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EDITOR'S NOTE

A SPECIAL EDITION FOR A VERY SPECIAL OCCASION



ONE OF THE BEST bonuses of a truly major milestone—such as, oh ... let's say, a certain awesome university's 125th anniversary—is that you get an entire year to anticipate and celebrate it.

We have not wasted a day. (Although it did take us several hours to master the pronunciation and spelling of *quasiquicentennial*, the official term for a 125th.)

And now, as PLU's Dec. 11 charter date nears, it's hard not to get caught up in the excitement; this is, after all, a once-every-125-year opportunity for the entire PLU community to collaborate, celebrate and commemorate.

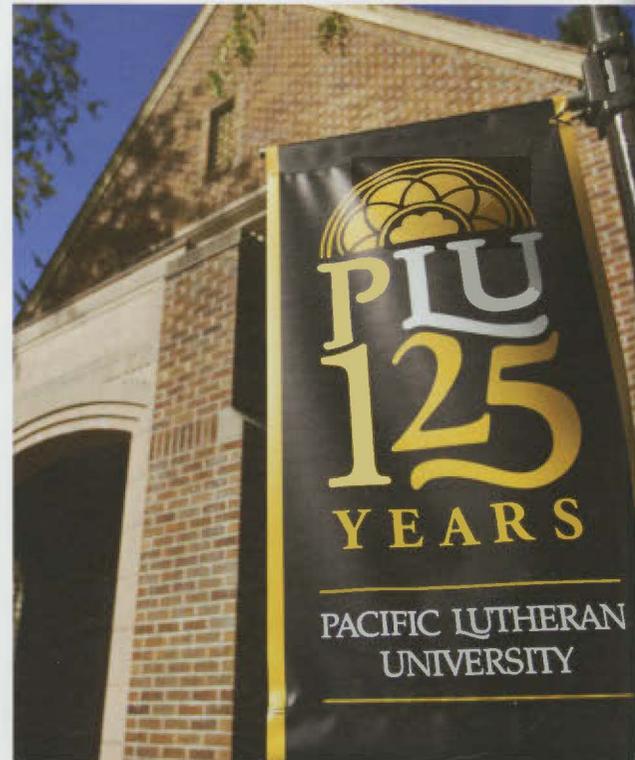
So, we're bringing a special edition of *Resolute* to the party.

Our vision for this issue is a yearbook—or, better yet, a *125-year-book*—that showcases PLU highlights old and new. From the biggest of the Big Names (ever) on Campus to a four-page trophy case of athletic achievements, and from 125 cool and quirky objects that collectively tell the story of PLU to one particular story you won't find anywhere else (a behind-the-scenes look at the higher-than-high-profile May 23 visit of His Majesty King Harald V of Norway), this special edition of *Resolute* serves as a commemorative collection of true Lutedom.

It also serves as a party favor, in a sense: In the middle of the magazine, you'll find your very own cut-out-and-wear paper beard, in honor of PLU's second annual Bjug Harstad Day of Giving. (You can see by the photo above that the Bjug Beard is a fun AND attractive accessory!) Last year, Lutes everywhere sported the beards—and generously supported PLU—in honor of our intrepid founder. We hope you'll join the party.

There's a lot of celebration yet to come. Welcome to ours. ▣

Sandy Deneau Dunham



PLU WELCOMES
HIS MAJESTY
KING HARALD V
OF NORWAY

SATURDAY

MAY 23

CENTENNIAL PLAZA
ON THE PLU CAMPUS

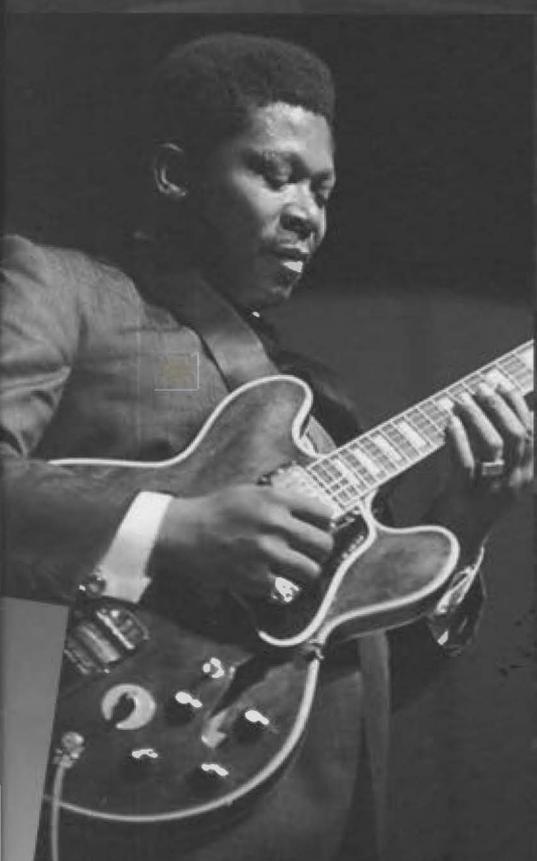
Join us in welcoming
His Majesty King Harald V of Norway
to Pacific Lutheran University
in honor of PLU's 125th Anniversary
Commencement celebration.

Festivities start at 10:30 a.m.,
with the arrival of His Majesty at 11:15 a.m.

Gratulerer med dagen!

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B.B. King is just one of the biggest Big Names on Campus to visit PLU in our 125 years.

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Photo illustration by John Froschauer and Simon Sung/PLU.

BIG NAMES ON CAMPUS

Everyone who comes to PLU is a superstar just for coming, but over our 125 years we've hosted lots and lots of big names who are famous the world over. Here's a look at some of our most noteworthy guests.

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OCTOBER

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HOMECOMING 2015

OCT. 9-11. Celebrate 125 years of PLU.
 More information on Page 28.



DAVID AND MARILYN KNUTSON LECTURE

OCT. 28 Darren Dochuk, Associate Professor in the Department of History at the University of Notre Dame: "Crude Awakenings: The Faith, Politics, and Crises of Oil in America's Century." 7:30 p.m., Lagerquist Concert Hall



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- 1. **March 10, 1974:** Bob Hope performs at PLU.
- 2. **1966:** Louis Armstrong plays a Homecoming concert.
- 3. **Sept. 27, 1963:** A hopeful phone call from then-PLU President Robert Mortvedt to Sen. Henry M. Jackson brings **John F. Kennedy, President of the United States**, to a combined Convocation address for PLU and the University of Puget Sound at Cheney Stadium.

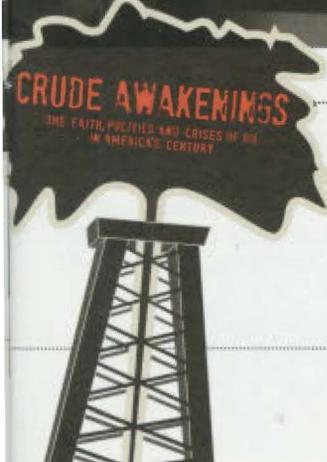


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- 4. **1989:** Arnold Schwarzenegger visits campus as part of the President's Council on Fitness and Sports. He encourages students to, "Get out, get with it and do it."
- 5. **Sept. 29, 1966:** A panel of six students fires questions at Vice President **Hubert H. Humphrey** during his speech in Memorial Gymnasium to an overflowing and mostly student crowd.
- 6. **1967-68:** The **Joffrey Ballet of New York** stays in residence at PLU for two summers, bringing lots of people to campus who formerly knew little about the university.
- 7. **2005:** Polar explorers **Ann Bancroft** (left) and **Liv Arnesen**, who set a record on Antarctica, make a stop at PLU before their next adventure. (Photo courtesy Bancroft-Arnesen Explore.)
- 8. **1970:** The Artists' Series and ASPLU bring **Tina Turner** to campus.



NIGHT OF MUSICAL THEATRE: 'Who I'd Be'

OCT. 29-31 Directed by Sarah Hubert, this entirely student-produced annual musical review explores casting constraints on young actors and seeks to challenge these limitations. Admission is free.



NOVEMBER

VETERANS DAY

NOV. 11. PLU's annual observance honors our nation's military veterans. University Chapel.

DISCOVERY PLU

RECOGNIZING THE WORK OF PLU'S FIRST-CLASS FACULTY



Brian Weisenstein, second from left, who teaches in Jakarta, Indonesia, and Ray Guest of Missoula conduct an experiment during the Advanced Placement Summer Institute Chemistry class taught by PLU Professor Duane Swank (far right in brown shirt). (Photos: John Froshauer/PLU)

A Successful Experiment

BY SANDY DENEAU DUNHAM | RESOLUTE EDITOR

Chemistry Professor Helps Make History with PLU's AP Summer Institute

BRIAN WEISENSTEIN is a teacher at Jakarta Intercultural School who spent one particularly toasty July afternoon conducting an experiment on canned pineapple juice in PLU's Rieke Science Center.

That's not really as random as it sounds.

Weisenstein plans to teach Advanced Placement courses this year, so he searched online for accreditation

opportunities—and found PLU's AP Summer Institute.

Now he's one of thousands of teachers worldwide who have benefited from PLU's prestigious program, which arms participants with strategies, materials and information to help them teach AP courses.

PLU has hosted the AP Summer Institute for 30 years—longer than any other university in the state

of Washington. And since its very beginning, PLU Professor Duane Swank has taught (or co-taught) the Chemistry class every year it's been offered.

Swank, who helped bring the program to PLU, said it launched with 20 or 25 participants, and all sessions were taught by PLU faculty; these days, 120-170 teachers come to PLU each year for the multiday institute.

Swank offers a few explanations

for the program's longevity (and popularity).

"We've had leadership interested in maintaining the program. Presenters are always interested to come—with 8, 10 or 12 in a class, they can work closely with participants," Swank said. "It just comes down to people."

Maybe not surprisingly, he credits people for his own longstanding involvement, too.

"I just like working with the

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VETERANS RESOURCE FAIR AND SUMMIT

NOV. 14. PLU and Delta Sigma Theta's second annual event brings together resource providers and veterans who are seeking assistance with claims, benefits information, counseling and more.

PLU OPERA

NOV. 19-22. Offenbach's *Orpheus in the Underworld*.



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AP teachers," he said. "They're a dedicated group and a special group—AP classes are more demanding than typical high-school courses, so it's like working with another faculty member when it comes to their professionalism and dedication."

Swank has more than a little experience with those traits himself. He began his PLU career as an assistant professor of Chemistry in 1970, then served as chair of the Chemistry Department (twice), Dean of Natural Sciences, director of Interdisciplinary Studies and Chair of Environmental Studies. He's been honored for his efforts in advancing scientific education by NATO, an NDEA Fellowship and a Faculty Development Award from the National Science Foundation. And, as a 15-year "reader" for the College Board, which oversees the AP program, he also contributes to the syllabi audit and exams for AP Chemistry programs and works closely with instructors and students of the course.

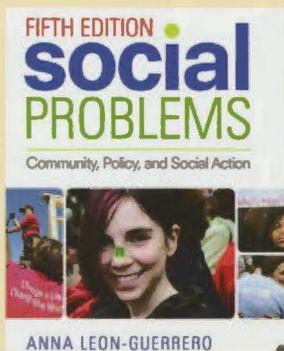
"I want to be able to share what I know about the College Board program—how students perform and new things," he said. "It's an opportunity for me to bring that content back to the teachers."

On that toasty July day in the lab, Swank guided seven teachers through one of 16 experiments that will make up a new lab manual from the College Board.

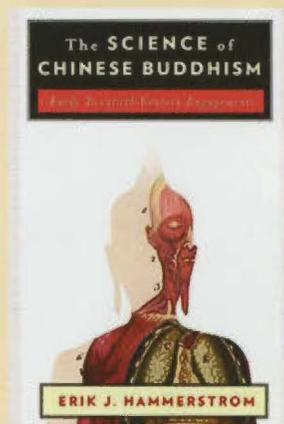
Dressed in a T-shirt that read, "Chocolate doesn't ask silly questions. Chocolate understands," Swank moved from team to team to guide the teachers' methodology and understanding.

He smiled often as he spoke.

"This keeps me regenerated," he said. □

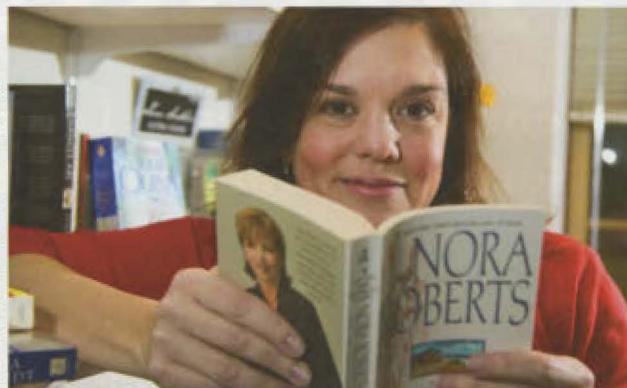


The fifth edition of Professor of Sociology **Anna Leon-Guerrero's** book *Social Problems: Community, Policy, and Social Action* was released in August. The book offers a thought-provoking overview of social problems.



Assistant Professor of Religion **Erik Hammerstrom's** new book, *The Science of Chinese Buddhism: Early Twentieth-Century Engagements*, was published in August by Columbia University Press.

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Joanna Gregson, Chair of PLU's Department of Sociology, was featured in *The New York Times* in July. She and her research partner, Jennifer Lois, also published "*Sneers and Leers: The Gendered Sexual Stigma of Romance Authors*," about their research on the gendered stigma of romance authors; it also was the lead article in the top sociology journal *Gender & Society*.



Due to his outstanding research contribution to the field of technology and innovation management, **Chung-Shing Lee**, Professor of Business and Associate Dean of the School of Business, was invited to serve on the editorial board of *Technological Forecasting & Social Change (TF&SC)*, an international journal published by world-leading publisher Elsevier. TF&SC is ranked among the top journals in technology and innovation management. It's listed on the Social Sciences Citation Index and ranked as an A-level journal on Harzing and Australian Business Deans Council Journal Quality Lists. His initial appointment will be for three years. □

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DECEMBER

PLU CHRISTMAS CONCERTS

DEC. 2, 5, 6, 7, 12. Don't miss this inspiring holiday tradition, performed in Seattle, Portland and PLU's acoustically perfect Lagerquist Concert Hall. Tickets go on sale Monday, Nov. 2.

125TH ANNIVERSARY GALA CHRISTMAS CONCERT BROADCAST

DEC. 11. This special performance, featuring guest artist and world-renowned Metropolitan Opera soprano Angela Meade '01, will be **broadcast on PBS TV stations nationwide**. Tickets, which include pre- and post-concert receptions and reserved seating, go on sale Monday, Nov. 2, and benefit PLU's Music Scholarship Fund.

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THE KING AND US

A Behind-the-Scenes Look at His Majesty King Harald V of Norway's Commencement Day Visit to PLU

BY SANDY DENEAU DUNHAM, RESOLUTE EDITOR

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It's not every day a king comes to Pacific Lutheran University, but on May 23, His Majesty King Harald V of Norway visited campus and Commencement in honor of our 125th anniversary. Lutes rose to the regal occasion, of course, delivering a hearty, heartfelt "hip, hip, hoorah" welcome fit for a ... well, you know.

The royal visit could not have gone more smoothly—everyone was in the right place at the right time; Commencement wrapped up ahead of schedule; and we're pretty sure no one was tackled by the Secret Service.

But, as you might expect, an esteemed head of state does not just drop in to say howdy. Truly, it takes a village to host a king—and months and months (and months) of extensive pomp-and-circumstance preparation.

JAN. 5, 2015

PLU President Thomas W. Krise receives a letter from His Majesty's private secretary. It is brief but decisive:

"I refer to previous correspondence regarding Pacific Lutheran University's 125th anniversary. H.M. the King has asked me to inform you that he is very pleased to accept your kind invitation to attend the celebration of 23 May 2015."

And with fewer than 40 words, PLU's royal welcome wagon kicks into high gear.



PLU President Thomas W. Krise, front right, leads Norway's Ambassador to the United States Kare Aas, left; His Majesty King Harald V, of Norway, center; and others on a campus tour May 23.



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FEB. 4, 2015

A preliminary planning committee convenes for “The King’s Visit: Meeting No. 1.” For now, there are only five attendees: two from the president’s office, two from the Office of Advancement and one from Marketing & Communications. Before long, the weekly meetings (every Monday at noon) will expand to a dozen or more Lutes—with only a couple concerned on any given Monday that the meetings are at lunchtime.

At this initial gathering, we glean a tentative concept of the king’s time on campus, and we learn that PLU is establishing a special endowed scholarship in honor of His Majesty’s visit (benefiting PLU students who study in Norway and those who participate in the Peace Studies program at PLU).

JUST A FEW OF THE TO-DOS ON THE INAUGURAL AGENDA:

- | 1 | Get inscription on Rune Stones.
- Invite people to perform/meet/wave flags at Red Square.
- Make sure Norwegian flag is flying in Red Square and looks good.
- Arrange gift to give H.M.
- Plan media coverage.
- Get space in the T-Dome for his entourage.
- Schedule a spa day for May 24. (OK. That last one wasn’t on the list—but it should have been.)

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The King of Norway is Coming to PLU in May

Posted by Sandy Dunham Date February 10, 2015 Administration, Alumni, Camerography, Comm Events, Public Policy Students



HM King Harald V to Speak at Commencement, Receive Honorary Degree

By Sandy Dunham Dunham
PLU Marketing & Communications

TACOMA, Wash. (Feb. 10, 2015)— As part of his official visit to Washington and Alaska in May, His Majesty King Harald V of Norway will speak at Pacific Lutheran University’s Commencement ceremony, where he will receive a Doctor of Laws *jure dignitatis*.

HM King Harald also will attend a luncheon on campus prior to Commencement. The main reason for His Majesty’s visit is to celebrate the 125th anniversary of PLU, which was founded by Norwegian immigrants in 1890.

“Lutes all around the globe feel honored to have King Harald V as our most distinguished guest and Commencement speaker to mark our Quasiquincentennial year,” said PLU President Thomas W. Krise. “His Majesty’s presence will underscore our deep personal and institutional ties to Norway—ties that began in 1890 and continue robustly today.”

The king’s trip, scheduled for May 20-28, underlines the important relationship between Norway and the United States and will create increased visibility and attention for Norway, including the very strong Norwegian-American community in Alaska and Washington, said Consul of Norway Kim Nesselquist of PLU’s Office of Advancement, who will serve as the formal host for the Washington visit.

“Speaking at Commencement is a first, and a great testament to how important His Majesty’s visit is to PLU.”



FEB. 10, 2015

Timed to the start of Spring semester, we publicize the king’s visit for the first time, on PLU’s News site | 2 | and to the media: We announce that His Majesty will tour campus, deliver the 2015 Commencement address, receive an honorary degree, meet with students and attend an anniversary luncheon.

The announcement was officially vetted by Norwegian Consul Kim Nesselquist ’83, who works in PLU’s Office of Advancement, and by employees of the Royal Norwegian Palace. It’s very exciting to get a “looks good” from the palace.

Almost immediately after the press release is sent, a reporter from KOMO Radio requests an interview with President Krise and reports the entire newsroom is abuzz with “finally some good news.”

FEB. 18, 2015

We draw up our first seating diagram for the private luncheon with the king. By mid-May, this will change more times than the price of gasoline.

MARCH 4, 2015

Among the dozens of updates at today’s weekly king meeting, we learn that a 10-person team from Oslo will



visit PLU on April 9 to tour campus and the Tacoma Dome. Our “plans”—now, seriously, scheduled down to the minute—are taking shape quite nicely, thank you very much, and everyone in the room realizes this visit could change everything.

Meanwhile, we create an official Google document called “King of Norway Visit.” It is 17 pages long and stuffed to the royal rafters with:

- event coordinators’ contact information;
- a chronological list of events, with nesting-doll lists within lists;
- parking plans;
- **|3|** campus signs we’ll need (media parking, luncheon registration ... restrooms!);
- confirmed media; and
- a tiny whiff of sheer panic.

APRIL 9, 2015

|4| The Oslo team—a highly attractive group consisting of the Royal Norwegian Palace



MEDIA GUIDELINES

ON APRIL 9, WE LEARN THE FOLLOWING FROM THE OSLO TEAM:

- **all members of the media must be accredited by the embassy;**
- **no one may walk backward in front of the king to photograph him; and**
- **photographers must be prepositioned and stand still.**

press secretary; the king’s personal secretary; a Norwegian police officer; two people from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Oslo; three representatives from the Royal Norwegian Embassy in Washington, D.C.; and the Norwegian Consulate General in San Francisco, all escorted by Consul Nesselquist—arrives a little after 10 a.m. and is supremely professional and friendly. After warm introductions, everyone walks the proposed path the king will take on his quick tour of campus.

|5| In the Scandinavian Cultural Center, where the king will meet PLU students in a private reception, Consul Nesselquist explains our vision—and the Oslo team fires back questions and directions. This, obviously, is not their first royal rodeo:

- “His Majesty gets to interact with the students.”
- “Are they just standing? Once you sit down, time goes by in a different way.”





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- “Prepare them to be proactive and start conversations.”
- “Cellphones will be down, or else I’m going to be in a lot of those photos, putting them down.”
- “The main thing is the conversation, not a photo. The king is not a politician who does photo ops.”

The Oslo group speaks Norwegian quite often. Those of us who do not smile and nod a lot.

The Norwegians request a “holding room” for the king so he can rest and relax briefly between the reception and the luncheon. His needs are more modest than you might expect: hot towels and mineral water.

Outside, where the palace press secretary declares that PLU will host the only press conference of the king’s Washington visit, we notice a pin on the Norwegian policeman. It looks like an X, but he explains it’s the symbol for cross-country skiing: Two skiers saved the king of Norway’s son in the mountains hundreds and hundreds of years ago, he tells us.

After a lovely lunch together, everyone tours the Tacoma Dome. We pace out the walk to the king’s “green room,” where he’ll change into his academic regalia for Commencement. We request a large press platform—more than a dozen members of the Norwegian press will follow the king on May 23, and already five or six local organizations have applied for credentials.

Sven Gjeruldsen, the palace press secretary, asks us to move the press platform so photographers will have a better view of the king at the podium. It is done.

Gjeruldsen, who really knows what he’s doing and might be a little magical, asks often, very sweetly: “Are you satisfied?”

What a refreshing question. Our PLU plans are approved with very few changes. We all are satisfied. And relieved.

APRIL 20, 2015

Consul Nesselquist is in almost constant contact with the palace. Today palace staffers have requested brief biographies and photos of everyone the king will meet.

We also learn the Secret Service is coming to PLU on May 12 and realize, once again, that everything could change in an instant.

APRIL 27, 2015

Elisabeth Ward, director of the Scandinavian Cultural Center, presents the lineup for the public welcoming festivities in Centennial Plaza. **6** It’s truly a community event, and it could not be more festive.

MAY 1, 2015

Today a subset of the committee walks the king’s campus route again, this time trying to gauge how the media will hustle from one designated press area to the next, through crowd-control ropes (and crowds), before the king arrives at each official photo opportunity. Two people walk at what we suspect is a regal pace, while I impersonate the press and literally jog from point A to point B to point C. It is doable, thank goodness. (We learn on May 23, however, that we greatly underestimated the king’s cadence—he is very spry.)

MAY 12, 2015

A Secret Service agent visits campus—rather secretly. We are not allowed to photograph him or tag along. He might be invisible, but he leaves a

CENTENNIAL PLAZA PUBLIC WELCOME OF HIS MAJESTY KING HARALD V OF NORWAY

May 23, 2015

10:25 a.m.

Welcome remarks by Dr. Elisabeth Ward,
Director of the Scandinavian Cultural Center, and
Ms. Lisa Ottoson, SCC Board member

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10:30 a.m.

Washington High School Jazz Band
Directed by Joseph Ferguson

10:45 a.m.

Leikarring Dancers
Daughters of Norway-Embla Lodge #2, Tacoma

11:00 a.m.

Norwegian National Anthem and Norwegian
folk songs
Performed by Ms. Tora Hedges, PLU Class of 2016

11:15 a.m.

HM King Harald V arrives, tours Centennial
Plaza

11:25 a.m.

Scandinavian Children’s Choir of the Sonoro
Choral Society
Directed by Jeremy Shilley

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The Scandinavian Cultural
Center will be open at
1:30 p.m. today.



ROYAL PROTOCOL



The proper address: “Your Majesty,” not “Your Royal Highness.”

When to shake his hand: In welcome or farewell, fine; in groups, not until he extends his hand.

Conversational topics in which he’s especially well-versed: Sailing, sports, travel ... and more.





trail of change in his wake. For one thing: We now have to relocate that first designated press area.

MAY 15, 2015

Today we hold a special meeting on royal protocol: how to address the king (“Your Majesty,” not “Your Royal Highness”), when and how to shake his hand (in welcome or farewell, fine; in groups, not until he extends his hand) and conversational topics in which he’s especially well-versed (sailing, sports, travel ... and many more).

We have produced programs—for the welcoming festivities, for the luncheon, for (lest we forget) Commencement. We have compiled and distributed seven-page press packets and created fancy laminated press passes. We have designed dozens of crowd-guiding signs with arrows pointing in every possible direction. We have drawn—and redrawn—map after map. We have arranged menus, and gifts, and invitations, and advertising. We have made lists and checked them twice. We have planned so thoroughly that Consul Nesselquist announces: “If he came today, we would be ready.”

It feels that way, but it doesn’t. We’re all really, really relieved he’s not coming today.

MAY 18, 2015

This is our last regular Monday meeting before King Day. We learn that the bomb-sniffing police dog will do his doggy duty, so to speak, beginning at 8 or 9 a.m. May 23. Most of us decide we’ll arrive on campus about the same time, if not earlier.

MAY 20, 2015

Lutes are starting to lose sleep. We have planned until we can’t plan any more, yet still things are changing: The Secret Service has decided the press must arrive on campus at 10 a.m. instead of 10:30, so all the recording equipment can be screened. We take one more trip to the Tacoma Dome, so the king’s PLU escort, Vice President of Advancement Dan Lee, can scope out the route to the green room; the stage; and, lastly, when the king and PLU part company, to his waiting car.

MAY 21, 2015

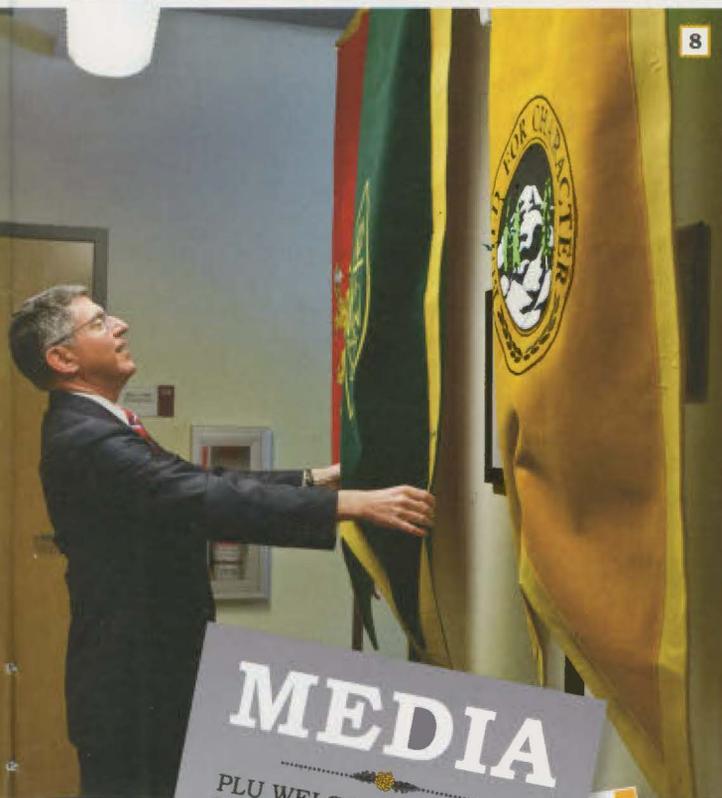
|7| We have ordered a commemorative plaque to present to the king (a copy commemorating the commemorative plaque will hang at PLU), and today both arrive. They weigh a ton. It makes us nervous to open them, and especially to proofread them, but thankfully, *Quasquicentennial* is spelled correctly. As is *King*.

|8| We’ve also ordered beautiful new banners for Commencement, including a striking red one bearing the lion from the Norwegian Coat of Arms. They’ve all been stored in the hallway of the Neeb Center awaiting their transfer to the Tacoma Dome stage. Amazingly, no one has spilled lunch on them.

MAY 23, 2015

My phone rings at 6:40 a.m.: “Is the king still coming?”
He had better be.

When I arrive at PLU at 8:30 a.m.—after ducking awkwardly under the tape blocking the press parking lot—campus is bustling. And campus is





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beautiful—Facilities employees have been out in full force deadheading rhodies, sweeping sidewalks and hanging crisp new flags. Catering staff and volunteers are putting the finishing touches on the gorgeous luncheon setting in Chris Knutzen Hall. Volunteers have erected crowd-control stanchions, dotted with festive “PLU 125” ribbons, at Secret Service-approved distances from the king’s path. Welcoming performers are filling Centennial Plaza outside the Karen Hille Phillips Center for the Performing Arts.

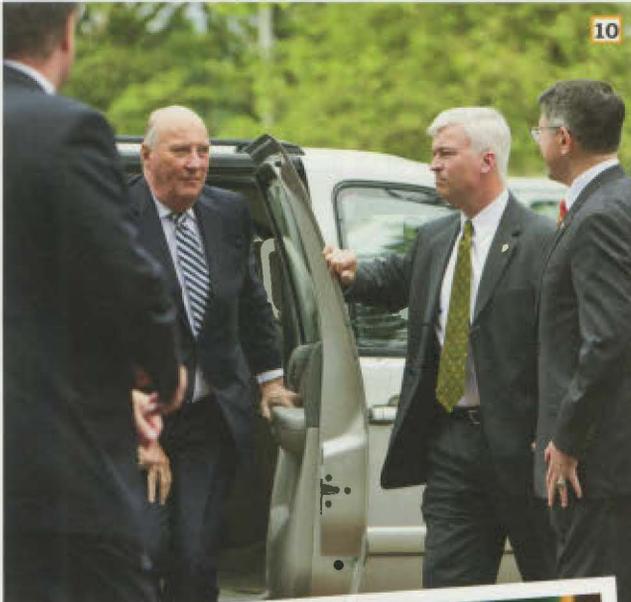
In the air there’s a feeling of high security—and a little rain.

|9| At 9 a.m., as we check media camera angles in the luncheon room, Bill Hultman of the Pierce County Bomb Squad walks in with a beautiful black Labrador retriever. His name is Diego, and he is a bomb dog who works for tennis-ball rewards. He’s also a very, very friendly dog, in a big-lunkish-paws-on-the-chest kind of way.

“Bomb dogs are notoriously undisciplined,” Hultman explains.

But Diego is a pro. Hultman says the sniff-happy pooch can detect 17 odors commonly found in hundreds of kinds of explosives.

“Fortunately, he finds very little in the real world,” Hultman says. Diego finds none at PLU.



By 11 a.m., music from Centennial Plaza fills the air; the crowd has filled the lawn; and the Norwegian advance team has arrived—along with a touch of brightness in the sky.

Gjeruldsen, the magical palace press person, kisses me on both cheeks. “They call His Majesty the sun king,” he says. “When he arrives, it stops raining.”

In that charming, disarming, take-charge way of his, Gjeruldsen speaks to a Secret Service agent, and suddenly the press corps is allowed outside the designated media area and within mere feet of the king’s arrival spot. I shake my head and smile at him.

“Are you satisfied?” he asks.

|10| At 11:15 a.m., precisely—precisely—as scheduled, a line of amazingly official-looking cars pulls up and stops on Park Avenue. His Majesty King Harald V of Norway steps onto the sidewalk, where he is greeted by President Krise; Patricia Krise; and PLU student and Association of Norwegian Students Abroad member Celine Kleivdal, who presents flowers to the king.

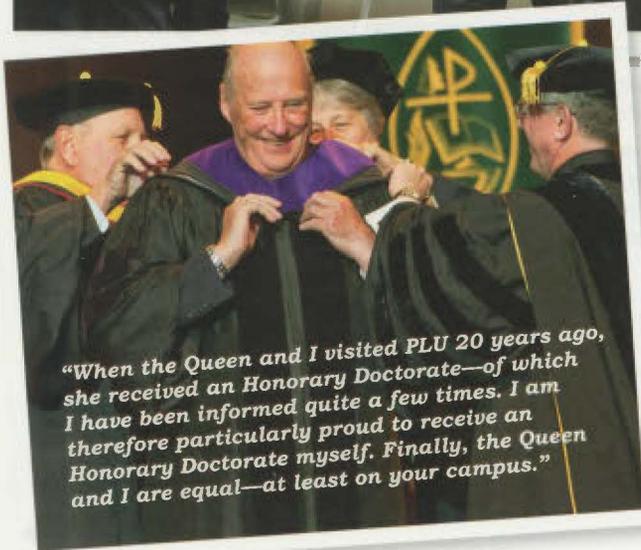
Cameras snap. The crowd cheers. The king is here.

Long live the king. □

A ROYAL PHOTO ALBUM + VIDEOS

To commemorate Pacific Lutheran University’s 125th anniversary, His Majesty King Harald V of Norway visited campus on Saturday, May 23, and was greeted by an excited and welcoming crowd. After a quick tour led by PLU President Thomas W. Krise, His Majesty met with students and faculty members at a reception; attended a luncheon in his honor; and delivered PLU’s 2015 Commencement address at the Tacoma Dome, where he also received an honorary degree.

See photos and video from every stop of the king’s visit, along with his Commencement address, at www.plu.edu/resolute.



“When the Queen and I visited PLU 20 years ago, she received an Honorary Doctorate—of which I have been informed quite a few times. I am therefore particularly proud to receive an Honorary Doctorate myself. Finally, the Queen and I are equal—at least on your campus.”

2015 ALUMNI AWARDS & RECOGNITION

JOIN US ON FRIDAY, OCT. 9, as we honor these award recipients at the Alumni Awards Ceremony during Homecoming.

MORE ONLINE

Full biographies of all the award winners:
www.plu.edu/resolute

Register for Homecoming:
www.plu.edu/homecoming



ANDREW LARSEN '15
BRIAN C. OLSON STUDENT LEADERSHIP AWARD
 For his potential for a lifelong commitment to the university and alumni association.



TROY ANDRADE '07
OUTSTANDING RECENT ALUM AWARD
 For his accomplishments as an attorney and his work forwarding civic education.



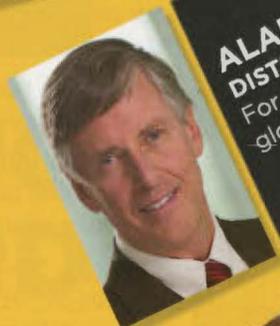
TRICIA HASBROOK '93
ALUMNI SERVICE AWARD
 For her outstanding service to the autism community.



MARILYN KNUTSON '59
HERITAGE AWARD
 For her many years of exceptional service to the university.



DEBORAH OAKMAN
SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARD
 For uniquely serving the university as Sacristan for more than 20 years.



ALAN KRAUSE '76
DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS AWARD
 For his career as an accomplished businessman, engineer and global leader in water issues.



NANCY PEDOT '73
DISTINGUISHED ALUMNA AWARD
 For her career building strong brands and dynamic retail concepts.

Boots from Historic Mount Everest Expedition

- On May 22, 1963, former basketball player and 1958 graduate Luther "Lute" Jerstad climbed to the summit of Mount Everest with three other team members. Although the group was not the first to scale Mount Everest, it was the first time four citizens of one country had been on the summit at the same time.



125 OBJECTS

PLU PICTURES ARE WORTH
125 YEARS OF WORDS

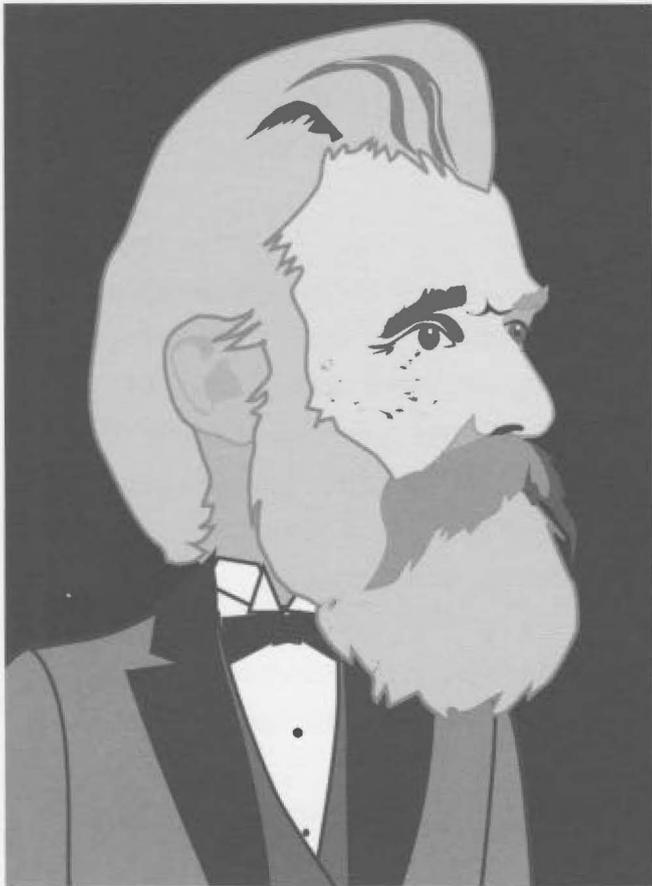
Compiled by Zach Powers, ResoLUTE writer. Photos by Rustin Dwyer and John Froschauer/PLU. Special thanks to PLU Archivist Kerstin Ringdahl and her assistant, Chelsea Hebert.

SINCE AUG. 9—exactly 125 days before PLU's 125th anniversary—we've been sharing one historic PLU object each day with Lutes all over the world via plu.edu/resolute, Facebook and Twitter. Individually, the objects offer sometimes-amusing and always-informative glimpses into the life of PLU; together, they tell our multilayered story in a way no single object ever could.

This fall, there'll be two awesome opportunities to view some of the 125 objects in person:

- On Saturday, Oct. 10, during Homecoming's **PLU at 125 Wine Walk**, featuring a selection of the 125 objects and a sampling of scrumptious alumni wines.
- And from Sept. 26-Nov. 10 at the **Nordic Heritage Museum** in Ballard, Wash., in a special PLU exhibition called "PLU at 125: Lutheran Education on the Frontier." (Join PLU President Thomas W. Krise for the exhibition-opening reception on Sept. 26; see www.pluualumni.org for more details.)

SAVE THE DATE
BJUG DAY OF GIVING
OCTOBER 14



**YOUR BJUG
DAY BEARD
IS HERE!** 



A DAY OF GIVING —AND ‘GROWING’

The Rev. Bjug Harstad, intrepid founder of PLU, trudged through the frozen Yukon in 1898 in hopes of bringing home gold for Pacific Lutheran Academy. While that didn't exactly pan out, his heroic quest exemplifies the loyalty of Lutes.

In honor of our brave founder, the entire PLU community will celebrate the second annual **Bjug Harstad Day of Giving on Wednesday, Oct. 14**. We invite Lutes everywhere to participate in “Bjug Day” to support our students and our university while honoring the man who made PLU possible.

There are two easy ways to do just that: **Visit the website below** to make a donation, of any size, to PLU—and **sport your own “Bjug Beard”** in tribute. Just cut out the enclosed beard, take a selfie and share it with us.

#BjugDay



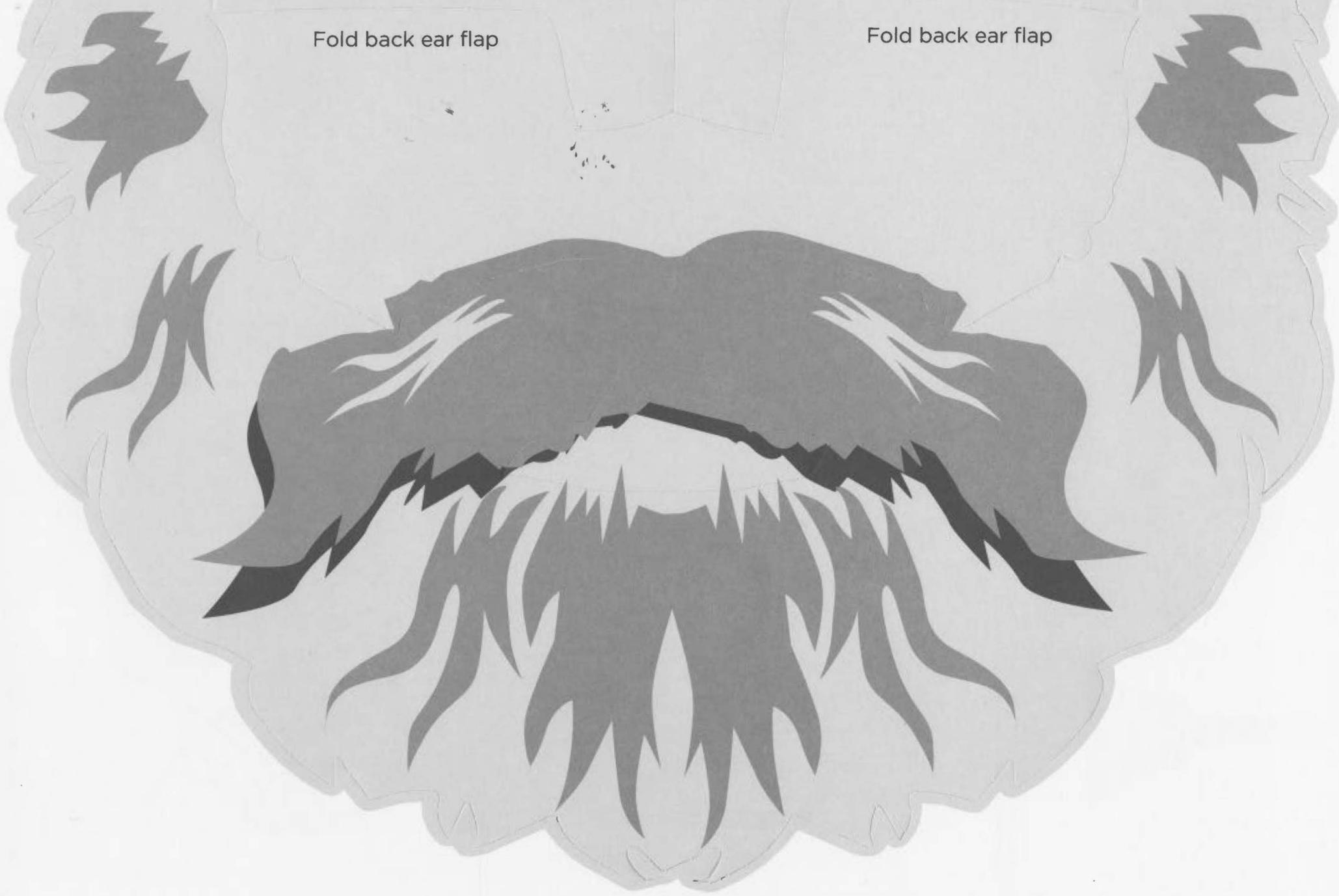
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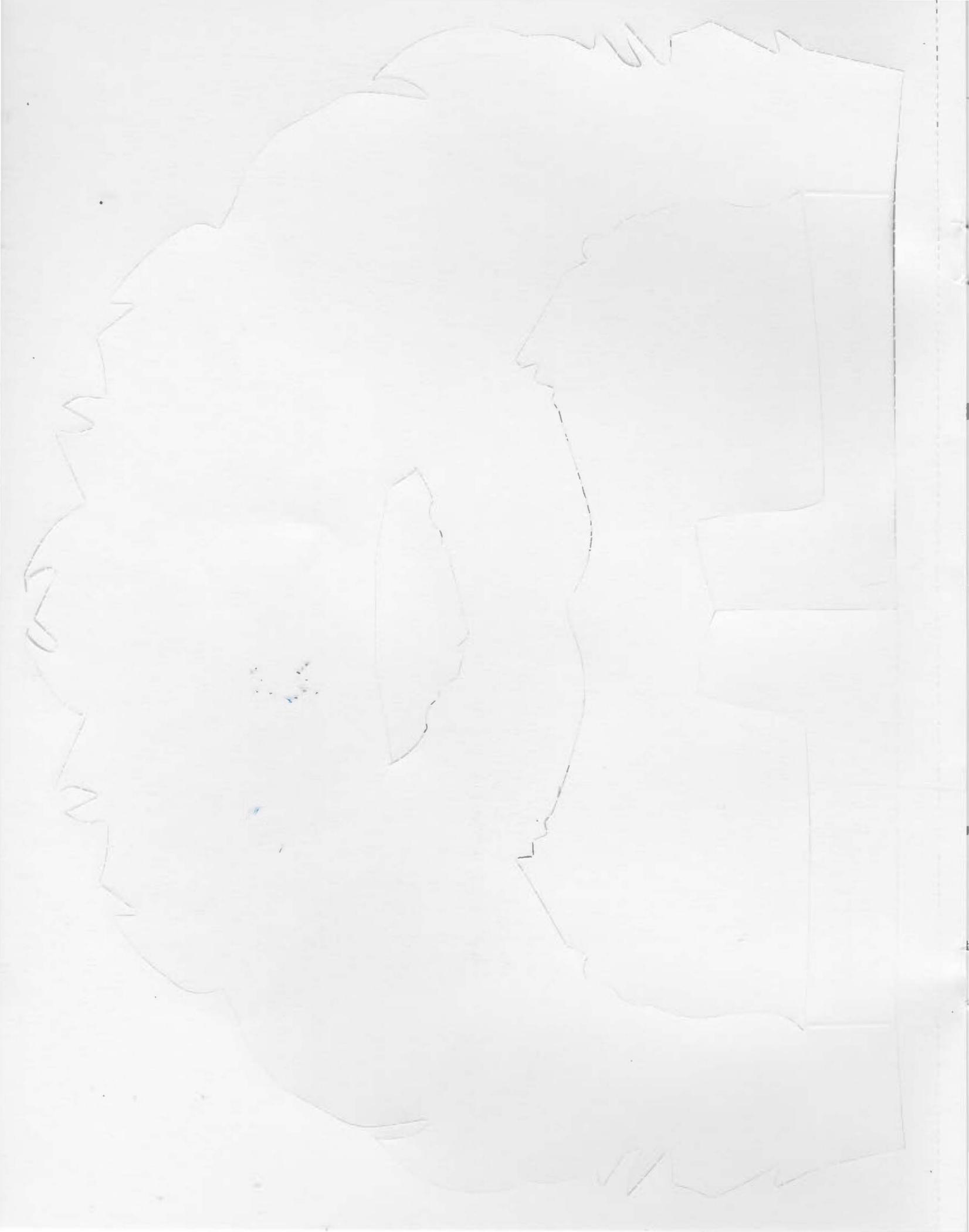
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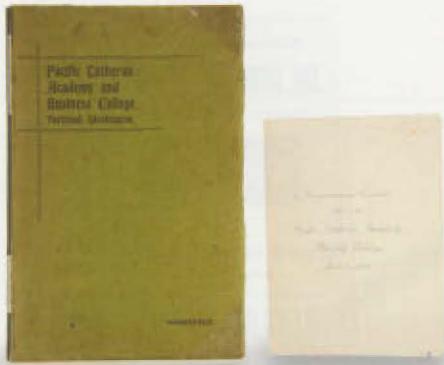
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Program and Invitation From First Graduation

When PLU opened on Oct. 25, 1894, six courses were offered: Normal, Commercial, Literary, Scientific, Religion and Music (Shorthand and Typewriting were extra). Tuition was \$1 per week, and room and board ranged from 50 cents to \$1 per week. Ettie Kraabel and Amanda Swan were the first graduates in 1898.



University Pennants Through the Years

In 1890, Norwegian immigrants founded Pacific Lutheran University in the largely undeveloped woodland of Parkland. In 1892, the institution changed its name to Pacific Lutheran Academy and Business College, motivated by a desire to welcome high-school-age students to campus. After merging with Everett-based Columbia College in 1920, the name was changed to Pacific Lutheran College. PLU reclaimed its original name in 1960, the same year the university changed its mascot from the Gladiators to the Knights.



The Rising Bell

The Rising Bell was used throughout the lifetime of Pacific Lutheran Academy. In addition to its use as a class bell, it was rung each morning to awaken students sleeping in nearby dormitories.



Handwritten Torah

In 2008, philanthropist Cindy Boyce generously donated a Torah that dates back to the 1700s. Valued at more than \$100,000, the Torah was transcribed with painstaking detail by a specially trained scribe in Morocco. The Torah is the most holy of sacred writings in Judaism. It includes the first of three sections of the Hebrew Bible and consists of five books: Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy.

Instruments and Snowshoes from Musical Mount Rainier Hike

In 1896, PLU's first music teacher, Carlo Sperati, took the band to Mount Rainier to celebrate the opening of the new school in Parkland. Most traveled by horse or buggy; others rode their bicycles. They climbed with all of their instruments to the mountain's 10,000-foot level, where they played *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*.



Founder Bjug Harstad's Yukon Boots

Following the financial crisis of 1893, contributions to PLA had fallen off considerably, and debt from its first building seemed insurmountable. The Rev. Bjug Harstad—the Norwegian pioneer who founded Pacific Lutheran University in 1890—joined the Gold Rush in hopes of saving his school. Harstad's efforts were valiant, if not triumphant—and artifacts from his journey remain highly valued in the PLU Archives.

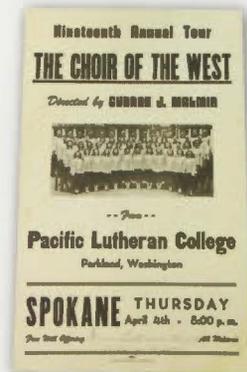
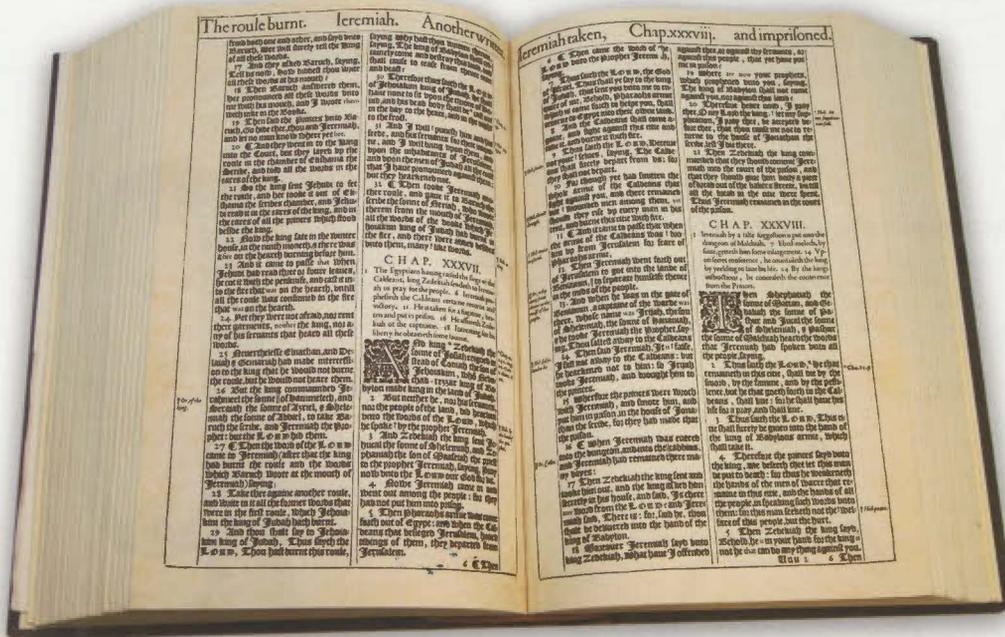


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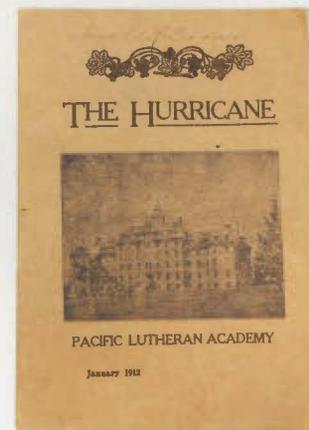
Gutenberg Bible

- PLU's collection of historic Bibles includes a facsimile of a Gutenberg Bible. Referred to both as the Mazarin Bible and as the Gutenberg Bible, it is the first book known to have been printed with movable type, invented by Johann Gutenberg in Mainz, Germany.



Choir of the West Poster, 1946

- Though it would not be named "the Choir of the West" until the following decade on a trip to the Great Lakes region, PLU's legendary choir has been touring annually since 1927. Professor Joseph O. Edwards arrived at PLC in 1925 and brought with him the choral tradition of St. Olaf College (Minn.). Edwards wanted to organize a choir that would tour the Northwest, help advertise the school and provide enjoyment.



A 1912 Issue of 'The Hurricane'

- Students began publishing *The Hurricane*, a literary magazine and student newspaper, in 1901. It was filled with campus news, humor, literary exercises, opinions, descriptions of athletic competitions and more. The first editor was Oscar Tingelstad, a future PLC president. The magazine continued until 1915 and is remembered fondly as a forebearer of *The Mast*, *The Matrix* and *Saxifrage*.

African Art Collection

- Beginning in 1972 and continuing through 2011, PLU has been the honored recipient of nearly 60 pieces of African art thanks to the generosity of donors Dr. J. Hans and Thelma Lehmann, and Dr. Oliver E. and Pamela F. Cobb. Over the years, a number of these objects have been on display in the Mortvedt Library. The masks, figures and other objects that comprise the collection represent works from 16 countries and the creative output of artists from nearly 30 cultural traditions.



BLACK & GOLD —AND GOLDEN

ARCHIVIST REFLECTS ON 50 YEARS AT PLU

A few things have changed since Kerstin Ringdahl was hired as PLU's library assistant in 1965:

- She was known then as Mrs. Henderson—"no first name," she says; "just Mrs. Henderson."
- Tasked with "projecting the Scandinavian image of the new library," the Landskrona, Sweden, native had to promise to stay blond, and to never lose her accent (check and check, by the way).
- PLU's strict dress code prohibited her, along with every other woman on campus, from wearing pants.

And some things have not changed: Referencing an early photo of the Mortvedt Library, Ringdahl laughs: "You can see we still have the same chairs and tables."

As PLU celebrates its 125th anniversary, Ringdahl is marking her 50th year at PLU—and it's hard to imagine any one person who knows PLU better.

Ringdahl, now University Archivist and Curator of Special Collections (still based in the library), could be gathering golden gifts for this milestone, but instead she has created one: a slideshow called "My 50 Years at PLU," which chronicles the history of PLU and Ringdahl's role in it.

In presentations around campus, Ringdahl narrates this shared history with an institutional memory that suggests she really *is* the PLU Archives—and with humble humor.

"Here I am projecting the Scandinavian image at the new library," she says of a 1967 photo.

Six presidents have served PLU over Ringdahl's single tenure, so clearly she has witnessed, and lived, a lot of history:

- the creation of BANTU (the PLU black student union) on campus and recognition of Black History Month;
- campus unrest during the Vietnam war and the National Crisis Forum ("the only time finals were cancelled");
- the opening of Mortvedt Library in 1967 and the all-campus book-moving party it took to stock it;
- the opening of PLU's Scandinavian Cultural Center;
- royal visits, including by the king and queen of Sweden (a "particular highlight");
- PLU's centennial celebration in 1990—and, of course, its quasiquicentennial in 2015.

(She also divorced Mr. Henderson: "I decided I liked my job at PLU better than him," she quips.)

"I've kind of woven my way through PLU," Ringdahl says.

That's putting it mildly, considering she's also created history by building PLU's Archives into a global force: Now part of Northwest Digital Archives, PLU's vast pictorial history includes digital publications, more than 500,000 photos, and online interviews with 280 Scandinavians about their immigrant experiences.

"People from all over the world write to say they hadn't heard their grandparents' voices before," Ringdahl says.

These days ("50 years later, with a few more pounds and a few more wrinkles," she says), Ringdahl is working three-fourths time and contemplating—but only contemplating—retirement.

"Next May, I may retire," she says. "I have to retire sometime." □



"Next May, I may retire. I have to retire sometime."

- 1 Her PLU ID
- 2 From Ringdahl's presentation
- 3 The library in 1965
- 4 Moving into the new library
- 5 The new library building
- 6 At the Inquiries Desk

VIDEO ONLINE

Kerstin Ringdahl shares the stories behind some of PLU's 125 Objects at www.plu.edu/resolute.

Main photo by John Froschauer | PLU
Black-and-white photos: PLU Archives



ALL★STAR ATTAWAYS

A Decade-by-Decade Look at PLU's Most Stellar Athletic Achievements—and Athletes

By Zach Powers '10

DID YOU KNOW THAT:

- In the early 1910s, Theander Harstad and Anton Brottem followed their exemplary years on the PLU baseball team with careers in Major League Baseball?
- In 1940, the PLU men's basketball team defeated the University of Washington?
- In 1988, Professor Colleen Hacker was the first woman to head-coach a national-champion women's soccer team?
- In 1995-96, a school-record 27 Lutes were named first-team All-Americans?
- Or that in 2000 the PLU football team was featured in *Sports Illustrated*?

Athletics at PLU has sustained an elite status throughout every era of its 115-year history. Competing at both the NAIA Division II and NCAA Division III levels (since 1996), PLU teams have won 11 national championships and claimed regional or conference championships every decade, dating back to men's basketball's unofficial regional championship in 1905-06.

The program enjoys a present just as rich as its past. In the 2014-15 school year, the baseball, volleyball and women's swim teams were crowned Northwest Conference champions. And PLU has won the Northwest Conference All-Sports Trophy 15 times in its 30-year history.

At PLU, Athletics always has been about far more than final scores, times and results. Legendary coaches such as Frosty Westering and Clifford Olson have challenged student-athletes to work just as hard as they do in athletics in the classroom, in their communities and in pursuit of their best selves.

MORE ONLINE PLU's first gymnasium was built in 1912 where the Anderson University Center now stands. Visit plu.edu/resolute to view a photo history of PLU Athletics.



The first men's basketball team in 1901.

1900
1910

THE TRAILBLAZERS



The 1907 women's basketball team.



A member of the 1949 men's track and field team competes in the high jump.



Chuck Curtis drives to the basket during a game in the 1958-59 season.

1960
1970

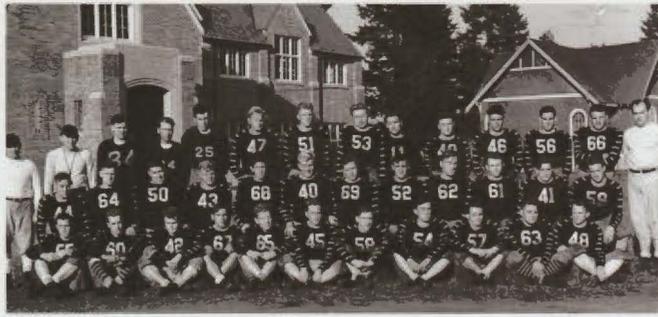
EXPANDING AND MODERNIZING



The 1924 baseball team.

1920
1930

LAYING THE FOUNDATION



The football team played its first game in 1926, though "The Gladiators" would not earn their first college win until 1931.

WINNING THROUGH WARTIME

1940
1950



A member of the 1941 women's archery team.



Clifford Olson coached both the baseball and men's basketball teams in the 1930s and '40s.



Jim Hadland (No. 11) led the Lutes to their first conference championship in 1969.



The women's crew team carries a boat from the boathouse to the lake in 1972-73.



A member of the 2003 women's tennis team returns a serve during practice.



Members of the softball team celebrate the National Championship in 2012.

2000

+

THE PRESENT: CONTINUING THE LEGACY



Members of the 1981 baseball team celebrate a run.



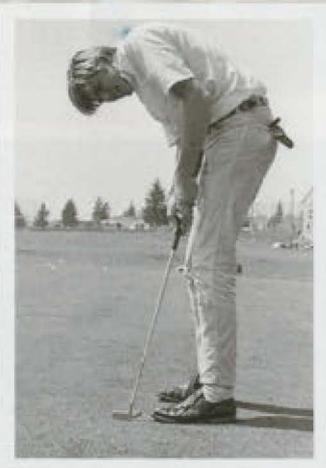
A PLU quarterback prepares to snap the ball in 1980.



A cross-country runner in 1998.



A football cheerleader in 1980.



A member of the golf team putts in 1968.



Men's tennis players Dale Trumpeter and Mike Linnabury won a conference championship in the doubles division in 1970.

1960
1970



Ariana Judson and Amy Wooten team up for a block in 2014.



Machaela Graddy eludes a defender in 2014.

AN ERA OF DOMINANCE

1980
1990



After coaching the PLU women's soccer team to three national championships, Professor Colleen Hacker was hired as an Assistant Coach of the U.S. Women's National team.



A member of the basketball team skies for a rebound in 1979.

PAST SPORTS

In PLU's 115 years of athletics, quite a few sports have come and gone.



Members of the 1972 women's field hockey team.



A Lute wrestler (bottom) flips his opponent during a match in 1981.



ALL IN THE FAMILY

Legendary PLU football coach Forrest "Frosty" Westering, who led the Lutes from 1972-2003, was named NAIA Division II Coach of the Year in 1983 and 1993, and NCAA Division III Coach of the Year, led his teams to four national championships. He was inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame in 2005 and remains one of only 11 college football coaches who have won at least 300 games. While no PLU team under his guidance ever suffered a losing record, his rich legacy also includes his sportsmanship-at-its-best EMAL ("Every Man A Lute") coaching philosophy, which is carried on by his son, Scott, who has served as PLU's head football coach since 2004 and has continued the Westering tradition of sportsmanship, camaraderie and winning football. □

ALUMNI PROFILE

CEO, ALASKA AIR GROUP
BRAD TILDEN, CLASS OF 1983

LEADER.

PACIFIC
LUTHERAN
UNIVERSITY



METROPOLITAN OPERA SOPRANO
ANGELA MEADE, CLASS OF 2001

ACCLAIM.

PACIFIC
LUTHERAN
UNIVERSITY



WHAT CAN YOU DO WITH A PLU DEGREE? WELL, YOU COULD END UP ON A BILLBOARD.

BY SANDY DENEAU DUNHAM, RESOLUTE EDITOR

Every year for 125 years, Pacific Lutheran University has sent uniquely qualified Lutes into the world to improve it—through their careers; through their service; through their care; and, honestly, through their simple basic Luteness.

Some of those world-changing improvements are subtly meaningful; others reverberate across a community, a country or even a planet. From Tacoma education pioneer **Willie Stewart '69** to Android co-founder **Nick Sears '87, '95** and from Alaska Airlines CEO **Brad Tilden '83** to Metropolitan Opera superstar **Angela Meade '01**, Lutes are making big differences and creating legacies that command large-scale attention.

Starting this month, that large-scale attention turns literal as some of PLU's most notable alumni, and their amazing accomplishments, take over high-profile billboards along the I-5 corridor, from Portland to north of Seattle, and, for the first time, in the Spokane area.

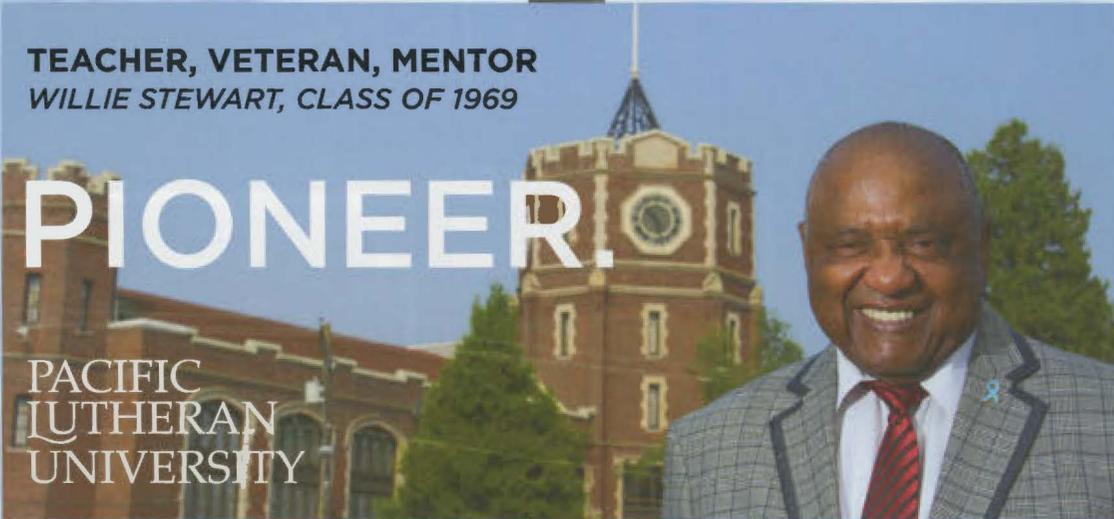
It's PLU's third major outdoor-advertising campaign in the past year. The first featured inspiring "Six Word Stories" submitted by students, faculty and staff, and alumni, and the second focused on the same constituents' heartfelt responses to "Why PLU?"

Both were successful on several levels, from raising awareness of PLU to capturing why, exactly, people choose to become—and stay—loyal Lutes. But after spotting three of those billboards

TEACHER, VETERAN, MENTOR
WILLIE STEWART, CLASS OF 1969

PIONEER.

PACIFIC
LUTHERAN
UNIVERSITY



ANDROID Inc. CO-FOUNDER
NICK SEARS, CLASS OF 1987 & 1995

VISION.

PACIFIC
LUTHERAN
UNIVERSITY



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on a springtime drive, PLU Director of Financial Aid Kay Soltis and her daughter were inspired to ask the next natural, crucial question: What happens *after* PLU?

The answer: PLU produces awesomely powerful graduates. And that's a truth worth sharing.

"A 2014 study on awareness and perceptions showed the second most-important factor Washington high-school seniors cite in their college-selection process is 'job opportunities for graduates,'" said Donna Gibbs, PLU Vice President of Marketing and Communications.

The 10 accomplished alumni on the billboards, then, have been

photographed in their "element," accompanied by a few key words about their contributions (career-wise and community-wise) and one extra-big word that best exemplifies their impact on the world.

For the record, it was not easy to narrow those impacts to one word: For 125 years, Lutes have created and left remarkable, multilayered legacies everywhere they go—including, now, along some highly-trafficked highways. □

VIDEO ONLINE Peek behind the scenes of four of the alumni billboard photo sessions at www.plu.edu/resolute.

ALUMNI NEWS

**BLACK & GOLD
NEVER GETS OLD**
PLU HOMECOMING 2015

Oct. 8-11

This year, come home to PLU for all the traditional Homecoming festivities you've always enjoyed—Classes Without Quizzes, special campus tours, the Homecoming football game and tailgate (with a special Bjug Day pregame and T-shirt!), Alumni Awards banquet, Meant to Live lecture, and the Golden Club Brunch and University Congregation—along with one special event that could happen only once every 125 years.

On Saturday, Oct. 10, join the Lute celebration of our 125th anniversary with the PLU at 125 Wine Walk, featuring selected objects from PLU's history and a sampling of scrumptious alumni wines.

Check online for a full schedule and registration and, in the meantime, enjoy this photographic tour through past PLU Homecomings!

www.plu.edu/homecoming



1947: The candidates for Homecoming Queen pose for a group portrait. (Photo: PLU Archives)



1947: Female Lutes play a game of "powderpuff football." (Photo: PLU Archives)



1949: Cars and floats line up for the Homecoming parade. (Photo: PLU Archives)



1966: Homecoming Royalty, from left: Princess Sylvia Olson, Princess Geraldine (Geri) Cohens and Queen Julie Danskin. (Photo: Kenneth Dunmire)



1967: Lutes gather for a Homecoming bonfire. (Photo: Kenneth Dunmire)



1969: Homecoming Princess Linda Lee, Princess Mary Arneson and Queen Cathy Severson examine the Homecoming queen's crown. (Photo: Kenneth Dunmire)



Bjug Day T-shirt



1992: Homecoming royalty Monica Ricate and Jeff Miller. (Photo: Kenneth Dunmire)

ALUMNI PROFILES ONLINE

FOR THESE AND MORE, VISIT
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WESTERN WASHINGTON'S
NEW JOURNALIST
OF THE YEAR

Kari Plog '11



LEADER OF NEW
PANAMA CANAL
PROJECT

Alan Krause '76



1959: Candidates for Homecoming queen pose for a group photograph. (Photo: PLU Archives)



1961: Homecoming Royalty (from left): Princess Janet Gullekson, Queen Carol Teslow and Princess Karen Toffle. (Photo: Richards Studio)



1970: Homecoming court Marcia Taylor, Cindy Greer and Gayle Severson embrace the "Golden Nugget" theme. (Photo: Kenneth Dunmire)



1987: Students perform at Songfest during Homecoming. (Photo: Kenneth Dunmire)



2011: PLU head football coach Scott Westering talks to the team after the 14-6 win over Menlo in the Homecoming game. (Photo: John Froschauer)



2014: Lutes take advantage of the photo booth at Homecoming. (Photo: John Froschauer)



dCenter

SAVE THE DATE

Third Annual Diversity Center Alumni Weekend

FRIDAY, MAY 13, TO SUNDAY, MAY 15, 2016

Join students, faculty, staff and alumni at The dCenter's Third Annual dCenter Alumni Weekend! We hope you'll come back to PLU for a weekend of (re)connecting with the people, space and community you called "home" at one time or another.

HERE'S A LOOK AT EVENTS PLANNED FOR 2016:

- Social Justice & Vocation Alumni Panel
- Spirit of Diversity Awards
- Diversity Center alumni reception
- Social justice workshops
- Potluck dinner
- Bottomless brunch

For more information, see www.plu.edu/dcenter, or email Angie Hambrick, Director of the Diversity Center, at hambriaz@plu.edu. □



DESIGNER/
RESTAURANTEUR

Deanna Fallin '09



TECHNOLOGY
FELLOW

Jennifer
Henrichsen '07



THEATER WRITER,
COMPOSER, STAR

Justin Huertas '09

CLASSNOTES

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Class Representative positions available: 1966, 1975, 1979, 1982 and 1998, 2015

Pre-1930, 1930-35, 1937-44, 1946-48, 1951, 1952, 1954
Golden Club Class Representative
Committee

1929

Golden Club Class Representative
Committee

1936

Class Representative - **Volly (Norby) Grande**

1939

Mary (Bergman) Gurney '39 died March 11, 2015.

Ralph Bolstad '36 died May 4, 2015.

1945

Class Representative - **Annabelle Birkestol**

1949

Golden Club Class Representative
Committee

James Howard Davis '49 died May 28, 2015.

1950

Class Representative - **Dick Weathermon**

Evangeline (Ordahl) Billingsley '50 died June 10, 2015.

1952

Elaine (Simons) Molter '52 died June 13, 2015.

1953

Class Representative - **Naomi (Roe) Nothstein**

James Nokleberg '53 died April 14, 2015.

1955

Class Representative - **Phyllis (Grahn) Pejsa**

Doris (Hansen) Butler '55 died May 15, 2015.

1956

Class Representatives - **Ginny (Grahn) Haugen and Clarene (Osterl) Johnson**

1957

Class Representative - **Ed Larson**

1958

Class Representative - **Don Cornell**

1959

Class Representative - **Camille (Emerson) Ellason**

1960

Golden Club Class Representative
Committee

1961

Class Representative - **Ron Lerch**

Dick Schlenker '61 and his wife, Carol, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

1962

Class Representative - **Leo Eliason**
David Bottemiller '62 died April 24, 2014.

1963

Class Representatives - **Merle and Joan (Maier) Overland**

James Castleberry '63 was inducted into the Washington Basketball Coaches Hall of Fame in July 2015.

Gene Black '63 died July 2, 2014

1964

Class Representatives - **Jon and Jean (Riggers) Malmn**

George Beard '64 has retired after 17 years as a social-service case manager. Earlier, he had worked 29 years as a pastor of Lutheran congregations in four states.

1965

Class Representative - **Rhoda Pappajohn**

1966

Class Representative - **Vacant**

1967

Class Representative - **Craig Bjorklund**

1968

Class Representatives - **Jim and Georgia (Stirn) Girvan**

1969

Class Representatives - **Bill Ranta and Patsy (Davies) Johnson and David B. Johnson**

Bonnie Kay McLeod Salter '69 died May 17, 2015.

John Douglas Anderson '69 died April 11, 2015.

James Swarat '69 died May 25, 2015.

1970

Class Representative - **Bill Allen**

Nancy (Sachs) McMullen '70 died May 18, 2015.

1971

Class Representative - **Paul Johnson**

1972

Class Representative - **Molly Stuen**

1973

Class Representative - **Karen (Wraalstad) Robbins**

1973

Beatha Johnson '73 retired from Virginia Mason Medical Center after 30 years of service in Clinical Information Systems. She now spends her free time with her family and friends and enjoys quilting.

1974

Class Representative - **David E. Johnson**

Ron Foster '74 was the recipient of the Outstanding Adjunct Teacher of the Year Award in May at Cornerstone University.

1975

Class Representative - **Reginald Pearsall**

1976

Class Representative - **Gary Powell**

1977

Class Representatives - **Joan (Nelson) Mattich**



Eric Lemnitzer '77 planned to retire in May, but work got in the way. Eric is employed by Arrow Indian Contractors as the Senior Estimator, Project Manager, and works from home. He bids construction projects all over the Western United States and was able to spend a week in Montana and thought it almost felt like being retired.

1978

Class Representative - **Pete Mattich**

Trina Anderson '78 retired at the end of 2014 after 36 years working as a registered nurse at Fairbanks Memorial Hospital. Trina enjoyed the work very much and felt called by God at an early age to become a nurse. She particularly enjoyed some fantastic co-workers who worked with her for 20 years and more. Her floor involved medical, chemotherapy, hospice and surgical patients. Trina feels the journey that led to her retirement was always in God's hands, as she now has time to do her next calling: being the full-time caretaker of her 94-year-old mother. She would like to hear from others in the Nursing class of '78.

Brian Stiles '78 was appointed by Washington Gov. Jay Inslee to the Skagit County Superior Court.

1979

Class Representatives - **David and Teresa (Hausken) Sharkey**

1980

Class Representative - **John Bley**



Randy Knuston '80 was ordained into the Episcopal Priesthood by Bishop Barry Beisner on April 25, 2015, in Sacramento, Calif. He has taken a joint call in Ft. Bragg, Calif., to St. Michael's Episcopal Church and Trinity Lutheran Church (ELCA). This is part of a new shared ministry of both of these congregations that will maintain their separate buildings and identities in this North Coast California town in Mendocino county. Randy will be called as a Priest in Charge at St. Michael's by Bishop Barry Beisner of the Episcopal Diocese of Northern California and serve as Pastor to Trinity by Bishop Mark Holmerud of the Sierra Pacific Synod (ELCA).

1981

Class Representatives - **Dean and Susan (Lee) Phillips**

Richard Seymour '81 died Jan. 3, 2015.

1982

Class Representative - **vacant**

1983

Class Representative - **Dave Olson**

Mike Larson '83 was named Realtor of the Year for Tacoma-Pierce County. He is the owner and designated broker at Allen Realtors in Lakewood, Wash.

1984

Class Representative - **Mark Christofferson**

1985

Class Representatives - **Janet (Olden) Regge and Carolyn (Plochasky) Stelling**

Kathleen Martin '85 has been accepted into actress Lindsay Wagner's Advanced Acting Retreat for the summer of 2015 in Victoria, B.C. Kathleen had submitted a videotape monologue to Lindsay, wherein she performed a scene from her screenplay that she wrote on elder abuse.

1986

Class Representative - **David Carlson**

1987

Class Representatives - **John Carr and Lisa Ottosen**

Julie Nelson '87 recently celebrated her 50th birthday.

1988

Class Representative - **Brenda Ray Scott**

1989

Class Representative - **Brendan Rorem**

1990

Class Representatives - **Erik Benson**



Jack Hatley '90 and his wife, Francine, owners of Whiskey Ridge Brewing Co., have moved operations from Darrington to Arlington, Wash.

1991

Class Representative - **Jim Morrell**



Karl Swenson '91 and fellow Lutes **Mary (Laitinen) Keelan '92, Mary Marsh '92 and Karen (Lee) Young '92** chartered a catamaran around the British Virgin Islands.

Erick Swenson '91 was nominated by the Washington State Chefs Association to compete in the American Culinary Federation's Chef of the Year semifinal

competition. Erick placed third in the Western Region, which consisted of 13 states, Guam and the Philippines.

1992

Class Representative – **Rebecca Benson**



Linda (Hollandsworth) Toycen '92 died June 6, 2015.

1993

Class Representative – **Barbara (Murphy) Hesner**



Kristy (Austin) LaCrosse '93 started her own business, Have a Happy, which will sell quality goods and apparel with the long-term goal to employ individuals on the autism spectrum. Website: www.haveahappy.net.

1994

Class Representatives – **Catherine (Overland) Hauck** and **Dan Lysne**

1995

Class Representative – **Janet (Huss) Nelson**

1996

Class Representatives – **Steve** and **Kimberly (Nadon) Lelfsen**

1997

Class Representatives – **Andy** and **Stephanie (Merle) Tomlinson**

1998

Class Representative – **Vacant**

1999

Class Representative – **David Potts**

2000

Class Representative – **Brian Vertrees**



Brooke Mattox '00 married Larry Ball on April 11, 2015, in Tacoma, Wash.

Nancy (Lambert) Bradish '00 was appointed the new principal of Kennedy Catholic High School.

2001

Class Representatives – **Brianne (McQuaig) Vertrees**

2002

Class Representatives – **Nicholas Gorne** and **Brian Rihs**



Eric Thienes '02 married Jessica Niederer on Sept. 7, 2014, in Columbia, Mo., and graduated with a Ph.D. in Classical Studies from the University of Missouri on May 16, 2015.

2003

Class Representative – **Elisabeth (Pynn) Himmelman**



Alyse (Bruce) Van Scoyoc '03 married Jason Van Scoyoc on Nov. 8, 2014, in Hillsboro, Ore.

2004

Class Representative – **Tamara Lynn Schaps**

Lt. Michael Ellison '05 was selected as the Naval Education and Training Command Officer Instructor of the Year.

2005

Class Representative – **Micheal Steele**

Heather Gillespie '05 graduated from Gonzaga University with a master's in Communication and Leadership in May 2014. She now serves as the bookstore director at Dakota State University.

2006

Class Representative – **Jenna (Steffenson) Ser**



Benjamin Rasmus '06 married Heather Hoffman on July 3, 2015, in Minneapolis. Lutes in attendance included **Ricky Buchanan '07** and **Mariesa Griffith Bus '06**.

2007

Class Representatives – **John McClimans** and **Kaarin Praxel Austin**

2008

Class Representatives – **Christy Olsen Field** and **Courtney Stringer**

2009

Class Representatives – **Maren (Anderson) Johnson** and **Amy Spieker**



Mitch Dietz '09 was honored as one of the "30 under 30" real-estate agents internationally for Coldwell Banker.

2010

Class Representative – **Jillian Foss**



Alexis (Kaullen) Stillman '10 married Bryce Stillman on April 11, 2015, in Tacoma, Wash. Lutes in attendance included **Eric Griebenow '11**, **Brittany (Reed) Menday '10** and **Katie Ford '11**. Pastor Nancy Connor officiated.

2011

Class Representatives – **Caroline Olsen**, **Adam Story** and **Lynsey Tveit**



Bryan Miles '11 married Daniel O'Brien on Nov. 15, 2014, in Newbury, England. He also has the privilege of performing in the BBC Proms at the Royal Albert Hall in London with the BBC National Chorus of Wales.

2012

Class Representatives – **Kelvin Adams** and **Caitlyn Jackson**

2013

Class Representatives – **Taylor Astel** and **Anna Milliren**



Shelby Daly '13 graduated from California Baptist University with a master's degree in Science Athletic Training. She also passed the Board of Certification exam for athletic training.

2014

Class Representatives – **Katie Curtis**, **Tommy Flanagan** and **Anna McCracken**

2015

Class Representatives – **Vacant**



Morgan Woods '15 is continuing PLU's commitment to service and the Earth by leaving for an 11-month, 11-country Christian mission trip called The World Race.

FUTURE LUTES

1992



Carey (Jennings) Sketchley '92 and her husband, Michael, welcomed daughter Grace Elizabeth Sketchley in October 2014. She joins big brothers Luke and Peter.

2000



Rich Kuehn '00 and his wife, Julie, welcomed son Jacob Russell Wilson Kuehn on March 7, 2015. He joins big sisters Haylie and Natalie.

2002



Tiffany (Stone) Cook '02 and her husband, Timothy, welcomed son Torin Joseph Cook on Oct. 26, 2014. He joins big brother T.J. and big sister Sophia.

2005

Molly (Marten) Hill '05 and her husband, Dustin, welcomed daughter Pepper Ann Hill on April 14, 2015.



Felise (Lambert) ZanderConn '05 and her husband, Quinn, welcomed daughter Isla Virginia ZanderConn on April 20, 2015.

2006



Emily (O'Leary) Barker '06 and her husband, Joel, welcomed son Paxson Theodore Barker on May 21, 2015.



Laura RuudJones '06 and **Justin RuudJones '06** welcomed twins Desmond and Kendra RuudJones, born Jan. 28, 2015.

2009



Erik Kramer '07 and **Allison (Tompkins) Kramer '09** welcomed son Luke Russell Kramer on April 5, 2015.



Tawnya (Curtis) Schwartzentrub '09 and her husband, Arthur, welcomed son Ethan Curtis Schwartzentrub, born in January 2015. He joins big brother Gavin.



Blair (Brodie) Resare '09 and **Ben Resare '09** welcome twin boys Noah Brodie Resare and Liam Brodie Resare, born April 23, 2015. They join big brother Samuel. □

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IN MEMORIAM

1939

Mary (Bergman) Gurney '39 died March 11, 2015.

1949

James Howard Davis '49 died May 28, 2015.

1950

Evangeline (Ordahl) Billingsley '50 died June 10, 2015.

1952

Elaine (Simons) Molter '52 died June 13, 2015.

1953

James H. Nogleberg '53 died April 14, 2015.

1955

Doris (Hansen) Butler '55 died May 15, 2015.

1962

David Bottemiller '62 died April 24, 2014.

1963

Gene Black '63 died July 2, 2014.

1969

Bonnie Kay McLeod Salter '69 died May 17, 2015.

John Douglas Anderson '69 died April 11, 2015.

James Swarat '69 died May 25, 2015.

1970

Nancy (Sachs) McMullen '70 died May 18, 2015.

1981

Richard Seymour '81 died Jan. 3, 2015.

1992

Linda (Hollandsworth) Toycen '92 died June 6, 2015.

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WHEN 125s COLLIDE

On May 5—which just happens to be the 125th day of the year (!)—dozens and dozens of Kinesiology majors and faculty performed 125 fitness activities on Foss Field ... while forming the number 125. PLU President Thomas W. Krise attended, as did Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs Steven Starkovich, and PLU photographer/superhero John Froschauer scaled tall buildings in a single bound (more or less) to capture it all. “The event itself took much planning and organization,” said Kevin De Jong, vice president of PLU’s Kinesiologists of the Future Club. “But after hours of discussion and one dress rehearsal, it seemed to fit together well. It was a fun time of movement and celebration in honor of Pacific Lutheran University’s 125th anniversary.”

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