



Severtson

Severtson returns after operation

By Kristen Buckley
Mast news editor

Something was missing as professors and new students lined up in front of Olson Auditorium Tuesday morning to mark the beginning of another school year with the traditional procession to convocation.

The familiar figure of Erv Severtson looked on from his home near the PLU golf course, missing this year's opening after emergency heart surgery sidelined him in early August. And he was missed — as noted by PLU President Loren Anderson during the ceremony.

Severtson, vice president and dean of Student Life, is 'eager to return' to work at PLU next week on a part time basis, six weeks into his recovery from bypass surgery.

A member of the PLU community since 1966, Severtson had spent up to 80 hours a week in teaching and administration positions while maintaining "extraordinarily good health." He said the sick leave for his August surgery was the first time he had taken time off for illness during his PLU tenure.

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photo by Jim Keller

Student workers Jeremy Savage and Nick Marvais serve pizza during the Bistro's Grand Opening Wednesday.

Pizza now served at The Bistro

By Ben Moore
Mast co-editor

"The Bistro" is no longer just a fancy European name for a restaurant; it is now the figurehead of Food Services' movement towards change.

The new pizza place and Starbucks coffee shop are just part of the changes Food Services has made for the 1994-95 year. Assistant Director of Food Service Erin McGinnis explained that the changes began with the shift in management last year, and the new ideas started when McGinnis and a team of six Food Services managers decided to close the Columbia Center.

"We needed some way that students could get what they wanted, like pizza and hamburgers every night," McGinnis said.

Students can use their meal card to get a personal pizza or a variety of other items at The Bistro rather

than going to the University Center for the traditional buffet dinner.

While The Bistro is taking care of the need for pizza at night and deli and salad entrees during the day, the Coffee Shop and the UC Commons have been rearranged to provide the rest of the services.

Students can use their meal card at the Coffee Shop to get meals such as hamburgers, grilled chicken sandwiches and other options.

The UC will now have options such as a rotating pasta bar, potato bar and hamburger bar every day. A new look is also apparent as McGinnis has also replaced much of the food preparation staff. The new team of cooks will share new creative expertise as well preparing meals that are more health conscious.

The times of the UC have also been changed to better conform to students' scheduling needs. The commons is now open from 7 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. serving food all day. In

the mornings from 9:15 to 10:30 a.m. there will be a continental breakfast, and from 2:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. a soup, salad and sandwich lunch is available.

In the first few days of operation, McGinnis has seen some positive reaction from people who have used the new scheme.

"We've gotten quite a bit of support from the university and the students. We hope to keep it that way and that is why I really want people to tell me what they think," McGinnis said.

McGinnis stressed that she wants to hear any type of complaints from the quality of the food down to if the lines are too long.

Students can also purchase pizzas to be delivered from The Bistro, running the former Uncle Bob's Pizza. They are having a contest to rename the business and ideas can be submitted to The Bistro. For more information on The Bistro or pizza delivery call x7391.

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Mast facelift first in nation

The Mast was awarded first place in the nation last spring in the area of redesign from the Student Society of Newspaper Design. The redesign was accomplished last summer by Stacia Gaston, co-editor.

Last year the Mast decided to update its look with the creation of a new design and layout style. The project included defining goals, evaluating current design and meeting with the staff to get feedback. The final design was approved at the staff retreat in the fall and implemented throughout last year.

The contest was sponsored by The School of Journalism at the University of Missouri.

Graduation applications due Sept. 23

Students completing a degree this fall need to have their graduation applications in by Sept. 23. Graduation is Dec. 10.

Interim pastors feel at home in new posts

By Mike Lee
Mast staff reporter

It's back to school for Joanna Robinson and Don Clinton this year, back to the books and students and questions that will face them as the newest members of campus ministry.

The new duo replaces the longtime husband and wife team of Martin Wells and Susan Briehl who announced their resignations last spring after being appointed directors of the Holden Village retreat center. Campus pastor Dan Erlander remains with interim pastors Robinson and Clinton through December. At that point, he too will leave PLU and concentrate on writing and a part time ministry on Whidbey Island.

Duties of the new staff are much the same as in years past: pastoral counseling, leading worship sessions and chapels and interacting with students. Robinson and

Clinton, however, are filling temporary terms and will not be back next fall.

For Robinson, 33, the campus ministry post is a return to academia and a return to PLU, where she graduated in 1983 with economics major and a religion minor.

"One of the real influences (on) me was the environment of PLU as a place where dialogue between faith and reason was encouraged. That was really freeing to me," said Robinson, who was looking for a place where she could expand beyond what she felt were the restrictive views of high school friends.

Since she was 5 years old, Robinson has spent all but three years of her life either in schools such as PLU and Luther Northwestern Seminary or working with students. Most recently, she completed her

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photo by Mike Lee

Joanna Robinson and Don Clinton are excited to be working on a college campus. They want to be available to interact with students and staff. Robinson recently finished her Masters of Education at UPS, and Clinton was called out of retirement for the interim post.

CAMPUS

SIDEWALK TALK

Question:

What has been your favorite part of new student orientation?



"The initiation- it was a great way to bond with the other freshmen. Some people think it's scary, but I think it's really fun."

Patrick Ryan
Freshman



"All of the people- I've been meeting lots of people, and everyone is friendly."

David Robinson
Freshman



"I really liked the Dog-Patch Olympics because I was getting to know and work with other freshman from my dorm"

Aimee VonGuenther
Freshman



"My favorite part was getting to know the people I met at the June orientation."

Mark Lofdahl
Freshman commuter

BRIEFLY

Freshman class

Out of a total of 3380 students enrolled at PLU this semester, 564 of them are freshman, an 11.7% increase from the number of freshman last year.

The average SAT score of the freshman class is 1030, while last year's freshman class had an SAT average of 1006.

There are 359 transfer students, a 2.9% increase from last year.

The percentage of ethnic students has increased from 12% last year to 14% this year.

More senators needed

The ASPLU Senate has eight positions left out of the 17 needed for a full Senate.

Twelve votes are needed to form a quorum, which is necessary to approve programming board expenses over \$2000.

"I'm confident that the quota will be met by the first meeting," said ASPLU Vice President and Senate facilitator, Nikki Plaid.

Some of the open positions include new student senators, clubs and organizations senators and one international student senator.

Those interested should contact Nikki Plaid at x7840.

Nursing Courses Begin

PLU's Center for Continued Nursing Learning will give classes on "Leadership Skills for the '90s" and "Nursing Care in the Home Health Arena".

The leadership course offers three all-day sessions Sept. 15, Oct. 20 and Nov. 10.

The home health care course meets on Sept. 21 and 28, Oct. 19, Nov. 9 and Dec 7.

For further information call 535-7683.

SAFETY BEAT

Friday, August 26

• Items were reported missing from the Elliot Press print shop. There was not a forced entry. There are no suspects at this time. Items were worth \$500.

Saturday, August 27

• Graffiti was found on the restroom walls and stalls in the University Center. There are no suspects at this time.

Tuesday, August 30

• A janitor reported that a door at the ROTC's Lee house had been left open and the house looked as if it had been intruded. Campus Safety responded, but nothing seemed to be stolen.

Thursday, Sept. 1

• An Audio Services worker backed a van into a light pole, causing \$300 damage to the light pole and \$250 damage to the van.

Saturday, Sept. 3

• A student reported that her ex-boyfriend had taken her car without permission. The Pierce County Sheriff's Department was notified, responded and took a report.

Sunday, Sept. 4

• A student fell and got a bloody nose. Pierce County Fire and Rescue responded but was unable to stop the bleeding. He was transported to St. Clare hospital, treated and released.

• A Foss student failed to evacuate during a fire alarm. Campus Safety cited the student. The incident will be handled by Student Conduct.

Monday, Sept. 5

• A student injured his shoulder while making a pyramid in the Dog Patch Olympics. Campus Safety responded and treated his injury. He was advised to see Health Services.

• A night custodian had heart problems while working at the library loading dock. Pierce County Fire and Rescue responded, provided treatment and transported him to St. Joseph's hospital.

Tuesday, Sept. 6

• Campus Safety officers found a student's truck broken into and the stereo missing. The estimated damage is \$500. There are no suspects at this time.

• A professor reported that she had collided with a student's car.

• A student reported that his car had been broken into while parked adjacent to Delta Hall. Estimated value exceeds \$1,000.

Fire Alarms

August 26, 1:38 p.m. Ramstad; cause undetermined
August 26, 1:57 p.m. Alumni House; fire alarm malfunction
August 27, 3:11 p.m. Ramstad; caused by dust
September 1, 8:24 p.m. Pflueger; caused by a large moth
September 3, 7:34 p.m. Foss; maliciously pulled
September 4, 9:17 p.m. Harstad; cause undetermined
September 7, 12:10 a.m. Tingelstad; caused by burnt popcorn

FOOD SERVICES

Saturday, Sept. 10

Breakfast:
Scrambled Eggs
Canadian Bacon
Apple Pancakes

Lunch:
Chili
Polish Sausage
Breakfast Menu

Dinner:
Spaghetti Bar

Sunday, Sept. 11

Brunch:
Hot Cereal
French Toast
Sausage Links

Dinner:
Mashed Potatoes
Fried Chicken
Vegetable Pita

Monday, Sept. 12

Breakfast:
Fried Eggs
Sausage Patties
Pancakes

Lunch:
Cheese Enchiladas
Meatloaf
Onion Rings

Dinner:
Egg Foo Young
Sweet and Sour Pork
Fresh Vegetables

Tuesday, Sept. 13

Breakfast:
Omelettes
Waffles

Lunch:
Corn
Chicken Strips
Pasta Primavera

Dinner:
Pizza Night
Pasta Bar

Wednesday, Sept. 14

Breakfast:
Apple Pockets
Fried Ham

Lunch:
Chicken Sandwich
Vegetable Stir Fry
Burger Bar

Dinner:
Chicken Fajitas
Tacos
Mexi Fries

Thursday, Sept. 15

Breakfast:
Waffles
Pastry

Lunch:
Cheese Ravioli
Gyros
Fresh Zucchini

Dinner:
Spaghetti Bar

Friday, Sept. 16

Breakfast:
French Toast
Potato Cubes

Lunch:
Chicken Cacciatore
Roman Rice
Fettucini Alfredo

Dinner:
Clam Strips
Eggplant
Steak
Broccoli

CAMPUS

Tingelstad transforms into modern residence hall

By Ben Moore
Mast co-editor

It looks different. It smells different. It even feels different.

'It' is Tingelstad, and it is sporting a new look this year. Along with the new paint and new furniture, all that is left to become a completely new hall, is a little TLC.

Greg Monrad, Tingelstad Hall Coordinator, hopes the changes will breed a new attitude in the hall, making students more conscious of the condition of the dorm.

"I'm already seeing it. People are paying more attention to moving in," Monrad said. "I'm hoping to see a lot more of it."

While the new students are definitely excited, Monrad said the most surprised residents were the returners who didn't expect to see such drastic changes in their dorm.

The differences the incoming residents may have noticed around the building are the new paint, new carpet, new lounge furniture and florescent lighting in the hallways. In the past, vision in the hallways after dark was hard to come by.

"The women especially like the

lighting in the hallways. They like the idea of being able to see the keyholes so they can open their door when they come home late at night," Monrad said.

In the rooms, overhead lights were added as well as all new furniture including bunkable beds and moveable desks and dressers.

In each hall lounge, the tiered seating was removed to make it easier to comply with fire codes and make it possible for the new furniture to be added.

There is a new look on the main floor of Tingelstad as well. The front desk was moved off to the west side of the lounge rather than sitting in the middle of the room like a turret.

According to Monrad, they hope to get furniture for the lobby in a few weeks and set up a sitting area for people to rest their feet. Two projects still pending are new garbage chutes and new 27-inch televisions for each of the four halls.

Tingelstad is in the process of getting permits to work on a new garbage chute that would run down the center stairwell rather than on the sides.



Photo by Jim Keller

The rooms in Tingelstad have been completely renovated to include moveable desks, dressers and bunkable beds.

Menzel accepts interim position

By Kristen Buckley
Mast news editor

Starting the new school year means stepping into a new role for Paul Menzel, professor of philosophy at PLU for 23 years.

After the resignation of Robert Wills from the position of provost and an unsuccessful campaign to find a replacement last spring, Menzel accepted the provost search committee's offer to fill in as interim provost last May.



Interim Provost Menzel

Organized after Wills' resignation in December, "the (search) committee was not in high gear until January," said Menzel. "A pool of finalists was not reached until late April... it just got too late (in the year)," he said.

The search committee is getting a good start with the candidate process this fall, Menzel said.

Menzel hopes to tie up loose ends and bring closure to some of the issues that the administration has dealt with over the past few years to pave the way for the new provost next year.

In focusing on completion and extension of existing university issues, Menzel said that "part of my goal is to dovetail with larger university goals."

One of the issues is to decide in what direction PLU is moving for the future.

"PLU wants a reputation, but we need to figure out what we want this reputation to be."

"We need to clearly define ourselves and what we are aiming at," he said. "We know

for certain that we must be very high quality... expensive private schools have to be."

Another goal for Menzel has to do with the a new category being placed on some private schools which have professional programs.

These schools are referred to as the New American Colleges, and PLU claims to be included as one of these schools.

The New American Colleges are characterized by their individualized professional programs. They differ from the traditional liberal arts colleges that try to offer a little bit of everything to their students. The New American Colleges are highly specialized.

"In the next five years we need to become highly focused and not spread ourselves too thin," Menzel said. "Students love the choices, but would rather have less choice and more resources."

For this year, Menzel hopes to keep the high level of excitement that he sees in the students this year by continuing to acknowledge their importance.

"They are our first priority," he said, "we've always known it, but now we are bringing it outside of the classroom."

RHC reconvenes with new exec

By Scott Lester
Mast senior reporter

Residential Hall Council Executive Chair Taylor Swendsen, a would-be-junior will not be returning to PLU for the 94-95 academic year.

Elected by old and new campus hall presidents last Spring, former Evergreen Hall President Swendsen found it financially impossible to return this year. His withdrawal from the RHC executive position has left Kim Phillips, a junior and elected vice-chair, filling his role.

The unfilled vice-chair position is an elected position by the 11 hall council presidents on campus. According to the 1993 revised and

reviewed RHC constitution, in the event that a RHC executive chair cannot fulfill the position, the vice-chair takes over and hall presidents review nominations and cast ballots for the new vice-chair.

Greg Monrad, the Tingelstad Coordinator and advisor for RHC said that it was upsetting that

Swendsen could not return but was certain that Phillips would do an excellent job.

Phillips, a transfer from Ricks College in Idaho last year, feels confident and comfortable with the position. She has confirmed that she will be in close contact with

Swendsen throughout the year citing that, "it is just as much his term as it is mine."

Phillips plans to continue



Taylor Swendsen

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OPINION

EDITORIAL

Putting the service back in Food Services

Food Services has been a name which has caused many students to cringe over the years at PLU. Now we can see the service is dedicated to change. Every year, complaints plague the area where students gather in herds to graze on the latest concoction thrown in front of them.

A new year is ahead for Food Services. They are finally trying some new ideas that might or might not work, but no one can determine if they will unless an effort is made.

In the past, there have been parts of management in Food Services which have been opposed to change, simply because that was the way it had always been.

College is all about choices. When students go to college, they can get away from things they don't like. Curfews, parental rules and certain foods are all things from which new students escape when they come to college. They don't want to eat spinach for dinner anymore; they would rather have pizza three times a week. Why? Because it is their choice. It is all part of the college experience.

The food service program has now chosen to honor those choices by giving the students the most popu-

lar meals(see page one for Food Services story). I can remember times when a popular menu item would be offered; it was not worth the wait in line to get inside. Now the UC should have a more consistent flow of people, as more appealing options are offered every day.

There are also new meal times. We all know this is not a traditional society anymore, and this is certainly not a traditional campus. PLU does not train students, male or female, to have dinner ready for their families by 5 p.m. every day. Instead, students learn to carry their career, student and activity responsibilities first and eat dinner around that schedule rather than creating their schedule around mealtimes. Now students can eat on their schedule, not the UC's.

Food Services is no longer a rock standing alone in the winds of change. They have shown they are listening and are willing to work with their customers instead of always forcing them to take it and like it.

—Ben Moore

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Take a ride with survival tips for new and old

Do any of you like the taste of orange peels? I mean, they kind of hurt your mouth, but it's not an excruciating pain or anything. Whatever the case, welcome back to good ol' PLU! Or, welcome to PLU if this is your first time here. Whether new or old, I thought it might be helpful to provide a little guide on how you can get through the year without losing your hair.

#1. Never let 'em see you sweat. Who's 'em? I have no idea, but if 'em sees you sweat, Your life will be worth less than a used PLU book.

#2. Buy a VCR. Melrose Place and 90210 come on only once a week each. Now I know this next part sounds hard to believe, but sometimes, sometimes, you might be doing homework or something naughty and miss the show. Shhhh, it could happen to anyone. With VCR in hand you're always safe. Besides, with "nine-0" on tape, you can pause and measure the length of Dillan's scar on his eyebrow.

#3. NEVER stare directly into that statue in front of Tinglestad. Just don't.

#4. DO THE PUYALLUP (those who know me, know that's a plug).

#5. Only take out two pieces of dessert from the UC. Now don't fight this one. The rule is really there for your own health.

#6. Don't go walking around with an English accent just because you think it makes you

sound sexy. People see through that kind of stuff. They will know you're faking it and will probably start calling you names like "Herb Stupid Face" or "Bryan Crumpe Brains." Those wounds cut deep. (Of course, I'm just guessing on all this).

#7. Give the folks around you a treat and slap on some deodorant. If it's been a while, don't worry, there's nothing to be afraid of, no matter how chalky or gel-like it may seem. Just don't put too much on. I've done that before, and it stings more than a PLU SloppyJoel!

#9. Stop it with the Dorothy Hammel haircuts, already. Face the facts that they have gone out of style! Deal with it! Note: "Deal with it," is a direct quote from Brenda Walsh!

#10. No matter how much you like to chew on the skin of your fingers, let up once in a while. Your skin needs this valuable recovery time to grow



THE HERB
By Bryan Herb

new flesh. Does anyone else hate the word flesh? I just think it sounds kind of morbid and somehow always conjures up images of chicken skin. I guess we all have our crosses to bare, now don't we?

#11. Watch "Carmen Sandiego" at 10:30 am Saturdays on Fox. You can learn neat stuff.

For instance, I learned that an ARCHIPELAGO is a group of islands like the Philippines or Hawaii. Cool, huh?

#12. If your butt itches, scratch it! Try not to be embarrassed because whether they admit it or not, we have all had an itchy butt at one time or another. Let me be the first to publicly say, I HAVE! And I'm darn proud! What I have learned is that it's worth scratching away and being a little bit embarrassed but relieved than spending minutes to hours in discomfort, obsessed with how itchy your butt is!

These 12 little tips are guaranteed to help you make the most of your time at PLU. Just pay no attention to that man behind the curtain, Dorothy, and hang on for the best broomstick ride you have ever had.

Bryan Herb is a senior who likes Bad Cats and The Shadow.

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O&A

Out

and

About

There is a lot to do; you simply have to look

While gazing out the window of my roommate's 1985 Buick Skylark, I began to wonder about how my days would be spent during another year at PLU, and if there was going to be enough for everyone to do.

Sure, most of my free time is spent running amuck through Hong looking for mischief on PLU's "information superhighway" or consuming vast quantities of Mountain Dew. But I can't help but wonder, is there anything else I can do?

And what about you? Is there enough out there to keep you entertained, or are you going to end up as bored as I am?

Pondering this, I started to examine the various entertainment alternatives for us, Lutes.

Consider, for example, the fairs and festivals that are relatively close by.

Some of you may have ventured to the Bumbershoot Festival last weekend. The event took place at the Seattle Center and offered arts, crafts, food and music. It was a pretty good alternative to hunting for extra bed frames or buying ultra-expensive books.

Then, starting today, you can participate in one of the biggest fairs on the West coast: the Puyallup Fair. The fair not only features the same fun-filled activities Bumbershoot did, it also has barnyard wildlife and a pen full of colorful plastic balls you can romp around in.

You can be assured that you will have a great time. The fair always



IMPORTANT JUNK
By Justin Sloan

gets rave reviews from Lutes.

For those of us that find it more exciting to lounge rather than lunge

into finding things to do, there's always the Games Room in the UC. The center features such great money-sucking options as billiards, ping-pong and (my personal favorite) Street Fighter II.

My advice to you: Get involved in something that requires minimal effort, like becoming a disc jockey for KCCR.

And, watch out! Once in a while, there may be an activity that actually comes out and grabs you.

For example, ASPLU has nearly three decades of fun planned during Homecoming Week, from Greg Brady to '90s music at the Homecoming Dance.

And, keep your eyes peeled for other stimulating activities.

If you get tired of hanging around on-campus, you could always cruise

down Garfield Street and find something amusing.

Or, if you are hungry, you could indulge in some of the great fast food featured at various eateries in the Parkland-Spanaway area. Or, you could even hang with real Parkland Youth at the Parkland-Spanaway Library.

All things considered, there actually is stuff to do around these parts: it just depends on what you want to do.

Me, I'm perfectly content with Mountain Dew and mischief.

You, on the other hand, may want to rock out, eat out, pet things at a fair, or just hang loose in the Lutedome. Whatever your pleasure, be sure to have fun.

Justin Sloan is a sophomore who enjoys dusting and vacuuming... Not!

Students to clean house for charity

By Vicky Young Schauer
Mast intern

A van load of PLU students are to spend today cleaning house.

Not their own home, though. They will be participating in a Day of Caring.

The day-long event, sponsored by the Tacoma United Way, pulls volunteers from different organizations throughout the Tacoma area to assist non-profit organizations.

"It's about people working together to help people," said Dana Endicott, United Way Day of Caring Coordinator.

Over 500 volunteers from 51 organizations will participate in different projects county-wide, said Endicott, a 1992 PLU graduate.

Similar "Days of Caring" will be held in other counties across the state.

While the program is now in its third year, today's project marks

PLU's first involvement in the program.

"The Day of Caring should be fun for everyone involved," said Carly Gunn, co-director of the volunteer center. "It's also good publicity to get people's minds turned towards volunteer work."

The students plan to spend the day painting, cleaning and gardening at Faith Home in Tacoma. The Faith Home houses women with small children from the Tacoma area while they complete job training and vocational programs.

While slightly disappointed by the limited turnout, Oney Crandall, director of PLU's Public Services center, said it couldn't be helped: PLU had nothing to do with holding the event during the traditionally hectic first week of classes.

"I could still use more people," Crandall said. "The United Way chooses the day for this event each year and this year it happened to be the first Friday of the semester."

For those that can't participate in today's activity, don't worry. There's plenty more to be done.

This is just the beginning of a year full of volunteer projects sponsored by the center, Crandall said.

Gunn already has other ideas for students who want to participate in campus volunteer efforts.

"I'd like to do other projects, like take a group of kids to the Pt. Defiance Zoo," she added.

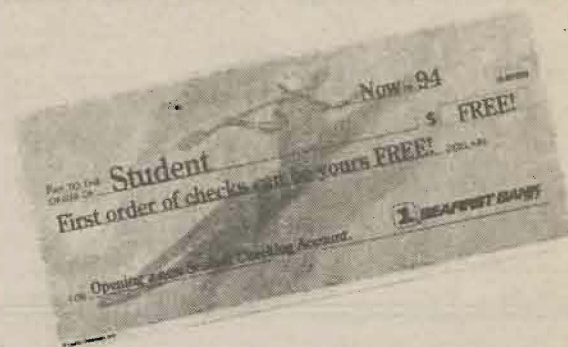
The Day of Caring is just one of many volunteer opportunities offered through the Center for Public Service, said Crandall.

"Groups or individuals are welcome to come to our office and set up volunteer projects," Crandall added. "Day-long projects can be set up for organizations throughout the year."

The Volunteer Center is located on the lower level of the UC, next to the commuter lounge. The center can be reached by telephone, at x8318.

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What's Happening ...

Friday, Sept. 9

The Western Washington Fair at Puyallup begins today and runs through the 25th. The fair is open daily from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. Fair admission is \$7 for adults. Parking is \$4.

The ASPLU Special Events Committee is sponsoring Lute

Vegas, tonight at 7 in Olson Gymnasium. The event features blackjack, roulette, Wheel of Fortune and bingo. There is a cover charge of \$2.

Saturday, Sept. 10

SEEK, a Tacoma-based band made up of PLU alumni, will be performing in the CAVE from 9 p.m. until midnight.

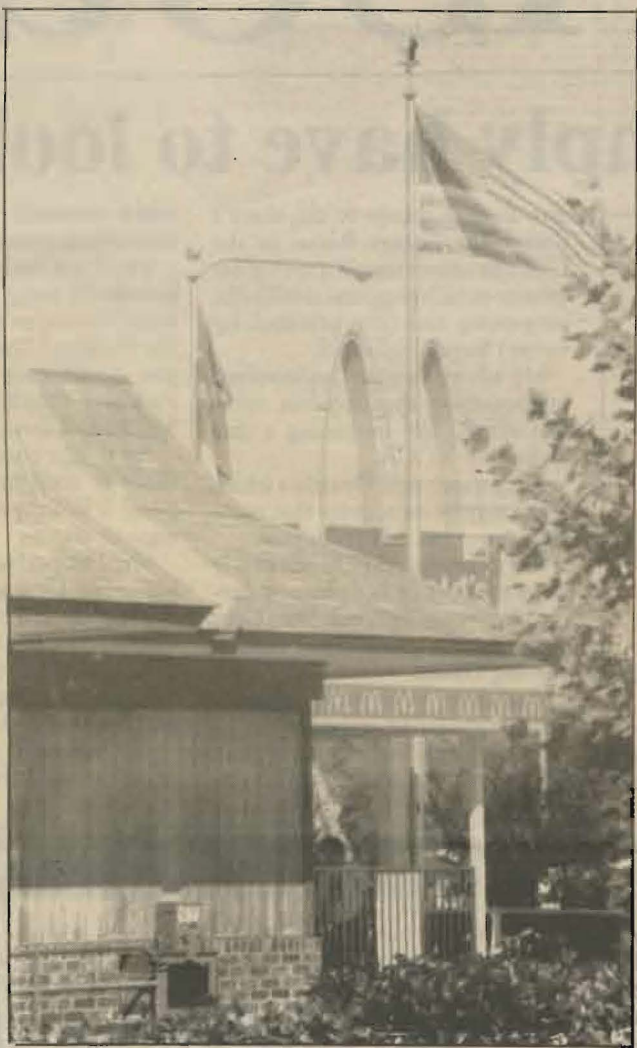
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The PLU Dance Ensemble will be holding auditions from 4 to 5:30 p.m. in the East Campus Gym. No experience is necessary. Regular meetings will be held on Mondays and Wednesdays from 4 to 5:30 p.m. For more information, call the dance office at x7359.

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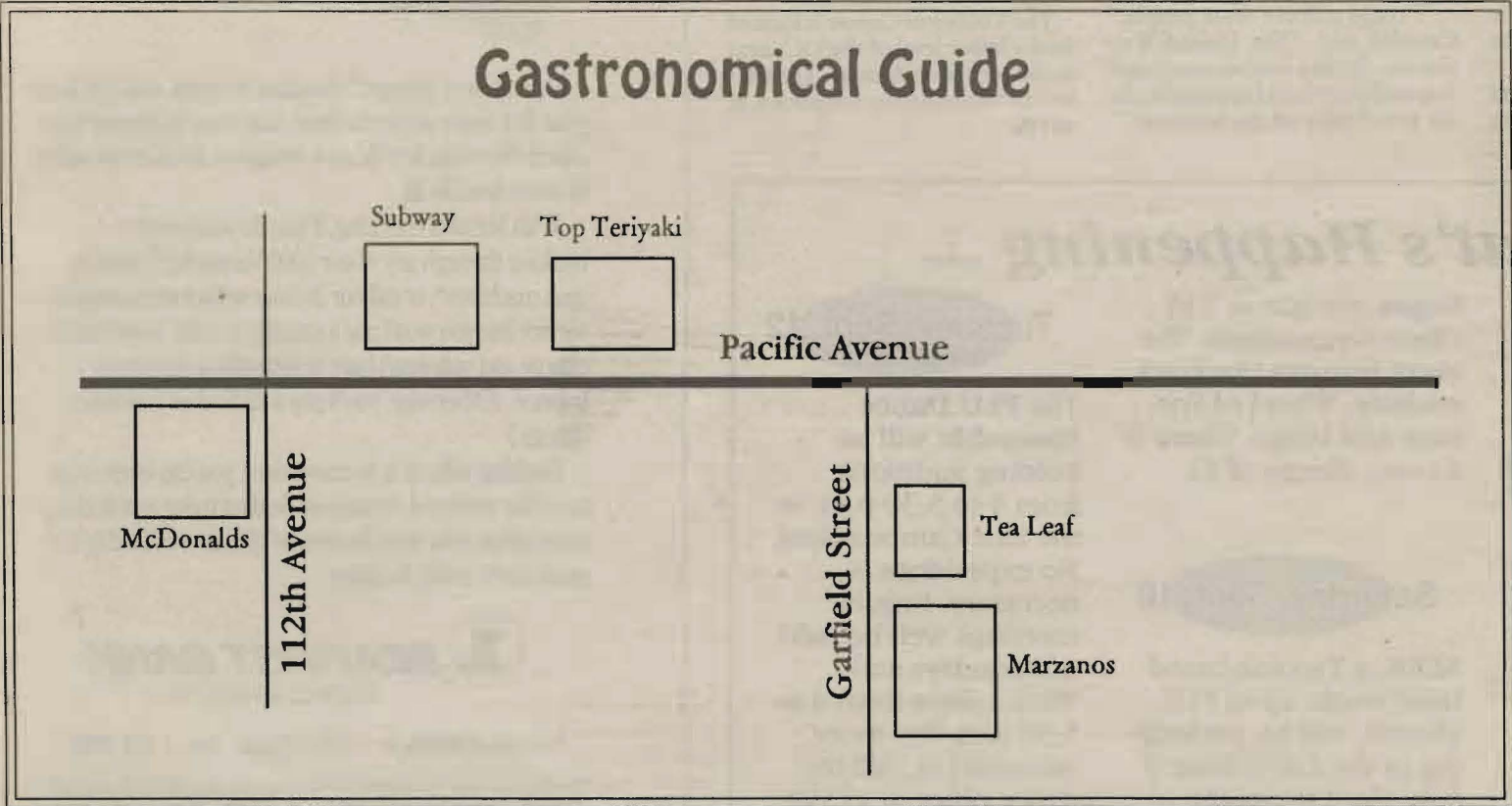
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SPORTS

Lutes try for back-to-back titles

By Matt Telleen
Mast sports editor

Winning the national championship is the goal of every college athletic program. Defending it can be both an honor and a burden.

FOOTBALL

Last season's record: 12-0-1
Next game: Saturday vs. Alumni at Sparks Stadium. Cost is \$2 for adults, \$1 for students and free for students with ID card.

The Lutes must overcome history if they hope to once again finish the season number one. There has never been a repeat champion in the NAIA. Head coach Frosty Westering attributes this to a rebuilding process that teams must go through.

"There's usually a reloading process after you take a group of seniors to the top. We were fortunate to achieve success while still returning 10 starters on defense," said Westering.

The defense will be the key to the Lute's '94 campaign. They will be led by captains Ted Riddall, Albert Jackson, Jason Thiel and Jud Benedick. Riddall was last year's Mt. Rainier League Co-Defensive Player-of-the-Year and a first team All-American at linebacker. He led the team with 21 sacks and four interceptions.

Benedick and John Ruby were also all-conference at linebacker. Honorable mention All-Americans

Jackson and Thiel will anchor the defensive line.

While the defense returns 10 starters, the offense returns only four. Their losses include not only All-American quarterback Marc Weekly but also three starting offensive linemen and PLU's all time scoring leader, running back Chad Barnett.

Senior captain Karl Hoseth will take over as quarterback after two seasons as Weekly's backup. He'll be backed up by freshman Dak Jordan and sophomore Ben Hunt. "They're not runners like Weekly," said Westering. "We'll adapt our offense for what we have."

This year's team won't be as explosive offensively, according to Westering. He said they will concentrate more on running the ball and on shorter passes this season.

The key will be getting the ball to Gavin Stanley and Aaron Tang. Stanley set a PLU record last season with 81 catches and Tang led the team in rushing and receiving yards.

While another undefeated season may be unrealistic, the Lutes hope to make their annual return to the NAIA tournament and possibly their fourth championship since 1980. Westering is ready for stiff competition, with four other teams from PLU's conference ranked in the top 25, including Central Washington, which is ranked third.

The Lutes open against Linfield, ranked seventh nationally. The Lutes tied Linfield last year in the season opener.

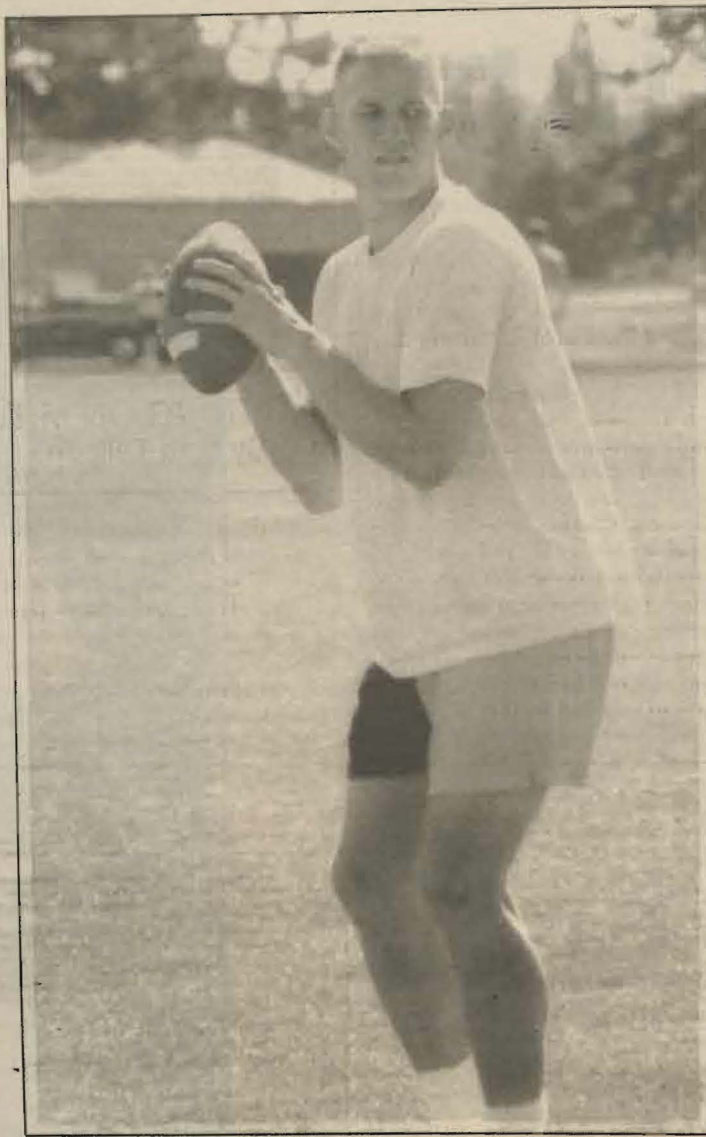


photo by Jim Keller
Quarterback Karl Hoseth warms up for practice. After two years of waiting Hoseth is ready to take over for Marc Weekly.

Women's Soccer again optimistic

By Wes Au
Mast reporter

People who know women's soccer coach Colleen Hacker know how excited she usually gets about her team this time of year—but not this season.

"I'm doubly more excited [about the season] than in the past," Hacker said.

W-SOCCER

Season's record: 1-1
Next game: Today at the PLU Invitational, 1 p.m.

The reason for this is that this season Hacker has seven starters and 14 letter winners returning from last year's squad to go along with what she called the best all-around group of freshman recruits she has ever had.

"The depth of talent of incoming freshmen and the miraculous improvement of the returners is amazing," Hacker said. "There's no ceiling on what this team can accomplish."

Hacker believes the Lutes can return to the level of play that got them to five straight NAIA National Championship matches be-

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Cross Country off and running

By Matt Telleen
Mast Sports Editor

For most college teams, second place in the conference is a solid accomplishment. But with the track record of the PLU cross country teams, second place just won't do.

Both men's and women's teams

finished second last season. Prior to that the men's team had won nine consecutive conference titles and the women had won 12.

But a return to the top won't come easily, according to coach Brad Moore. The conference is closer this season than in the past.

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photo by Jim Keller
Junior forward Jamie Bloomstine attacks the goal from Trinity Western of Canada. A tie at the end of regulation led the Lutes to a win after a shootout.

Soccer adjusts to new faces

After earning a trip to the national tournament two years ago PLU's men's soccer team went into last season with high expectations.

M-SOCCER

Last season's record: 6-10-3
Next game: Saturday vs. Alumni, 1 p.m.

They finished a disappointing 6-10-3, but now the team again has high hopes, though they will be sure to take things one day at a time, said coach Jimmy Dunn.

"It was a J.P. Patches kind of team last season," said Dunn. "It was rare that we had the same starting lineup two games in a row. I didn't have the depth or the wall to wall talent I have this year."

The improvement is largely due to a great recruiting class that includes four European players and three community college transfers.

The star of the newcomers may be Dennis Hillius, a midfielder from Pierce Community College.

"Hillius can be for us what Marc Weekly was for the football team," said Dunn. "He can be an offensive force and a real leader on the field."

Offensively, the Lutes will also look to sophomore Laef Eggen and junior Jamie Bloomstine, the team's

leading scorers last season.

Now that goalkeeper Adam White and defenders Scott Flatness and Chad Halterman have graduated, the Lutes will look for defensive help from two Europeans.

The new goalkeeper will be Rikard Wicksall, a junior from Sweden. Lars Rasmussen, a 25-year-old sweeper from Denmark, should bring experience and stability to the defense that already boasts senior Seth Spidahl who was All-NCIC.

While Wicksall looks to be the starter now, the other three goalies haven't yet established their

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Football

Saturday — vs. Alumni at Sparks Stadium, 7 p.m.

Men's Soccer

Saturday — vs. Alumni, 1 p.m.
Sunday — at Puget Sound, 1 p.m.

Women's Soccer

Today — at PLU Invitational, 2 p.m.
Saturday — at PLU Invitational, 10 a.m.
Sunday — at PLU Invitational, 11 a.m.

Volleyball

Today — at Whitworth Invitational
Saturday — at Whitworth Invitational
Tuesday — vs. Western Washington, 7 p.m.
Wednesday — vs. Lewis and Clark, 7 p.m.

Cross Country

Saturday — at Whitman Invitational, Walla Walla, 11 a.m.

SPORTS

Summer makes student long for Lutedome

Ah the Lutedome. It's good to be back.

It's been a long summer for sports fans. A summer where money stole the headlines and eventually ended the games. A summer where heroes turned to criminals. A summer where sports once again grew too big for its own good, and became more important than life itself.

It will be a great relief to hear an athlete talk of homework instead of salary caps. It's nice to hear a coach say that winning isn't the goal as much as playing the game; and mean it.

If you've read a sports page in the last month you've seen the various charts and graphs that our nations newspapers have invented to keep track of the baseball strike. As I read about everything from the millions of dollars to the millions if hot

dogs the strike is costing the world, I can't believe it's come to this.

Even though the strike was threatened from day one, you had to believe that 28 intelligent owners (or owners with intelligent lawyers) and thousands of intelligent players (or players with intelligent agents) wouldn't allow a salary dispute to cost them all sums of money you and I will probably never deal with.

The strike is as much about egos as it is about real ideas. It's yet another instance where grown men and women need to be grabbed by the collar and locked in a room to talk about the problem that everyone else sees is silly and trivial.

As if the strike wasn't enough to show us idealists that our heroes were mortal, O.J. Simpson became more famous (or infamous) in an hour driving his Bronco than in years of football brilliance for the



RUNNING ON M.T.
By Matt Telleen

Buffalo Bills. We were overwhelmed by the idea that a man who had achieved perfection in one aspect of life could be so horribly flawed in other, far more important aspects.

And when fans stood on street corners and cheered for a man hid-

ing from police with a gun in his hand, I began to wonder about sports role.

If O.J. blurred the lines between sports and life, some Cuban soccer fans (or gamblers) crossed it. When a man is killed for a mistake on the field, sports have not only crossed the line but made me question the very existence of sport.

Had games become too important for our own good? Even I, someone who hopes to make a living out of writing about sports, wondered if we hadn't lost some perspective.

It was this question that weighed heavily on my mind when I returned to the Lutedome. And with a whole sports section waiting to be done and only one person ready to help me do it, I was forced to immediately deal with sports; with athletes and coaches. And in this dealing I saw something amazing.

Here in the Lutedome, athletes aren't just athletes. They're roommates and students and friends. And coaches are also teachers and mentors and guides.

Our athletes aren't idols but people with a certain talent that is admired and appreciated. Not because of money or fame, but because of effort.

Most importantly though, here in the Lutedome, sports are just sports. They're games we play to better ourselves in ways that only sports can. Everything falls back into place and the perspective is regained by the coaches, the athletes; and the writers.

Matt Telleen is a junior who, despite what this column says, takes sports more seriously than any healthy adult.

Volleyball set for new season

By Wes Au
Mast reporter

The 1994 PLU volleyball team looks to be one of the best squads in recent Lute history.

VOLLEYBALL

Last Season record: 14-3
First Game: Friday at Whitworth Invitational.

Fourth-year coach Jerry Weydert describes the team as "much improved" over last year's team, which won him a career high 14 games and placed fourth overall in their conference.

"I feel the program is going to turn the corner this year," Weydert said of the team. "Winning is always a primary goal, but it's the work to get there that's important. They've done a tremendous job of understanding that aspect and making it a reality."

The Lutes return all six of last year's starters and have no seniors this season.

Junior outside hitter Rachelle Snowdon led the team with 486 kills and was an all-district player last season. She was fifth in the NAIA in both kills and digs with 4.91 kills per game and 5.89 digs per game.

Hitting opposite of Snowdon will be sophomore Beth Jayne, who was second on the team in kills and

averaged 5.34 digs as a freshman. Sophomore setter Kim Baldwin led the team with 9.69 assists last season. Other returners are juniors Amie Moudry, Diane Sklow and team captain Melanie Wright.

Two big additions to this year's squad are junior Kristin Goff and freshman Michelle Dunlop. Both play the middle blocker position, a weak spot for the Lutes last season. Both are transfers, Goff from the University of Northern Montana and Dunlop from Central Washington University.

Weydert says that the two new middles and big improvements by returners Moudry and Sklow will improve the entire team.

"The stronger the middles, the stronger the outside hitters will be," Weydert said. "There's been a real battle for the position and there probably will be the rest of the season."

Weydert also believes that additional experience will be reflected in this year's team.

"We're definitely stronger than last year because of experience" he said. "It's very plausible that we'll finish above .500."

The Lutes will play in the Whitworth Invitational this weekend. Weydert expects it to be a good test. The defending national champion team from the University of Puget Sound will be among the 16 entrants.

"They're in really good shape, ready to go, and are confident they can win," Weydert said.

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"We hope to get off to a better start this year," said Moore. "There are four or five teams that could win it. Whitman, Whitworth, Linfield and Willamette are all strong."

The women's team will be led by top runners and captains Turi Widsteen, Jennifer MacDougall and Amy Saathoff. Widsteen, a junior, was the top runner on last year's national qualifying team.

The men's team will be led by captains Destry Johnson and Brian

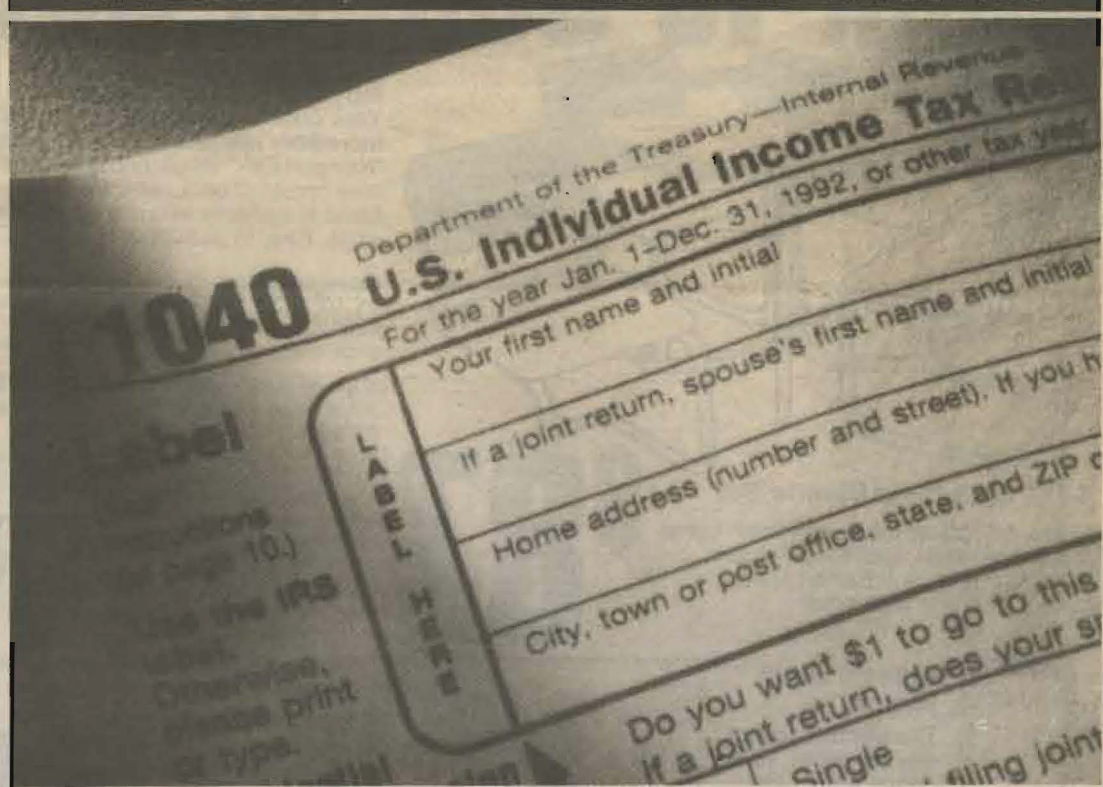
Taylor as well as a solid group of recruits.

The newcomers include Magnus Falk, a transfer from Louisiana Tech and Kevin Bartholemae, who won last week's time trial.

"I was very happy with the times in the time trial. Bartholemae was extremely impressive," said coach Brad Moore.

The teams open with the Whitman Invitational this Saturday.

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tween 1988-1992.

Last season the Lutes went 10-8-1 and failed to get beyond the district playoffs for the first time since 1987.

Hacker said that she has been impressed with the work ethic of the players and believes that such continued effort will put them back over the top.

"They have been working hard on their own, whether it be lifting weights, staying after practice, or in between classes," Hacker said.

Hacker's defense will be led by senior co-captain Jenny Lee. Lee, a three-year starter and 1993 second-team NAIA All-American defender has established herself as one of the most aggressive players in the district.

Senior Lisa Crowder and sophomore Lisa Cole are fighting what

Hacker called "a very positive battle" for the starting goalkeeper position.

This year's offense promises to be more exciting as Hacker has changed the game plan to have more firepower.

The Lute attack will be led by the team's other captain, forward Cathy Marttila and midfielder JoDee Stumbaugh, both juniors.

Marttila led last year's squad with seven goals and four assists while Stumbaugh scored three goals and had three assists.

This season's new game plan has had mixed results early on.

The Lutes have had a chance to experience the effectiveness of their attack, beating the Pac-10's University Of Oregon 2-0 in a scrimmage and smashing Western Baptist 12-0 in their season opener.

Seven individuals scored for the Lutes and the team totaled six assists in the Western Baptist win.

The Lutes also experienced the growing pains of a new scheme run amok in their next game, a 5-0 loss at the feet of Cal State Chico.

"We were wholly within our system in the 12-0 win and took ourselves completely out of our system in the 5-0 loss," Hacker said.

As far as goals for the season, with the vast improvement the Lutes might be looking forward to a return to national contention. Not so, says Hacker of her tight-knit group of players.

"We don't look forward to getting to one particular playoff game, but rather to extending the season one more game and playing the game we love with the people we love."

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"pecking order," according to Dunn.

Jeff Hampson brings stability as a 28-year-old sophomore. David Gonzales returns from last year's team and freshman Rick Sletvold brings an impressive resumé that includes being a member of a Colorado State champion team that made it to the Western Semifinals of the national tournament.

In addition to keeping four goalies, the Lutes also hired a former professional goalie from Scotland in assistant coach Jim Buchan.

He joins invaluable assistant J.D. Haley and replaces last

year's assistant Reese Olay who was hired as the head coach for the University of Puget Sound.

This year's team will have a tough schedule with perennial conference favorite Whitworth as well as Willamette, Pacific and Whitman, which Dunn feels are all strong.

Dunn hopes this year's team will learn lessons that transcend victories and defeats.

"I hope they learn life lessons about dealing with success and failure, experiences they can use off the field in addition to learning the skills on the field."

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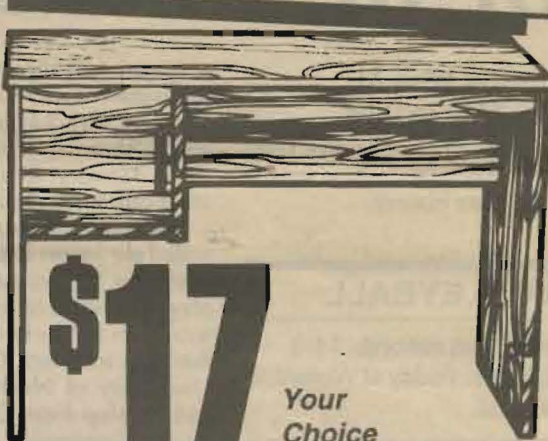
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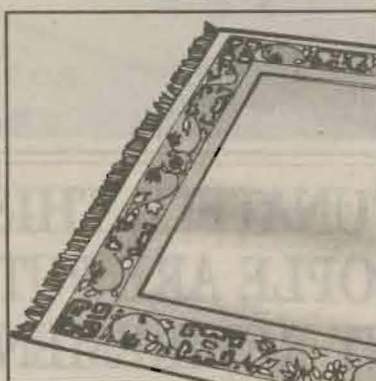
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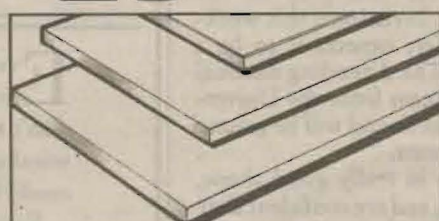
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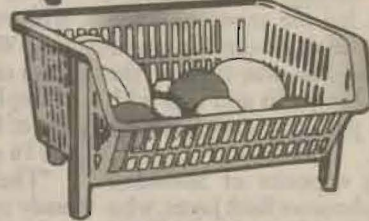
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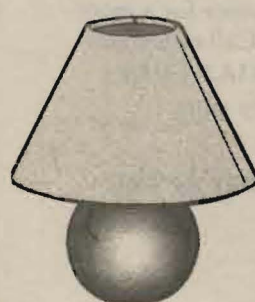
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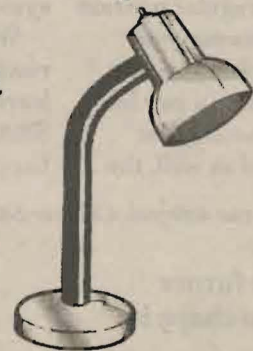
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Violence looms over the Lutedome

By Jamie Anderson
Mast asst. news editor

We hear the whine of police and ambulance sirens all day and night. We never think twice.

We think it's another world, as if those sirens and whatever they're chasing could never penetrate the Lutedome, the bubble that separates PLU from the rest of Parkland in so many of our minds.

But the sirens shouldn't go unnoticed. They're a part of Parkland, and so are we.

Two Spanaway teens were shot and killed while playing an adolescent prank on Friday, August 26.

Robert Forrest and Michael Welden were killed while egging property along 168th St. East in Spanaway, just miles from PLU.

Forrest and Welden, both 17, were going to start their senior year at Spanaway High School last Wednesday.

The two teens had played tennis at PLU on the night of their death. That's when they and two other

classmates decided to go egging for fun.

Not long after they began tossing eggs, a car approached from behind and shots were fired into their car.

Forrest and Welden both died the following morning.

The Pierce County Sheriff's Office has arrested three teens for the murders, according to a (Tacoma) News Tribune article. The accused are all members of an Eastside Tacoma gang known as the OLBZ, Original Loco Boyz, investigators said.

In an unrelated incident, a football jamboree was interrupted by fighting at Bethel High School last Friday, about ten miles from PLU.

Pierce County Sheriff's Deputies took two youths into custody after rival groups of young people were scuffling, cited The Tribune.

The fight started between two non-student gang members, said Gary Jeffers, the defensive coordinator for Spanaway Lake High School football team, one of the

teams in the event.

"It's a shame because all of the kids I work with are great kids," said Jeffers, who is the husband of Ordal Hall Director, Stacy Jeffers. "(the violence) really casts a shadow on the kids at this school."

"It was a scary situation," said Jim Johnson, a Senior PLU student and assistant football coach at Bethel High School. "None of us had ever dealt with that before."

Both Jeffers emphasized the randomness of violent acts and the necessity of people in the community to be hyper-sensitive and cautious at all times.

"PLU is a closed community and it may seem safe, but the community at large is in a lot of turmoil," said Gary Jeffers.

Just how fragile is the bubble that surrounds Luteland?

"So far, nothing has happened," said Campus Safety Director Walt Huston from his office tucked away in the bottom of Harstad.

"But you just never know," he said, emphatically knocking on the

wood surrounding his window sill.

Huston has warned students of the places they should avoid.

He called the transit center on 121st St. across from East Campus "a haven for scumbags."

The Spinning Wheels Roller Palace, the roller rink on 133rd, and Paradise Village Bowl on Pacific Avenue are both known as drug havens, Huston said.

"There are some suspected drug houses in our vicinity," he said.

After a pretty mild summer, one incident that has cropped up last week involved a man following people around in his car, Huston said. Campus Safety has no further information on the individual.

It's unsafe for any individual to be walking around alone at night, Huston said.

The undertone of Huston's advice is, "Be aware and be cautious."

Taking a few precautions may make the difference in where we hear those sirens next.

Campus Safety Crime Prevention

- Use the bus shelter at Park Avenue and Wheeler St. as an alternative to the transit center.

- If you have anything valuable in your car, use a car alarm.

- Don't leave CD's or anything of value lying around in your car.

- Jog in groups no smaller than three to five.

- Don't go out alone at night. Call a Campus Safety at x7441 for an escort or wait for someone else who is going in the same direction you are.

- Get to know the faces in your dorm so you can challenge the presence of those who don't belong.

- Keep your door locked whether you are in or out of your room.

- If you live off-campus, keep parties inside your house to avoid unwanted guests.

Internet makes final connections

By Kelly Davis
Mast senior reporter

After a summer of program development, PLU's Internet committee is prepared to help students and faculty members dive in to a practically infinite list of resources, from the CIA's World Fact Book to the complete works of Shakespeare to a collection of writings titled "nerd humor."

The Internet committee was charged in part with establishing the Internet last spring as an "important instructional and administrative resource for PLU."

Members, including representatives from the faculty, student body, library, computer science department and Computer Center, volunteered their time throughout the summer to create a policy statement and Internet documentation (available in the information desk in the library), and/or to undergo training as mentors. There are now about 50 Internet mentors ready to help those new to the on-line world. A list of names is available on students' new accounts.

Two other important results of the Internet committee efforts are "LYNX" and PLU-Net.

LYNX is a menu utility available to PLU Internet account-holders

which also can be accessed in the library. LYNX connects users to many on-line resources without requiring intimate knowledge of the commands and addresses otherwise used to "surf" the Internet.

Menu options include the above-mentioned Shakespeare, humor, census data, and dozens of on-line books from classic and contemporary authors. Network tutorials, explanatory notes and jargon dictionaries also are available through LYNX.

While LYNX and the Internet offer a lot of information, using them may not be the most efficient method of locating data.

"Students' primary source still should be the library," said library supervisor and NorthwestNet administrative representative Sharon Chase. NorthwestNet is the University of Washington-based network through which PLU is routed to the Internet.

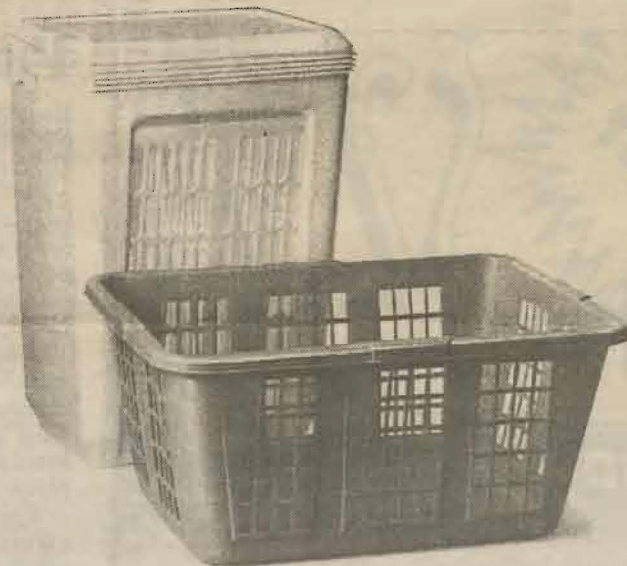
Also, not all information on the Internet is "good" — there is no assurance that tidbits posing as hard facts aren't just someone's own opinion.

PLU-Net is a campus on-line bulletin board headed by Larry Nelson, who serves as

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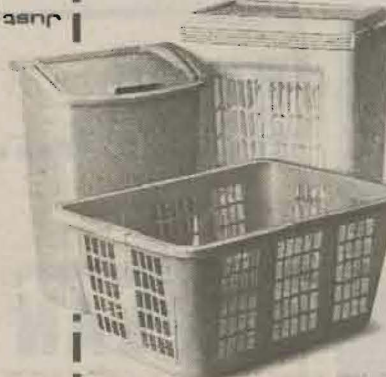


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NorthWestNet's user services representative at PLU. The scheme was created by him for helping account holders use Internet. It is an E-mail-based forum for PLU students and faculty to pose and answer Internet-related questions. Detailed information and instructions are available in the library. They also are provided when an account is opened or reactivated.

Though Chase and the Internet Committee are excited about the electronic opportunities in PLU's future, such as access to multimedia resources (pictures and sound in addition to text) and a more complete collection of on-campus information, the current set-up is limited by the lack of human resources and the size of the bandwidth connecting PLU to the international network. Bandwidth refers to the volume of information a media transfer system can process. Trying to pull too much information through could literally clog up the 56 kilobyte-per-second line PLU uses, said Chase. She encourages students to ex-

plore and even play some on-line, but emphasizes that the National Science Foundation provided the approximately \$20,000 matching grant to connect PLU to the Internet for academic use, not interactive game-playing. Eventually, Computer Services would like to move the campus network to a larger bandwidth, said Mark Janssen of Computer Services and the NorthWestNet's technical representative at PLU. A possibility is a T-1 line, which has about 20 times the capacity of a 56 KPS. The NSF grant runs out in two years, however, and future funding issues have not yet been addressed by the IC, so Janssen isn't saying when such a switch would occur.

People interested in learning about the Internet can also turn to a list of books held on reserve in the library. Titles recommended by Janssen include *The Whole Internet User's Guide and Catalog* by Ed Korf, and *The Internet Passport: NorthWestNet's Guide to a World On-Line*, published by the NorthWestNet.



photo by Jim Keller

Six freshmen from Ordal build a pyramid at the Dog Patch Olympics on Monday. The olympics took place during the all-campus picnic which was held on Foss field to commemorate the beginning of the school year.

Pastors

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Masters of Education degree in pastoral counseling at the University of Puget Sound.

For Clinton, 67, the road to PLU twisted through different landscapes; most notably, seminary near his birthplace in Ohio and 42 years of ministry between then and now.

"God calls in a lot of different ways," says Clinton, remembering his uncomfortable early days as a radar technician in the Navy. "I hated it," he said of his time in the Navy.

With the military crossed off the career list, Clinton started searching for his life's work. "All the other doors (except ministry) began to close on me and there was only one door left," he explained.

The one door was Trinity Seminary in Ohio which led to an emphasis on parish development in places like Bellevue, Bellingham and Portland.

While campus ministry is new territory for him, Clinton has spent a full third of his years as a pastor in temporary quarters, often setting

up chairs before the service like he does now in Chris Knutzen each week for the University Congregation.

"All other doors (except ministry) began to close on me and there was only one door left."

—Don Clinton

"I thrive on challenge and new things... excitement," says Clinton, who is forming a men's club volleyball team on campus this fall.

"I enjoy the students here. I don't know how else to say it. I am just having fun."

Robinson is a two-thirds time university employee and Clinton is a full-timer who spends half his time in campus ministry and half his time as the interim director of church relations.

The search for full-time campus

pastors has not been started, said Erlander, though he said the process should begin soon.

Neither of the interim pastors are eligible to be rehired as full-time staff, leaving both Robinson and Clinton unsure of what the future holds.

As far as what she will be doing next year, "I wish I knew," said Robinson.

This fall she will likely spend some of her hours away from campus counseling at a local church and she hopes to move into counseling full-time at the end of Spring semester.

As for Clinton, who was called out of retirement by Erlander this year, he hopes to be filling another interim post.

Until then, however, they'll both enjoy what Clinton calls the "serendipity kind of wonderful experience" they're finding back at school.

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he said he felt tightness in his chest and was short of breath at times.

After vacationing in July, he underwent a medical evaluation and was referred to a cardiologist for further testing. The results given to him Aug. 1, showed that two major arteries were 90 and 100 percent blocked.

Severtson thought this day would involve preparing for an anniversary trip to the Oregon Coast, but instead doctors recommended immediate open heart surgery.

"I swallowed hard" and listened to the doctors, said Severtson, who resisted his first inclination to wait and weigh his options.

Five hours later, however, he was in and out of surgery.

"(The doctors) found blockage that was as close to a heart attack as one can get without having one," he said. Though the decision to operate was made quickly, Severtson is thankful for the wisdom that rendered the surgery.

"I am a very lucky person and very grateful," he said. "We have

heard from more people than we can count and we appreciate the support of prayers and letters from the PLU community and students."

His recovery and involvement at the cardiac rehabilitation program at Tacoma General Hospital has been positive.

"As far as I can tell," Severtson said, "the procedure was 100 percent successful."

Beginning next week he will ease into a part-time schedule in the Student Life Office as he continues on the road to recovery.

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