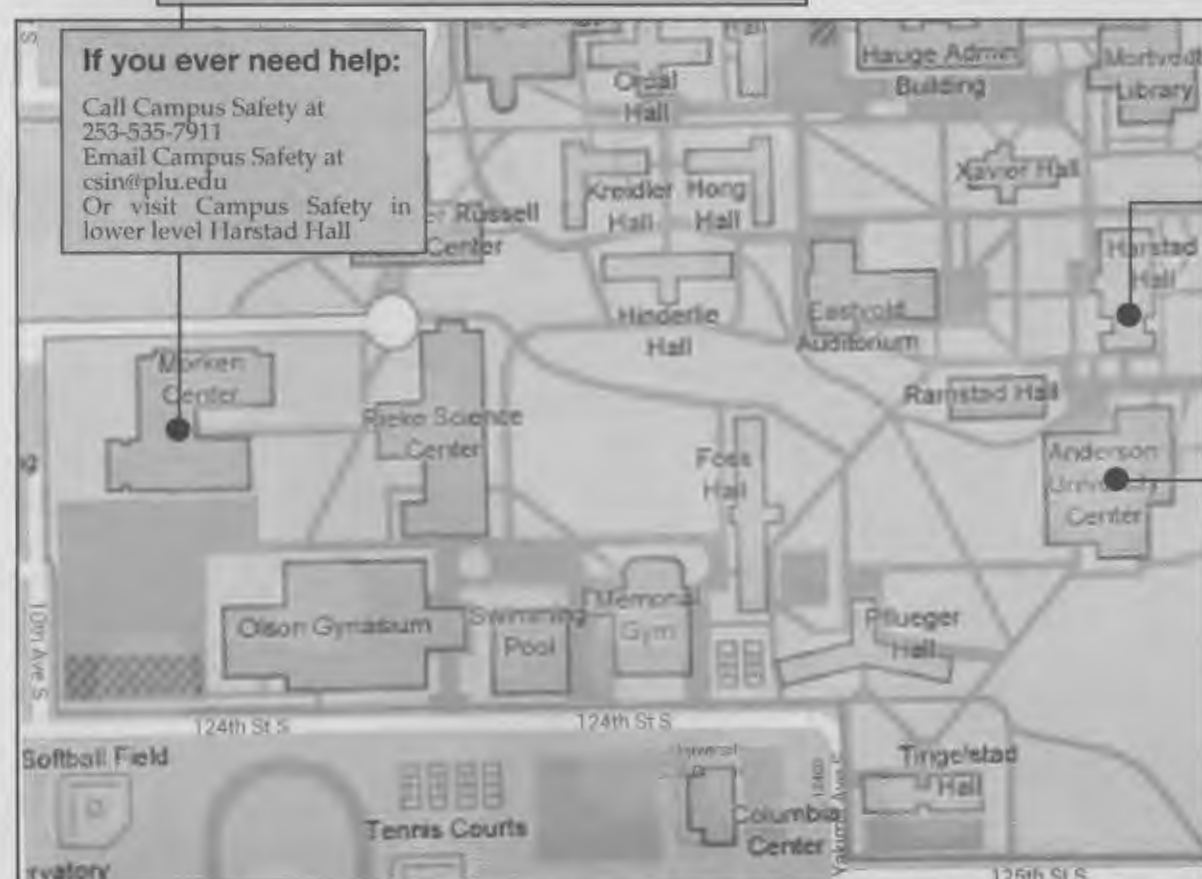
CSAF was contacted for medical aid by a student in Harstad. The student reported hitting her head on her bed and requested CPFR. CPFR cleared the scene and evaluated the student. They advised she contact CSAF if her condition worsened.

**Theft in the UC**

CSAF was contacted by the Old Main Market staff and informed that five middle school age youths had just shoplifted items from the store. Descriptions and direction of travel were given, and CSAF stopped five youths matching the description on lower campus. All five had items in their possession from OMM. After a brief conversation, the group agreed to return to the Anderson University Center with CSAF. At the UC, an OMM employee identified the youth and the items. All five were compliant and were removed from campus.

**If you ever need help:**

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Or visit Campus Safety in lower level Harstad Hall





# Songs of Spring

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As Spring slowly gives way to Summer, many find themselves crafting their summer music playlists. Check out what tunes *The Mast* Editorial Board will be singing as they usher in the summer season.



## Favorite Song - Chance the Rapper (ft. Childish Gambino)

"You heard that banger?" - Jeff Dunn, News Editor

## Paradise Waiting - Vacationer

"It's light and airy, and it reminds me of new beginnings." - Paris Franklin, Opinion Editor



## Lush Life - Zara Larsen

"It's upbeat and summery." - Stephanie Compton, Sports Editor

## She Can't Tell - MOTHXR

"You think you're goinna get a smooth mix of 80s music, but instead you have a Zayn-circa-2016-like beat that'll keep you dancing all night long." - Samantha Lund, Editor-in-Chief



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# Burkas and Bombers

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With recent world occurrences and the infamously words of certain presidential candidates, presenters thought it apt to show the documentary "Beyond Burkas and Bombers."

Julianne Roads, recent graduate of PLU, produced the film about Islamophobia. After showing the film, Roads herself headed a discussion about Islamophobia.

In her current work towards her master's degree in Australia, Roads focuses on the politics of Islamophobia and how the political rhetoric of the "Islamic enemy" contributed and continues to contribute to securitization. During the discussion, Roads gave some more information on the current state of Islamophobia in the United States and helped include the audience in the talk.

I was a bit surprised that I became emotionally involved in the topic. During the video, I became privy to some of the terrible things people say about Muslims—not only regular people but people in positions of power. Even though I am not Muslim and do not know any Muslims, I was angry and sad.

I thought, "It's stupid that Islamophobia is even a word." I wondered why we can't understand that just because Muslims have a different religion, that doesn't make them monsters. They are just like us. That's something I could rant about for days. I have thought about the topic before, but this talk expanded my knowledge on the subject quite a bit.

I learned about liberal Islamophobia. While it is less obviously ignorant than some of what current conservative candidates have expressed, it's still Islamophobia. In short, with liberal

Islamophobia, the enemy is still identified as Muslim, which propagates fear towards the group. This fear can be used to condone the use of force in foreign policy: securitization. Road's film also depicted the perspectives of American Muslims, which are often ignored in the media. I think one of the most important things that we discussed was how Islamophobia makes Muslims feel isolated from their government, which is exactly the opposite of what is ideal.

This talk can easily be related to the subject of appearance vs reality, which I have explored through my Topics in Literature class. Muslims are shown through a lens in the media that certainly does not represent how most of them are.

People who exhibit Islamophobia are actually a lot like Quixotic readers. They cannot separate the "fantasy" of Muslims as terrorists from the reality that they are just normal people. Some people have been known to lash out at others for simply "looking Muslim," showing a detrimental fixation on appearance sort of like the society in Northanger Abbey and like Victor Frankenstein.

One can also look at sentiments about ISIS like Frankenstein. Sometimes, the cause of the rise of ISIS seems to be portrayed as simply Islam. But as Roads pointed out in the discussion, the organization's rise is in retaliation to political events in the region.

The attribution to Islam reminds me of how Victor avoids responsibility for his actions. Just as this is detrimental for Victor, seeing issues in the Middle East through a religious lens inhibits de-securitization.

This talk has expanded my understanding of how a focus on appearance is actually harmful. I was also able to apply what I know of Quixotic reading to a new, modern context.

## Scandinavian Center welcomes Munch-Inspired Student Art

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The Scandinavian Cultural Center recently announced the winners of their Munch-inspired art contest, a competition sparked by the Tacoma Art Museum's Edvard Munch exhibit in honor of Pacific Lutheran University's 125th anniversary.

TAM got the idea for an exhibition about Edvard Munch after Ward held a meeting with the Director of TAM, Stephanie Stebich. President Krise suggested the two meet because of Ward's background in museums. She used to work at the Smithsonian Institution.

Ward and Stebich partnered with Advancement Officer Kim Nesselquist to bring a number of Munch prints to TAM. Once those prints had been secured, TAM could easily access loaned prints from other museums.

Influenced by TAM, the Scandinavian Cultural Center wanted to allow students to show off Munch-inspired art pieces as part of an on-campus commemoration of the artist. Ward said the center wanted to make sure students understood that the Munch exhibit at TAM was being produced in their honor. Knowing that students might not

be able to travel downtown for the official exhibit, Ward partnered with the art department to bring Munch-inspired student art.

"I was so blown away by the quality of the work that came in and so pleased by the range of students," Ward said. "It was wonderful to meet art students I had never met before and to have the chance to show their work at the SCC."

The SCC turned the opportunity into a contest, giving away cash prizes to the first, second and third place winners. Winners included: First Years Hannah Nagy and Camille Larocca (first), Senior Elly Stormer-Vadseth (second) and Senior Sarah Berger (third).



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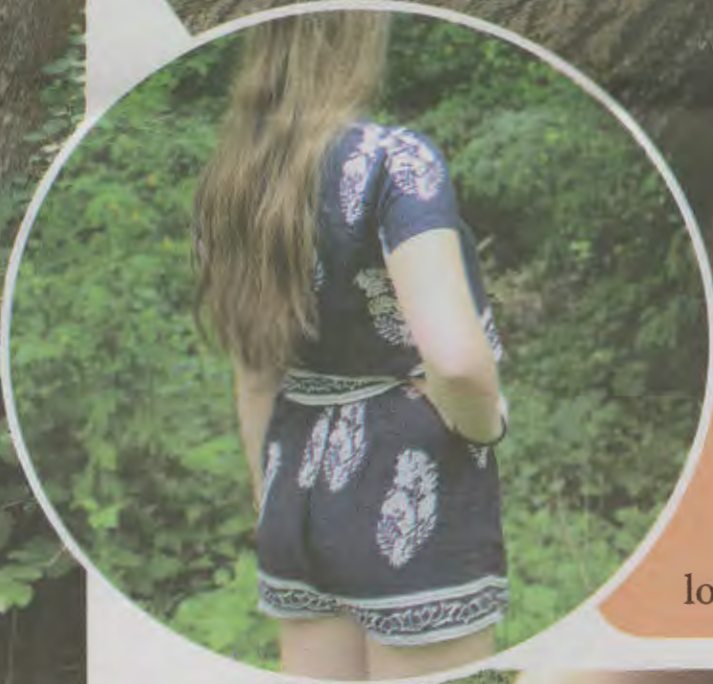


# LOLLA PLUZA

## Festival Fashion

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May 7 marks LollaPLUza, Pacific Lutheran University's on-campus music festival. Just like Coachella fans, Lutes at LollaPLUza show up to show off their best hippie-inspired frocks. Stumped on what to wear to look your bohemian best? Never fear. *The Mast's* got all of your LollaPLUza fashion tips covered.



Beat the heat by wearing a co-ord shorts and blouse set. Choose a flowery pattern to stick with the bohemian theme and look great without layering.



Take basic to bold with an unexpected cutout. Open-backed tops show off skin in a smart way and will make you look and feel cool all festival long.

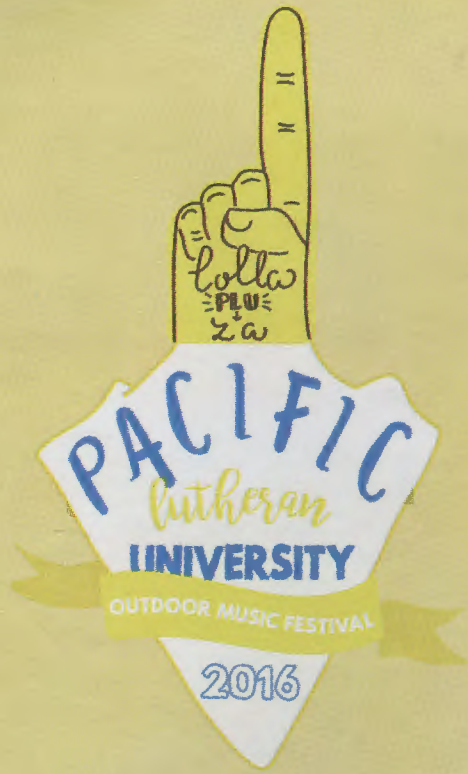


Light, flowy pants are great for staying cool during the heat of the day and keeping warm when the sun goes down.

Try tribal print or tasteful tie-dye to make a statement.

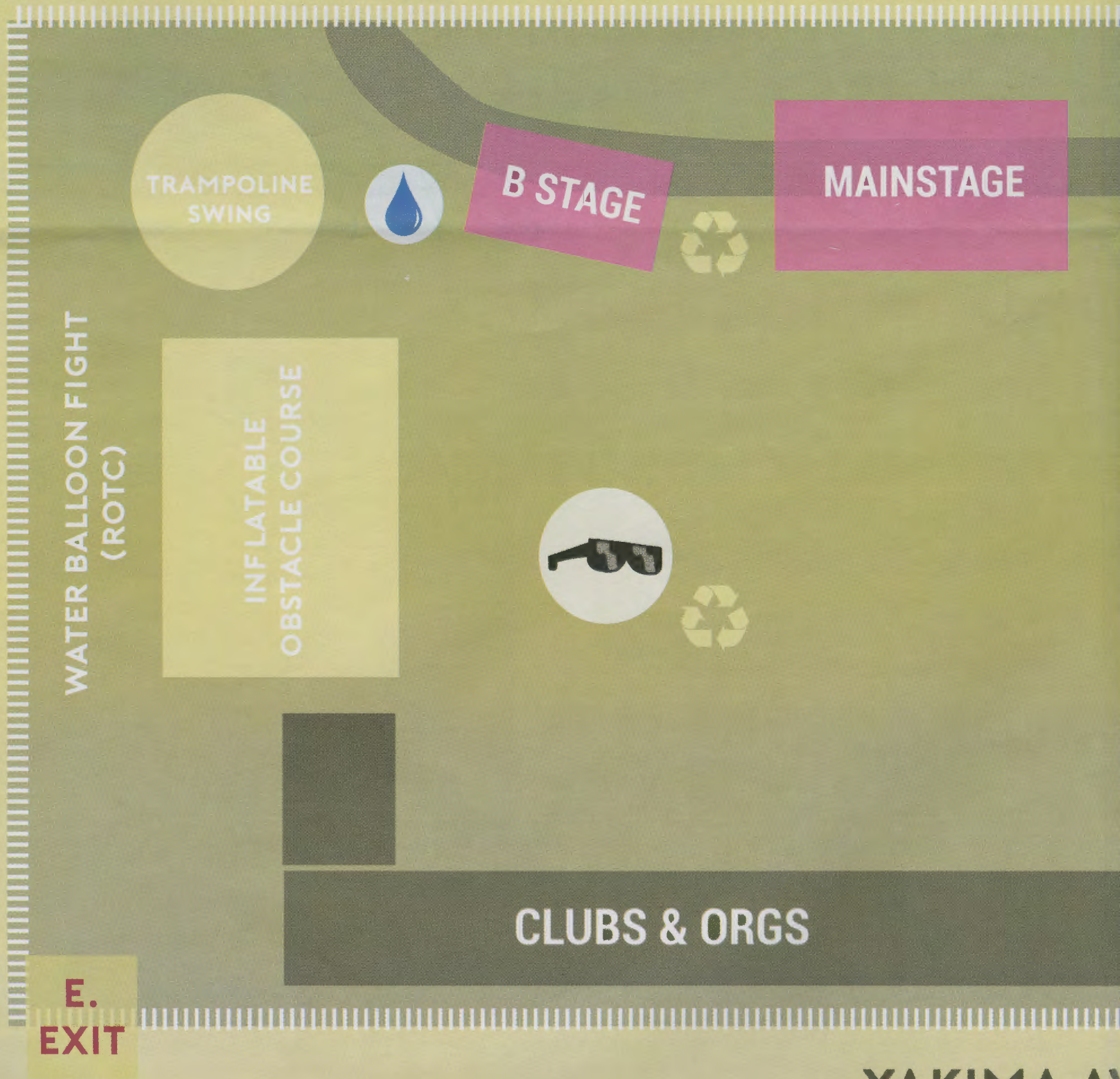
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# PLUZA MAP

MAY 7, 2016 AT PLU'S GOLF COURSE



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# OPINION

## Warning: Satire at play Science reveals the best running mate for each presidential hopeful

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Now that the primaries are ending, it's time for the winners to announce who their choice for vice president is going to be. Apparently science has the answer.

At the end of April, around the time this article was written, one of the computers in Pacific Lutheran University's own Mortvedt Library went beserk. Information and Technology Services staff member Annie Edison, whom the problem was first reported to, had a few things to tell us. "My only guess is that somebody must have had too many tabs open with Donald Trump articles and Bernie versus Hillary memes, and then they got a virus. Who knows? The fun thing about technology is that it's all a mystery," said Edison.

What Edison doesn't know, however, is that the glitch on the computer spurred a complex political algorithm. Edison, after studying the program, said, "The best way I can explain it is like the computer was troubleshooting a broken process by trying to find a compatible driver, only instead

of like, trying to connect a printer to a laptop, it is trying to fix the presidential election, and it's finding the missing component of a vice president for each candidate."

This is when the Mast and Information and Technology Services called in Junior Chad Danforth, the only political science and computer science double major, to explain the situation better. "It is really simple actually. The program is factoring the advantages and the shortcomings of each candidate according to public opinion against individuals with compatible traits in an internet-encompassing database." Danforth nicknamed the program PARM, short for Political Algorithm for Running Mates and was then able to code the program to provide comprehensive reasoning behind each choice. They are listed below, in alphabetical order according to candidate's last name, because PARM said for some reason that it would delete everything if the information was presented in any other order.

**Hillary Clinton - Daniel with the White Vans**

PARM: "Clinton's biggest downfall is with millennials, who control the internet and the all important sub-domain of memes. Despite Clinton's many attempts to pander to this generation, she has failed miserably, whereas Daniel Lara became a sensation without doing anything besides wearing some clean shoes with a cute smile. Plus Daniel has a reputation for philanthropy after donating his lifetime supply of Vans to a children's hospital. This should balance Clinton's more ethically questionable power-grabbing tendencies."

**Ted Cruz - Lil' Bub**  
PARM: "In order to become president, Cruz must deal with his deep 'dislikability' across all American groups,



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having been publicly denounced by seemingly everyone from George W. Bush to his former roommate at Princeton. Lil' Bub is merely an adorable munchkin cat with birth defects making him even more adorable. Cruz will not need to worry about how punchable his face is if he holds up a sweet kitty eating yogurt in front of it."

**John Kasich - Alexander Hamilton**

PARM: "The recent Broadway smash hit based on the life of this founding father has pushed him to the forefront of national popularity. His experience in executive and legislative branches make him incredibly qualified. On top of this, conservatives would admire his historical legacy, while liberals while vote for him simply because of how well Lin-Manuel Miranda plays him. While his availability as a candidate is nearly impossible since he was shot by Aaron Burr, so is John Kasich winning the nomination."

**Bernie Sanders - Beyonce**

PARM: "Sanders has known dominion over millennials, Independents and even some Republicans, but there are far more demographics to break down between him and Hilary. There is a stark racial demographic difference between the two, with Clinton thus

far having consistently won over non-white voters. Sanders also falls behind with high incomes, women and southern states in general. Beyonce Knowles is a wealthy African-American woman from Texas. Also, she's BEYONCE."

**Donald Trump - Kanye West**

PARM: West and Trump are ideological opposites with strategic similarities. Both are rumored to have only gotten involved in politics for the sake of shaking up the establishment, both reach public favor by going for as much controversial attention as possible and both have handled a lot of money despite not having the financial success expected from them. Of course, they certainly would clash with each other, but both have supporters so loyal not even the presence of someone they detest could lose the vote of either group.

Our condolences to Ted Cruz's campaign.

We're truly, truly, sorry.

Really, really, sorry.

Sorry, Ted Cruz.

Sorry.



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# Comments regarding the “From silent to survivor”

Center for Gender Equity //  
April 15, 2016 at 5:21p.m. //

Thank you, Mast Media, for reporting on the very important movement on campus that brings attention to a very serious issue that impacts PLU and every college and university campus.

One thing that we would like to add are some resources at PLU and in the Center for Gender Equity (fka The Women's Center) for the victims of sexual assault. One amazing resource that we have on campus is our Victim Advocates that provide individuals with options and resources so they can make informed decisions about their situation. They offer a safe, private setting to talk with individuals who have questions or concerns about sexual assault, intimate partner violence or stalking. Advocates are highly trained and confidential.

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We've had multiple students ask how they can get involved with sexual assault prevention on campus. One of the first ways for students to get involved is to listen to their peers when they disclose an assault to them. To listen and affirm are two of the most important things another person can do to support a survivor. Students can also join in PLU's bystander campaign, "It's on Lutes," as well as join the Sexuality Awareness and Personal Empowerment Team (SAPET), a peer-education group that connects with peers on issues of consent, healthy relationships, gender and sexuality and bystander skills.

For more information, visit the Center for Gender Equity. We want to hear from you!

Here is what the LuteDome has to say about the recent article entitled "From silent to survivor" on mastmedia.plu.edu. We always appreciate your feedback! Feel free to add to the conversation on this important matter or any other subjects that you feel passionate about.

Email us at mast@plu.edu or visit our website!

Kenneth Quert // April 23, 2016 at 1:13 a.m. //

Wow, you're telling me that getting ridiculously drunk at a party can be a bad idea? And why does being drunk make her incapable of consenting to anything at all? If that's the case, she could have driven home, since she wouldn't be held responsible for drunk driving. Problem solved!

Drew // April 25, 2016 at 8:52 p.m. //

Because she was not conscious (obviously). A person cannot consent when they are not conscious. You should learn about effects of alcohol, since clearly you have no idea what so ever.

## Snapchat or Match.com?

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Proclaiming your love for someone is an intimate and serious thing. So why are we shortening this experience to ten seconds or less? Snapchat romances are growing in popularity among college students. Is it killing the vibe or is it growing the connections? Personally I think it is butchering the romance.

A Snapchat romance is defined as starting or maintaining a romantic or flirtatious relationship over Snapchat. Some people think it is more helpful for connecting with others, but I think in the end it could be more harmful than helpful.

According to Match.com, 40 million Americans use some kind of online dating service. While using dating sites is becoming more popular, those

sites are just meant for meeting, not maintaining. Many dating services recommend meeting in person as soon as you feel comfortable, but closer to the initial conversation.

A prime example of people finding love over Snapchat is the very recent story of the Vikings Fan and the Mystery Girl. The love story took place at the University of Wisconsin. A girl, "Mystery Girl," proclaimed her love on the UW Snapchat story for a boy wearing a Vikings jersey, "Vikings fan," she saw on the story as well. The two went on an adventure in hopes of meeting. In the end there was a geotag, the whole campus was rooting for them, and they lived happily ever after. For the night. Probably.

While this is all fine and dandy, maintaining a relationship over Snapchat could be problematic. You can see when they open the

snap which is great until you're sitting on your bed at 10 p.m. staring at the empty arrow for three hours waiting for a response. This leads to frustration, confusion and sadness.

"How is that even a real relationship," said Late Knight Host, Sam Ellefson. "That's the stupidest thing I've ever heard."

Snapchat romances could start the most epic love story of your life, but it will most likely end as an awkward three days of wasting your time. My advice to those who want to get cute with someone is to talk to them in person, take them on a real date or just plain text them. I'm not saying don't use Snapchat. I'm just saying use Snapchat for fun and for the ridiculous filters, not to start a relationship. That's what Tinder is for.



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**SNAPCHAT**

## Letter to the editor:



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Welcome Paris Franklin and thanks for the invitation to write; the power of our voices is not to be underestimated. ('Letter from the Editor' by Paris Franklin, Mast Media, April 7, 2016). I am a spotted Lute: My father attended Pacific Lutheran University when I was growing up, and then I attended miscellaneous classes for continuing education as a teacher in Tacoma and had the privilege to work with the football players and cheerleaders in a partnership with Lister Elementary. Now retired from teaching, I volunteer with RESULTS (results.org), working to end hunger and poverty in our world. It is so amazing that for the first time

in the history of mankind, this is actually possible. Currently, we are calling and writing our representatives and senators asking them to pass the Reach Every Mother and Child Act. This bill aims at ending the preventable deaths of 289,000 mothers and nearly six million children under five each year. What a great time to pass this legislation with Mother's Day coming up. How about giving a call, email, tweet, text or visit to your representative and senators and asking them to pass this life-saving legislation? It doesn't matter where in America you are from since this is national. You could even make your mom a card and tell her you did this in her honor!



# SPORTS

## 3 Things NOT to Do at a Mariners Game:

### 1. Run on the Field

Don't be that person. Over the years there have been streakers and protestors that think that running on the field and disrupting the game is the funniest thing in the world. Running on the field only distracts players and makes security's job hard. It also means a one way ticket out of the stadium and usually comes with a hefty fine. Advice from a long time sports fan: just don't even think about it.



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### 2. Catch a Live Ball

You may be reading this and think, "Who would ever do something so stupid?" The answer is a lot of people and one even changed the course of history. A man named Steve Bartman reached for a fair ball in the middle of an MLB postseason game and cost the Cubs the championship. Did I mention that Bartman was a Cubs fan? Bartman even received death threats because of his actions. So if you sit close to the field, keep your hands inside the stands at all times.



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### 3. Get Too Drunk

Sports and alcohol go hand in hand. But drunk fans and sports do not go well together. Drunk fans are loud and obnoxious and can ruin the game for other fans. Sports games are meant to be family friendly events that serve alcohol for the pleasure of the fans. Don't plan on going to a Mariners game the night you turn 21. Stick to the two beer buying limit.



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## Coach's Corner

Head Athletic Trainer Aaron Gunther



"I really enjoy the atmosphere here at PLU. It's a lot of fun working with athletes that are focused on being good students as well as good people. I've always played sports growing up and so to be able to be around it is very enjoyable. The DIII athlete is so fun to work with because there are no egos like there are at the DI level."

## Player's Corner

Senior Sprinter Shaun Bradley:



"Being able to make nationals is a complete blessing and it's all due to our competitive teamwork. We push each other to be the best we can be, which makes the relay team perform at its best. We have to put in the work in the off season to reap the benefits now."

## Baseball Heads to Regionals

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Pacific Lutheran University's baseball team has earned a spot at the NCAA Division III Regional Tournament. The Lutes ended up winning all three of their games at the Northwest Conference Tournament two weeks ago in Spokane, Wash., two against Whitworth University (7-3, 6-5) and the other against George Fox University (13-6). Those three wins secured PLU their spot at the Regional Tournament on Wednesday, May 18.

The team doesn't know where they are going and who they are playing yet, but they will most likely go to the West Regional Tournament in Spokane, Wash. Five other teams will be accompanying PLU to Regionals in the middle of May. If the Lutes win Regionals, they will head to Appleton, Wis. for the NCAA DIII World Series during Memorial Day weekend. Second baseman Landon Packard, junior, is one

of the lucky baseball players who will play in the Regional Tournament during dead week. "It was a goal of ours at the beginning of the season, to win the conference tournament, then get into a regional," Packard said. Besides making it to the Regional Tournament, the PLU baseball team had seven players receive All-Northwest Conference recognition on April 26.

Pitchers Garrett Brown, senior and Cory Nelson, senior, were named All-NWC First Team. First baseman/left fielder Drew Oord, senior, third baseman Tyler Thompson, senior, and outfielder Brett Johnson, senior, were named All-NWC Second Team. First baseman/pitcher Cole Johnson, junior, and Packard received honorable mentions.

Head coach Nolan Soete said that the baseball team has improved a lot and has had a successful year.

"We are solid offensively and we play good defense," Soete said. "This team has worked hard all year, and they have improved a great amount throughout the

season," Packard said. "This is what we play for. We've been preparing all year for this. We just need to go out and play hard and the results will take care of itself."

Packard said he isn't nervous about going to regionals.

"Our offense has peaked at the right time. We are scoring lots of runs right now, despite the struggles that we had at the beginning of the year," Packard said. "We know that we need to go out and play the game against the game. If we do that then we

will be just fine."

What's next for the baseball team?

"We will prepare these next two weeks and be ready to go when May 18 comes around," Packard said.

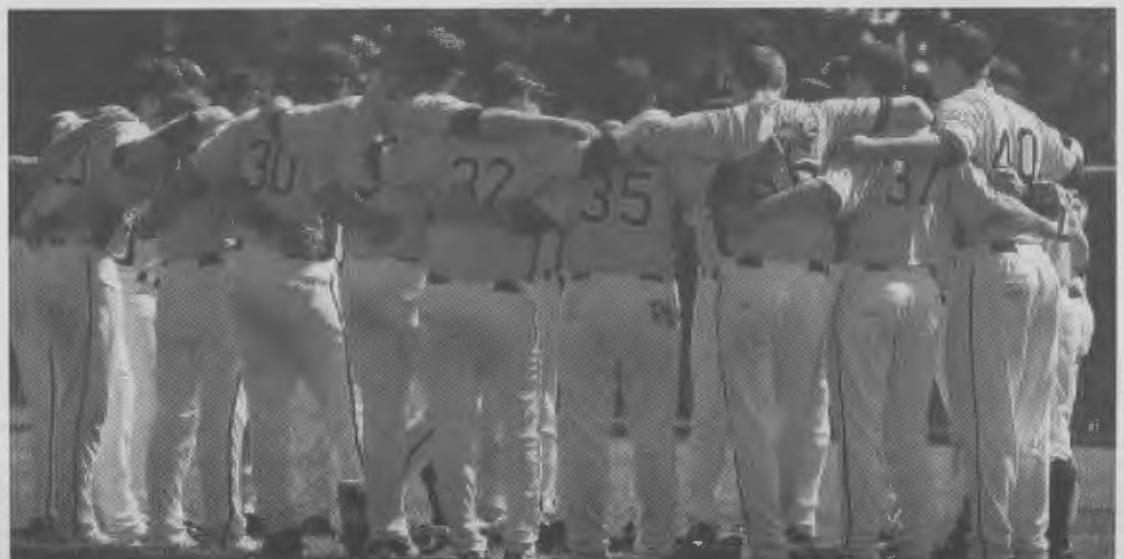


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PLU Men's Baseball Team huddles before their game against George Fox



# Catching Up With Women's Rowing

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The Women's Rowing team has had a phenomenal season claiming the Northwest Conference championship after both varsity boats captured first place in Vancouver April 24.

However, the season is far from over as the Lutes have a chance to make it to the NCAA Championships pending how the rest of their season turns out.

After winning coach of the year in the Northwest Conference, second-year women's rowing coach, Andy Foltz, knows the team is continuing to strive for their ultimate goal of making it to the NCAA championships.

"[The team] is incredibly happy, but they're not satisfied," Foltz said. "We've had a tremendous season, and it's been incredibly successful, and yet their goals are so much bigger."

In terms of achieving

their main goal, fate plays a huge part. The NCAA selection committee looks at all the teams across the nation and decides what eight teams need to go to the NCAA championships in Sacramento. Every region of the country needs to be represented. Luckily for the Lutes, the team is ranked number one in the west region while the first varsity boat is also ranked number one in the west region.

With the second varsity boat also performing well this season they could have the chance to send the full team to the NCAA championships, a rarity for any rowing club or team. Part of the reason why the team has performed at such a high level is in part to the individual accomplishments as well as the collective team effort.

First-year Hannah Peterson and seniors Carly Lange and Kari Brauer earned all-conference honors as they helped propel the team to a dominant season.

The Lutes travelled to Sacramento this past weekend to compete in 2016 Western Intercollegiate Rowing Association Championships (WIRA) where both the first varsity and second varsity boat placed fourth in the grand finals. Depending on how the NCAA committee views that performance, their season, and future performances, the Lutes have a solid shot at attaining an NCAA Championships berth.

"Their goals are so much bigger. If we don't make it to NCAA championships we'll be disappointed, but at the same we had such a strong season that we can't be disappointed."

The Lute's next race is the Windermere Cup at the University of Washington on May 7 where the Lutes will race a variety of teams on the Montlake Cut in Seattle. Also, the Lutes will find out their fate on May 9 in regards to their NCAA Championship bid.



## Women's Rowing Stays Strong in Sacramento

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This weekend the Women's Rowing team put up a good fight but still fell short of our goals. We headed to Sacramento, Calif., to compete in the Western Intercollegiate Rowing Association Championship regatta last Thursday in hopes

of securing a spot at nationals.

After having two practices on the race course Friday, we felt prepared and hopeful for the races Saturday. My boat raced first, around 8:30 a.m. in a strong head wind pushing against us. Our coxswain did a great job of pushing us through the rough water but we didn't quite come out where we were hoping. After our second race, the final was canceled due to high winds. We finished WIRA's in fifth.

Our Varsity eight and second Varsity eight both had strong races as well but the medals were just out of their grasps as well. Both boats placed fourth overall. We also had a brand new boat, a double, comprised of two rowers,

on the race course. Having only been practicing in this boat for two weeks, this was their second competition in this boat. Although they did not place, it was still a great accomplishment to have this boat row and compete in a competition of this size.

I don't know if it was nerves that got to us or the 85 degree weather that affected our races but it was still an honor to be able to race against some of the best teams in the west. Even though this weekend felt like a disappointment, I am still so proud of my team for doing its best. I have high hopes that we will get selected for the NCAA national regatta and return to California at the end of May.



All Photos courtesy of GoLutes  
The 2016 Women's Rowing Team

## Stephanie's Stance:

# Men Read Mean Tweets to Female Sports Reporters

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Female sports reporters are being harassed online. In a recent viral video, innocent men are tasked with reading negative tweets about female sports reporters to female sports reporters. The video is a moving PSA about the kind of verbal abuse women in sports receive on a daily basis.

The short video titled #MoreThanMean was made by a group called "Not Just Sports" and features two female sports journalists: Sarah Spain and Julie DiCaro.

Sarah Spain is a Cornell alum that currently hosts a radio show for ESPN. She has also worked for Fox Sports and ChicagoNow Radio. Julie DiCaro currently writes for Sports Illustrated with a focus on football. They are successful journalists in sports and they work for two of the most powerful sports networks in the country.

For the video, Spain and

DiCaro individually sit across a handful of men, none of which have read the mean tweets. Spain and DiCaro had read the tweets before the video was made. In the video, the men read the tweets off of phones and tablets.

The tweets start out as normal negative comments, claiming that the writers are boring or hard to listen to. The tweets begin

single man struggles with the words they are being told to read, and a few even apologize to the reporters.

About a quarter of the video is uncomfortable silence, caused by the men pleading to stop reading the tweets. One man even states that he cannot look at Sarah Spain as he reads these horrible things to her. Spain and DiCaro sadly do not seem moved by the words they hear. They have heard them many times before.

The video is well made and reaches out to audiences: men, women, sports fans, equality activists and every single internet user. Not a single person can walk away from this video without feeling sick. The group that made this video runs a weekly podcast, and follow up the video with an hour long podcast.

To see the video, search #MoreThanMean on youtube. The video now has over three million hits after only a week online.

"Sarah Spain sounds like a nagging wife on TV today"

-Tweet read on #MoreThanMean

to become violent and abusive, telling Spain that she should be "...beat to death with a hockey stick." The sad part about the video is that that is not the worst comment that is made.

The most powerful part of the video is the reactions of the men who read the tweets. Every



Top: Sarah Spain, ESPN journalist featured in the video #MoreThanMean  
Bottom: Julie DiCaro reacts to mean tweets about herself



Photos courtesy of Youtube



# Successful Year for PLU Sports

## Fall 2015



### Hodkinson Places 187th at National Championship Meet

Finishing with a time of 25:58, First year Brad Hodkinson finished the fastest a PLU running has run since 2001. Only a First year, Hodkinson looks strong to return to the championships next fall.



### Mitsui Honored as Academic All-American

Junior Takara Mitsui is the 25th PLU student-athlete to make the Academic All-American team. Mitsui led the Northwest Conference with 94 saves and 13 shutouts. Mitsui maintains a 3.79 GPA and is a regular starter for the women's soccer team

### Football

The 2015 football team finished their season with a 2-5 record. Three members of the team received All-Conference honors: Kyle Bennett, Chase Houser, and Austin Striplin. The Lute's strongest win came against Lewis & Clark in the final road game of the season with a score of 26-7.

### Women's Volleyball

PLU's Women's Volleyball team is the 2015 NWC Champions. They finished the season with a 18-7 record. The Lutes continued their dominant reign as the best team in the Northwest Conference. Three members of the Women's team took home All-Conference honors: Lucy Capron, Chloe Epker and Michaela Edgers.



### Women's Swimming Wins 3rd NWC Championship

The PLU Women's Swim team won their third Northwest Conference Championship in 2016. The Lutes swept their competition by double digit points over the weekend. The Lutes ended their 2015-2016 season undefeated.

### Women's Rowing

Women's Rowing snapped the University of Puget Sound's three-year win streak to win the Lamberth Cup. The women's team then won the Northwest Conference Championship two weeks later. Their head coach, Andy Foltz, was named the 2016 coach of the year. The Lutes will compete for the Windemere Cup on May 7.



### Men's Basketball Reaches NWC Finals

The Men's Basketball team finished off their best season in recent history with a 75-61 loss against third ranked Whitworth. This was the first time the Lutes team has reached the NWC Championship since 1998. The pirates held the Lutes to 33 percent shooting to widen their lead after half-time. The Lutes ended their season with a 17-10 season record.

### Women's Basketball

Women's Basketball ended the 2015-2016 season with a 9-16 season. Senior Megan Abdo received All-Conference honorable mention for her strong point guard performance during the season. The Lutes are building their team with now third year head coach Jennifer Childress.

### Women's Tennis

Women's Tennis finished another dominate season with a 5-10 record. Sophomore Caroline Dreher earned second team All-Conference honors this season. The Lutes only lose one senior this season and look promising to build on their success this season and bring it to next year.



### Men's 4x100 Relay Wins at NWC Championship

The Men's Track & Field 4x100 won the top spot at the NWC Championship meet. The winning relay included: Richard Johnson, Carson Ketter, Garrett Hittner and Shaun Bradley.



### Men's Baseball Wins NWC Tournament

The 2016 PLU Men's Baseball team won their second NWC Championship victory in two years. The Lutes won their championship with a 6-5 victory over Whitworth. The baseball team will continue their run when the postseason schedule is posted on May 15.

### Women's Softball

Under second year head coach Lance Glasoe, the Lutes finished another strong season 22-16. Four members of the team won All-Conference honors with Nichole Schroeder earning first team honors. The Lute's biggest win of the season came against Linfield with a score of 10-2.

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