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## Garfield Street groundbreaking



### Celebration signals start of Pacific Avenue safety improvement project

**MOLLY KELLER**  
Mast copy editor

Nearly 70 people flocked to the corner of Garfield Street and Pacific Avenue Friday morning to watch the giant yellow claw of a backhoe loader scoop up its first clod of dirt.

The groundbreaking ceremony marked the official start of construction work for the State Route

7 Safety Improvement Project, concluding a nine-year planning phase. The project is designed to improve safety conditions for motorists, pedestrians and bicyclists along Pacific Avenue.

"The amount of traffic is the same as Aurora Avenue in Seattle," Senator Marilyn Rasmussen, District 2, said.

The distance between highways 512 and 507 will become a

special safety corridor, Pierce County councilmember Barbara Gelman stated in her ceremony introduction. Gelman described the history of Pacific Avenue, which was built in 1940 and expanded to a five-lane highway in 1960.

The Washington State Department of Transportation and contractor Scarsella Brothers, under the direction of project coordinator Troy Cowan, will implement the new features.

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STATE, NATION, WORLD BRIEFINGS

# Local to Global news



AP PHOTO/Apichart Weerawong

**Avian Flu spreads:** Vietnam and Cambodia appealed Monday for help from their Australian neighbors to combat bird flu as disaster coordinators from Pacific rim nations met to explore ways to stop the deadly disease from skipping across the region's borders. Vietnam and Cambodia appealed for financial and technical aid from the 21-member Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation forum, saying that they simply do not have the resources to fight the disease alone. Vietnam has been hardest hit by bird flu, which has killed more than 40 people in the country and prompted authorities to destroy tens of millions of poultry. At least 62 people have died of the deadly H5N1 strain of bird flu in Southeast Asia since 2003. Vice Minister of Agriculture Bui Ba Bong said Vietnam needs \$50 million and help building up its stockpile of bird flu drugs. Vietnam has enough antiviral drugs to treat 50,000 people. However, Bong said the country needs far more. Officials said last week they needed enough to treat 30 percent of the 8.2 million population. Impoverished Cambodia, which has logged four human deaths, also needs help from the World Health Organization, the Food and Agricultural Organization and richer countries. "in terms of financial resources and technical assistance," said Prak Thaveak Amida, deputy director general of Cambodia's ministry of agriculture. Meanwhile, Japanese officials planned Monday to slaughter 82,000 more chickens after signs of bird flu were detected at a farm northeast of Tokyo, and authorities in Thailand said a 50-year-old woman was diagnosed with the disease. The woman — the 20th case of infection in Thailand — was in stable condition in a Bangkok hospital.

**Tacoma man pleads guilty to vehicular homicide:** A 19-year-old man was sentenced in Tacoma to more than six years in prison for vehicular homicide Oct. 27. He killed an acquaintance. Perez pleaded guilty Tuesday, Oct. 25, to vehicular homicide, vehicular assault and first-degree theft in the Feb. 19 accident. Sheriff's deputies said Perez took several people on a joy ride in a car that belonged to a woman for whom he was housesitting. Passenger Donald Jackson, 15, was killed when the vehicle collided with a pickup. The teen was thrown from the car into nearby brush, and his body was not found until hours after the wreck when deputies began reconstructing the accident.

**Democrats close Senate:** In a day of political drama, Democrats forced the Republican-controlled Senate into an unusual closed session Tuesday, questioning intelligence that President Bush used in the run-up to the war in Iraq and accusing Republicans of ignoring the issue. "They have repeatedly chosen to protect the Republican administration rather than get to the bottom of what happened and why," Democratic leader Harry Reid said.

**Republicans enthusiastic about nominee while Democrats may filibuster:** Supreme Court nominee Samuel Alito is "clearly within the mainstream" and should not be

filibustered, declared a Republican who helped fashion a plan limiting parliamentary roadblocks for judicial nominees. Sen. Mike DeWine, who met with President Bush's latest high court choice Tuesday, warned Democrats that he would side with GOP leaders to eliminate the judicial filibuster if the minority party uses it against the New Jersey judge. Some Democrats were contemplating just such a move as the 55-year-old Alito began courting senators on the second day of his Supreme Court candidacy. Conservatives are much more comfortable with Alito than they were with Miers because of his conservative track record as a federal judge, prosecutor and a Reagan administration lawyer. The nomination got Bush on the good side again of conservative and anti-abortion groups, who declared Alito a winner after opposing Miers. Alito pledged to uphold the duty of a judge to "interpret the Constitution and the laws faithfully and fairly." Alito upheld a requirement for spousal notification in an abortion case more than a decade ago, although Senate Judiciary Chairman Arlen Specter — an abortion rights Republican — insisted that it does not mean Alito would rule to overturn *Roe v. Wade*, the 1973 ruling that established abortion rights. Earlier this year, with O'Connor casting the deciding vote, the high court threw out a death sentence that Alito had upheld in the case of a man who argued that his lawyer had been ineffective.

*The above briefs were gleaned from the Associated Press wire service.*

## Business Update

**Exxon Mobil, the Irving, Texas-based energy giant, announced third quarter profits of \$10 billion Oct. 27. Or, put differently, Exxon earned \$4.48 million per hour in profit during the quarter. According to Standard & Poor's, this was the highest amount ever recorded for a publicly traded company. Exxon's record profit has added fuel to the debate surrounding corporate responsibility.**

**Business students at PLU were exposed last week, many for the first time, to the concept of socially responsible investing. Darcy Johnson, a principal in Seattle-based EverTrust Asset Management, spoke to students enrolled in Business Ethics about socially responsible investing (SRI) and its various ramifications in and outside the business world.**

**Students in the professor Paul Menzel's class were given the opportunity to experience first-hand the process of selecting companies that meet the standards of socially responsible investors. To many of the students' surprise, companies that they would have previously thought were ethical companies were not in line with the standards of socially responsible investing.**

*Briefs compiled by Evan Unzelman.*

# SAFETY BEAT CAMPUS SAFETY

Oct. 24:

A resident adviser reported that a resident was vomiting and had severe stomach pains. The resident director was contacted and concluded that Central Pierce Fire and Rescue was not needed.

Oct. 25:

Campus Safety (CSIN) was contacted for an off-campus collision involving a dog and a car. The dog's owners were on scene and took the animal to the veterinary hospital.

A student reported seeing a car that had been broken into in the Olson Parking Lot. A message was left for the owner.

A student reported the theft of his van from the West Hauge Lot. The vehicle had been towed earlier in the day.

Three vehicles were discovered in the Wheeler Parking Lot with their windows rolled down. Only one car appeared to have had anything taken from it. Pierce County Sheriff's Department was contacted for a formal report.

Oct. 27:

A student reported that her vehicle had been broken into while parked in the Olson Parking Lot. PCSD was contacted for a formal report.

A student reported two males using drugs in the East Campus bathroom. Another student then reported the same two individu-

als fighting in Harstad. Contact was made and both were arrested and issued a persona non grata for various offenses and outstanding warrants.

Two males were reported soliciting magazine subscriptions in Foss. Contact was made and the two were escorted off campus.

The automatic fire alarm was activated in Foss Hall. CPER was contacted. It was determined that the cause was burned food in a room.

A student reported that her vehicle had been broken into while parked on 125th St. S. PCSD was contacted for a formal report.

CSIN was contacted about a couple of people arguing loudly outside of East Campus. PCSD was already on scene, Campus Safety was not needed.

Oct. 28:

A student reported that his vehicle's tires had been slashed while parked off-campus.

## CAMPUS SAFETY TIP OF THE WEEK

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# Developing \$15.7 million

## University ranks third in fund-raising

ERIN WIGGINS  
Mast news reporter

PLU was ranked number three in Washington state for university resource fund-raising last academic year, raising \$15.7 million. PLU is also third in fund raising out of all Lutheran colleges in the nation.

If divided evenly between the 3,643 students enrolled at PLU, that money equates to approximately \$4,300 per student, university President Loren Anderson said.

"It's like a \$4,000 hidden scholarship from those who believe in PLU," Anderson said.

The PLU Development staff work on development process campaigns and hope to receive \$8 million to \$11 million in donations every year, Anderson said.

This money is used for many different things, including repairing old buildings and constructing new ones such as Xavier Hall and the Morken Center for Learning and Technology. It is used for annual expenses such as scholarships and for special projects such as the Wild Hope Project.

PLU graduates comprise the largest group of donors. The alumni know that people were donating money to support them in their years at PLU, and they feel it is important to do the same thing, Anderson said.

"Knowing that graduates donate the most will make me want to donate as well when I graduate," senior Dave Swoish said.

Parents of students also make donations.

"PLU has a remarkably supportive group of graduates and parents," Anderson said. "They see that the mission is important, the programs are excellent and they want to see the university thrive."

Other donors are called "Friends of PLU." They believe in the mission of PLU, but have never attended or had a child attend PLU.

PLU participates in episodic campaigning, in which the staff develops a series of needs, opportunities and goals that may take a few years to realize. This development helps donors predict how their money will be spent.

Steve Cornils, the new vice president of Development, and his fellow staff members are "now trying to shape the next major developmental push for the University," Anderson said.

# Safety lockout

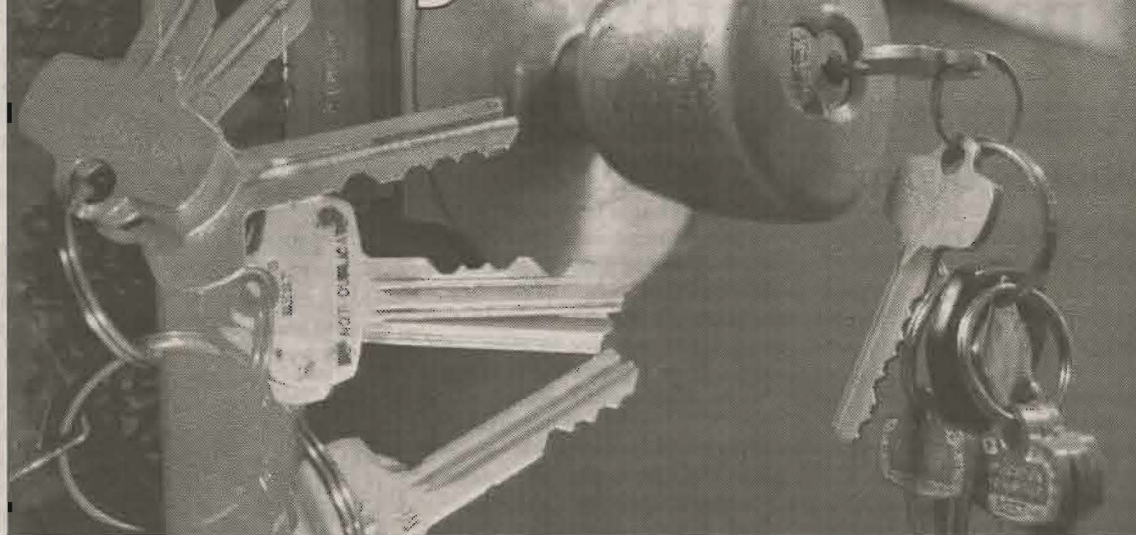


Photo illustration by Kyle Duba

## Loss of campus keys causes miscommunication

BREANNE COATS  
Mast sports editor

PLU communication instructors were not only locked out of the "loop" of information, but also out of their offices, Oct. 26. The incident was caused by lack of communication between departments.

Upon leaving for an engagement that day, a utilities man approached Professor Peter Ehrenhaus and informed him that he had to re-core his door, Ehrenhaus said. Ehrenhaus did not know what re-coring entailed or why this needed to be done, but agreed to let the man work on his door. When Ehrenhaus returned to his office he was surprised to see a hole in the middle of his doorknob.

"I leave my office for a few minutes and I come back and my core is gone," Ehrenhaus said, "and so were the rest of the wings' [cores]."

Since orientation week of the school year, two sets of master keys have been either lost or stolen. The university responded by changing all the locks on campus.

Because of the lock changes, Ehrenhaus, like fellow communi-

cation instructors, was unable to enter his office and thus could not grab supplies that he needed for his next class.

"I was astonished and then bemused," Ehrenhaus said. "It's like getting stuck in traffic, you don't have control about it. When I don't have control I get angry."

Upon hearing about the situation, dean of Communication and Theatre Ed Inch made a phone call to facilities management, which sent someone to fix the lock situation.

When the locks were replaced in the doors, the teachers had only been locked out for a couple of hours and some, like Ehrenhaus, believed that "this was one of those situations you have to laugh at."

However, Ehrenhaus said there were larger issues that needed to be dealt with such as the lack of planning and information sharing.

No one at Facilities Management notified Inch or any of the communication and theatre department professors that anyone was going to re-core the department's doors.

"It would have been nice to know," Inch said. "[Facilities management] needed to do it quickly and they accommodated us quickly. The issue I didn't appreciate was that it happened [during] classes."

The department also had not been notified about the loss of campus keys, according to Ehrenhaus.

The loss of a key is difficult to deal with for those that are in

charge of campus buildings.

"It does throw a curve ball into things," resident director Julie Bulow said. "But it is not something that we can't deal with when we pull together as a PLU community."

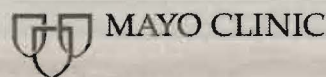
The most recent key incident occurred when an employee of Campus Safety lost a master key while on duty. Upon learning about the lost keys, Campus Safety notified the director of Residential Life Tom Huelsbeck, who then notified vice president of Student Life Laura Majovski.

Such precautions included Campus Safety members being more "vigilant on suspicious activity and more cautious with people that we don't recognize," said Marsha Stril, director of Campus Safety.

The loss of keys followed a set of campus keys stolen from an engineer's house during a burglary, at the beginning of the year. In this case new keys were issued for all the entry doors of the affected building. In the most recent case, however, the locks were not created to use new keys, but made to work with another key that residents already had.

The residents' individual rooms were not re-cored after this most recent loss and the only notification that they were given about the loss was a paper flyer.

Some residents, like first-year Geoff Smock, do not remember being informed that keys were lost or stolen. He said it would "be good to know" and the fact that he did not know about two incidents made him "feel concerned for security purposes."



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# Public radio station expands southward

## KPLU acquires FM station in Olympia

SAM CHREST  
Mast news reporter

KPLU, public radio station funded by the university, continued its efforts July to expand its listener base by acquiring an FM frequency in Olympia.

KPLU was the winning bidder to receive KWGV 90.1. The PLU station will pay \$400,000 for the rights and will use the frequency to expand the station's range.

"We will use the frequency in Olympia to fill in coverage from KPLU," KPLU general manager Martin Neeb said.

In order to utilize the frequency, KPLU will construct a station in Olympia that will receive a feed from the KPLU station in Tacoma. The location of the new station has not been finalized.

"We are very close to finding a location for the transmitter and tower in Olympia," Neeb said. "We are looking for the best location to cover the largest population."

The purchase is the second move this year by KPLU to reach new listeners. Earlier this year,

KPLU opened KVIX, a station in Port Angeles. The station allows KPLU to reach Port Angeles and Victoria, British Columbia.

"I think that it is great for PLU media to spread around the community," senior Everett Barr said. "People who have never heard about PLU can hear about all the things that we have to offer, and hear that we support the arts."

As a non-profit organization, PLU will purchase the station with money raised from listeners over the years.

In addition to the new stations, KPLU is also available worldwide via www.KPLU.org. In an attempt to draw Internet listeners who have not heard of KPLU, the station plans on renaming the URL www.jazz24.org.

"I am happy that KPLU is becoming easier to find," said junior Bethany Atkins, a student abroad in Oaxaca, Mexico. "I can listen to NPR down here just by going to the Web site."

**"I think that it is great for PLU media to spread around the country."**  
Everett Barr  
senior

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# Comforts of center welcome to all

STEVE JOHNSON  
Mast news intern

Many students from lower campus pass an office decorated with colorful posters on the first floor of the University Center at least once on their journeys to and from the cafeteria each day.

However, relatively few of them know why this space, called the Diversity Center, has been set aside or what its purpose is.

"I don't really know much about it," first-year Derek Tilton said. "I'm sure that they've done more than I can think of, but all I can remember is walking by and seeing 'Wave at the Diversity Advocates' in the window."

Most who step through its door are supposed to sense a friendly, welcoming and openly caring atmosphere. Those associated with the Diversity Center said they strive to make all feel welcome. One way they do this is by leaving the door opened, inviting passers-by to stop and chat. The open area inside, complete with couches, adds to this ambiance.

The Diversity Center is about bringing people together in a welcoming environment, according to those involved.

"Last year, we had a number of people just come in and nap between classes," said sophomore Jessie "Piper" Roulston, an active member of the Diversity Center. "It's a great place to hang out, and I go there between classes."

"They also have a number of magazines relating to diversity. The Diversity Center has a subscription

to such magazines as 'The Advocate' and 'Ebony,' just to name a few."

The Diversity Center also acts as a liaison between the university and various diversity clubs, including Harmony, the university's Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender and Questioning activist club.

The center receives funding from the university, and can use this to support events. It also helps clubs plan and organize larger events that would be much harder to accomplish otherwise.

It regularly shows movies, usually related to diversity, and schedules speakers for lectures or seminars with different themes each semester.

Roulston said she skipped class on occasion last year to hear speakers. She also explained everyone loves talks given by Diversity Center director Eva Johnson.

The center is planning on hosting new events this academic year.

"Look for 'Guess the Straight,'" Roulston said. "Basically, we're going to have a number of different people, each one with a different lifestyle - either homosexual, bisexual, transsexual, asexual or straight - and you have to guess which one is straight; it's not who you'd expect."

The Diversity Center is open every weekday, and hours vary depending on how long there is someone there.

*This article is part one of a two-part series on diversity at Pacific Lutheran University. Look in next week's issue for part two.*

## Pacific Lutheran University student ethnicity

Category	2005	%	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000
Asian-American	204	5.5%	194	193	187	189	172
African-American	68	1.8%	74	79	79	76	85
Hispanic	78	2.1%	82	71	58	65	79
Native-American	29	0.8%	20	21	25	21	32
Multi-Racial*	125	3.4%	124	101	93	68	46
Other	29	0.8%	26	15	22	32	26
White	2739	74.4%	2756	2682	2553	2554	2587
Int'l or Resident Alien	196	5.3%	218	181	234	258	286
Unknown	212	5.8%	149	119	134	163	202
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3680</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>3643</b>	<b>3462</b>	<b>3385</b>	<b>3426</b>	<b>3515</b>
Percent minority		14.5%	14.3%	13.9%	13.7%	13.2%	12.5%

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### NOVEMBER HOLIDAYS AND OBSERVANCES

- Nov. 4: Waiting for the Barbarians Day
- Nov. 5: Sadie Hawkins Day 2005  
Teach a Friend to Homebrew Day
- Nov. 7: National Bittersweet Chocolate with Almonds Day
- Nov. 8: Dunces Day
- Nov. 9: Neon Sign Day
- Nov. 10: U.S. Marine Corps Day
- Nov. 11: Veteran's Day
- Nov. 12: National Pizza With The Works Except Anchovies Day
- Nov. 13: World Kindness Day
- Nov. 15: America Recycles Day
- Nov. 17: Great American Smokeout  
World Peace Day
- Nov. 19: National Adoption Day  
Pencil Day
- Nov. 20: Universal Children's Day  
Traffic Light Day
- Nov. 21: World Hello Day
- Nov. 22: Stop the Violence Day
- Nov. 24: Thanksgiving Day
- Nov. 25: Black Friday
- Nov. 30: Computer Security Day

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A backhoe loader digs into the empty Garfield Street lot owned by the university at the groundbreaking ceremony Friday. Nearly 70 people attended the ceremony to celebrate the start of a project designed to improve Pacific Avenue.

These include: bicycle lanes, driveways that reduce conflict points, improved storm water drainage, additional express lanes for public busses only, upgraded traffic signal systems and well-lit pedestrian sidewalks. Additional enhancements may include curbs, gutters, trees and landscaped swales, according to the ceremony program.

"The people that work and play along this highway - they need to feel safe. And I am delighted that the Department of Transportation has done such a good job," Senator Jim Kastama, District 25, said.

Kastama, who had coordinated much of the funding for the SR 7 Safety Improvement Project, introduced specific donors and commended them for providing crucial resources. Since the project was added to the state budget in 2003, the Transportation Improvement Board has been the primary granter, he said.

Kastama said a trip to Asia compelled him to promote the project within the Senate.

"In China I saw a tremendous investment in infrastructure," he said. "There are other competitors out there investing in infrastructure, and we need to be doing the same."

Randy Hain, Olympic Region Admin-

istrator, followed with more messages of thanks to those involved in the project.

The next speaker, Pierce County executive John Ladenburg, discussed specific

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Loren Anderson  
university president

plans for the makeover of the Parkland Transit Center. New safety features, including security cameras and covered shelters at more local bus stops, are included in this plan.

"When you get better lighting, more people are going to ride the bus," Ladenburg said.

Stevan Gorcester, executive director of the Transportation Improvement Board, spoke about the benefits of the gas tax on the SR 7 Safety Improvement Project. From that tax money, \$3 million has returned to the Parkland community in the form of funding, he said.

Norm LeMay, senior vice president of Harold LeMay Enterprises and chair of the Pacific Avenue Redevelopment Task Force, wrapped up the celebration by recognizing Garfield Street businesses and members of the PLU community. These two groups, he said, have been collaborating with Pacific Avenue project officials to coordinate their own improvements for Parkland.

"Property ownership has a lot to do with how the street looks," Parkland resident Robert Drewes said. "That's why we're happy with all the PLU and business ownership getting down on this side of the street."

The Pacific Avenue Redevelopment Task Force has lasted longer than its members expected. It was scheduled for only six months of involvement, but is still in action three years later, LeMay said.

In an effort to make Garfield Street more attractive and student-friendly, PLU plans to erect a new university bookstore and shopping center on the corner of Garfield Street and Pacific Avenue. The University owns the nearly two acres of property at the site, which is currently empty. Construction of the newer, bigger buildings will begin in early 2006, university President Loren Anderson said.

"This is going to be an attractive, upscale retail area that will really encourage other Garfield businesses to upgrade as well," Anderson stated.

The future landscape of Garfield Street will include a brightly lit road, trees and flower boxes. Sidewalks will be widened on both sides of the street, to better accommodate groups of pedestrians and outdoor restaurant seating, Mark Mulder, director of Auxiliary Services at PLU, said.

"We're going to create a retail area that will be as timeless and attractive as possible," Mulder said.

## Group provides community network

### American Leadership Forum increases service opportunities

ERIN WIGGINS  
Mast news reporter

Faculty members are teaching PLU students more than the principle of a life of service by helping them become involved with the American Leadership Forum.

"The American Leadership Forum is designed to raise up, equip and develop networks among community leaders," university President Loren Anderson said.

ALF originated in Houston, Texas when its founder saw a need for community leaders. Since it was developed, it has expanded to many cities across the nation.

Members of ALF are selected from the most diverse cross-section of leaders possible, PLU professor of sociology Arturo Biblarz said. They represent different religions, politics, education levels, businesses,

ages and races.

Past participants from PLU include Anderson, Biblarz and vice president of Admission and Student Life Laura Majovski. Currently, vice president of Finance and Operations Sheri Tonn participates in ALF.

Each participant is placed in a 25-member group that is active for one year. The groups meet once a month to discuss the issues of the community. They also go on a five-day outward-bound experience concluding with a mountain climb, Biblarz said.

The aim of ALF is to "work together, solve problems, accomplish goals," Anderson said.

To achieve this mission, each group develops a project to pursue. Anderson's group published an annual set of economic and social indicators of health that lasted approximately three years after he participated. Biblarz's group served as mentors for first-generation college students at Tacoma Community College.

Participants from PLU bring their experiences back to the university because it encourages faculty and staff to be involved in the community. They model the lives of service PLU hopes to teach to students.

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From the editor

## Celebrating the unsung heroines and heroes of history, daily life

The citizens of Detroit gathered Wednesday to honor the life of civil rights icon Rosa Parks, who died last month. In a service attended by Jesse Jackson, Bill Clinton and Aretha Franklin, mourners celebrated the life of the woman who refused to give up her seat on a racially segregated bus.

Parks has long been praised as the female face of the civil rights movement, which is a fitting title. She will forever be remembered alongside such phenomenal male leaders as Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and Malcolm X.

Over the last couple of weeks, as I read stories celebrating Rosa Parks, I couldn't help but wonder about the stories of other women who contributed to the civil rights movement and have perhaps been overlooked.

Ella Baker, Vera Piggy, Vivian Malone Jones, Septima Poinsette Clark, Fannie Lou Hamer, Dorothy E. Davis, Dorothy I. Height, Polly Cowan. These are the names of just a few women who exhibited phenomenal leadership in the civil rights movement, but whose names fail to ring a bell in the collective consciousness.

To summarize the achievements of these leaders:

Baker was a labor organizer in the South. She was an important leader in the Southern Christian Leadership Conference as well. Ironically, she believed the civil rights movement was a collective effort and should not over-emphasize the work of individual leaders.

Piggy was a hairdresser who taught her patrons about voter registration while giving haircuts.

Jones enrolled in the University of Alabama against the mandate of Gov. George C. Wallace. She went on to work for the U.S. Justice Department.

Clark is often referred to as the "queen mother" of civil rights for her work with the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. Her involvement with the NAACP began long before civil rights moved to the forefront of national events.

Hamer was beaten and arrested in 1962 for trying to register to vote. Two years later, she delivered a powerful speech at the Democratic National Convention.

Davis was one of many students listed as a plaintiff in a court case challenging segregation in Virginia's public schools. The court case *Dorothy E. Davis, et al. v. County School Board of Prince Edward County, Va.*, evolved into *Brown v. Board of Education*. This landmark case marked the end of the "separate but equal" doctrine that had been established in the 1890s, but Davis' involvement in ending segregation in public schools is often overlooked.

Height and Cowan worked together to arrange a program known as Wednesdays in Mississippi. The program coordinated meetings between women of different races and faiths from the North and South, in pursuit of mutual understanding and political activism.

These are the unsung heroines of the civil rights movement. These names are only a few in a much longer list of unsung heroines—and heroes—of the struggle for racial equality. It is my hope that, in the aftermath of Rosa Parks' death, her less-famous peers are not forgotten. Each one of these women deserves our recognition and thanks.

Our world is full of unsung heroes and heroines. I can think of many in the PLU community alone. The grounds-keeping staff maintains our beautiful campus. The night cleaning crews are the invisible machinery ensuring the smooth operation of our university. The Student Services office staff processes paperwork for thousands of students, and somehow remembers all of our names. Academic advisers, counselors, professors and administrators—all are heroes.

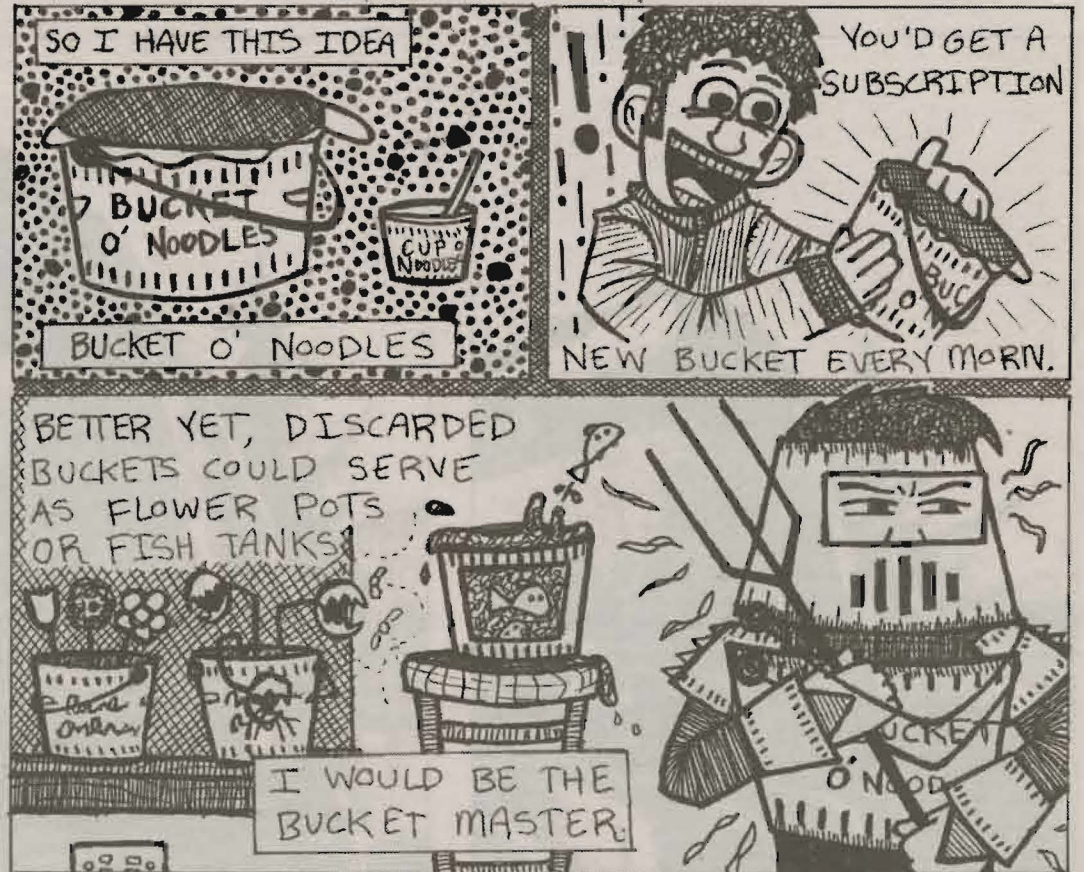
Each day our campus is operated by a large assemblage of employees whose work is crucial to the continued life and progress of PLU.

As you're going about your daily activities, take a moment to notice the work of those who travel through our lives, nameless and unseen. The empty garbage can under your desk each morning is the work of a real person. The spotless hallways, the glass doors that are miraculously clear of fingerprints—these are the accomplishments of PLU's unsung heroes.

I challenge everyone to spend some time seeking out the unsung heroes and heroines of history and of our daily lives. Look beyond the famous names of the civil rights movement and find the real people working every day for equality. Spend a few minutes to thank the man behind the counter and the woman edging the grass.

I believe everyone is a hero or heroine in some way. In recognizing the heroic quality in others, we all can reach greater heights together.

## PROCRASTINATIONALITY



Cartoon by Calvin Moore

## Reeked with the flatmates, and other explorations of drinking in the U.K.

Dear Friends,

This week's column is very serious (not really) and may be controversial (probably not). However, I think I can trust you all to look at it as a cultural learning experience and believe you will not use any of the shocking revelations contained here as a basis for your own decision making. This is particularly important to the first-years and sophomores who may be reading, those innocent minds running the highest risk of desensitization. So with that in mind, sit back, and we will explore this week's topic: ALCOHOL ABROAD.

The first shocking truth I will reveal is that there is such a place as a "wet" campus. I know it seems horrifying, but alcohol is allowed in the buildings and on the grounds of the University of Stirling. That means that while all of your PLU dormitory closets and fridges are filled with cases of V8 and Sunny Delight (as, of course, were mine during my Pflueger years), those here are rumored to contain cans of Carling (my flatmate's favorite lager) and Magner's (an alcoholic cider). But as I said, young juice drinkers: Don't get any ideas. There is a reason for this freak occurrence.

Picture your 18th birthday: You woke up excited about your big day, the day you finally

became eligible for the military draft, to vote, and to legally enter into the lifetime commitment of marriage (after going to the strip club for your bachelor party)!

It's all different here. By 18 years, the excitement of finally being able to marry your junior high sweetheart (as is legal at age 16 in Britain) is overshadowed. A British 18-year-old has been there, done that; and now he or she wants to buy a drink. Yes, instead of smoking a cigar with dad on the back porch, one is legally able to pound down a pint of ale in the local pub. Shocking.

Ok, I'll pull my tongue (halfway) out of my cheek now, because the fact is that you all know about the places where you can drink at 18. Why else would you go to Canada? I knew it, too, but it's really quite a different experience to live amongst it. I mean, I go to class and there are high school-aged kids in the UC tipping back tall boys!

And there's more. I asked one of my Scottish flatmates if there were ever any house parties. He said, "Those are for wee kids." He's 18. I asked him if they ever played drinking games. He looked at me strangely and told me, "Those are for birds (girls)." And when I couldn't find regular-sized cans of beer at the grocery, he told me that what we call a "tall boy" is the regular size for the U.K. "You can't actu-



### Of Links and Lochs

ally get pished (drunk) off wee cans like that, can ya?" he asked me, dumbfounded.

Here's the norm: If a Scottish fresher (freshman) went on a bender, or binge, here in Scotland, he or she would pre-funk at a flat or on-campus pub. Then this person would go out to a club, which perhaps is also at the University, to dance and drink the rest of the night away. Said student would then stumble home mingin' (drunk) or reekin' (more drunk), and wake up for class the next day. Even if the student didn't wake up, class would still be an issue because it would probably be a weekday.

Now, call me sheltered, but I've never heard of a place where every single day of the week is game for a binge! Frankly, it makes me feel old, and I just turned 21. But...I'm already out of space, so, as Derek Zoolander would say, we'll have to continue talking about this conversation later.

Until then, please, save the reekin' for the weekend.

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**For more about procrastination, please see Page 10.**

**Washing dishes in a land of equality**

I never liked equations. For this reason, I only liked math until the third grade. But there is one equation to which I have taken a liking. Simple, direct and only two words:

Norway = equality.  
With the math out of the way, let me explain.

In Norway, it is believed that every member of society should have equal access to an education, a job, health care and a home.

In Norway, child benefit (monthly governmental aid for both mother and father) is distributed according to the number of children the parents have, not according to their economic status.

In Norway, a separate official government exists for a minority — the Sàmi indigenous people.

In Norway, a comfortable and connected relationship exists among members of society, especially between citizens and government officials. The traditional power play between those in authority and everyday workers is not visible, and e-mailing the prime minister is considered normal.

Perhaps this equality is the result of the 1885 Norwegian Parliament decision to grant equal status to the country's two official written languages, Nynorsk and Bokmål. Or maybe it reaches further back to the failure of feudal-

ism in Norwegian history.

Regardless of when it began, this ideology of equality is alive and well within Norwegian society today. Yesterday, at the Nansen Dialogue Institute, I experienced it first-hand. The director of the center picked me up at the train station before driving me to the institute, and personally introduced me in front of the entire staff and student body.

Throughout the day, I met many important and impressive individuals. Normally this would be intimidating, but not once did I feel like I was intruding on anyone's time. Everyone was incredibly welcoming — and interested in my thoughts and contributions. I was amazed by the complete lack of stiff formality typically associated with meeting influential people. I was treated like an equal, and truly felt like one.

What's more, this feeling of equality has not been confined to a single day or experience. During my time here, I have met and spoken with mayors, ministers of Parliament, editors and international mediators. Not once have I felt inadequate, out of place, or looked down upon for being a mere student (an American student at that).

Living in a culture that stresses equality on so many levels, one soon develops the tendency to



Jenn Henrichsen  
**The Laughing Lutefisk**

increase generosity and the inclusion of others.

At the beginning of the semester, eight international students started a tradition of eating dinner together one night each week. Two students were chosen to prepare a meal for the rest of the group. It quickly became a rule that those who make dinner are never allowed to wash dishes or clean up. Instead, the others immediately volunteer to wash, dry or make tea and coffee for the after-dinner chat. I'll be frank: I would much rather eat a second helping of dessert than put my hands in dirty, hot water that contains the remnants of my dinner. But now I find myself along with others, jumping up to be the first to wash dishes.

Some may call it good parenting or good manners. But the fact remains that this culture, which fosters a sense of equality, simultaneously empowers generosity and respect for others. It shows in the smallest ways — even in washing a dish.

**Letters to the editor**

I am writing in response to the letter to the editor in the October 28 edition of *The Mast*. In response to Mr. Kramke, I would like him to know that I, too, among others noticed the offensive black-facing exhibited in this year's Songfest. I, too, googled "black facing" and came up with results that would have educated Mr. Kramke if he chose to truly take a look. In fact, I found over 100 websites that reference the racist history of black-facing. Black-facing is a racist caricature of African Americans that originated in the 19<sup>th</sup> century with the creation of American Minstrelsy. White men dressed up as African Americans, painting their faces and hands black, drawing large red lips, and bulging white eyes. This popular form of theater celebrated white superiority. Black-

facing was used to humiliate and dehumanize African Americans. A black man (or woman for the matter) is NOT a costume.

Mr. Kramke, the very fact that you deny that racism exists any more reveals just how far we still have to go; this world (and America is not exception) is not free of racism. This event at Songfest exemplifies our ignorance. Racism is not a thing of the past, it is very much a live, and it is very much real. It is a danger to our society when the citizens turn a blind eye to an issue; because the problem won't disappear, in fact, it just makes it worse.

Lauren Holly  
sophomore

Recent letters to *The Mast* discuss turning issues such as child molestation into comedic material. Some students feel laughing at serious problems are the way to deal with them.

How many of you who find child molestation humorous have experienced this type of victimization? Sat with someone who has been the victim of this horrendous act and held them as they cried? Witnessed the court system victimize them further? Heard them be blamed for the act because "they caused it themselves"? All one has to do is turn on the news or read the newspaper to find stories of people who have been hurt by what you find so humorous. Have you tried to talk someone out of trying to commit suicide because they were being made a laughingstock by people who found their experience amusing?

It doesn't take effort to be offended. It takes more effort to make a stand and listen to people who want to make a mockery of the hurt of people. The sad part is that child molestation happens. What's worse is when people laugh at the victimization of other people. People victimized by it sink further into their seats and hurt more because they are being made the butt of the joke.

Have you heard of advocates? They speak up for those who have no voice. It is not self-righteous to stand up for someone who can't speak up for themselves. You might try it sometime. It may help you find the compassion in your heart to help those who need someone to stand for or with them, not laugh at them.

Do you know that the writers of the original Songfest complaint aren't survivors of such assaults? Do you know that they weren't speaking for someone who couldn't speak for themselves? If PLU is supposed to be a community in which the rights of everyone are embraced, do those rights only include those who have never been victimized or don't think this type of issue is a joke? I suggest that, instead of making a mockery of horrible experiences, we step up to the plate and try to aid in healing and prevent those type of experiences from happening to anyone else. A joke is only funny if it is funny to the person you are telling it to. Are the people you are mocking finding you funny? I don't think so.

Laura Brunk  
junior

**Clarification: The Oct. 28 letter to the editor by Kenneth Kramke did not identify Kramke's status as a student. The letter should have indicated Kramke is a junior.**

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## French suburbs burn with anger

**JOCELYN GECKER**  
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**CLICHY-SOUS-BOIS, France (AP)** - In a seventh consecutive night of skirmishes, young people threw rocks at police Wednesday in six suburbs in the Seine-Saint-Denis region north of Paris, about a 40-minute drive from the Eiffel Tower. In one of them, Le Blanc-Mesnil, about a dozen cars burned and curious residents, some in slippers and bathrobes, poured into the streets.

Some said the unrest, sparked by the accidental deaths of two teenagers last week, is an

expression of frustration over grinding unemployment and police harassment in the communities, where many North African immigrants live. "It is not going to end. It is going to explode," said an 18-year-old who would only give his name as Amine.

The violence, concentrated in neighborhoods with large African and Muslim populations, has highlighted the difficulties many European nations face with immigrant communities feeling marginalized and restive, cut off from the continent's prosperity and, for some extremists, its values, too.

"They have no work. They have nothing to do. Put yourself in their place," said Abderrahmane Bouhout, president of the Clichy-sous-Bois mosque, where a tear gas grenade exploded Sunday evening. Local youths suspected a police attack, and authorities are investigating.

The violence cast doubt on the success of France's model of seeking to integrate its large immigrant community, its Muslim population, at an estimated 5 million, is Western Europe's largest, by playing down differences between ethnic groups. But rather than be embraced as full and equal citizens, immigrants

and their French-born children often complain of police harassment and of being refused jobs, housing and opportunities.

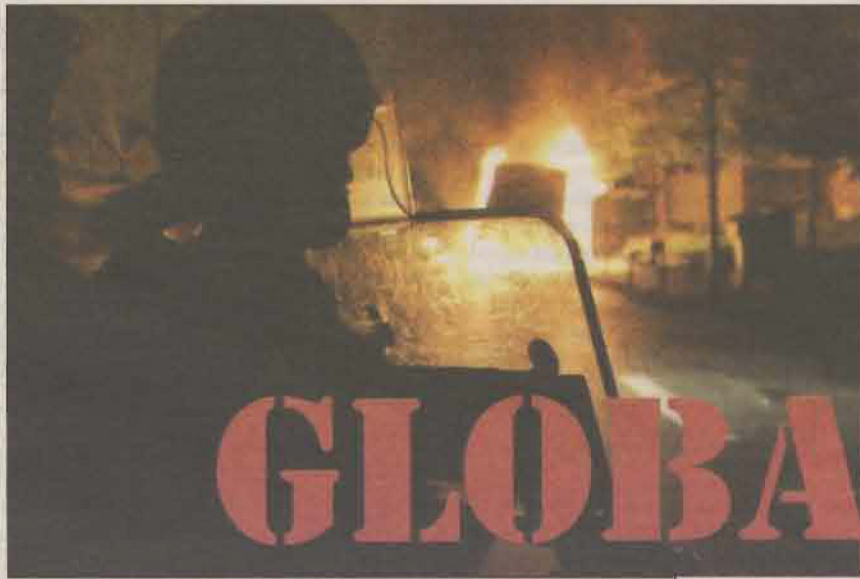
Many immigrant families are trapped in housing projects that were built to accommodate foreign laborers welcomed by post-World War II France but have since succumbed to despair, chronic unemployment and lawlessness. In some neighborhoods, drug dealers and racketeers hold sway and experts say Islamic radicals seek to recruit disenfranchised youths by telling them that France has abandoned them.

"French society is in a bad state ... increasingly unequal, increasingly segregated, and increasingly divided along ethnic and racial lines," said sociologist

Manuel Boucher. Some youths turn to Islam to claim an identity that is not French, "to seize on something which gives them back their individual and collective dignity."

Police said 180 vehicles were torched overnight Tuesday, most in the Seine-Saint-Denis region that includes Clichy, Aulnay and other violence-hit neighborhoods. Police made 35 arrests in Seine-Saint-Denis.

A group of teenagers chased and threw stones at Associated Press reporters, some shouting "Go home!" and others yelling: "See you tonight."



Left: A riot police officer patrols near a burning car in Paris suburb, Aulnay-sous-Bois, early last Thursday. For a seventh straight night, groups of youths set fire to cars and shops in at least nine towns northeast of the capital. (AP Photo/Christophe Ena)

Bottom: A U.S. soldier takes a picture of the wreckage of a car bomb which exploded in Kirkuk, Iraq on Wednesday. According to Iraqi police the blast killed one person and wounded nine. (AP Photo/Yahya Ahmed)

Bottom-Left: A mother cares for her 14-year-old son in a corridor of the Black Lion Hospital in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. He was wounded in the head on the second day of clashes between youths and police in the Ethiopian capital. (AP Photo)

# GLOBAL UNREST



## Ethiopian elections erupt into rioting

**ANTHONY MITCHELL**  
 Associated Press Writer  
**ADDIS ABABA, Ethiopia (AP)** - Clashes between riot police and protesters erupted in gunfire Wednesday, with police killing at least 12 people as demonstrations against Ethiopia's disputed elections stretched into a second day, officials said.

Hundreds of heavily armed riot police were deployed across the capital as the sound of heavy machine-gun fire, rifle fire and loud explosions rocked Addis Ababa. Ethiopia's crack special forces, aboard armored personnel carriers, patrolled the streets that were littered with burning tires and broken glass.

At least 51 civilians also were wounded in Wednesday's clashes, including a 7-year-old boy who was shot in the hip, doctors at two leading hospitals said.

The violence followed clashes Tuesday between protesters and police that killed eight people and wounded 43 others.

Tigist Daniel, 16, who brought

her 50-year-old mother to hospital after police shot her in the stomach, said police were shooting indiscriminately at civilians.

"All my mother was trying to do was save my brother because he had been caught up in the fighting. She run out of the house to grab him and the police just shot at her," Tigist told The Associated press. "They are shooting anyone who comes out of their house."

The renewed clashes erupted after the arrests Monday of 30 taxi drivers who took part in demonstrations against the May 15 parliamentary elections.

The elections gave Prime Minister Meles Zenawi's Ethiopian Peoples Revolutionary Democratic Front control of 60 percent of the parliament.

Security officers have arrested all 15 members of the Coalition for Unity and Democracy's central committee and about 1,000 supporters, a lawyer who works for the opposition party said on the condition of anonymity because of security concerns.

## Hundreds dead in recent Iraqi violence

**ROBERT H. REID**  
 Associated Press Writer  
**BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP)** - A suicide bomber detonated a minibus Wednesday in an outdoor market packed with shoppers ahead of a Muslim festival, killing about 20 people and wounding more than 60 in a Shiite town south of Baghdad. Six U.S. troops were killed, two in a helicopter crash west of the capital.

At least 2,035 U.S. military service members have died since the Iraq conflict began in March 2003, according to an Associated Press count.

The town police chief, Lt. Col. Ahmed Mijwil, said 22 people were killed and 61 wounded. But officials warned the figures could change as rescuers frantically searched the area of meat and vegetable stalls, shops and cafes.

Later Wednesday, a Marine AH-1W Super Cobra attack helicopter crashed just north of Ramadi, killing its two Marine crew members, the military said. A U.S. statement said the cause of the crash was under investigation.

But APTN quoted an Iraqi resident as saying the helicopter was shot down. Hours after the crash, a Marine Corps F-18D fighter jet dropped two 500-pound bombs on what the U.S. military described as an "insurgent command center" about 400 yards from where the helicopter went down.

The latest deaths follow the fourth deadliest month for American troops since the U.S.-led invasion of Iraq. Most of the 96 Americans killed in October were victims of roadside bombs.

There was no claim of responsibility for the Musayyib attack, the third major vehicle bombing in a predominantly Shiite area of Iraq within the last five days. A total of 50 people had already been killed since Saturday in car bombings in Basra and a Shiite village in central Diyala province.

After voters overwhelmingly approved the constitution in an Oct. 15 referendum, attention has focused on the Dec. 15 parliamentary elections. Many Sunni Arab candidates have joined the race; most of their community boycotted the last election in January.

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## Students set to explore great white south

### March of the PLU students

KRISTI CLOUGH  
Mast International Reporter

TACOMA, Wash. — Students from Pacific Lutheran University will study on all seven continents in 2006, including Antarctica.

This January, PLU English professor Charles Bergman will lead 18 students in the university's first J-term study abroad trip to Antarctica, which will also include stops in Argentina and Chile.

"Only one other course in the United States has taken undergrads to Antarctica," Bergman said.

Bergman's inspiration for a trip to Antarctica came during a 2004 J-term trip to Ecuador. Standing on the bow of a boat in the Galapagos Islands, Bergman and his students brainstormed about other trips that could rival their Ecuadorian trip.

Everyone agreed Antarctica would be the "premier nature experience," Bergman said.

The course will focus on

environmental issues and nature writing, with an emphasis on Patagonia, the southern portion of South America. Students will keep journals, write research papers and take exams on what they are learning throughout the course, Bergman said.

This will be senior Jinnie Hanson's second J-Term trip with Bergman. Hanson was on the 2004 Ecuador trip when the planning for Antarctica began.

"It's been something I've been planning on for almost two years, and I wanted to go while I could still get help from financial aid," she said.

Bergman said he was unsure how PLU would receive the idea of the trip and its high cost.

"Cost effectiveness was a big issue," he said. "And we were really pushing the geographical envelope."

Forty-five students applied for the trip, which was an encouraging sign for Bergman.

"It's an opportunity for adventure," Bergman said. "But not everyone wants to do this sort of travel."

The students began their Antarctica coursework in the spring

of 2005, including reading material that will directly connect to their experiences on the trip.

Bergman anticipates the students will spend half the trip on a boat off the coast of Antarctica. Smaller vessels will bring them to shore two or three times a day. The daily schedule of events will depend on tides, currents, weather and the trip's expedition leaders, he said.

If the trip is a success, Bergman hopes to alternate the new J-term Antarctica trip with his trip to Ecuador, he said.

The author of three books, Bergman is a professional photographer and widely published nature writer. His articles have appeared in National Geographic, The Smithsonian and Audubon Magazine.

Bergman said he looks forward to his 28th year at PLU and to sharing this spectacular Antarctica experience with his students.

Temperature forecast for Vostok Antarctica for November 4, 2005: -50 degrees F

#### J-term tips from PLU students

In the previous International section, *The Mast* asked for student tips and suggestions about studying abroad. We received many responses, here are a few that represented the major themes:

"Get all your shots and health center stuff done early. Make sure you have all your documents and I.D.'s, especially with increased security. Be ready for long waits." - Amber M.

"Pack light. You don't want to be haulin' a lot of luggage all over the place." - Becky R.

"Know your limits. Just because you're abroad doesn't mean you should get too drunk, get a tattoo or hook up with that exotic local." - Sarah P.

"Try to immerse yourself in your new surroundings, you'll miss out on a lot of your trip if you keep your American college student perspective the whole time." - Ryan S.

"Understand that some people don't like Americans, and will have certain ideas about you. Prove them wrong, don't fulfill the ugly American stereotype." - Tim G.

## Saying hello to Hai

### Student finds balance between Vietnam, United States and textbooks

JONATHAN BONGARD  
International Editor

23-year-old Hai Nguyen has spent the last 10 years living a double life, one as a Vietnamese and the other as an American.

Speaking and living as he would in Vietnam, Nguyen and his family live only 10 minutes from PLU. As soon as he steps on campus, however, he switches into a more American, English-speaking identity.

Nguyen and his family keep many of the traditions alive in their South Tacoma home that his parents followed in Vietnam. "We eat together more than Americans, we focus more on community," Nguyen said.

When Nguyen comes to campus, he is faced with the challenges of trying to learn material from textbooks and teachers who speak his second language.

"I have to learn from other students more. Textbooks can be tough to get through," Nguyen said.

Before moving to the United States a decade ago, his family had a turbulent history in Quy Nhon, Central Vietnam. Nguyen's father served

during the Vietnam War, fighting on the American side during the conflict.

After the war, the Communist Party imprisoned him; he lost several of his rights as a citizen and was persecuted for his allegiance to the United States.

Once released, he took his family and fled to the United States to escape further persecution.

"My father was very thankful for American help during the war, and for letting us come over to the US," Nguyen said. He attended Pierce College for two years before coming to PLU. Small class sizes, close interaction with professors and a sense of belonging attracted him to campus.

Now in his senior year, Nguyen is involved with the Washington Achiever's scholarship program, Asian-Pacific Islander Club, and is an ASPLU senator. He has immersed himself in American culture and PLU's community, while still retaining his cultural identity.

"You get used to the switch," Nguyen said. "When I'm home it's Vietnamese, when I'm at PLU it's English."

Nguyen feels he has been able to balance Vietnamese culture and tradition with integrating himself into American life.

Nguyen plans to graduate in May with a degree in business accounting. He hopes to work at a firm for a few years and open a small business of his own.

"I love it here at PLU," Nguyen said. "I wouldn't trade my experience here for the world."

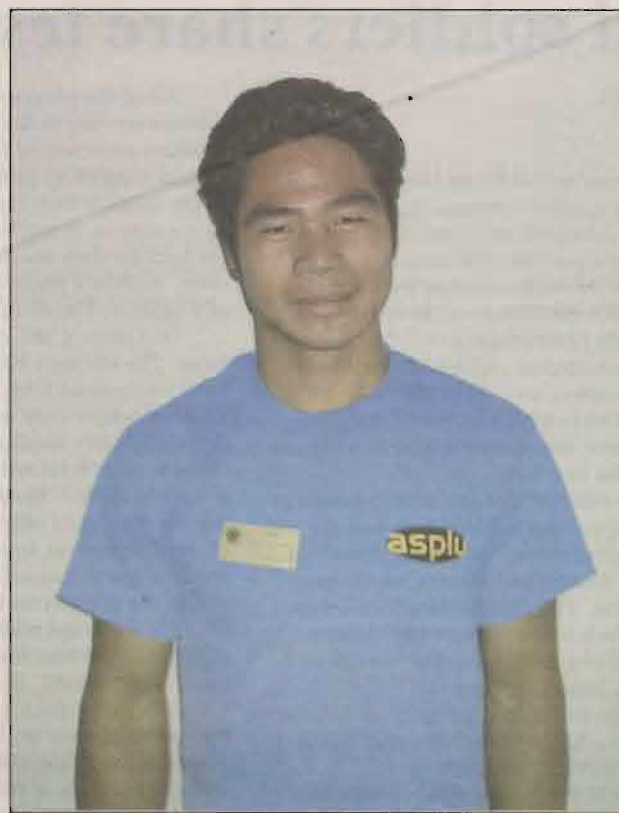


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Featured International student of the week, senior Hai Nguyen. Nguyen is an active member of ASPLU and Asian Pacific Islanders

## This week in global history

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International editor

1721 - Peter I was proclaimed Emperor of All the Russias.

1785 - The first lifeboat was patented by London coachbuilder Lionel Lukin.

1841 - Following the British occupation of Kabul, Afghans murdered Sir Alexander Burnes and 23 others, marking the start of the second Afghan War.

1917 - Arthur James Balfour, British foreign secretary, submitted a declaration of intent, known as the Balfour Declaration, to establish a Jewish homeland in Palestine.

1930 - Haile Selassie was crowned Emperor of Ethiopia.

1938 - Hungary annexed southern Slovakia following the dismemberment of Czechoslovakia at the Munich agreement.

1950 - Playwright George Bernard Shaw died in England, at age 94, of a kidney bladder infection.

1953 - Pakistan's parliament declared the country "the Islamic Republic of Pakistan."

1960 - In London, the D.H. Lawrence novel *Lady Chatterly's Lover* was found not to be obscene.

1980 - The Iranian parliament voted for the release of American hostages held at the US embassy. They were eventually released in January 1981.

1990 - The Mozambique parliament approved a new constitution, turning the country into a multi-party democracy.

## Psychological thriller provides an intriguing puzzle for the viewer

Complex storyline, attention to detail make this film worth watching twice



### Someone sneezed in my popcorn

"Stay" is a psychological thriller that will keep you guessing until the last frame. It captivates with its beauty and style, providing the viewer with important information. On the surface "Stay" is about a psychologist named Sam (Ewan McGregor) who is treating a student, Henry (Ryan Gosling), who has announced he is suicidal. The deeper Sam involves himself with Henry's case, the more he finds himself delving into madness.

Naomi Watts plays Sam's love interest, a girl who once tried to commit suicide herself, and other supporting characters include solid performances by Bob Hoskins and Janeane Garofalo.

Directed by Marc Forster, who brought us "Finding Neverland" and "Monster's Ball," continues his exploration of the human psyche more literally in this film. The style, as I said before, is quite beautiful and very elaborate. The film's jarring start uses attached cameras that create a sense of fluid chaos. The transitions also move seamlessly from one location to another. In one scene, two characters are talking in an apartment, and then suddenly it looks as if they are under the ocean. As the camera pulls in, then out, it reveals that another character is at the aquarium. Even from there, the aquarium turns into a picture hanging in

an art studio. There is a connection in almost every scene to the next or previous scene.

Some of the clues to follow in "Stay" are much more obvious than other films. For example, whenever a dead person was going to appear in "Sixth Sense" red is symbolically incorporated into the scene. The film "Mulholland Drive" actually gave a checklist of what to look for in their DVD special features. "Stay" simply throws it at the audience and expects each viewer to figure it out on their own. There is a strong theme oriented around clothing throughout the film, with McGregor's shrunken clothes, Gosling's lack of variety in his wardrobe, and the extras being dressed in the same outfit as those around them all contribute to that motif.

Stairs also seem to be a reoccurring image in the film. The characters are constantly going down stairs, never up them. McGregor is always chasing someone down the stairs, perhaps representing his own descent into madness or his journey down into the student's mind.

Every transition, every set piece and every moment of déjà vu is one step closer to unraveling the mystery of "Stay."

However, be forewarned, the ending of "Stay" does not simply reveal all; it is just a guide for the viewer to put all the pieces together. Imagine that all the clues are pieces to a puzzle, without the picture to guide how the pieces should fit together. The end provides the framework for the viewers' idea of what it all means.

"Stay" provokes discussion and thought. It is a beautifully directed and wonderfully acted film. For some I recommend waiting for the DVD to stop, rewind and find all of the clues, because the more the clues are understood, the more fulfilling the film becomes. To be honest, I still am not quite sure of what I just saw, but I will understand it...eventually.



Naomi Watts and Ewan McGregor enact a scene in the 2005 psychological thriller "Stay." McGregor plays a psychologist treating a suicidal student, while Watts plays his love interest. The R-rated film is directed by Marc Forster, whose other projects include "Finding Neverland" and "Monster's Ball."

## Classic college answers to avoiding your homework



### Top 10: Ways to procrastinate

As we sat down to write the Top 10 list for this week, we realized that even though we had a week to write it, we waited until seventeen minutes before our deadline to do so. Looking back over the week, we found that we did a lot of things that did not add up to much in the grand scheme of things. So in light of the past week we decided to list our favorite ways to waste time. Number one should have been writing for the Mast, but since we procrastinate writing our articles, it was disqualified.

1. Sleep: This is a college classic, but for added excitement try to fall asleep in different places.

Some suggestions: the library, your roommate's bed, lounges in dorms that are not your own, the list is almost endless. You can come up with your own and make a contest out of it with some of your buddies.

6. Video games: Sorry, we tried to leave this one out, but you will be hard pressed to find a dorm on campus that does not have someone playing them any given time of day. We would even wager that there are some ladies in Harstad occupying their time with this one.

8. Wander aimlessly around Parkland: This can be a fun and colorful pastime. However, you do need to be careful, as the cops might take you in for questioning. Friendly reminder: you should always carry a way to defend yourself, such as pepper spray or week-old UC food.

7. Make fun of how much homework your roommate has. To

make them even more mad, pretend that you don't have any, just to watch their blood boil. Just don't take it to the point of not doing your homework at all, unless your roommate has a test the next day.

9. TV/movies: You can't tell us that you have never sat in your room and watched "Sex and the City" or "The O.C." for hours on end. P.S. Laguna

Beach is on at 10 p.m. Monday nights on Channel 63, just to throw out a personal favorite.

4. The Facebook: We have all found our way into the vortex known as The Facebook. Hours of message boards and poking wars will eventually be the end of us. On a side note, we find fulfillment in how many friend requests we get and how many people write on our walls.

3. Go make a friend: After all that poking and waiting for updated profiles, maybe it is time to actually meet that special person from across campus. Surprising, we know, but it is possible to communicate with someone in person.

2. Pull the fire alarm: "Disclaimer" We do not condone this action in any way shape or form. It is only to be used in dire circumstances. The Police, Campus Safety and all of the residents in your dorm will hate you for the rest of the year — or until it's done again by someone else. That said, the hilarity of seeing someone standing in the rain while wearing only their towel will bring a smile to anyone's face.

5. Surf the internet: Kermit the Frog is left handed. Gilligan's first name was Willy. Dr. Seuss and Kurt Vonnegut were in the same fraternity. These are just some of the millions of random, worthless facts that you can memorize instead of the Periodic Table of Elements, which really isn't that useful anyway.

10. Go to the UC: Where else can you eat a seven-course meal and talk with friends for as long as you want? A kind suggestion: start and finish with the ice cream.

## Israeli soldiers share testimonies

KAT JENKINS  
Mast intern

Many Americans are confused or misinformed about the on-going conflict between Israelis and Palestinians in the occupied territories in Israel. On Friday, October 28, a presentation on campus gave a different perspective on the conflict by "Breaking the Silence," an organization made up of former Israeli Defense Force (IDF) soldiers.

The group presented an exhibit of pictures and testimonies from soldiers serving in the occupied territories in Israel. The exhibit was originally shown June 2004 in Tel Aviv, Israel, and is now touring the United States for the first time.

"Breaking the Silence" tries to inform people of what is actually happening in Israel between the IDF soldiers and the Palestinians. Two of the founding members, Avichay Sharon and Noam Chayut, gave Friday's presentation. The presentation focused on the idea of corruption in the occupied territories among the IDF soldiers. Both served in the IDF and are now university students.

"What we hope to achieve is first of all to raise awareness...and to achieve from that a true moral debate within the public," said Sharon.

Serving in the IDF is required for Israel's young adults. The IDF controls the Palestinians in the occupied West Bank and the Gaza Strip territories, where the IDF protects the Israeli settlers.

"A well known sentence in Hebrew is 'occupation corrupts,'" said Chayut.

They explained how, as soldiers, they would occupy an apartment to use for offices for a time and force the family to stay in one room for the duration. The young soldiers said they became corrupted by the power they suddenly had.

"Imagine a 19-year-old giving permission to a 50-year-old to go to the bathroom," said Sharon.

Another soldier's testimony said, "Suddenly I noticed that I'm getting addicted to controlling people."

All of the photos exhibited were taken by IDF soldiers serving in the occupied territories. The speakers emphasized that the presumed pictures were not taken by professional photographers. Some of the soldiers took the pictures to show what was happening or to teach a lesson. Others took the photos because they wanted to boast of what they had done, such as a photo of a soldier standing in front of a destroyed store he had just looted.

One picture was of a display of about 80 car keys. The car keys belonged to Palestinians and had been confiscated from them when they were driving when or where they were not supposed to have been driving. When confronted with this practice within the IDF, an official said that it was an isolated case, a "rotten apple." However, Chayut said that during his time as an officer he saw boxes of hundreds of confiscated car keys. In talking with other IDF soldiers it was learned that this is a common practice across the IDF territories.

"In a corrupt reality it doesn't matter if you come from the best home, the same corruptness occurs," Chayut said.

"Breaking the Silence" was brought to PLU by the Northwest Middle East Peace Forum, PLU Students for Peace, the Peace Studies Working Group and the Division of Humanities and Social Sciences.

Christine Hansvick, a Professor of Psychology at PLU, said that this presentation raises questions such as: "How come we do the things we do? What circumstances lead us to do what we do? How do we break through that cycle of violence to work for peace?" She pointed out that questions like these are important ones to consider.

"Breaking the Silence" brings a different perspective to the United States of the situation in Israel than that which is normally heard. This group of soldiers shared their experiences, raising questions of why they did what they did.

"Breaking the Silence" is the attempt of those who did this to show the people back home what really happened," said Sharon.

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## "Prayers" examines second chance relationships in cultural context

Complex characters and thought-provoking stories tell the tale of starting over from a different perspective



One evening at the restaurant inside Nordstrom, I eavesdropped on the couple sitting at the table next to me. They were elderly, they had met through a seniors' program and it was their first date. After some moments of silence, the man leaned forward and asked how long the woman had lived in the area. I waited in expectation for the awkwardness to break open, for their late-life love to blossom. "I don't know. I don't know," the woman offered back across the expanse of table between them, visibly flustered.

Yiyun Li, author of the short story collection "A Thousand Years of Good Prayers," knows how to let her readers into moments like the one I experienced, moments of second chance. Set in China and among Chinese people in

the United States, her characters share a place at the edge of possibility in their differing circumstances.

A widowed man claims his second chance in the title story of the collection. In "A Thousand Years of Good Prayers," an old man leaves China for the United States to nurture his recently divorced daughter, only to find that "a foreign country gives one foreign thoughts." After a lifetime of nearly silent marriage, he befriends an Iranian woman who understands him, although they talk to each other in their own languages. This story is the most thought-provoking piece in the collection because of the different cultural perspectives it offers on family. Not until his time in America is Mr. Shi honest with himself about the nature of his relationships with wife and daughter, yet he finds truth in ancient wisdom from his own country. "It takes three thousand years of prayers to place your head side by side with your loved one's on the pillow," Li writes. "For father and daughter? A thousand years, maybe."

In "Love in the Marketplace," Sansan, a single 32-year-old English teacher at an Educators' School in China, plays "Casablanca" for every one of her classes. Her curriculum signifies the flat, unchanging existence she has led for years since being abandoned by a fiancé who favored her best friend. On a "Casablanca" morning, she learns that Tu, her former lover, is now living in the United States and has

divorced. Tu's parents wish for her to take him back. Her mother wishes for her to take him back. Sansan, like many of Li's complex characters, is a lonely eccentric, crazy for love. Yet she knows Tu has taken a vow, that "a romance is more than a love story with a man. A promise is a promise, a vow remains a vow; such is the grandeur of 'Casablanca,' such is the true romance that keeps every day of her life meaningful."

Sansan is one of Li's many characters who acts in fascinatingly unexpected ways. Under Sansan's dull exterior lives richness and depth that no one she knows would imagine, and somehow Li unfolds her story in such a way that every surprising action also feels perfectly natural. One example of such action occurs when Li presents us with Sansan's defining moment, as a dirty young man gets off the train, cuts his arm and offers a challenge in blood.

"After a Life," also set in China, considers the consequences of claiming a second chance. In simple, lovely sentences, the story tells of the world Mr. and Mrs. Sue created around their daughter Beibei, whom they have hidden for nearly 29 years because of her severe retardation. The story smoothly transitions between the husband's and wife's points of view as they reflect on the life they have built as an illegitimate couple (they are first cousins) and the birth of their second, normal son, who embodies their wish for a "normal" family.

Li has been published in various literary magazines, including "The Paris Review," which awarded her the Plimpton Prize for New Writers for her story "Immortality," that appears in her book. Like the couple I spied on in the restaurant, Li's characters bend and strain under the pressure of second chances. She uses this theme brilliantly to highlight the political, cultural and historical contexts in which her stories are told, and to thread through the collection a common means by which she brings out her characters' secret, true selves.

### "A Thousand Years of Good Prayers" By Yiyun Li

## Life lessons learned from shopping

Taking a look at why people stick with the familiar rather than branch out



Confessions of a shopaholic

On a Monday afternoon, my friends and I made a trip down to the South Center Mall to shop. That day, I was asked a question that will

forever puzzle me. "You're from out of town, right?" a female voice said.

This question was posed by an unfairly skinny Abercrombie and Fitch associate. I stared at her in amazement. Did I look foreign to her? South Center had been my junior high hangout. My friends and I had frequented the shopping center almost as much as school. I explained to her my allegiance to my hometown, which is in close proximity as far as suburbs go, and to my current schooling situation. But as I left the store, carrying out only a small tank top, I wondered why I had been asked such a question. Was it the clothes I was wearing? I checked myself: Seven jeans, rhinestone-studded stilettos, pink bolero hooded jacket. And that's when I discovered the concept of shopping loyalty.

When I walk into Nordstrom (which you have probably already guessed by now is my shopping mecca), I feel a supreme sense of power. I can almost always guarantee every piece of my outfit has come from one of the four departments (SSTB: Saavy, shoes, tbd, BP); I'm practically on a meet-the-parents basis with the sales associates; and my credit card has a standing date with the cash register. In other words, I feel comfortable there. It's my style. Half the time I could be mistaken as

someone who works there. However, maybe 1 percent of my closet is from an Abercrom-

bie store: A pair of jeans, a couple of tank tops here and there, one polo shirt. I feel intimidated by the sales girls. We have drastically different styles. I'm jeans and stilettos, they're ripped khakis and flip flops. There's nothing wrong with our differences, but five stores down it's as if I have come from a foreign land.

The experience made me wonder why shopping loyalty occurs. We seem to choose our favorites and rarely stray from them. Granted, sometimes we graduate; one day I will move from the SSTB to SSID (Shoes, Saavy, Individualist, Designer) and the associate at Abercrombie might move on up to Banana Republic. It made me realize this is the way we socialize with our friends, in every area of our lives. We become comfortable with one dorm, one group of friends, one way of eating, and it's as if a simple walk down the street is a foreign country. People seem to love their routines.

So all I'm asking you to do this week is to think about where your loyalties lie. Whether they stay with a clothing store or a dorm room, establish why you feel such strong ties. Then, I urge you to stray outside your comfort zone, at least once in a while. Never lose your roots, but it's okay to dabble in Abercrombie instead of living in Nordstrom. Eat a pizza pocket at the Bistro instead of eating the side salad or spend a Friday night on upper campus instead of lower campus. You might be surprised at what you'll find. New worlds mean new opportunities, and take it from a shop-aholic: New is almost always better.

### Did you know?

- A "jiffy" is an actual unit of time: 1/100th of a second.

- Hershey's Kisses earned their name because the machine that makes them looks like it's kissing the conveyor belt.

- Every time you lick a stamp, you're consuming 1/10 of a calorie.

- Although identified with Scotland, bagpipes are actually an ancient instrument introduced into the British Isles by the Romans.

Previous trivia answer: A scene from "The Ring" was filmed on the front steps of Harstad Hall but was not used in the movie.

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# The Decemberists entertain audiences with eclectic style

## Indie rockers pack The Showbox for high-energy, crowd-pleasing show

AMBER MORLEY  
Mast copy editor

If you ever wondered what happened to those kids in high school who dedicated their weekends to community theater, here is your answer: They earned Creative Writing degrees, took up the accordion and formed a band. The Decemberists, a band of Portland-born bookish bohemians, are creating a buzz in the rock world and defining the new indie chic. Their unique music is quickly expanding in fan base and critical acclaim.

Rolling Stone Magazine describes their eclectic sound as "baroque pop." This sharply smart band of merry musicians is on a roll with nostalgic narratives set to rich melodies. The dense, wordy accounts are reminiscent of an untouchable time in the past, but they also speak of universal experiences like love, sex, indulgence, failure and quite often, death.

The Decemberists sold out two shows Thursday and Friday at The Showbox in Seattle. Friday's show was age 21+ and general admission.

As part of the "Flight of the Mistle Thrushes" tour, the shows promoted their album "Picaresque." This album is the third one the band has released by the Kill Rock Stars label.

The event opened with Los Angeles' Cass McCombs, an ethereal trio including an electric bass, acoustic guitar, jambe drum, tambourine and maraca. The group played a short set of soft folk until the five members

of The Decemberists, plus a three-man horn section, flooded the stage to join the openers for a combined, high-energy number. Their presence was light and fun, foreshadowing the production to come.

Before the headliners began, the staff changed the set while Peter and the Wolf played. Finally, the band re-emerged onto a stage filled with non-traditional instruments: an accordion and keyboards for Jenny Conlee; pedal steel, guitar and dulcimer for Chris Funk; Petra Haden's electric violin; an electric and upright double for bassist Nate Query; and multiple acoustic guitars racked for lead singer Colin Meloy, beside John Moen's drums. The brass section was made up of two saxophones and a trumpet. Longneck bottles of beer were also set at each station.

The Decemberists broke open the room with their first song of the night, "The Tain," followed by the rich and robust "Infanta." The musicians bantered back and forth between numbers, to the delight of the crowd. Hilarious front man Meloy flirted with the audience, stopping mid-verse to declare, "What an attractive audience!"

The group gave a spirited performance with their stories of fairytale archetypes and rogue heroes, of summer romps and high school athletic failure. Playing multiple stringed instruments, Funk was as impressive a musician as a showman.

Accompanying Meloy's precise and distinctive vocals were violinist Haden's saccharine voice.

The show satisfied all in the motley crowd, from serious musicians to slightly drunk, devoted fans. The relaxed, enthusiastic presence of the band was unique—the members showed they were big enough to pack a room with fans ready to sing along, yet didn't have too much ego to enjoy their stage time.

While the band took a short break, Meloy took a request for "Red Right Ankle" from the "Her Majesty" album. The lyrics were haunting and heartbreaking, set to the stripped sound of acoustic guitar. A certain audience member (who shall remain nameless) may or may not have shed a few tears



Colin Meloy, the lead singer of The Decemberists, stands among fellow band members. The band recently sold out two shows at The Showbox on Oct. 27 and 28. They will be playing the final show of their "Flight of the Mistle Thrushes" tour in their hometown, Portland, Nov. 4, promoting their latest album, "Picaresque." The band will then travel to Europe for the remainder of the month.

while hearing her favorite ballad.

The band returned to round out the set with the rousing sing-alongs "July, July!" and "16 Military Wives." During this last number, Haden's violin broke into the "Star Wars" theme, then "Hava Nagila."

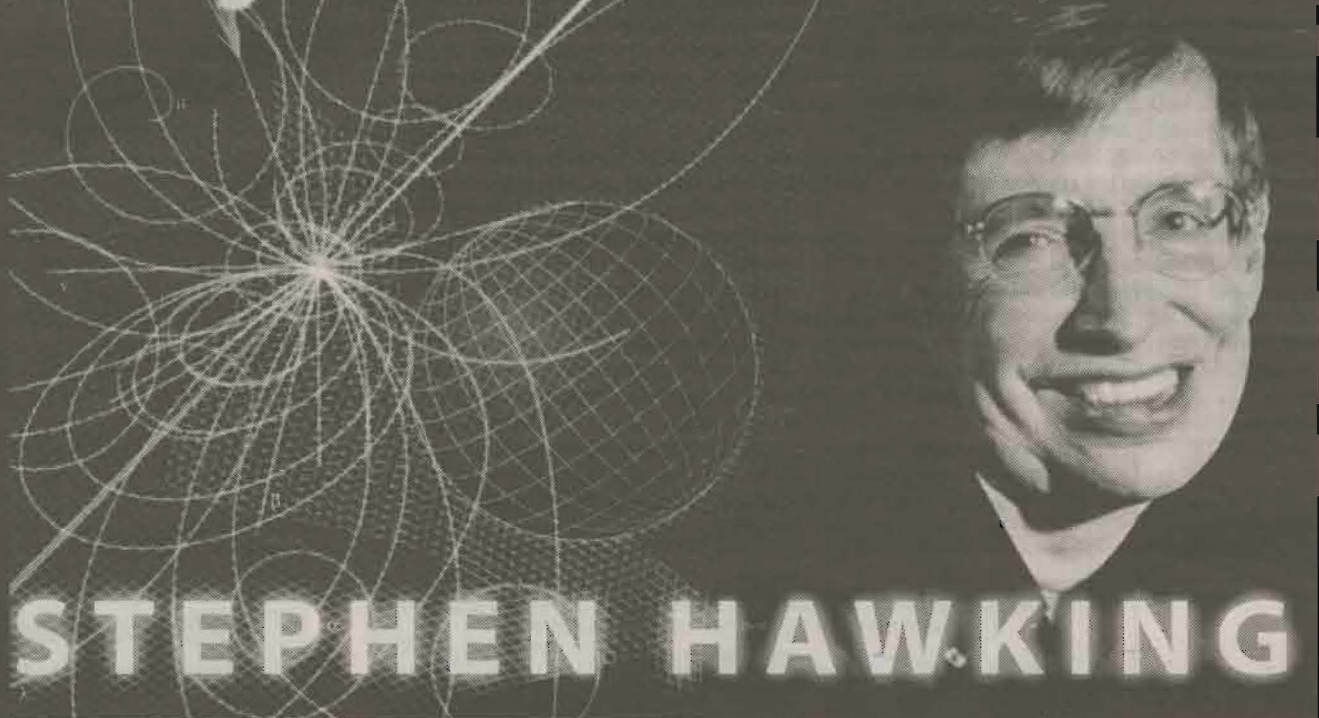
Meloy danced around the stage before climbing down to bounce around in the eager crowd. He managed to get everyone to sit on the floor with him and stay there while he took the stage to finish the song. As soon as the band flared up to finish the final verse, the crowd jumped to their

feet. As the band left the stage, the crowd was demanding an encore.

The two-song encore ended appropriately with "I Was Meant for the Stage." After two hours of spot-on musical execution, excellent showmanship, entertaining banter, and perfect, powerful vocals, Meloy sang, "From the floorboards to the flies, here I was fated to reside. And as I take my final bow, was there ever any doubt?"

None. After that performance, there is no doubt The Decemberists were meant for the stage.

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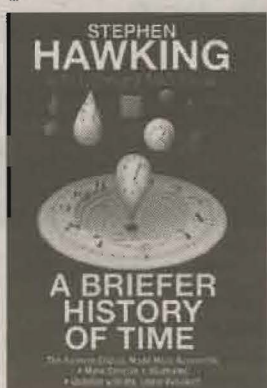
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# The 2005 season is Hawks' year to shine

## Seattle doesn't anticipate repeat of last year

NICK PAGE  
Mast sports columnist

Don't look now, but the Seattle Seahawks are 5-2 and are off to one of the best starts in the franchise's history.

Now, a lot of Seahawks fans will remain skeptical and say that we've seen this all before. The Hawks will get off to a great start only to fold late in the season and leave us with yet another disappointing season. It happened last year, as Seattle was picked to go to the Super Bowl by Sports Illustrated and hopes were high throughout the city.

They quickly got out to a 3-0 start before a fourth quarter collapse against St. Louis.

That pretty much doomed the Hawks right there in week four. Seattle played St. Louis two more times last season and lost both times, the second loss in the playoffs ended its season.

The Seahawks finished with a 9-7 record and won the division, but it was extremely bittersweet for the team and Seahawks fans everywhere. In a year that was supposed to be different, things were exactly the same. Another mediocre team finished its season in another mediocre way, losing to the hated Rams in the playoffs.

The off-season didn't really impress anyone either. No big name players were signed and Shaun Alexander was going to hold out and maybe not even play. This season was going to be potentially worse than last year's.

The Hawks opened the season with a 26-14 loss in Jacksonville and it looked bleak, as predicted. But then they won



Third and long and we're swinging for the fences

## The team's defense will help lead to championship

TIM KELLY  
Mast sports columnist

I am convinced that there will be a championship parade in Seattle come this February. Watching the Seahawks, with their anemic offense, come back and beat the Dallas Cowboys, how can you not be a believer?

Every year, I say the Seahawks are going to win the Super Bowl and every year I have been wrong. The game against Dallas game two weeks ago has given this team a new life. You cannot build a season on one game, but this is a different team than those of Seahawks past.

For the last three years the Hawks saw heartbreaking losses to the Rams in the regular season. There was also last year's playoffs that consisted of comebacks by bad quarterbacks (see Anthony Wright and Vinny Testaverde), predictions gone awry and Hasselbecks' infamous "We want the ball, and we're gonna score!" quote during the playoffs against the Packers. This year's Hawks have something different from the last year's.

It began in week two when the team stopped Michael Vick and the Falcons from Atlanta and jumped to a 21-0 lead at the half. It continued in week three when the team demolished the "sexy" pick for the division champion, the Cardinals, 37-12.

It hurt that kicker Josh Brown let the team down with two missed field goals against the Redskins, but the team got the preverbal monkey off its back with a victory over the Rams in St. Louis. The Dallas game saw redemption for Josh Brown

and provided proof that the Seahawks could beat playoff quality teams without wide receivers Darrell Jackson and Bobby Engram, and safety Ken Hamlin.

The explanation for this success is the revamped defense. The Hawks dolled out big bucks to bring in Grant Wistrom and Bryce Fisher to play at the ends. Undersized Chuck Darby has given solid play in the trenches, while Jamie Sharper has been a force at linebacker.

Free agency saw the team lose cornerback Ken Lucas to Carolina, but allowed for them to bring in two starting quality cornerbacks, Andre Dyson and Kelly Herndon. People laughed when Lofa Tatupu was drafted in the second round. Most "experts" believed he was a borderline third or fourth round choice, but his level of play this year has proved those "experts" wrong.

People will warn against getting too excited too soon, that dreams are going to be shattered by yet another Seattle sports team. I want to go on record saying this defense is full of new guys who will not allow a typical Seattle collapse. It is not in their make up.

And since then they haven't lost. They've won their last three match-ups, including a 13-10 thriller over the Dallas Cowboys when they scored 10 points in the final two minutes.

This Seahawks team is different than in years past. The team from last year would have folded up its tent against the Cowboys because there is no way they would have made it back.

The receiving corps has been decimated by injuries, but the backups haven't missed a beat.

The team's starting safety and defensive leader was brutally beaten in a bar fight and has a fractured skull, yet the team is still winning football games without him.

Yes, this team is different. This team is going somewhere. This team could be 9-2 at the end of November. They are set to play the New York Giants at home and if they win that, look out!

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## Women's soccer drops two games in overtime

### Lutes play final home games today, tomorrow

TYLER OCHSNER  
Mast sports reporter

In a game of inches, just a few separated the PLU women's soccer team from two draws or two victories against Whitworth and Whitman in eastern Washington last weekend.

The Lutes (10-6-1, 8-5-1 NWC) fell to Whitworth 0-1 and Whitman 1-2 in overtime encounters as the PLU squad could only muster one goal in 31 shot attempts during the two game span.

Inches played a huge role in the shots throughout both games, seeing how many attempts failed to put goals on the scoreboard.

"We just couldn't get the ball in the back of the net," defender Bre Greenman said. "[Our players] kept hitting the crossbars and our headers weren't falling."

"We outplayed Whitworth but they got the lucky goal," Greenman added.

For the initial 103 minutes of the contest against Whitworth Saturday, tenacious defenses deterred a frustrated offense from scoring.

It was not until the 103:37 mark, almost four minutes into the second overtime period, that the Pirates of Whitworth discovered the net to claim the 1-0 victory.

"It was one defensive error," midfielder Amanda Crawford said. "This was the first game that we have lost in overtime."

Whitworth forward Kara Tisthammer headed a ball into the net off of a crossing pass from the right side for the game clinching score.

The goal was recorded with about six minutes remaining before it became an automatic draw.

"[Our defenders] were out of position," Greenman said. "Champ" [Alyssa Blackburn,

the PLU goalkeeper] called a defender off the ball and their forward got there first to score the goal."

But Crawford said she feels the team defensive lapse would not have affected the outcome of the game if the Lutes had finished opportunities earlier in the contest.

"It should have been 3-0 in the first half," Crawford said. "We were struggling to finish opportunities. It was something that we weren't successful with."

Sunday was a similar story as PLU had chances to score against Whitman, but were unable to take advantage of them, Greenman said.

"[Our] players were sore and tired because of the long game [against Whitworth]," Greenman said. "That had some impact on [Sunday's] game."

But the Lutes did not come out too flatfooted, as they scored the game's first goal and held the Whitman offense to no scores in the initial 77 minutes of the game.

Forward Megan Shannon broke the 0-0 tie with her ninth goal of the season.

She received a pass from midfielder Nicole Roeder off of a free kick and placed the ball in the net from 15 yards away at the 62:25 mark.

PLU's opposition responded by heading a ball into the goal nearly 15 minutes later. Neither team could find the net in the last 13 minutes, forcing an overtime period.

Whitman forward Kara Mackenzie dashed PLU's hopes of a tie or win when she scored the game-winning goal in the third minute of the first overtime period.

"Whitman really wanted it," Crawford said. "They were ready for us because last time we beat them with five seconds left."

PLU will host Linfield at 10:30 a.m. on Nov. 4 at Curtis High School in Tacoma due to poor field conditions on the PLU soccer field.

The Lutes will host Willamette on Nov. 5 for their final home game of the season. The site and time of the game was undetermined by press time.

## Football battles with Willamette; falls 34-27

### PLU's streak of 36 consecutive winning seasons snapped

LINCOLN VANDER VEEN  
Mast sports reporter

The Lute football team came within inches of tying the game with Willamette with minutes remaining Saturday, but fell short in a 34-27 loss.

Trailing by seven, with about four minutes remaining in the fourth quarter, the Lutes had the ball on the Willamette seven-yard line, needing three inches for a fourth down to keep a potential game-tying touchdown drive alive.

But Willamette's Devin O'Rourke and Tyler Gill stopped fullback Craig Stahl for no gain on the line of scrimmage. The Bearcats were able to run out the clock to clinch the victory.

"We made several big plays, guys giving it their all," said PLU cornerback Tyler Breum, who led the team with 12 tackles, "but in the end, we just came up a little short."

As unbelievable and emotional as the fourth down stop was, the snaps leading up to the defining play were just as captivating.

The Lutes trailed 34-14 after the Bearcats scored on a safety, a field goal and two touchdowns unanswered. However, with 30 ticks remaining in the third quarter, Stahl found the end zone on a three-yard run.

Minutes later, quarterback Chris Maine kept it himself and found the end zone to bring the Lutes within seven of the Bearcats.

A Bearcat punt after three unsuccessful plays gave PLU the ball with plenty of time left on the clock. Receiver Craig Chiado started the drive with receptions of 15 and 23 yards respectively, to bring the ball to the Bearcats' 16-yard line. Chiado once again rose to the occasion, making a grab close to the first-down marker. However, he came up a few inches short. On the subsequent fourth down play, Stahl was stuffed at the line of scrimmage, preventing the Lutes from making a heroic fourth quarter comeback.

"It's tough to take, but at the same time, we played well," Breum said. "We will not lose our confidence."

Maine ended his night with 20 completions on 31 attempts resulting in 258 yards, along with a touchdown strike and two interceptions.

Craig Chiado caught 10 balls for 151 yards and a touchdown. Stahl paced the ground game with 58 yards on 14 carries and two touchdown runs.

PLU hosts Menlo tomorrow at 1:30 p.m. in Sparks Stadium.

# New athletic director finds herself home again

Laurie Turner looks forward to bringing back the tradition of excellence in Lute athletics

MEGAN WOCHNICK  
Mast sports editor

Pacific Lutheran athletic director Laurie Turner never imagined herself coming around full circle.

After roaming four states during her 25-year career in collegiate athletics, Turner finally settled back in her native Puget Sound area, when she was named PLU's new athletic director July 11.

"I'm excited about the opportunities here," Turner said. "I enjoy engaging with student-athletes that are dedicated to being students and athletes, and that's what led me to believe this would be a good fit for me as well."

Turner, 48, was one of nearly 50 applicants who applied for the position, and one of three who were brought to campus for the final employment decision. She was the candidate chosen to replace then-athletic director Paul Hoseth.

"She stood out from all the other candidates because of her previous experiences," said Jen Thomas, assistant athletic director and senior women's administrator. "She's had a lot of involvement, especially at the national level, and she was in tune with the needs that we had."

Prior to her PLU position, Turner was the senior associate athletic director at University of California, San Diego from 2001 to the end of the 2005 school year. This is her second stint as athletic director, a position she last held at Eastern Oregon University in the mid-1980s.

PLU Provost Jim Pence praised Turner's past experience and said he looks forward to working with her to bring back the tradition of athletic excellence.

"I believe she brings experience, energy and passion for intercollegiate athletics and recreation to the position of athletic director," he said. "I have gained a deep appreciation for her abilities to work with people and to explain the value of intercollegiate athletics to a university community."

## An athlete's path

Growing up in Puyallup, Turner graduated from Rogers High School in 1975 and attended Washington State University, where she received her bachelor's degree in Therapeutic Recreation and her master's degree in Sports Psychology.

In high school, Turner played on the volleyball team and hoped to continue playing at WSU. Unfortunately, she never got to play collegiate volleyball, as the coaches cut her.

Although basketball was not yet a sport offered to girls at Rogers High School, Turner decided to try out for the Cougar women's basketball team after playing on a recreational team during her high school years.

"I was able to make the team, and that properly steered me into having a desire and an interest in getting involved with athletics," Turner said.

After finishing her four-year basketball career at WSU, Turner wanted to stay involved with athletics. She turned to coaching, one year removed from finishing her undergraduate degree.

"I thought of becoming a physical education teacher but I had a passion for coaching," she said. "I felt it was a way I could teach; rather than being in a classroom, I preferred to be in a gymnasium. I really like the opportunity to impact young people."

Turner coached the WSU women's junior varsity team from 1979 to 1981 — while completing her master's degree — with some of her players were older than she was.

"That's just the way the calendar works," she said with a laugh.

After Washington State, Turner became the head women's basketball coach at Eastern Oregon from 1982 to 1986 and was the head volleyball coach from 1983-1985. She then became the athletic director for her last two years, 1984 to 1986.

From there she went on to the University of Idaho, where she was the head women's basketball coach from 1986 to 1994. Having that coaching background has been a major benefit for Turner.

"I can relate to the coaches as far as understanding what pressures they are feeling," Turner said. "I understand the student-athlete experience, and how important it is to the development of the student-athlete and how it fits into the educational process."

## Coach-turned-administrator

After coaching at Idaho, Turner wanted to stay involved with athletics and the student-athletes. So she switched gears to the administrative side of sports, as she was the director

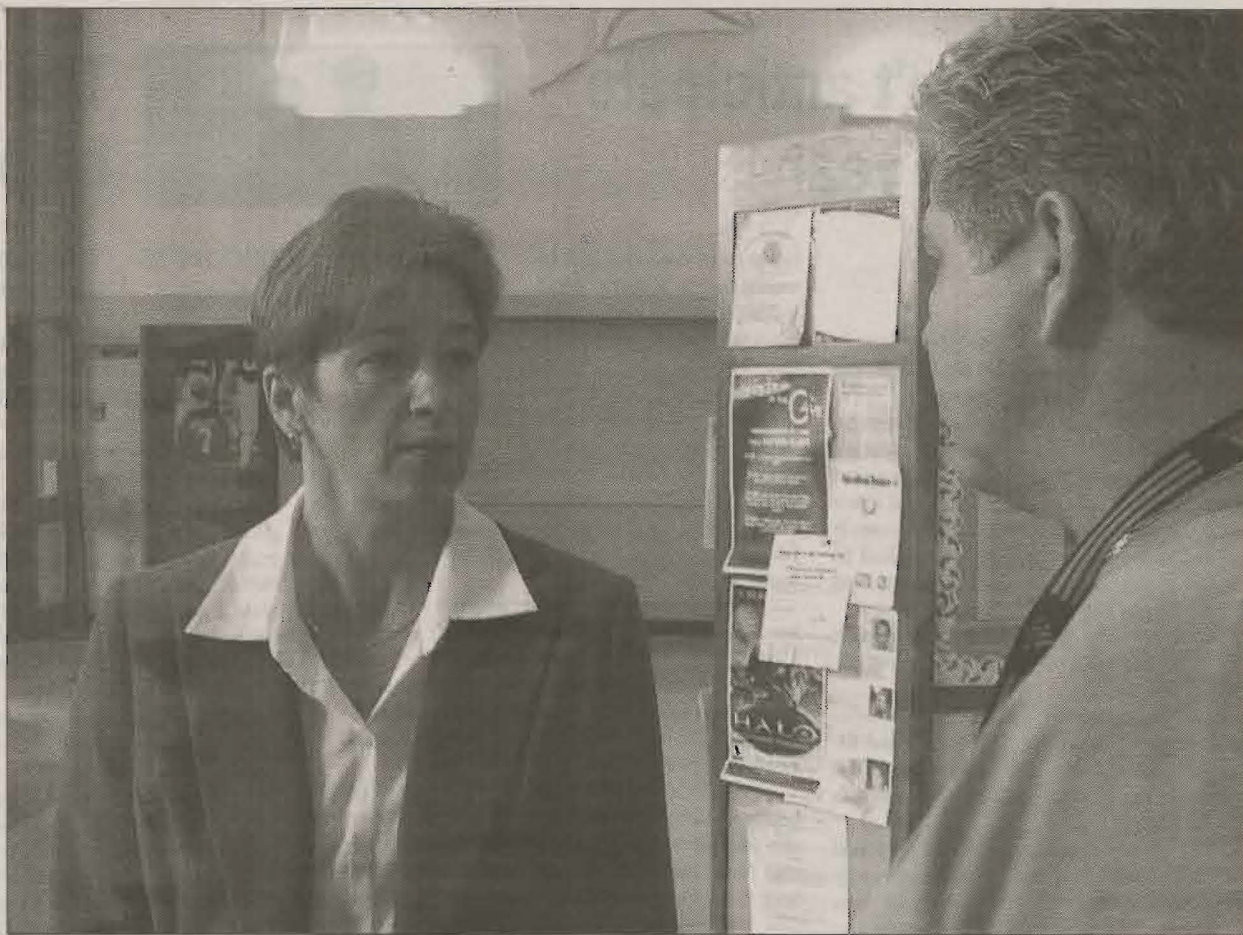


Photo by Megan Wochnick

Athletic director Laurie Turner chats with men's basketball coach Dave Harshman in Olson Auditorium about the team's upcoming season. Turner was hired July 11 after serving most recently as the senior associate athletic director at the University of California, San Diego.

of Academic Athletic Services and Student Development at Idaho from 1994 to 1997.

"Coaching was really appealing to me, but after a while I thought, 'Okay, I want to not just impact one team, but I want to be able to impact a broader perspective,'" she said.

Turner moved away from the Northwest in 1997, as she was named the senior associate athletic director and senior women's administrator at University of Toledo in Ohio. She worked within the department on internal operations, dealing with financial aspects and NCAA compliance and eligibility.

In 2001, she took the position of senior associate athletic director at UC San Diego. As her opportunities progressed, so did her interest in being an athletic director again.

"I felt like I had some exposure to meeting and spending time on NCAA committees and spending time with other directors of athletics [at San Diego], and started thinking about, 'Well, what would it be like to be the director of athletics?'"

For Turner though, it was never a pressuring issue, given how she loved living in San Diego. She was selective — mainly wanting to stay along the west coast. Then, the PLU position became vacant and she applied.

"I thought, 'PLU, well that's interesting,'" she said. "The reason why I was interested in this position is because I felt PLU had been very strong in athletics."

Turner said she never thought of coming back to a place where she once grew up, coming around full circle again.

"It's one of those things, and that wasn't my goal," she said. "In athletics, it is a transient lifestyle and it wouldn't be the place you choose, it's where the job is. I never imagined being at some of the places I've been."

## The next step in the journey

Since being named PLU's athletic director, Turner has become a part of the significant changes to the department. For example, the School of Physical Education is now separate from the Department of Athletics, reducing her position to that of athletic director instead of the combined title of Dean of the School of Physical Education and athletic director.

Since her arrival, Turner has been part of a campus committee that evaluates facilities for athletic, recreation and physical education. She has laid out some lofty goals, which include facility improvement, or assessing the budgetary need of each sports program and looking at revenue sources.

"My goal this year is to develop a three- to five-year strategic plan that will provide direction and focus down the road," she said. "Clearly, for us to be consistently competitive, we have to have the resources which translate into competitive facilities, funding and quality coaching, and we don't have all those elements right now."

Turner's overall philosophy fits well within the Division III model. Being truly great athletes and great students, the student-athletic experience is an integral part of the educational process, she said.

"I think that there's so much one can learn from being

in the athletic arena that they may not get in the classroom," she said. "There are a lot of things student athletes go through in a team setting that is different than in the traditional academic setting."

Watching athletes grow from the time they are freshmen until they are seniors is one aspect Turner enjoys about her job. She plans to attend practices of teams now and then, and down the road will periodically travel with all PLU athletic teams.

"I want to get to know the leaders in our programs and have a true understanding of what it is like to be an athlete at PLU," she said.

After 25 years of working in athletics, Turner still loves what her job entails. She has enjoyed working in athletics at various institutions, because each job has been so different. Her range of duties has included everything from deadlines on daily tasks to requests by student-athletes or coaches for her assistance. The variety of the work is one of the many aspects of her job that makes her come to work day in and day out.

"It's the challenges that drive me," she said. "I have felt that at every institution, and I felt that way as a coach, evaluating what we accomplished every day and working to make it better. It isn't any different as an athletic director."

## TRIVIA ANSWER:

Tedy Bruschi had six tackles in last year's Super Bowl.

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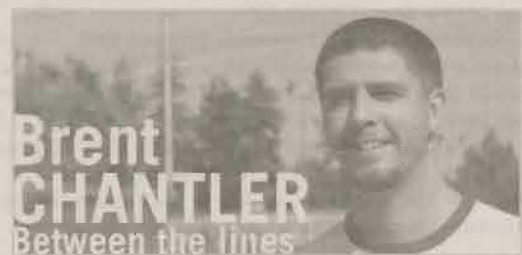
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<b>THIS WEEK IN SPORTS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The PLU volleyball team hosts Pacific at 7 p.m. in Olson Auditorium.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Soccer teams play final home games of the season at Curtis HS in Tacoma. Women's game begins at 11 a.m. and men's game at 1:30p.m.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Seahawks play the Arizona Cardinals. Kickoff for the game is at 1:05 p.m.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monday Night Football on ABC at 9 p.m. The Indianapolis Colts take on the New England Patriots.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Seattle Sonics play Memphis at 5 p.m. in a regular season road game.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NHL action: New York Rangers take on the Columbus Blue Jackets at 7 p.m.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>College Football: Boise State at #21 Fresno State 8 p.m. on ESPN.</li> </ul>

# Two life stories inspire sporting world

## Athletes show heart, class in two historical moments



This year's professional sports have been very eventful. We saw the Chicago White Sox crowned as World Series champions for the first time since 1917. We saw the steroid scandal hit full force and rock the foundation of professional baseball. We saw the San Antonio Spurs win yet another title, watched John Daly become a fan favorite once again in the world of golf, and watched a 15-year-old girl named Michelle Wie make her professional golfing debut before she is legally allowed to drink, vote or drive a car. Just when you thought this year could not get any bigger, two athletes gave us two more reasons to stand up and applaud.

WNBA's Sheryl Swoops of the Houston Comets has been one of the cornerstones of the league since its inception. A four-time WNBA champion and last year's league MVP, Swoops has been an icon and a face for the still-young league. Last week in an interview with

ESPN The Magazine, Swoops came out of the closet and shocked the sports world by admitting she was a lesbian.

This simple statement about a personal life choice will resonate with the basketball world for years to come, even though it has nothing to do with basketball.

Not only is Swoops an African-American woman and the first prominent one in any sport to come out of the closet, but she is also the first athlete to announce such a thing. She took a huge risk in doing so, having no idea how fans, players, coaches and other league officials were going to react to it.

What has happened is that the WNBA has decided to throw their support around Swoops and use the opportunity to reach out to the homosexual demographic, sending the message that they too are accepted.

I, for one, commend Swoops for having the courage and self-pride to no longer hide her feelings and choices and let people know who she really is.

I think too many athletes are caught up in their image, and this shows that she is not. I cannot say for sure whether or not other athletes will be coming out of the closet, but I think you might see it become more accepted and understood.

If that was not enough to spark emotion from you, the National Football League gave us the great story of New England Patriots linebacker Tedy Bruschi.

Just weeks after winning the Super Bowl last season against the Eagles, Bruschi suffered a stroke. Some doctors questioned whether or not Bruschi could

play football again. People feared that with all the intense contact that goes on in the sport, complications after his stroke could risk his life.

Bruschi vowed to come back to football.

Most people assumed he would take at least a year off, but just a few weeks ago, Bruschi announced at a press conference that he had been cleared to play by numerous doctors and would be returning to practice with the Patriots.

With just 11 days of practice under his belt, Bruschi took the field last Sunday, eight and a half short months after suffering a stroke and undergoing surgery to repair a hole in his heart. Not only that, but he helped the Patriots beat the Buffalo Bills, recording seven tackles, two of which were solo.

To many people these two stories may not have anything in common, but I think they do.

First, both of these stories are about leaders. Swoops not only represents her sport, but also a race, gender and league that some people are still skeptical about. Bruschi is considered a "respected" player. He is part of a dying breed among football players; those that do their talking with their play, not their mouth when it comes time for interviews.

These two great stories also involve a tremendous amount of heart and courage. Swoops took a huge risk by coming out. But she was not afraid and decided to give people who have made the same life style choice an athlete they could relate to and respect. She did not do it for publicity. She did not do it to get endorsement deals. She did it because she

wanted to be real and true to herself.

Bruschi exemplifies what heart and guts is all about. You never know what is going to happen to your body each and every day. Bruschi decided to come back to the sport he loves, despite the odds. In interviews he has a great respect and love for his teammates and the game of football. He did not come back to please owners or the fans or because he has "kids to feed" like Latrell Sprewell said during a recent contract negotiation. He did this simply for himself, to be there for his teammates. He did it because he just simply loves to play the game of football.

Athletes need to take notice of these two people. Swoops and Bruschi both have tremendous respect for the game they play but, more importantly, tremendous respect for themselves.

They exemplify class when it comes to athletes and I respect both of them for the things they have respectively said and accomplished these past few weeks.

### TRIVIA QUESTION

HOW MANY TACKLES DID TEDY BRUSCHI HAVE IN LAST YEAR'S SUPERBOWL?

THE ANSWER ON PAGE 14

## Scorecard

### Men's Soccer

Team	NWC	%	Pts.	All	%
Whitworth	12-0-1	.962	37	15-1-1	.912
Linfield	8-1-3	.792	27	9-4-4	.647
UPS	8-2-2	.750	26	9-2-3	.750
PLU	7-3-0	.583	21	11-7-0	.611
Whitman	6-7-0	.462	18	8-10-0	.444
Willamette	2-10-0	.167	6	4-12-0	.250
George Fox	1-10-1	.125	4	2-13-1	.156
Pacific	1-10-1	.125	4	2-13-1	.156

(All stats as of 11/1)

Goals by Period	1	2	OT	OT2	Total
Pacific Lutheran.....	16	20	0	1	37
Opponents.....	13	10	0	1	24

Shots by Period	1	2	OT	OT2	Total
Pacific Lutheran.....	128	138	3	1	270
Opponents.....	93	87	4	1	185

### Last weekend's games

10/29 at Whitworth - lost 3-1  
 PLU goals:  
 Andrew Croft - 1

10/30 at Whitman - won 4-2  
 PLU goals:  
 Mike Ferguson - 3  
 Kevin Murray - 1

### Upcoming Games:

11/4 vs Linfield - 1:30 p.m.  
 11/5 vs Willamette - 1:30 p.m.

### Football

Team	NWC	%	All	%
Linfield	3-0	1.000	7-0	1.000
Willamette	2-0	1.000	4-3	.571
Whitworth	1-1	.500	4-2	.667
UPS	1-3	.250	4-4	.500
PLU	0-3	.000	2-5	.286
Lewis & Clark	0-0	.000	0-4	.000

### Upcoming Games:

11/5 vs Menlo - 1:30 p.m.  
 11/12 vs Whitworth - 1 p.m.

(All stats as of 11/1)

Team Leaders - Rushing  
 1. Chase Reed - 245  
 2. Craig Stahl - 193  
 3. Scott Peterson - 166

Receiving  
 1. Craig Chiado - 856  
 2. Chase Reed - 449  
 3. Jacob Washburn - 271

### Volleyball

Team	NWC	%	GB	All	%
Whitworth	13-1	.929	--	18-3	.857
Linfield	11-3	.786	2	19-3	.864
UPS	10-4	.714	3	13-5	.722
PLU	9-5	.643	4	12-9	.571
George Fox	7-7	.500	6	12-9	.571
Whitman	6-8	.429	7	11-11	.500
Lewis & Clark	4-10	.286	9	8-14	.364
Pacific	2-12	.143	10	9-15	.375
Willamette	1-13	.071	12	1-17	.056

### Last Three Games

10/22 at Lewis & Clark - lost 3-2  
 10/28 at Whitman - won 3-1  
 10/29 at Whitworth - lost 3-1

(All stats as of 11/1)

Team Leaders - Blocking  
 1. Kati McGinn - 57  
 2. Kyla Wyrko - 47  
 3. Rachel Shillinger - 38

Team Leaders - Kills  
 1. Kati McGinn - 271  
 2. Stephanie Turner - 239  
 3. Meghan Fagerberg - 217

Team Leaders - Digs  
 1. Nicole Potts - 319  
 2. Megan Kessel - 266  
 3. Kati McGinn - 176

### Upcoming Games:

11/4 vs Pacific - 7 p.m.  
 11/5 vs George Fox - 7 p.m.

### Women's Soccer

Team	NWC	%	Pts.	All	%
Whitworth	13-0-1	.964	40	14-1-1	.906
Willamette	8-4-2	.643	26	10-6-2	.611
PLU	8-5-1	.607	25	10-6-1	.618
Whitman	7-4-3	.607	24	9-5-3	.618
Whitworth	6-6-2	.500	20	7-7-3	.500
Lewis & Clark	4-8-2	.357	14	6-9-3	.417
Pacific	4-9-1	.321	13	7-10-2	.417
Linfield	3-8-3	.321	12	5-9-4	.389
George Fox	2-11-1	.179	7	5-12-1	.306

### (All stats as of 11/1)

Goals by Period	1	2	OT	OT2	Total
Pacific Lutheran.....	14	11	2	0	27
Opponents.....	12	8	1	1	22

Shots by Period	1	2	OT	OT2	Total
Pacific Lutheran.....	102	110	6	3	221
Opponents.....	93	108	5	4	210

### Last Three Games

10/22 vs George Fox - won 3-0  
 Andrea Gabler - 1  
 Megan Shannon - 1  
 Christina McDuffie - 1

10/29 at Whitman - lost 1-0 (OT)  
 PLU goals: none

10/30 at Whitworth - lost 2-1  
 PLU goals:  
 Megan Shannon - 1

Team Leaders - Goals  
 1. Andrea Gabler - 9  
 2. Megan Shannon - 9  
 3. Christina McDuffie - 5

### Upcoming Games:

11/4 vs Linfield - 11 a.m.  
 11/5 vs Willamette - 11 a.m.

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# Cross country finishes last, improves times



## Women's team places ninth, men's places eighth at Northwest Conference Championships in Salem, Ore.



Photos courtesy of Chris Ramirez

Top: Members of the cross country team gather at the Northwest Conference Championships. Both the men's and the women's teams finished last in the team standings.

Above: First-year Michael Barich (left) and sophomore Chris Ramirez (right) race side by side. The Lutes compete again on Nov. 12 at the West Regional Championships.

MELISSA FENSTERMACKER  
Mast sports reporter

The men's and women's cross country teams competed at the Northwest Conference Championships Saturday in Salem, Ore., with the women's team placing ninth and the men's team placing eighth.

"The race was a tough one for the ladies, but we all were positive and had fun competing for PLU," senior Ashley Jamieson said.

The women's team placed only six points behind Pacific, who took eighth place. The men's team placed only 12 points behind Whitman, who placed seventh.

Sophomore Chris Ramirez said the men's team figured to finish fourth or fifth in the team standings.

"It was just really disappointing to finish the way we did and it just didn't go our way," said Ramirez, who ran a season-best time in the race.

For the women's 6k race, junior Emily Farr finished first for the Lutes. She placed 24th overall with a time of 23:40.80. Jamieson, who returned back from an injury, placed 38th overall with a time of 24:14.70.

"I am running with pain, but it is all worth it to finish out my senior year," Jamieson said.

Head coach Brad Moore praised Jamieson's efforts in the race.

"Ashley was remarkable, how she competed, since she has not been able to run for over two weeks because of her shoulder injury," Moore said.

First-year Kelsey Mullen set a season-best 6k with a time of 25:06.60; she finished 63rd overall. Sophomore Chelsea Berdahl also set a season-best 6k time.

The men's team ran the 8k race. Senior Adam Oswald finished first for the men's team and placed 30th overall with a time of 27:02.60. Close behind Oswald was sophomore Kenneth Chilcoat, who tied for 31st place with a time of 27:05.10.

Sophomore Mike Jorgenson finished 54th overall and set a new season best with a time of 28:0.10, 50 seconds faster than his previous 8k time. First-year Brian Wehmhoefer also set a new season-best time.

The Lutes head back to Bush Park Nov. 12th to race at the NCAA Division III West Regional Championships. The course is familiar to both teams, as the conference championships were held there.

### Team Athletes of the Week

1. Emily Farr
2. Kristen Davignon
3. Ashley Jamieson
4. Kenneth Chilcoat
5. Mike Jorgensen

## Men's soccer splits final road games over Whitworth, Whitman

### Lutes play final two games today, tomorrow at home

MEGAN WOCHNICK  
Mast sports editor

It was a tale of two different games for the PLU men's soccer team last weekend, having split games with Whitworth and Whitman.

The Lutes lost 3-1 to Northwest Conference-leading Whitworth Saturday, a team they had lost to earlier this season in double-overtime.

However, the Lutes rebounded the next day against Whitman, posting a 4-2 victory.

All of the offense provided against Whitworth came from defender Andrew Croft.

There were three minutes remaining when Croft connected with PLU's only goal of the game, making the score 3-1.

Croft headed the ball into the net from a corner kick by midfielder Justin Stevens.

The goal was Croft's second of the season, while Stevens was credited with his fourth assist of the season in the loss.

"The game was much more even than the score might have indicated," head coach John Yorke said. "Our problem was that we did not bring enough energy to the game."

Whitworth's Todd Sabrowski, the 2004 Conference Offensive Player of the Year, gave the host Pirates a 1-0 lead just minutes into the game as he received a pass up the middle and connected on the right side. Teammate Ali Seyedali made it 2-0 in favor of the Pirates as he scored on a free kick at the 23:53 mark. The final goal came from Evan Hendrickson at 67:06 of the second half.

Luck was not on PLU's side in the first half, as Whitworth's two first-half goals came with question.

"(Whitworth's) first goal was very controversial and their second goal was a deflection," Yorke said.

"We were down 2-0 on goals that were a bit unlucky."

The Lutes (7-5 NWC, 11-7 overall) turned the tables Sunday as the team handily beat the Missionaries 4-2, in part by a hat trick from forward Mike Ferguson and two assists and a goal from midfielder Kevin Murray.

Murray scored first for the Lutes on a header from five yards out on the right side to give the team a 1-0 lead at the 15:37 mark of the first half.

Midfielder Jay Pettit, the Lutes' career assist leader, was credited with his sixth assist of the season on Murray's 12th goal of the season.

Just 29 seconds after Murray's goal, Ferguson scored his first of three goals on the afternoon, on a shot from 20 yards out.

Whitman's Jesse Phillips pulled the Missionaries within one goal off a header just before halftime.

The Lutes answered back with Ferguson's second goal of the game at the 57:19 mark.

Whitman once again pulled within one goal, scoring on Craig Yuen's penalty kick two minutes later at 59:15. Ferguson then completed the hat trick with another goal from 20 yards out, assisted by Murray at the 62:34 mark of the game.

"We brought a huge amount of energy into this game," Yorke said. "Some key guys were asked to do some specific things to get us going and they did."

If the Lutes win one of the two games this weekend, the team will set a record for most wins in a season since becoming Division III. The team would also set a new high for conference wins in a season since turning Division III if it wins one of two games.

The Lutes play host to Linfield at 1 p.m. today at Curtis High School due to poor field conditions on the PLU soccer field.

The Lutes conclude their season tomorrow with a home match against Willamette at 1:30 p.m. The location of the game was undetermined at press time.

## Volleyball splits games, ranks fourth in league

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After splitting last weekend between a win and a loss, the Lutes' women volleyball team needed to win the rest of the season to possibly clinch a playoff berth. However, the ladies once again split the weekend, beating Whitman 3-1 and losing to Whitworth 1-3.

The loss keeps the team in fourth place and even farther away from clinching a playoff spot.

The weekend started at Whitman. After losing the first game 27-30, the Lutes rallied back to win the next three games.

With a 25-25 tie late in the first game, Whitman took a two-point lead with a kill and a service error by the Lutes. Two more kills and another service error gave the game to the Missionaries.

The Lutes came out strong in game two by taking a 10-6 lead with four consecutive errors by the Missionaries.

The Lutes eventually coasted to a 30-17 victory.

In game three, the Lutes found themselves tied with the Missionaries 13-13. Middle blocker Kati McGinn broke the tie with a kill before defense specialist Megan Kosel added another point with a service ace. The Lutes then went on to score five straight points. Ahead 20-15, the Lutes led the rest of the game, winning 30-27.

The Lutes started game four scoring the first five points. Defense specialist Ashleigh Houlton had two back-to-back service aces to put the Lutes up 8-2. The Lutes once again ran away with the game, running the score up to 21-9. With Whitman at a deficit of 12, the Lutes never looked back and took the game 30-14.

The next day, the Lutes traveled to Spokane for their match against nationally ranked Whitworth.

The Lutes started off strong with a 9-1 run to take the lead 20-12. Two kills by outside hitter Stephanie Turner and McGinn gave the Lutes victory in game one. Unfortunately, the team could not keep their momentum rolling.

The Pirates jumped out to a quick 7-2 lead in the second game. After a valiant effort by the Lutes to pull within three points, the Pirates took control of the game and won by an 11-point margin.

The Lutes kept it tight in game three with eight ties and four lead changes. After tying the score at 28-28, the Pirates took the game after a kill and an attack error by the Lutes.

Game four started out shaky for the Lutes, but they came back by scoring seven straight points and tied the game at 15-15. Even though the team battled back, two kills gave the Pirates the momentum they needed to win the game and the match.

With two games left, the women look to keep their hopes alive while hosting Pacific tonight and George Fox tomorrow in Memorial Gymnasium. Both matches will begin at 7 p.m.