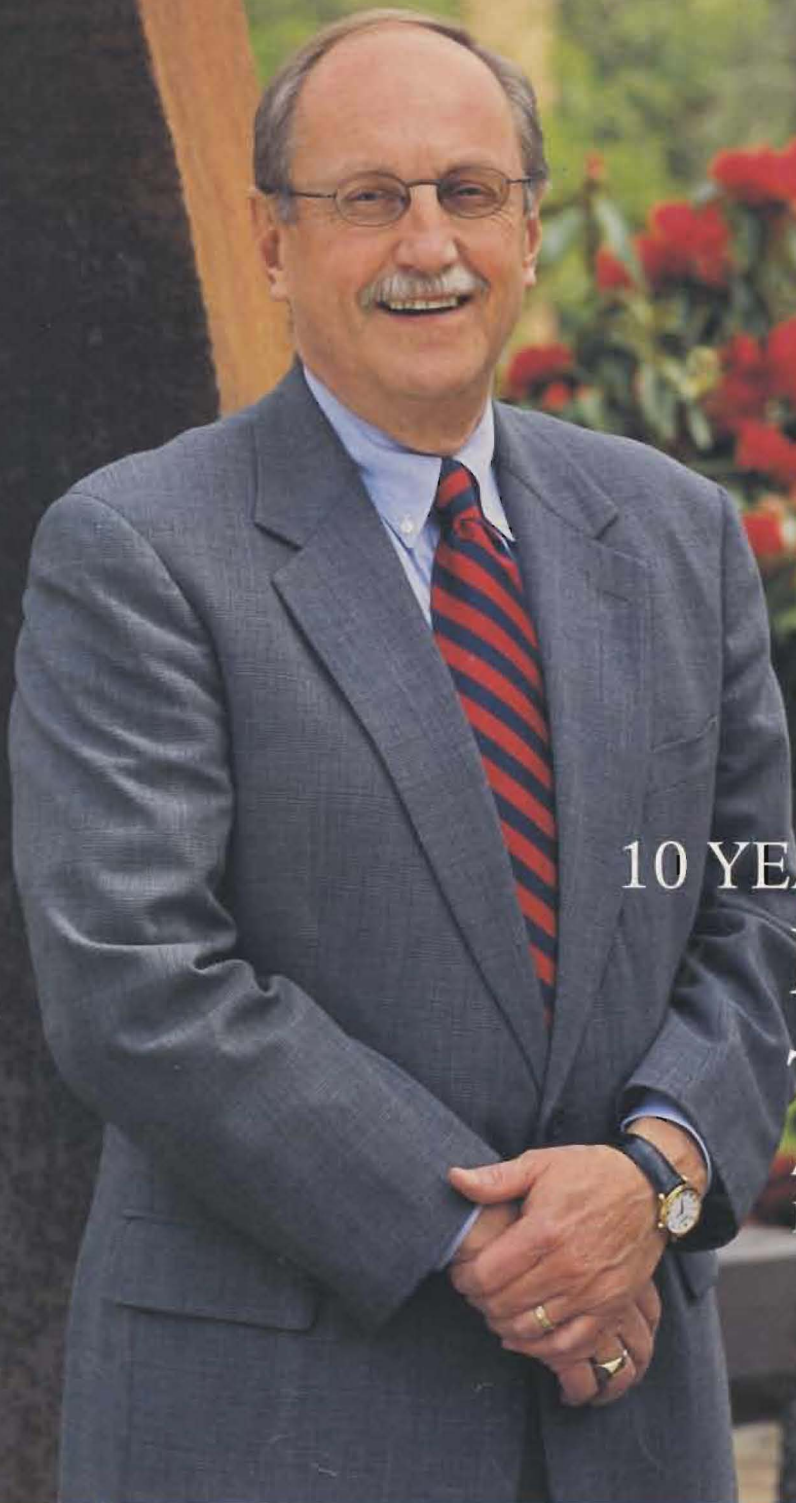


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Mary Baker Russell Music Center

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Matthias Ziegler, flutist

MBR

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Kathleen Vaught Farner and

Kristin Reitz-Green, Duo Horns

MBR

OCTOBER

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Organ Series: Ann Stephenson-

Moe, Guest Organist

MBR

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Series: Camas Quintet

MBR

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MBR

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Richard Farner, piano and

Svend Rønning '89, violin

Fund-raiser for the James D.

Holloway Scholarship Fund

MBR

Oct. 15, 8 p.m.: Orchestra

Series: University Symphony

Orchestra Concert I MBR

Oct. 16, 8 p.m.: Choral Series:

Fall Choral Concert I

Choir of the West, University

Chorale, University Singers and

Men's Chorus

MBR

Oct. 17, 8 p.m.: Choral Series:

Fall Choral Concert II

Choir of the West, University

Chorale, University Singers and

Men's Chorus

MBR



The Gentleman Jugglers entertain at the Raspberry Festival on campus this summer.

Oct. 17-19, 8 p.m.: University Theatre presents "Pippin"

Eastvold Auditorium

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Eastvold Auditorium

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Concert I

MBR

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Series: Regency String Quartet

MBR

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Eastvold Auditorium

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Eastvold Auditorium

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guest organist

MBR

DECEMBER

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Sounds of Christmas I

University Singers and

University Men's Chorus

MBR

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University Men's Chorus

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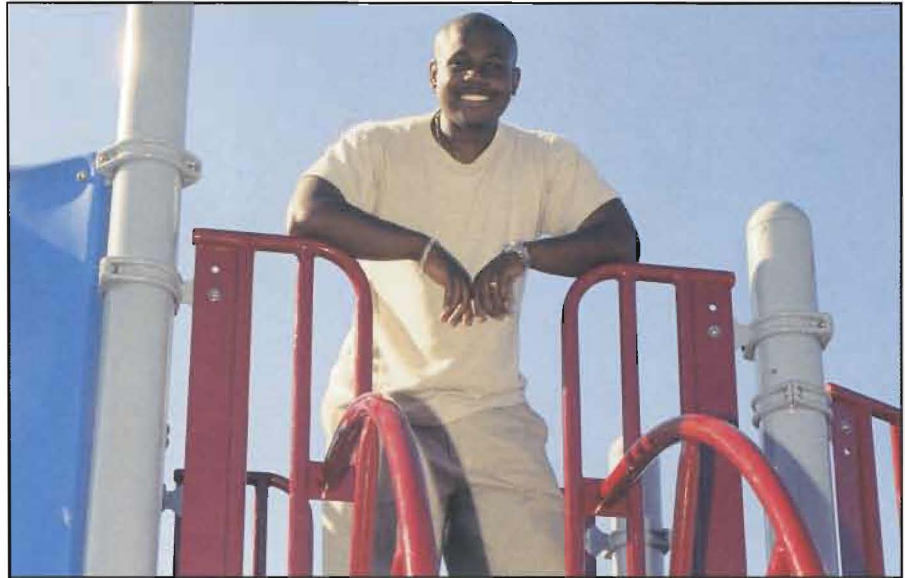
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here & now



PLU President Loren J. Anderson and Regent Don Morken unveil a drawing of the **future Morken Center for Learning and Technology**.

Center for Learning and Technology named for Morken family

The state-of-the-art Center for Learning and Technology will bear the name of a family with a long history of supporting PLU. Construction began with a groundbreaking for the first phase of the project and a naming ceremony in May.

The new home of the School of Business, the Department of Computer Science and Computer Engineering and the Department of Mathematics is now known as The Morken Center for Learning and Technology. The name honors Don Morken '60 and his family, who for decades have been deeply involved in the PLU community as friends, volunteers, counselors and financial supporters.

"The new Center for Learning and Technology will become a major attraction for the best and brightest students, but just as importantly, it will help PLU continue to attract top-caliber professors who wish to teach in an environment that facilitates learning at an advanced level, utilizing in the process the most advanced technology,"

Morken said during a groundbreaking luncheon in May.

Morken is a member of the Board of Regents and currently serves as the chairman of the Investment Subcommittee. He has previously served as chair of its Budget and Finance Committee. He was awarded the PLU Distinguished Alumnus Award in 1996 for his professional distinction in the field of investment management and his outstanding dedication and service to PLU, and is co-chair of The Campaign for Pacific Lutheran University: The Next Bold Step.

Morken's father, Ed, served on the Board of Regents from 1949 to 1966. His aunt, R. Eline Kraable Morken, was director of the PLU School of Nursing from 1953 to 1967. His daughter, Sonya (Morken '00) Prata, is an MBA graduate, and his son-in-law, Anthony Prata, is a student. Both are continuing the Morken tradition of involvement in and support for PLU as members of Q Club.

Morken and his wife, Wanda, have provided financial support for the general operating budget, the endowment, the Genesee Scholarships, the Morken Family Endowed Scholarship and KPLU. They have encouraged others to

give through Q Club challenge gifts and have themselves participated in Q Club at its highest level. They have also provided funds to establish the first Distinguished Professorship at the university and they co-endowed the Raphael Lemkin Prize for an annual student essay competition about genocide. They are members of PLU's Heritage Society and Lifetime Giving Society.

In April 2000 the Morken family made a commitment to provide lead funding for The Center for Learning and Technology. An initial gift is funding the planning and the first phases of construction of the building. Through past and future commitments made to the university, the Morkens also will fund an endowment that will help ensure the future of the facility.

The Morken Center will be located on lower campus west of Rieke Science Center. To date more than \$11.5 million has been raised for construction of the \$19 million facility.

Wang Center has new director and home on campus

An administrator with a long history of academic service and international expertise will lead the Wang Center for International Programs at PLU. Janet E. Rasmussen was appointed director of the center for its inaugural year. The center was funded late last year through a \$4 million

gift from Peter Wang '60, and his wife Grace.

"Janet has a passion for international education that will provide the Wang Center with a strong foundation and take PLU's international programs to a new

level," said PLU President Loren J. Anderson. "She is deeply committed to developing new international opportu-



Janet Rasmussen

nities for both students and faculty.”

Rasmussen was a professor of Norwegian and Scandinavian Studies at PLU from 1977 to 1991, and during that time served as dean of Humanities, chair of the Department of Languages and Literature and coordinator of the Scandinavian Area Studies Program. She was named president of Hollins University in Roanoke, Va. in 1996. She provided initial planning for the Spring 2003 Wang Center symposium, “China in the 21st Century: Prospects for Peace.”

The Wang Center, which is now located in Rosso House on PLU’s upper campus, will support international study programs, provide more study abroad opportunities for students, complete dynamic research in global studies and offer regular public education and symposia.

The center got another boost with a \$455,000 grant from the Teagle Foundation to enhance international education at PLU. Spanish professor Tamara Williams was named faculty director of the Teagle Project. Williams and political science professor Ann Kelleher are on the Wang Center’s Board of Directors.

Visit www.plu.edu/encore, for more on the Wang Center.

New provost will further university’s quest for excellence

An educational leader with a deep appreciation for the values of academic excellence and student achievement is PLU’s new provost. James L. Pence, most recently provost and dean of the college at St.



James Pence

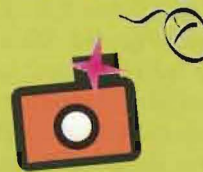
Olaf College in Northfield, Minn., assumed the role of PLU’s chief academic officer in August.

“We are fortunate to have Jim joining our leadership team,” PLU President Loren J.

Anderson said. “He understands that the faculty is the heart of the university.”

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encore!



Encore! highlights a busy fall

by Drew Brown, online editor

It’s been an eventful summer at PLU, and Encore! readers saw everything from May Commencement to Jazz Under the Stars in August, thanks to the summer photo album (www.plu.edu/encore/summerphotoalbum.html). You can catch up on the summer stories you missed and get the latest on PLU news, at the “This Week At PLU” link site (www.plu.edu/encore/thisweekatplu.html), which is updated every Wednesday. Encore! introduced a new functional design over the summer, and now it’s Scene’s turn—see the newly designed online Scene, which can be found on main Encore! page (www.plu.edu/encore). Keep those ideas and comments coming to encore@plu.edu, and we hope you enjoy this edition. Here are some of the highlights:

The Web’s best and brightest

Scene’s changing, and so are many PLU Web sites. A new initiative is in the works to update PLU’s Web presence, starting with a more informative and functional main page. Encore! looks at the future of PLU on the Web, surfs the new and improved www.plu.edu, and finds the PLU sites that are already on the cutting edge.

Fall photo album

Readers liked our summer photo album so much, Encore! is doing it again for fall: Convocation, Homecoming 2002, sports highlights, music concerts and events are sure to be some of the photographic highlights you can expect to see throughout the fall.

Loren Anderson and 2010

The study phase of PLU 2010: The Next Level of Distinction is reaching its conclusion, and there is plenty of new information on the Web. Along with updates, Encore! will give readers the opportunity to read the full reports from the Academic Distinction, Community, Fiscal Strategies and Identity/Constituency commissions.

More Encore!

Have you joined other alums in using the More Encore! section? In this, the third edition, More Encore! links users to more information on stories found in this edition of Scene. The latest local press on PLU’s international education success, a look back at the historic PLU 2000: Embracing the 21st Century report, the Morken Center for Learning and Technology progress and images, a schedule and results from the developing fall sports season, and children’s science writer Stev Kramer are only a few of the links this edition of More Encore! has.

Pence is equally excited. "I have admired PLU for its ability to position itself as a university that remains grounded in the liberal arts while reaching out to the world to meet the needs of society," Pence said.

Pence is also impressed with the level and quality of participation in the university's long-range planning process, PLU 2010. He looks forward to working with faculty members to set academic priorities and with fellow administrators to plan for the future.

Pence was at St. Olaf since 1996. His previous experience includes vice president for academic affairs and dean of the faculty at Wartburg College in Waverly, Iowa; associate vice president for academic and student affairs at the University of Southern Colorado; tenured member of the English Department at the University of Southern Colorado and Yavapai College in Prescott, Ariz. He speaks and publishes articles frequently on issues relating to higher education and is chairman of the

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American Conference of Academic Deans, and a board member of the Association of American Colleges and Universities. He earned his doctorate in English from the University of Arizona, Tucson, and his master's and bachelor's degrees from Colorado State University.

Pence and his wife, Janet, have two daughters: Katie, a graduate of

Concordia College in Moorhead, Minn., who will enter Luther Seminary in St. Paul, Minn., in the fall, and Tory, who will be a sophomore art education major at St. Olaf next year.

Pence succeeds Provost Paul Menzel, who is returning to the faculty after eight years of distinguished service.

PLU loses friend, philanthropist Jane Russell

When Jane T. Russell died on May 10, she left a legacy at PLU that continues in the lives that were touched through her care and dedication. A former member of PLU's Board of Regents and the guiding force behind many projects on campus, Russell fought a courageous battle with cancer. The Mary Baker Russell Music Building named in honor of her mother-in-law was one of the many projects Jane Russell spearheaded.



Jane T. Russell

"For Jane, it was an abundant life simply filled with people," PLU President Loren Anderson said. "In so many ways she was the Good Shepherd personified for all of us, for our causes, for our community and for our quality of life."

Anderson presided over Russell's memorial service and spoke on behalf of PLU, and the Choir of the West sang.

In addition to her work at PLU, Russell and her husband, George, started the Russell Family Foundation in 1994. The foundation awards grants to organizations promoting family, community and sustainable environments. They were also instrumental in founding Tacoma's new International Museum of Glass. The museum opened the doors of its distinctive space in July.

"Her interests and philanthropy knew few bounds, and she was just beginning," Anderson said. "She is greatly missed."

PLU will host 2002 Linus Pauling award honoring outstanding chemist

PLU will host the prestigious Pauling Award Symposium and Banquet this fall to honor a chemist who has made contributions of national and international significance.

This year's recipient is Dr. John I. Brauman, the J. G. Jackson - C. J. Wood Professor of Chemistry at Stanford University. His research is directed toward understanding how molecules react and the factors that determine the rates and products of chemical reactions.

The Pauling Award Medal recognizes outstanding achievement in chemistry and is presented annually by the Puget Sound, Oregon and Portland Sections of the American Chemical Society. The award is named in honor of Dr. Linus Pauling, a native of the Pacific Northwest who won the 1954 Nobel Prize in chemistry, because of the inspiration of his example.

A public symposium and banquet in honor of Brauman will be held at PLU Nov. 8-9. The Pauling Medal will be presented to Brauman at the banquet. PLU Associate Professor Dean A. Waldow is the 2002 Award Chair, and Professor Craig B. Fryhle is 2002 Symposium Chair. To learn more go to www.chem.plu.edu/pauling_award/.

Court rules students may use state grants at private colleges

The Washington State Supreme Court upheld the constitutionality of the state's Educational Opportunity Grant program, finding that it is not in violation of state constitutional requirements for the separation of church and state.

The decision permits hundreds of students to continue to use state financial aid to attend private, church-related colleges, including PLU.

The 6-3 ruling was issued in June, resolving a 1995 lawsuit contending that universities with a church affiliation should be ineligible to receive state support. The court ruled that the EOG program was designed to meet the critical needs of students, not to foster religion or religious worship.

"There were two winners," said Loren J. Anderson, president of PLU. "High-need, place bound students can continue their education at a college of their choice, and taxpayers can ensure an education for these students without the huge expense of adding capacity to the state university system."

The EOG program provides \$2,500 annual grants to financially needy students who can only attend a college close to home because of work or family commitments. PLU has 96 EOG recipients enrolled.

Campaign and annual giving hit important milestones

PLU's highly successful fund-raising drive, The Campaign for Pacific Lutheran University: The Next Bold Step, won a Circle of Excellence in Fund Raising award from the Council for Advancement and Support of Education.

The award, which honors superior fund-raising programs across the country, is based on a juried analysis of data PLU submits. This year nearly 1,000 universities were eligible, and only 47 of them won an award. This places PLU in the top 5 percent of the eligible universities and the top 2 percent of universities nationally.

At the end of the fiscal year, May 31, the campaign stood at more than \$102 million—a new record and \$30 million more than the successful Make a Lasting Difference campaign that raised \$72 million. Total fund-raising for the 2001-2002 fiscal year hit \$24.5 million—the second best year in PLU history and a 15 percent increase over the prior fiscal year total of \$21.4 million.

"That's a remarkable achievement in light of a challenged economy and concerns over world events," said David Aubrey, vice president for development

and university relations. "We see it as a reflection of the dedicated efforts, commitment and generosity of our donors and volunteers and their belief in this place and the vitality of our mission."

The annual fund, which provides critical financial support for the university, hit record levels last year, both in money raised and the rate of alumni participation. For the first time, more than 5,000 people contributed to the fund that helps PLU meet day-to-day expenses. The percentage of alumni who contributed jumped from 17 to 20 percent. Both milestones helped the annual fund reach a goal of \$2.5 million.

This year a special telephone campaign that targeted first-time donors resulted in more than 800 new donors to the annual fund. Lauralee Hagen, director of alumni and parent relations, says even small donations make a difference. "It's not how much you give, but that you give that is important."



Thor Heyerdahl

Famed explorer Thor Heyerdahl left impression on PLU

Ever since he read "Kon-Tiki" when he was a little boy, Don Ryan dreamed of being like the famed Norwegian adventurer Thor Heyerdahl, who in 1947 sailed more than 4,000 miles from Peru to Polynesia on a balsa-wood raft.

"I followed his career my whole life,"

said Ryan '79, a faculty fellow at PLU who later became an academic partner and friend to Heyerdahl.


Now it's likely Ryan will finish Heyerdahl's last book – his final words on the Kon-Tiki expedition, which the two had been working on before Heyerdahl died April 18 at age 87.

By chance, Ryan saw Heyerdahl, an esteemed anthropologist, archeologist and author, at the Royal Geographical Society in London a decade ago. Ryan pushed his way up to talk to him, and they chatted for half an hour. A couple years later, Ryan went to see Heyerdahl at his home on the Canary Islands, and discovered Heyerdahl needed someone to help him research. The pair became partners and friends, and Ryan continues to work for the Kon-Tiki Museum in Oslo.

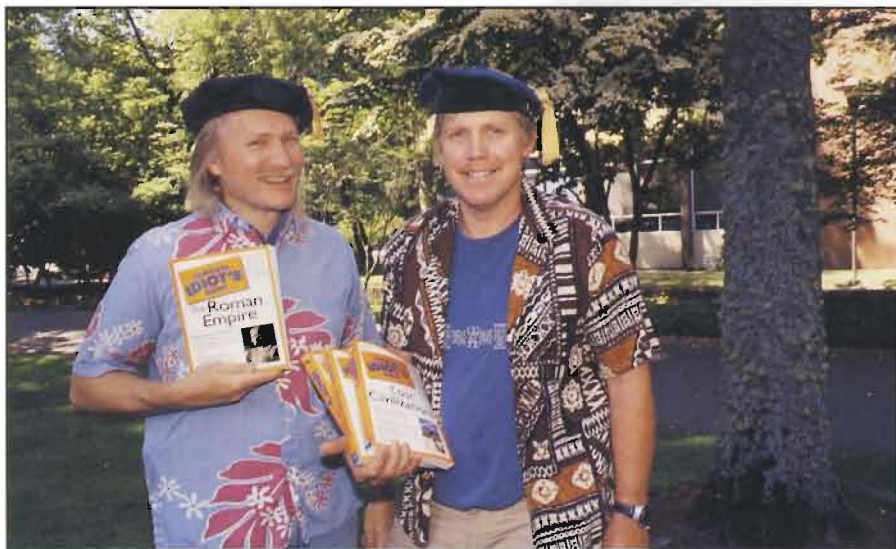
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"He was the one man I really wanted to meet in my life," Ryan said. "He was my hero back then and he still is. I had a fear before I met him that I would be disappointed, but the more I got to know him the more I admired him. He was an extraordinary individual of great intelligence and high integrity."

Along with his many adventures, his in-depth research and his many published works, Heyerdahl also worked hard toward world peace and a clean environment.

PLU presented Heyerdahl with a President's Medal for an extraordinary lifetime of achievement in 1996, 30 years after he received a PLU Distinguished Service Award. He spoke at commencement in 1998 and was awarded an honorary doctorate of humane letters. 

life of the mind



Eric Nelson, left, and Don Ryan have both authored books in the 'Idiot's Guide' series. Combining Hawaiian shirts with their doctoral caps shows the sense of humor needed in writing the books, which condense complicated subjects into easy-to-follow formats.

Smart people know where to turn for help: to the Idiot's Guide

If you're looking for a blow-by-blow account of the Roman conquest and rule or a concise wrap-up of the debate over creationism, you might want to consult an idiot.

Or rather, an Idiot's Guide.

Two PLU faculty members have written popular books in "The Complete Idiot's Guide" series known for its practical, readable advice on complicated topics. Don Ryan '79 and Eric Nelson '82 have four books between them, and each is at work on another.

"We consider them textbooks for the laity," Nelson said.

Ryan, a faculty fellow in the Division of Humanities, had several Idiot's Guide books, but realized there were none available on archaeology, his specialty. He proposed one to the publisher, Alpha Books, and wrote the "The Complete Idiot's Guide to Lost Civilizations." He followed it up with guides on biblical mysteries and ancient Egypt. He's at work on another book about the world of the Bible.

Ryan suggested his colleague Eric

Nelson, assistant professor of classics, propose a book about the Roman Empire. Nelson did – and it was published in 2001. He is working on a book about Ancient Greece and the Ancient Olympics, which is due to be published next summer, just in time for people to brush up before the 2004 Athens Games.

Bright people might want to learn about a new subject, but be overwhelmed by jargon-filled academic journals or bored by a standard textbook. The Idiot's Guide is a perfect alternative, the authors say.

The series presents topics in an easy-to-follow, somewhat light-hearted yet informative format. Tear-out fact sheets, glossaries, a humorous touch and other features make the books easy to comprehend, without being simplistic.

"You can't dumb it down so it's condescending," Ryan said. "But you have to be authoritative. You write like you're talking to an introductory course."

They realize there is some skepticism in the academic community about books with the word "idiot" in the title, but both feel strongly that they are educating a broad audience with their volumes. Bright people might want to learn about a new subject, but be overwhelmed by jargon-filled academic journals or bored by a standard textbook. The Idiot's Guide is a perfect alternative, the authors say.

Both PLU professors' books have been steady sellers, and they have brought acclaim from experts and elicited responses from readers around the world. Critics also praise them.

KMT: A Modern Journal of Ancient Egypt, said Ryan's guide to Ancient Egypt was very effective. "It also establishes author Don Ryan as the first great popularizer of Egyptology in the Twenty-first Century," said a review.

James J. Clauss, professor of classics at the University of Washington, called Nelson's guide, "a clear and engaging account of ancient Rome."

Both authors say the success of their books – on what are not generally considered popular topics – shows the interest and intelligence of readers.

"People have a hunger – they want to know about the past, how it ties into the present," Nelson said.

The writing style takes some getting used to – it's hard to synthesize so much material into concise and humorous pieces, they say – but both men have developed a methodology for putting the books together. Their books are available at all bookstores including the PLU Bookstore.

"I think it's important for academics to try to raise the level of public discourse," Nelson said. "And there are many people out there who know about PLU now, because of the author bios printed on the books."

By Katherine Hedland '88

Admissions publications bring new message to prospective students

Prospective PLU students now receive a bigger and brighter viewbook and redesigned admissions materials that follow a new theme of what they will find at PLU: Challenge Support Success

The Admissions Office, along with University Communications, created the new publications over the last year.

The first publication in the new era is the search mailer, a small booklet given to prospective college students that allows them to request a viewbook. Published and sent out in early 2002, indications are that students are responding well—requests for viewbooks are up 60 percent from the previous year's mailer.



The new viewbook was printed this summer. It is much bigger than previous versions: 64 pages compared to 24. Rewritten and redesigned, it follows a new color scheme, contains dozens of new photographs and tells the personal success stories of students and alumni.

"We're excited to put in the hands of prospective students a viewbook that contains a rich tapestry of our students' experiences with PLU," said Laura Polcyn '74 '79, vice president for Admissions and Enrollment Services.

The new publications also take advantage of PLU's expansive Internet presence, linking students to several dozen PLU Web sites.

The outreach continues this fall with a series of postcards, which closely focus on individual students from diverse backgrounds, and brand new publications for prospective international and transfer students. [S]

by Drew Brown

Go to www.plu.edu/encore to learn more about PLU Admissions.

ACCOLADES

PLU's efforts to support global peace through international programs were honored by the Tacoma World Trade Center in June. The university was the Tacoma WTC's nominee for the Book of Honors, which will include people and organizations from more than 300 World Trade Centers and be on display at the WTC Headquarters in New York. PLU was chosen because of its dedication in supporting global peace through educating its students in cultural relations and global outreach. Dr. Peter Wang, whose \$4 million donation to PLU established the Wang Center for International Programs, spoke at the event in recognition of the first annual World Trade Center Association. Wang's speech was titled, "Why Education is Crucial for World Trade, Peace and Prosperity."



KPLU ranked No. 5 overall in the Arbitron Webcast Ratings for May 2002. The NPR and jazz station based at PLU had an aggregate tuning hours of 413,500 – its best yet. Read an article on the Arbitron Website that says KPLU is one of the top jazz webstreams. KPLU also won a grant to work in conjunction with public TV's KCTS Channel 9 on a series of in-depth stories examining the state of education in Washington. Segments of "The Learning Curve" will begin airing in September and run throughout the fall. Check out KPLU's news and jazz and hear the broadcasts over the Web at www.kplu.org.

The Washington Education Foundation named Beth Ahlstrom, director of Career Development,

College Mentor of the Year.

Nominated by Chenda Minn, a Washington Achiever Scholar who was accepted into the School of Nursing, Ahlstrom was one of two mentors from a group of 500 statewide to receive this honor. PLU retained all its Washington Achiever Scholars, students in a program funded by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. Ahlstrom, who was at PLU for 20 years, left in August for two years as a Peace Corps volunteer. She is assigned to Senegal as a small enterprise promotion agent assisting small businesses to utilize local resources to increase profitability.



Nicole Melius



Brian Riehs



Kari Keller



Tim Vialpando

Four alumni joined the Office of Admissions this summer. The new counselors are Nicole Melius '01, Brian Riehs '02, Kari Keller '02 and Tim Vialpando '02. Melius worked with Washington Citizen Action after earning degrees in political science and German language. Riehs worked on campus in Residential Life and Human Resources before graduating with a degree in business administration. Keller received a bachelor arts in sociology and social work before joining the admissions staff. A former ASPLU president, Vialpando will receive degrees in English writing and education at his December graduation.



Darius Alexander '02 stands on the playground equipment that he helped bring to Spanaway Elementary School. Alexander wrote a grant proposal to State Farm, his employer, which paid \$28,000 to revitalize the school playground.



PLU grad helps revitalize neighborhood school playground

By Katherine Hedland '88
Photography by Chris Tumbusch

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or three years, Darius Alexander '02 supervised children on the dilapidated playground at Spanaway Elementary School.

Because there were only a few swings and balls available, he spent much of the recess period trying to calm down children and teach them to share the sparse toys the school had to offer.

"To be honest, they would argue and fight a lot," said Alexander, who was a teacher's aide and playground supervisor while earning his degree in sociology from PLU.

People at school knew it was important to provide the kids with good, safe equipment to play on, and he and teachers discussed several ways to raise money, such as recycling cans. Then Alexander had a better idea - he would simply ask someone for the money.

He wrote to State Farm Insurance, where he had completed an internship during the summer of 2001 and was scheduled to start work after graduation. Alexander explained the need and the fact that the financially strapped district hadn't been able to replace dilapidated equipment when it was removed. He stressed the importance of

instilling pride among students for their school.

To his surprise and students' elation, State Farm paid for brand new playground equipment and more with a grant of nearly \$28,000. Now, a large red and blue, steel and plastic playground structure draws all the children around at recess. They climb, crawl, slide and hang from its bars. Children from the neighborhood also use the playground after school and on weekends. The new equipment was installed shortly before school recessed in June.

Younger children also enjoy a large sandbox. And there's even a little money leftover for something else to be added in the future.

"Just being out here at recess was so different," Alexander said. "The kids play together and take turns. They took pride in it, they took ownership. You don't really see any garbage out here any more. Before it was always a mess."

State Farm offered a grant in the interest of following its motto of being a good neighbor. Alexander says the company is sincere in its efforts. "They're real about wanting to help the community."

"We're glad that Darius brought this idea to us," said Vicki Harper, a State Farm public affairs specialist. "The

playground gets used a lot, not only by the students but the surrounding community. It fits right in with our goal of helping communities."

The Bethel School District paid for the concrete foundation and the spongy, black top under the equipment.

Alexander, who grew up in Tacoma and attended nearby Thompson Elementary School, said it probably would've been years before the playground was improved without the grant. "I think we saved cans for about two months and got about 94 cents," he said with a laugh.

Spanaway Elementary is comprised of students from diverse economic backgrounds, Alexander said. He drew on his sociology background to work closely with the children, many who have special needs.

"You really have to teach kids how to care about each other before you can teach them to learn," he said.

Alexander and his wife, Monica, recently bought a house in Spanaway. He says he's enjoying his job as a claims representative, but he misses being at the school on a regular basis.

"It was hard leaving the kids after being here three years," said the man students call "Mr. D or Mr. A." "I'm proud to say it's my school."

Good Vibrations:

❖ Upcoming concert features grad's musical instruments ❖

by Drew Brown

When a concert titled Nordic Vibrations comes to PLU's Lagerquist Concert Hall on Nov. 3, it will be a triumphant event for Lynn Berg '64. Berg won't play in the string quartet, but the performers will use his instruments, which were meticulously crafted in the Norwegian tradition.

Berg started making traditional Hardanger fiddles a decade ago, after his daughter, Kari '90, brought him a book from Norway about what is widely called the country's national instrument. It is similar to the violin, and each is a handmade work of art. It has four or five strings that run underneath the fingerboard and add echoing overtones.

Earlier this year, Berg completed construction of an unusual Hardanger viola and cello. Berg won't come right out and say his is the only Hardanger cello in existence, but it looks like that is the case. He saw one earlier this year at a museum in Norway that was made in 1860, but it lacked the understrings or other characteristics of true Hardanger instruments.

The idea for building all the instruments started when Linda Caspersen Andresen, exhibit committee co-chair at the Scandinavian Cultural Center and a cellist, wanted to play the Nordic tunes. She mentioned to Berg that it would be easier to play them on a cello than to learn to play the fiddle.

"For fun I thought I would make a Hardanger cello and surprise her," said Berg, who lives in Eugene, Ore., where he runs a violin repair shop. "But I was so excited that I had to tell her.

"Then the thought occurred to me that if I had two fiddles and a cello, I only needed a viola to complete a

quartet," Berg said. He learned about the viola—and then built it.

Berg and Andresen felt the instruments had to be played. That's how Nordic Vibrations was born. Andresen, Tove Hanson '05, Karin and David Lober Code make up the quartet. In addition will be other violinists, PLU assistant professor Svend Rønning '89, Natalie Nesvig '79, Jan (Olsen '92) Upshall, Andrea (Tronset '78) Bryant, with accompaniment by David Dahl '60, PLU's organist emeritus.

Along with creating the Hardangers, Berg also makes his own design of an alternatively shaped instrument called a "VioLynn," which Rønning will play at the concert.

Berg looks forward to hearing the instruments played in Lagerquist on his first visit to the acoustic masterpiece.

"It is truly exciting to have a concert where so many of my instruments will be played," Berg said.

Berg made his first Hardanger in 1993. In 1997, he contributed a golden-hued Hardanger fiddle to PLU's Scandinavian Cultural Center.

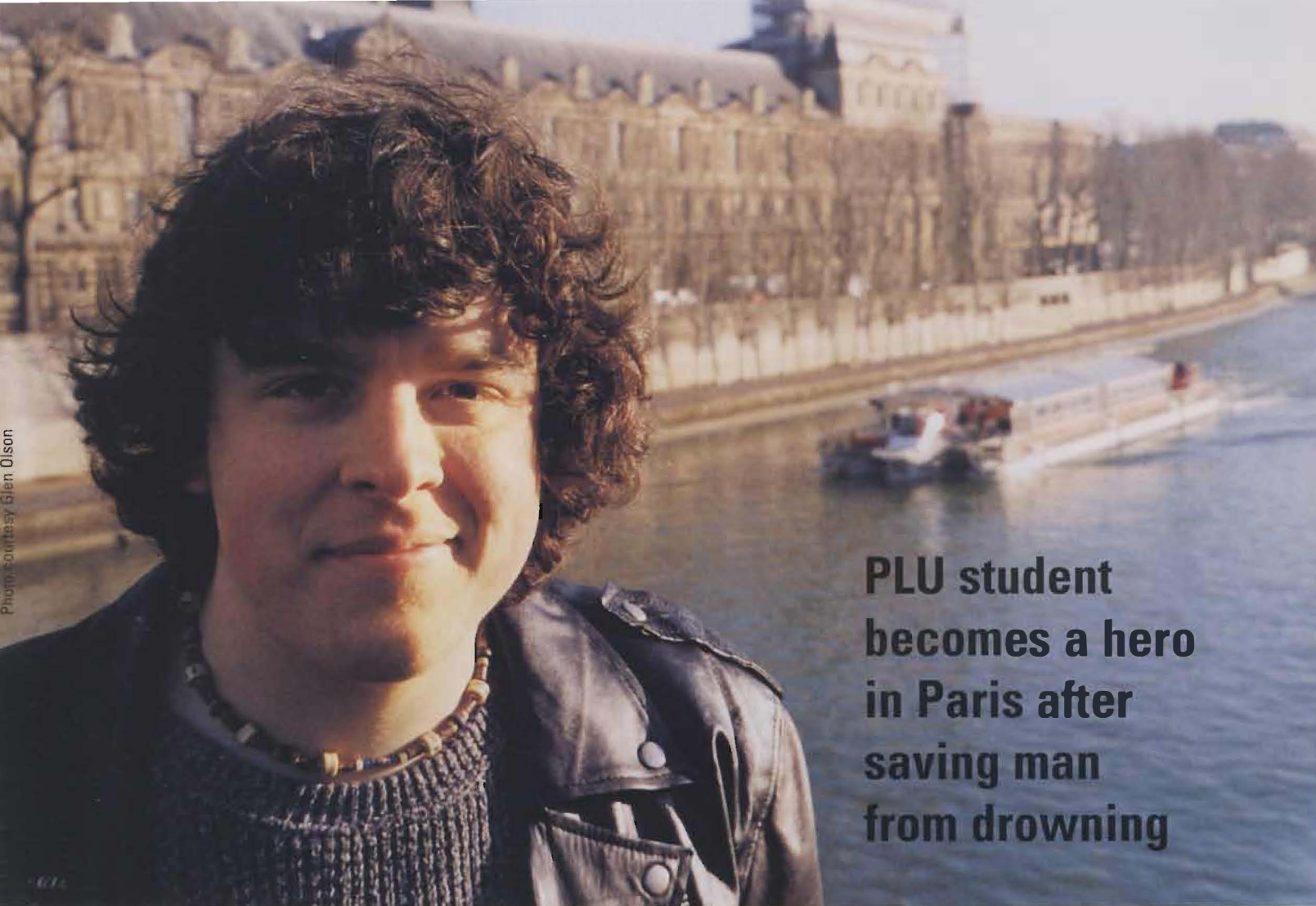
Berg became interested in strings when Kari was 6 and began taking violin lessons. One of his Hardangers, earned a bronze medal in June at the Landskappleiken competition in Vågå, Norway. He was first American to ever place in the contest. ☐

Tickets for the concert are available through the Scandinavian Cultural Center or cosponsor, the Cultural Arts Commission of Gig Harbor.

Visit www.plu.edu/encore to learn more about Berg and the upcoming concert.

Lynn Berg '64 holds the Hardanger viola and cello he built.





PLU student becomes a hero in Paris after saving man from drowning

Glen Olson '03, pictured by the River Seine in Paris, received the Medal of Valor from the French government for his heroic rescue of a drowning man.

By Noreen Hobson '99

Glen Olson '03 is not impressed by his own bravery. The French government, on the other hand, was so grateful that he dived into a cold river and saved a drowning man that it bestowed its Medal of Valor on the American visitor.

The story began when Olson, an economics major and French minor from Montana, went to Paris last fall through a PLU study abroad program. He grew fond of the place and stayed on through January to spend time with his new friends there.

Early Jan. 7, Olson and friends he met while studying abroad were looking across the River Seine toward Notre Dame Cathedral and saw a man in the water. Some wondered if the man might be swimming, but Olson suspected something was wrong and

went to take a closer look. He realized that the man, wearing boots and a trench coat, was drowning and, without another thought, jumped into the chilly water.

Olson had trouble locating the man as he disappeared under the water, but his friends on the shore had a better vantage point and helped guide him in the dark. Olson asked passers by – in French – to call police. When Olson finally reached the man he quickly pulled him to the water's edge. A police boat soon arrived and pulled the two aboard.


Parisian officers gave the rescuers warm brandy while the man, who was homeless and had jumped into the river, was revived. He came to and was agitated with those surrounding him, Olson said. That was his sole contact with the man he saved.

But he says he doesn't need thanks or awards.

"It's cool, but most anyone would have done the same thing," he said. "I was just in the right place at the right time."

The French government believes that Olson's actions are quite noble. In March, far removed from the banks of the Seine, Olson unexpectedly received a package delivered overnight from Paris. The weighty parcel contained the Medal of Valor presented by France to honor Olson's bravery that winter night.

Olson says it was a night he'll never forget, but he also has great memories of his months in France.

"The people I lived with and around were wonderful," Olson said. "They were intelligent, cultured and fun to be around." 

10 YEARS AND STILL FOCUSED



PLU President Loren J. Anderson leaves his inauguration in 1992 with daughter Maren, then 5.

Private collection of the Anderson family



Anderson, whose career in academia began as a professor, enjoys engaging students as a guest lecturer.



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A decade of service marks
Loren Anderson's presidency

By Philip A. Nordquist '56

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Loren and Mary Anderson accompany King Harald V and Queen Sonja of Norway during the royal couple's 1995 visit to PLU.



Anderson talks with students after a campus event in 2001 – one of the favorite parts of his presidency.



Private collection of the Anderson family

Anderson visits with a farmer in China during a trip with PLU's Greg Guldin (second from left) during a 1998 trip to further PLU's Chinese Studies program.

Loren J. Anderson was raised in Rugby, N.D. He received his B.A. from Concordia College as a philosophy major. He completed his graduate education at Michigan State University and the University of Michigan, focusing on communication theory and research.

Most of Anderson's career has been dedicated to Lutheran higher education. At Concordia College, he served as assistant professor of speech communication and director of institutional research starting in 1972. After serving as assistant to the president from 1975 to 1976, he became vice president for planning and development. At 31, he was the youngest vice president in Concordia his-

tory. In 1984, he became executive director of the division for college and university services of the American Lutheran Church. He returned to Concordia in 1988 as executive vice president with responsibilities for fund development, communication, academic planning and general administration.

In 1992 Anderson became PLU's 12th president.

Philip A. Nordquist '56 interviewed Anderson for Scene earlier this year. Nordquist graduated from Pacific Lutheran College and from the University of Washington where he received M.A. and Ph.D. degrees in history. He has taught histo-

ry at PLU since 1963 and in 1990 published the centennial history of PLU, "Educating For Service."

Philip Nordquist: Can you say something about the nature and range of the professional responsibilities that you had prior to coming to PLU and how your understanding of Lutheran higher education and your educational background prepared you to be a university president?

Loren Anderson: The evolution of my career began when I was an undergraduate student at Concordia College. I learned there about Lutheran higher

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Anderson talks to Crown Prince Haakon of Norway in 1999 in front of the sculpture made for his parents.



Loren and MaryAnn Anderson joined the cast of 'The Wizard of Oz' for Songfest in 1999. The couple always take part in the Homecoming tradition.



Private collection of the Andersons family

education. But I didn't really realize how special it is until I took my first teaching position at Wayne State University in Detroit in the early '70s. The dramatic contrast between a small, undergraduate, liberal arts, Lutheran institution and a large, urban, commuter, Ph.D. granting, research-oriented university began to put my Concordia experience in perspective. It convinced me of the value of being a Lutheran university, of being a primarily undergraduate institution, and how important it is to focus on teaching rather than research. That experience brought me back to Lutheran higher education. Then, after I returned to

Concordia as a faculty member and administrator, I took a fairly traditional path through the ranks—a path that eventually led me to PLU.

Nordquist: What was your perception of PLU as you contemplated the position in 1992 and after you arrived on the scene?

Anderson: I had been in Lutheran higher education for 20 years before I came to PLU and had always admired Pacific Lutheran. Looking at PLU from a distance, I long believed that it was among the top institutions both in the ALC and the ELCA. I regularly read

alumni magazines from many schools and remember being impressed by Scene and the sense of energy and activity that seemed to surround PLU. I also encountered people from PLU and found them to be universally optimistic and active, the kind of people who had a great deal of energy and a deep commitment to their university.

Nordquist: At your inauguration you called on all those assembled—and I suppose you meant to include all PLU graduates as well—to be the revolutionaries, the visionaries, the "saga creators" of tomorrow. What did you mean by that?



The Andersons pose for a family portrait with their dog Trygve.

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It's interesting to consider what motivates people to serve in this way. I remember being intrigued by a publication called, "The Quest for a Viable Saga," in which the author contended

that it is really the story of the institution that motivates people. PLU's story hasn't been easy and is as fascinating as any in Lutheran higher education—from the moose antlers of the 1890s, to the endowment drive of the '20s, to the financial crises of the '30s and the enrollment meltdown during World War II. Even in the mid-1940s the question of PLU's future was still on the table—it's all of that history and drama that gives energy and spice to the PLU saga.

Nordquist: When you arrived in 1992, PLU had just completed a quite triumphant centennial celebration that had appropriately focused on a wide

range of institutional and individual achievements, but by 1992 it was clear that there were some serious enrollment and financial problems that had to be addressed. How did the university take on those tasks? And how difficult were they?

Anderson: My direct encounter with PLU was a discovery of the richness of the institutional programs and mission and of the tremendous human capacity. PLU, I judged immediately, was clearly an institution driven by those intangible qualities that made it a more vital, interesting, and multi-dimensional enterprise than you could ever know

A decade of planning for the future: PLU 2000 and 2010

When PLU was going through a leadership change 10 years ago, President Loren J. Anderson was asked to give special emphasis to long-range planning for the university. He enlisted the support of faculty, staff and regents who together, over a 20-month period, developed PLU 2000: Embracing the 21st Century.

PLU 2000 contributed to many of the university's major accomplishments in the past several years including creating a significantly more diverse student body and staff, reaffirming the Lutheran higher education tradition, strengthening the endowment, expanding technology equipment and use. The report also led to a campus master plan that has shaped fund-raising efforts and helped make possible the construction of the Mary Baker Russell Music Center and South Hall and the revitalization of Xavier Hall. Future plans include construction of the Morken Center for Learning and Technology and restoration of Eastvold Hall.

The goals set by PLU 2000 provided a foundation for the decade ahead. The past three years PLU has been working on the next long-range plan, PLU 2010: The Next Level of Distinction. Central to this new report is clarifying the university mission and building an even more distinctive academic program.

The planning began in 1999 with an extensive series of town meetings that involved more than 1,300 alumni, parents and friends of the university. Study commissions—comprised of representative faculty, staff and students—were created and focused on four major topics: Identity and Constituency, Building Community, Academic Distinction and Fiscal Strategies, each charged with preparing background papers, leading discussions, holding forums and preparing a final report.

The commission reports called out a number of recommendations endorsing the university's mission of educating for lives of thoughtful inquiry, service, leadership, and care—for people, for their communities, and for the earth. Those include enhancing a distinctive and visible academic culture; improving curriculum by continuing to incorporate on-site learning experiences, ethical perspectives, service, and Lutheran heritage; and supporting two distinctive program areas: international education and undergraduate research, scholarship and creative work.

Throughout the summer the PLU 2010 writing team has utilized the commission reports to draft the PLU 2010: The Next Level of Distinction plan. The campus community will have the opportunity to respond to the draft in the fall and publication of the PLU 2010 final plan is expected in early 2003.

"PLU's long-range planning work under President Anderson's leadership is significant," David Warren, president of the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities, told the PLU Board of Regents.

"The reputation the community has built, and the programs and initiatives identified for the next decade are remarkable. PLU is a destination institution."

- by Drew Brown

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from a distance. I still feel the same way. There is a great reservoir of strength that has been built over generations. And it may be that that strength comes in part because the institution has experienced ups and downs over the years.

As your question suggests, we did face some visible challenges in '92: enrollment was down, budgets were not always balanced. But I think the truly remarkable story is the way everyone from the Board of Regents to the faculty and staff stepped up and collectively addressed the problems. If there is one realization I had at the time, whether conscious or just instinctive, it was that PLU faced a set of challenges that no one person could resolve and that it really needed to be a collective effort, beginning with a broad understanding of the challenges we were facing.

We had many meetings during my first year where we invited every member of the campus community to participate. The results were amazing. We quickly got beyond pointing fingers and went to work on solutions. There was a candor present that has long been part of how PLU works best.

Nordquist: During your first year as president the institution was also deeply involved in attempting to draft a new mission statement (the current one was then 30 years old). What did the community learn from that experience, and was it beneficial to the university?

Anderson: It is sometimes hard to believe that cod-liver oil is beneficial because it doesn't taste very good when it is going down. Some of the conversation about our mission statement in the spring of 1993 had a cod-liver oil quality to it. It was heated and somewhat divisive. It wasn't much fun. On the other hand it was very important to have the central institutional issue being discussed openly and constructively. I think the commission that worked on the mission statement came up with an excellent proposal. It looks even better to me now than it did 10

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[back row, left to right] Darren Hamby '87,'92, Jeff Rippey '78, Al Dungan '59, Paul Carlson '60, Sandra Krause-Olson '89, David Johnson '74, [middle] Susan (Hildebrand '76) Stringer, Dennis Howard '64, Nikki Martin '73, Becky (Nauss '74) Burad, Phyllis (Grahn '55) Carroll, Lisa Ottoson '87, [seated] Clarene (Osterli '56) Johnson, Beverly (Tranum '55) Knutzen, Chris Tye '91

PLU Alumni Board helps bring Lutes together

The Alumni Board assists the university in friend raising and fund raising. It is a working board consisting of 17 members, each member with a specific role as an officer, regent representative or committee chair. Additional opportunities for membership are available to alumni at large on 12 different committees. This structure enables the board to include many alumni in the work of the association.

One of the goals of the Alumni Board is to create and to improve the connections between PLU and its alumni. The Alumni Office and board are developing Connections Groups in various areas of the country to connect alums who live near each other. One such group, PLU Bay Area (PLUBA) exists in the San Francisco Bay region. Alums there are organizing local events and opportunities to connect with each other and to strengthen the PLU bond. PLUBA has also set up a listserv on the

Web in order to easily stay in touch and share information. The Alumni Board and staff are happy to assist alums who want to create a local connection group in other areas.

Please feel free to contact the alumni office at 253-535-7415 or alumni@plu.edu to get in touch with a specific board member or a member of the staff. The office can give you more information about the Alumni Board or serving on one of the board committees.

Also, Alumni needs people to help plan PLU Connections events around the country. If you would like to be involved, please let us know by calling 253-535-7415 or e-mailing alumni@plu.edu.

The following areas are currently available for leadership opportunities: **Tacoma, Seattle, Portland, Spokane, Bellingham, Mt. Vernon, Everett, Tri-Cities, Yakima, Wenatchee, Salem, Eugene, Boise,** northern and southern California, **Minneapolis, Anchorage,** East Coast, **Honolulu, Billings, Kalispell, Missoula, Denver** and several international locations. [S]

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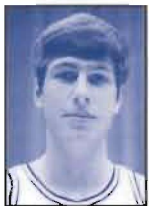
Hall of Fame Class of 2002

Basketball teammates highlight 2002 Hall of Fame class

Allan Kollar '70 and Leroy Sinnes '70, basketball teammates in the mid-1960s, are among those who will be inducted into the Pacific Lutheran University Athletic Hall of Fame Friday, Oct. 4 during Homecoming Weekend. Joining the basketball duo are football player Greg Rohr '82, swimmer Karen Hanson Scott '92, women's basketball player Kelly Larson '89 and softball player Holly Alonzo '89.

The Hall of Fame induction luncheon will begin at 11 a.m. in Chris Knutzen Hall in the University Center. The public is welcome to attend the event, though ticket prices have yet to be set. For information, contact the PLU athletic department at 253-535-7350.

ALLAN KOLLAR (Basketball, 1966-70)



Allan Kollar averaged double figures in scoring all four of his years at PLU, with a single-season best of 15.9 points per game as a sophomore. He finished his career with 1,285 points in 99 games, an average of 12.9 points per game. At the conclusion of his career, he ranked eighth on the career scoring list. He still holds the single-game records for consecutive free throws made (15) and for free throws in a game (16), both coming against Western Washington University on Dec. 2, 1966. Not only was Kollar a solid scorer, he led the Lutes in rebounding each of his final three seasons, twice averaging at lead 11 rebounds per game. Kollar twice earned All-Northwest Conference first team honors during his Pacific Lutheran career.

LEROY SINNES (Basketball, 1966-70)

Leroy Sinnes three times led PLU in scoring, averaging more than 16 points per game twice in his career. His best year came as a senior when he tallied 464 points in 28 games, an average of 16.5 points per contest. Sinnes finished his four years with a total of 1,307 points, an average of 12.8 points per game. He was the seventh player in the storied history of the Pacific Lutheran men's basketball program to exceed 1,000 points for his career. Sinnes earned All-Northwest Conference honors as a sophomore and again as a senior, matching his two highest scoring seasons.



GREG ROHR (Football, 1978-81)

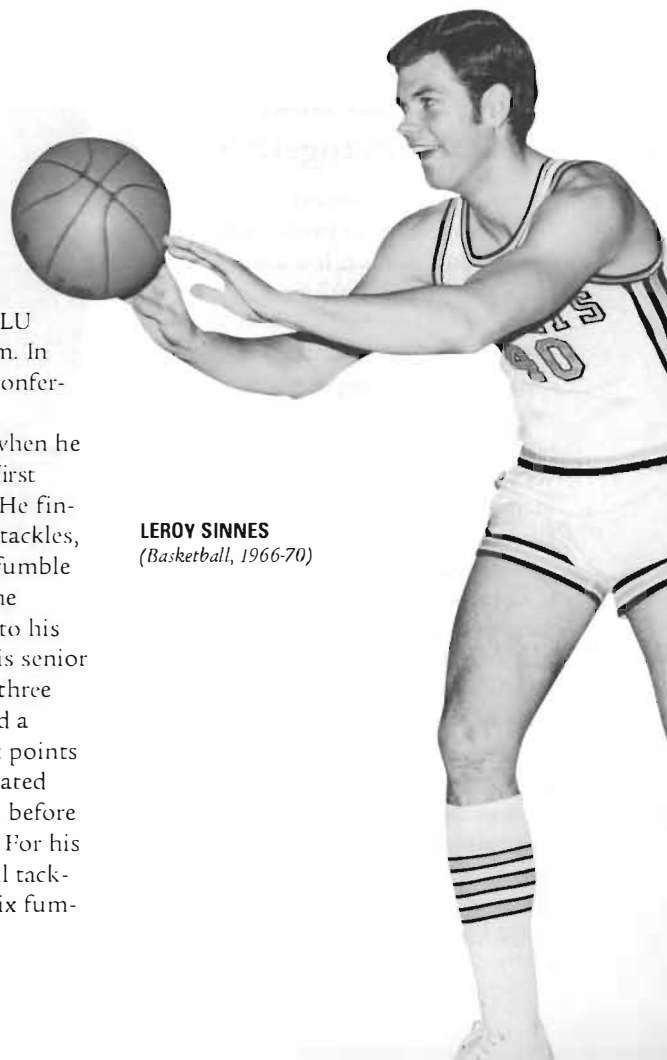


Greg Rohr is among the most dominating defensive linemen ever to wear a PLU football uniform. In 1980, he earned first team all-conference, all-district and Little All-Northwest honors as a junior when he helped lead the Lutes to their first NAIA national championship. He finished that season with 56 solo tackles, 10 quarterback sacks and two fumble recoveries. The following year he added first team All-American to his list of accolades. He finished his senior year with 76 tackles, six sacks, three fumble recoveries and anchored a defense that gave up only eight points a game. That team was undefeated and ranked No. 1 in the nation before losing in the national playoffs. For his career, Rohr compiled 190 total tackles, 17 quarterback sacks and six fumble recoveries.

KAREN HANSON SCOTT (Swimming, 1988-92)



Karen Hanson Scott earned All-America honors an astounding 31 times in her PLU swimming career, capping her four years with a national championship in the 500-yard freestyle at the 1992 NAIA meet. She showed her versatility that same senior season by placing second at nationals in the 200 backstroke and third in the 200 freestyle. In all, she earned All-America honors 11 times by placing in the top six in individual events at nationals. The 500 freestyle was her specialty as she placed third twice and sixth once in addition to her national title. Hanson Scott still holds



LEROY SINNES
(Basketball, 1966-70)

Five Pacific Lutheran individual swimming records including the 100 freestyle (53.31), 200 freestyle (1:53.74), 500 freestyle (5:01.81), 1650 freestyle (17:35.80) and the 200 backstroke (2:06.01). In addition, she swam on 200 medley and 400 freestyle relay teams that still hold Pacific Lutheran school records.

KELLY LARSON
(Basketball, 1985-89)



Kelly Larson is arguably the finest all-around player in Pacific Lutheran women's basketball history. At 5 feet, 10 inches, Larson could score, rebound and handle the ball with precision. Larson's name is repeated throughout the PLU women's basketball record book. She finished her career with a then-record 1,545 points. More than a dozen years later, Larson continues to rank No. 1 in career assists with 440 and first in career free throw percentage at .791 (321 of 406). She also ranks fourth with 190 career steals and ninth with 502 career rebounds. Three times in her career she had 11 assists in a game, ranking her first in that category. Larson earned first team all-conference honors twice and was a second team pick two more times. She never averaged less than 13.5 points per game and had a single-season best of 16.7 points per contest as a junior.

HOLLY ALONZO
(Softball, 1987-1990)



Holly Alonzo, then just a sophomore, compiled an outstanding 0.47 earned run average in helping lead PLU to the 1988 NAIA national softball championship, the first of two won by the university. She earned all-conference and all-district honors that season as the Lutes compiled an impressive 39-6 won-loss record. The following season, Alonzo earned second team All-America honors. Though not a prototype power pitcher, Alonzo finished that year with 163 strikeouts, then a university record. She concluded her career by helping the Lutes finish second at the NAIA national tournament. - by Nick Dawson

Football, basketball games will be broadcast online

If you have a computer and an Internet connection, you can hear PLU football and basketball games throughout the 2002-03 season.

All PLU sports events that are broadcast in the Tacoma area on KLAY 1180

AM will be Webcast through the PLU Web site. Just go to www.plu.edu/~lute-cast and click on the appropriate link. The current broadcast schedule includes all PLU football games plus a selected number of PLU men's and women's basketball games. Once the broadcast schedule is finalized, you can find it on the PLU athletics Web site at www.plu.edu/phed. [S]

PACIFIC LUTHERAN UNIVERSITY ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME MEMBERS

1990: Marv Harshman, football and coach; Clifford Olson, coach; Marv Tommervik, football and coach; Rhoda Young, athletic staff.

1991: Chuck Curtis, basketball; Roger Iverson, basketball; Jim Van Beek, basketball; Dianne Johnson, cross country and track & field; Earl Platt, football; Sig Sigurdson, football.

1992: Ron Billings, football, basketball and baseball; Don D'Andrea, football; John Fromm, Track & field; Sterling Harshman, track & field; Gene Lundgaard, basketball and coach.

1993: Hans Albertsson, basketball and track & field; Elizabeth Green Finley, swimming; Glen Huffman, football, basketball and baseball; David James, sportswriter; Dave Trageser, tennis; Dr. Roy Virak, team doctor.

1994: Doug Herland, crew and coach; Elmer Peterson, football; Kristy Purdy Armentino, cross country and track & field; Harry McLaughlin, basketball; Larry Green, football.

1995: George Anderson, football; Tami Bennett, swimming; Curt Gammell, basketball; Erling Jurgensen, football; Eldon Kylo, football; Steve Ridgway, football; Mark Smith, track & field.

1996: Evans "Red" Carlson, football; Nina Larson, women's sports

pioneer; Earl Luebker, sportswriter; David Olson, administrator; Tom Whalen, basketball; John Zamberlin, football.

1997: Diane Bankson, multi sports; Ron Barnard, swimming; Mark Clinton, football and golf; Tom Gilmer, football; Kirsten Olson Wees, swimming; Blair Taylor, football; 1947 football team.

1998: Sonya Brandt, soccer; Valerie Hilden, cross country and track & field; Scotty Kessler, football; Sara Officer, coach; Phil Schot, track & field; Randy Shipley, track & field; Scott Westering, football.

1999: Mike Benson, coach; Kerri Butcher Daniels, swimming; Steve Irion, football and baseball; David Peterson, crew and coach; Rev. Milton Nesvig, meritorious service; Stacy Waterworth, soccer and softball.

2000: Ross Boice, football; Carolyn Carlson-Accimus, tennis; Al Hedman, baseball; H. Mark Salzman, coach and administrator; Scott Wakefield, swimming.

2001: Rick Johnson, football; Wendy Johnson, women's soccer; Jim Kittilsby, administrator; Marcus LeMaster, men's swimming; Shari Rider, women's soccer; Chris Wolfe, wrestling.

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Two women study and paint in what was known as South Hall in the 1950s. It's now called Hinderlie Hall.

Residential Life Reflections: The rules have changed, but the goal of supporting students is the same

All alumni who have served as a residence hall (dormitory) leader while at PLU are invited to a special reunion during Homecoming 2002. If you were a student counselor, staff member or hall government leader, join the gathering. In preparation for the reunion, here's a look back at just a few of the ways on-campus living has changed over the years.

During the 1894-95 school year it was decided that students could not attend

dances. In January a scandal erupted after a prank was carried out which was designed to lure a girl into a boy's room where he was standing in only his underwear. This incident prompted the formulation of the first list of "rules".

1. Boys can't go in girls' rooms and vice versa.
2. No loafing in the kitchen.
3. No loitering in the halls and stairwells.
4. Study hours have to be spent in your room
5. No smoking by those under 17 and no smoking or chewing in the building.

In 1897-1898 all students were required to be present at the daily devotional exercises in the chapel unless



Dorm life and the décor have changed greatly since these co-eds lived on campus in the early 1900s.

excused by the President. Average expenses per student for a year were \$84.50. \$25 for tuition, \$48 for board, \$8 for room, \$3 for medical fee and a \$.50 library fee. Laundry, books, and paper would be extra expenses; hence, all students were encouraged to bring as many of their own books from home

as they thought might be of some use.

By the 1950s the rules had expanded so as to cover nearly every aspect of a Pacific Lutheran University student. For example, this section of the Student Handbook outlined a student's expected dress:

1. Students are expected to be clean and neatly attired. Bare feet are allowed only in private areas of one's living quarters or at recreational functions where bare feet are appropriate.
2. Physical education, lounging, beach attire, or the like is not allowed within the dining hall.
3. Specific standards of dress may be required in certain areas, at individual events or in the classroom by the individual instructor or professor. (Prior to this time the dress code required women to wear dresses to class and only wear sportswear on Friday afternoon and Saturday. All students were required to dress up for Sunday dinner.)
4. Formal attire must be worn at Artist Series and other public functions unless otherwise designated.

In 1972, restrictions on student life loosened dramatically: two dormitories became coed, girls dormitories' restrictive hours gave way to more freedom to



In the late '80s, this student modernized his room with bunk beds and stereo equipment.

come and go, and opposite-sex visitation was allowed three times a week instead of two times a year. Still, restrictions applied, for example: visitation hours are limited, the host must escort



In 2000, students moved into the latest and greatest residence hall – the apartment suites at South Hall.

the visitor to the room, the door must remain open, and a flag is put up indicating that a visitor is on the floor.

Students are expected to be clean and neatly attired.

Bare feet are allowed only in private areas of one's living quarters or at recreational functions where bare feet are appropriate. -1950s rule

For the first 60 years, PLC/PLU was administered chiefly by four people, the president, the dean of students, the dean of women and the dean of men. The dean of women and the dean of men positions have always been closely concerned with "student life". While the dean of men position changed frequently, Lora Kreidler served as Dean of Women from 1921-1943 and Margaret Wickstrom served from 1951-1978.

Through the early 70's the dormitories were staffed by housemothers and student counselors. Jeremy Stringer, the first director for Residential Life, building on an already strong on-campus housing system, brought about a



Today, as always students make their residence halls their homes.

number of changes that allowed for an even more student-development oriented approach to campus living. From then on, the dormitories were referred to as residence halls and continue to this day to be a "home away from home" for many PLU students.

The '70s also brought both an increased interest and many more opportunities for students to self-govern. Dorm/Hall Councils continued to flourish in each hall, and an organization known as Residence Hall Council (RHC), now known as Residence Hall Association (RHA) was formed.

In 2000, the university welcomed yet a new era in campus living with the opening of South Hall, apartment-style units for both upper class and married students that replaced Evergreen Court and Delta Hall. [5]



Homecoming 2002: Come back to your old home

Ladies and gentleman, Lutes of all ages, step right up and join us for a timeless adventure as we proudly present Homecoming 2002: The Greatest Home on Earth! Thrilling and amazing festivities are being planned for the classes of 1952, 1957, 1962, 1967, 1972, 1977, 1982, 1987, 1992, and 1997. This year, we also extend a special invitation to anyone who was involved in the many aspects of residential life. Whether you were a member of the residence hall staff or participated in dorm/hall government, you are a special part of what makes Pacific Lutheran University. For more information or to register, visit us online at www.plualumni.org or call us at 800-ALUM-PLU.

Here is this year's Homecoming schedule:

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3

PLUS Business Lutefest
5:30-7:30 p.m., The Vault, downtown Tacoma

RHA Songfest
8 p.m., Olson Auditorium

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4

ROTC Reunion Breakfast
6:30-8 a.m., University Center

Back to School Classes
8 a.m.-3 p.m., various campus locations

University Chapel
10:30-11 a.m., Trinity Lutheran Church

Athletic Hall of Fame Luncheon
11 a.m. -1 p.m., Scandinavian Cultural Center

Fall Apple Festival:
A Three Ring Circus
Music! Food! And More! It's a Three-Ring Circus and there are lots of events for the whole family.

- o Right Ring: UC Extravaganza
1:30-4 p.m., University Center
Book signings, Scandinavian cooking, alumni authors, campus tours.

- o Left Ring: Heritage Lecture:
Living On Campus—A Retrospective 2:30-3:30 p.m., Xavier Hall

- o Center Ring: Concert on the Square 3:30-5:30
With Jazz Combo: Cliff Colon '01 on saxophone, Sommer Stockinger on vocals, Joe Doria on Hammond B-3 organ and Brian Kirk on drums.

Faculty House Reception
4:30-6 p.m., PLU Faculty House

Homecoming Gala
6:30 p.m., Olson Auditorium

Residential Life Late Night Social
9 p.m., From The Bayou, Garfield Street

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5

Residence Hall Reunions
9-11 a.m., all residence halls

Reunion Brunches
9:30-11:30 a.m., University Center
Reunion Brunches for the classes of:
1957, 1962, 1967, 1977.

Nursing Alumni Brunch
9:30 a.m.-noon, University Center

Alumni Swim Meet
10 a.m., PLU pool

Golden Club Brunch
10-11:30 a.m., Gonyea House

Residential Life Luncheon
11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Olson Auditorium

Football Game/Alumni Tent
Tent-12:30 p.m.; game time is 1:30 p.m.

PLU Gold (Graduates of the Last Decade)
4:30 p.m., Powerhouse Restaurant & Brewery, 454 E Main Ave., Puyallup

50th Anniversary Dinner for the Class of 1952
6 p.m., University Center

Class Reunion Events
7:30 p.m., Tacoma Country and Golf Club
For classes of 1957, 1962, 1967, 1972, 1977, 1982, 1987, 1992, 1997 and Residential Life alumni.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6

Pancake Breakfast
9:30 a.m., Chris Knutzen Hall, University Center

Homecoming Worship
11 a.m., Mary Baker Russell Music Center

Inaugural Concert of the Richard D. Moe Organ Series on the Gottfried and Mary Fuchs Organ
Ann Stevenson-Moe, guest artist
4 p.m., Mary Baker Russell Music Center

Legacy Lutes: Children of grads carry on the PLU tradition

Fall is always an exciting time, as more than 1,000 new students are greeted on campus. The Alumni and Parent Relations Office welcomes these Legacy Lutes—students who are children of PLU alumni. We recognize these incoming families for their continued generational support and are thrilled to have them actively involved with their alma mater.

- Merissa Andre,**
daughter of Paul '84 and Deborah (Carroll) '82 Andre
- Emily Andrews,**
daughter of Joel '76 Andrews and Suzanne (Lindsay) '76 Knaus
- Nathan Bendickson,**
son of James '70 and Cindy (Johnson) '72 Bendickson
- Darcy Blair,**
daughter of Bonnie (Coughlin) '79 and Donny Blair

- Christopher Blanco,**
son of David '74 and Kari (Strandjord) '78 Blanco
- Amy Burgess,**
daughter of Debra (Rogovoy) '77 and Randy Burgess
- Nathan Burley,**
son of Mark '78 and Charlene Burley
- Nicole Buzard,**
daughter of Elsie Wescott '96
- Stephanie Chestnut,**
daughter of Mark '80 and Cindy (Kitterman) '80 Chestnut
- Kristie Clark,**
daughter of Janet (Carson) Clark '00
- Kevin Claus,**
daughter of John '72 and Karen Claus
- Rachael Cook,**
daughter of Keith '78 and Karen Cook
- Andrea Cox,**
daughter of Roxanne Cox '80
- Kendall Eisenbacher,**
daughter of Lela (Holbrook) '76 and Michael Eisenbacher
- Laurel Ekstrom,**
daughter of Edward Ekstrom '84

- Ryan Eylande,**
son of Corbin Eylander '74
- Scott Fikse,**
son of Janice (Ereth) Fikse '75
- Gretchen Flesher,**
daughter of Elizabeth Flesher '79
- John Fouhy,**
son of Craig Fouhy '76 and Kristi Weaver '82
- Deepak George,**
son of Mary '95 and Thomas George
- Colby Grab,**
son of Arnie '83 and Susan '85 Grab
- William Hamilton,**
son of Susie (Gatch) '75 and Randy Hamilton
- Erik Hansen,**
son of Karen (Hendrickson) '71 and Richard Hansen
- Kirsten Hansen,**
daughter of Victor '96 and Lori Hansen
- Steven Harkness,**
son of Cynthia (Lumsden) '75 and David Harkness
- Erik Helleston,**
son of Kim (Lillegard) '72 and Jim Helleston
- Aaron Hushagen,**
son of James '70 and Debbie (Herival) '70 Hushagen
- Ashley Jamieson,**
daughter of Dan '77 and Linda (Alexander) '77 Jamieson
- Marit Johnson,**
daughter of David '78 and Ann (Ristuben) '81 Johnson
- Matthew Johnson,**
son of Daniel '76 and Darcy (Berube) '78 Johnson
- Stephanie Johnson,**
daughter of Jonathon Johnson '99
- Justin Kemp-Waldner,**
son of Philip '80 and Tina Waldner
- Meredith Knapp,**
daughter of Teena Knapp '88
- Tessa Krippaehne,**
daughter of Karin (Bernhardsen) '79 and Dean Krippaehne
- Hillary Krueger,**
daughter of David '80 and Laurel (Frosig) '80 Krueger
- Terry Lindberg,**
daughter of Lauri Lindberg '78
- Erik Loraas,**
son of Keith '72 and Linda Loraas
- Sarah Luckman,**
daughter of Sue '92 and David Luckman

Pencil Us In

September 14
Alumni Women's Volleyball Game, PLU Campus

September 21
Connections Tailgate at Chapman College, Orange Calif.

October 4-6
Homecoming 2002, PLU campus

October 5
Alumni Swim Meet, PLU campus

October 5
PLU GOLD Event, Powerhouse Brewery, Puyallup

October 19
Connections Tailgate at Whitworth College, Spokane, Wash.

November 2-3
Fall Family Weekend, PLU campus

November 17-19
PLU To You: 100 Years of Basketball: Bellingham, Mt. Vernon, Everett

November 9
Connections Tailgate at Menlo College, Atherton, Calif.

December 7
PLU Christmas Concert Reception and GOLD event, Portland, Ore.

December 14
President's Christmas Dinner & Concert, PLU campus

December 15
PLU Christmas Festival Celebration Concert and PLU GOLD event, Seattle.

January 27-February 2
Connections Event & Choir of the West Concert Tour, visiting Boise, Denver, Billings, Kalispell, and Missoula, Mont.

February 9
Connections Event, Anchorage

For more information: www.plu-alumni.org or call 800-ALUM-PLU.

alumni news & events

Amy Luebke,

daughter of Cynthia (Sovereign) '77 and Glen Luebke

Kirsten Lysen,

daughter of Ken '78 and Kaye (Remmereid) '79 Lysen

Andrew Mast,

son of Jan (Geschwind) '73 and Ty Mast

Marissa Meyer,

daughter of Mark '85 and Bonnie Meyer

Kimberly Michel,

daughter of D. Patrick '76 and Vicki (Hagen) '76 Michel

Kristofer Olsen,

son of Gayle (Duggar) '74 and Andrew Olsen

Kathryn Olson,

daughter of Lynn (Nestby) '77 and Paul Olson

Jake Parker,

son of JJ Parker '77

Christopher Pearson,

son of Janet (Gordon) '79 and Alan Pearson

Kirsten Peterson,

daughter of Mark '77 and Elaine (Hamann) '78 Peterson

David Poole,

son of Kathryn (Drewes) '72 and Daniel Poole

Christy Roeber,

daughter of John '74 and Kim Roeber

Alissa Rowland,

daughter of James '75 and Sandra Rowland

Laura Ruud,

daughter of Robert '69 and Margaret '72 Ruud

Travis Savala,

son of Karl Albrecht '83

Brandon Snow,

son of Stephen '80 and Mary Snow

Andrew Soderlund,

son of David '71 and Carol Soderlund

Elizabeth Stuhlmiller,

daughter of Jeff Stuhlmiller '82

Katrina Swartz,

daughter of Jan (Metcalf) '72 and Kermit Swartz

Kari Urata,

daughter of Christine (Erickson) '76 and Robert Urata

Joshua Vaswig,

son of John '80 and Monique Vaswig

Jacob Washburn,

son of Janis (Tobiason) '75 and Frank Washburn

Sara Wilcox,

daughter of Linda (Loken) '72 and Steven Wilcox

M. Kellen Willis,

daughter of Michael '73 and Diane Willis

Andrew Wilson,

son of Susan (Eckhardt) '76 and Mitchell Wilson

Joel Winderling,

son of Peter '67 and Cheryl Winderling

Jenae Yandell,

daughter of Gail (McCracken) '80 and Gene Yandell

Randall Yoakum,

son of Randy '82 and Sandy (Nelson) '82 Yoakum

Lynette Young,

daughter of Kristine Young '69 

Picture Perfect

Do you ever get together with a group of your PLU friends to share a meal, watch a game, attend a Christmas Festival Concert or take a vacation trip? Have you had a chance encounter with a PLU alum during your travels? Your Alumni and Parent Relations staff would love to share your stories and photos with fellow alumni through Scene.



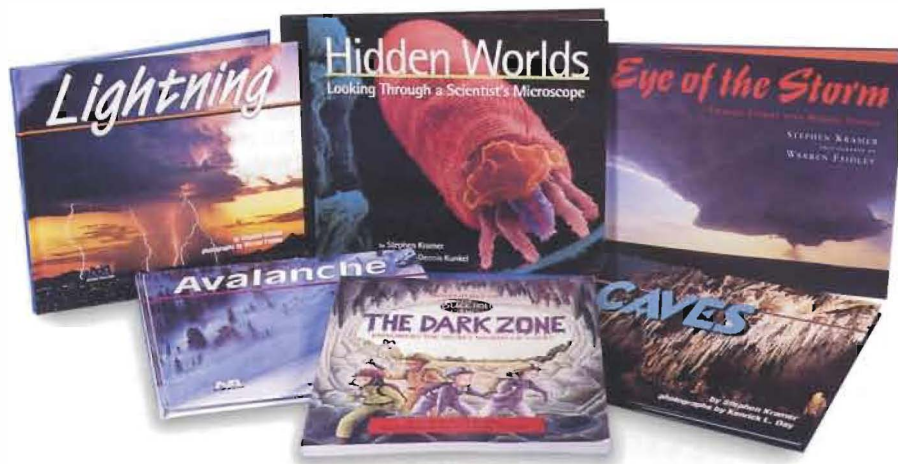
"Imagine my surprise to see this PLU license plate cover when we arrived at Post Office Bay in the Galapagos Islands, May 22, 2002," wrote Dr. Faith Bueltmann Stern '55. "Those PLU students/alums go everywhere!"



A surprise reunion of PLU alumni who hadn't seen each other since they graduated occurred on April 6, 2002, at the Kunst Hotel in Nakoro, Kenya during a Lutheran World Relief Study Tour to learn about innovations to combat HIV/AIDS. Pictured are Howard Christianson '56, David Wold '56, Vernita Bliesnor Christianson '58 and Elisabeth Omli Wold '57.

alumni profiles

Author introduces children to science with interesting, colorful books



Stephen Kramer's eyes were opened to how beautiful a book can be when he started including photography in his work.

Kramer '76 began writing children's books when he and his wife, Christine (Berto '76), moved to the Navajo Indian Reservation in northeast Arizona. They taught at a junior high school near Canyon de Chelly National Monument. Living in a remote area gave Kramer the chance to seriously explore and spend time writing children's fiction and non-fiction.

It wasn't until moving off the reservation that Kramer had his first success with the sale of a children's science book titled "Getting Oxygen." Nine months later, his second book, "How to Think Like a Scientist," sold to the same company. Kramer then hit a dry spell. "One misconception people have is that once you sell your first book it will always be easy to sell others," he said.

Five years after his second book was published, Kramer, who is now a fifth-grade teacher near Vancouver, Wash., sold his third book, "Avalanche," to a company that requested he turn his original idea into a photography book. As a result, he started working with various photographers to produce his books. "Working with photos made me think more carefully about a book's appearance," he said. "I began consid-

ering the visual appeal of topics as well as their scientific interest."

Kramer has published eight photo-illustrated books since 1987 on scientific topics such as caves, lightning and tornados. His newest book, "Hidden Worlds," is about a Hawaiian scientist who takes remarkable pictures of tiny objects through his microscope. "Hidden Worlds" has won many awards, including the "John Burroughs List of Nature Books for Young Readers" award and recognition as a "Notable Book for Children" by the American Library Association.

Mixed in with Kramer's photo books is "The Dark Zone," a thick black-and-white cartoon book about the adventures of a group of science-loving kids called The Black Hole Gang. Kramer said his own childhood inspired him when writing this book because the clubhouse, equipment and friendships are things he would have dreamed about as a fourth- or fifth-grader.

Along with the book, Kramer created a Website based on The Black Hole Gang characters (www.blackhole-gang.com). The purpose of the Website is to give elementary school teachers a safe, productive spot to introduce their students to science on the Web. "The Web can be a frustrating place for elementary-aged students," said Kramer, "because searches so often lead them to sites that are too difficult for them

to read and understand. The Black Hole Gang Website links were all chosen because of their kid-friendly content and reading level."

Kramer said he has many great memories of his science professors at PLU. "The field biology staff – David Hansen, John Main and Richard McGinnis – had the same interests I did, and they inspired me with their love of biology." Dennis Martin, in particular, had a big impact on his training as a biologist. He guided Kramer through selecting a graduate school and encouraged him to consider Northern Arizona University in Flagstaff.

"Living in Flagstaff and doing research in Arizona opened my eyes to the wonders of desert biology," Kramer said. "It was also the start of a lifelong interest in the Southwest, which provided the ideas for my books about lightning and storm chasers." □

By Nisha Ajmani '02



Steve Kramer

A complete list of Kramer's books can be found on his Web site. The books are available through any bookstore.

alumni class notes

Class Representative positions available: **1935, 1937, 1939, 1941, 1942, 1943, 1944, 1951, 1952, 1960, 1965, 1978, 1981, 1986, 1988, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1995, 1999**

1932

John Hopp died on March 11. Pastor Hopp was ordained in August 1937 and served in churches across the U.S. He retired in 1978 but continued to serve as associate and interim pastor for the Oregon Synod of the ELCA. John was a skilled carpenter and enjoyed gardening. He is survived by his wife, **Margaret (Rorem) '37**; three sons, Peter, Paul, and James; two daughters, **Serena Moore '62** and Carol; four grandchildren; three sisters, Adeline Fackler, Marybelle Faux and **Florence Seifert '43**. He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, **Herbert '35** and Max; and sister, Louise Brunner.

1936

Class Representative – Volly (Norby) Grande

1937

Evelyn (Taylor) Reid died on June 15. After PLU, Evelyn was a primary school teacher until her retirement. She enjoyed traveling and volunteering at First Presbyterian Church, where she was a member since 1946. Evelyn was preceded in death by her husband, John. She is survived by several nieces, nephews and cousins.

1938

Class Representative – Stan Willis

1940

Class Representative – Luella Toso Johnson

1945

Class Representative – Annabelle Birkestol

1946

Class Representative – Isabel (Harstad) Watness

1947

Class Representative – Gerald Linder

Frank Spear died on April 20. Frank was a member of PLU's 1947 Pear Bowl Championship team. He was inducted into the Tacoma-Pierce County Sports Hall of Fame in 1971, and the team was inducted into PLU's Athletic Hall of Fame in 1997. After PLU, Frank and his brother

operated Valley Forge in Fife. He retired in 1981. Frank also served in the South Pacific with the U.S. Navy (Seabees) during World War II. He enjoyed gardening and listening to music. Frank is survived by his wife of 56 years, Ella Mae, and son, **Dr. Frank Spear '75**.

1948

Class Representative – Norene (Skilbred) Gulhaugen

Corinne (Fosso) Stuen died on April 29. After PLU, Corinne married **Bertil Billdt '42**. She taught school in Anacortes, Ellensburg and the Shoreline district. She had three children, **Linnea Epstein '76**, **Brian Billdt '78**, and **Tamra Johnson '84**. In 1983, Corrine married **Marcus Stuen '43** and moved to the Tacoma area. She was an active member of Christ Lutheran Church in Lakewood, the Sons of Norway and PLU's Scandinavian Cultural Center.

1949

Class Representative – Luther Watness

1950

Class Representative – Edna (Haglund) Dorothy

Marjorie (Lane) Lean died on May 5. After PLU, Marjorie taught elementary school at Navy Base, Park Lodge and retired from the Clover Park School District. She was an active member of the First Church of the Nazarene and most recently was a member of Central Baptist Church. Marjorie was preceded in death by her husband of 46 years, Robert. She is survived by her daughter, Rebecca Delmonte; son, Daniel; and one grandson.

1952

Carol (Sletto) Hueller died on Feb. 20 of cancer. After PLU, Carol was an elementary school teacher. She taught in many places around the country as her husband was in the U.S. Air Force. In 1975, she moved to the Lyons, Ore., area where she worked for Stayton Canning Company until she retired. Carol was a member of the Mill City (Ore.) Presbyterian Church and volunteered at the local food bank and for Senior Meals. She is survived by her husband of 46 years, Bill; children, Kurt and Karen; and four grandchildren.

1953 Class Representative – Helen-Joanne (Enger) Olsen

Magdalyn (Baumgaertner) Akre died on May 8. Magdalyn earned a teaching certificate from Iowa State Teachers College and taught elementary school. She married her husband, Elvin, in 1933. In 1937, they came to PLU, where Elvin was dean of men and taught music. At PLU, Magdalyn earned a bachelor's degree in special education and a master's degree in library science. She retired from the Franklin Pierce School District in 1968. Her many interests included traveling, reading, and genealogy. Magdalyn was preceded in death by her husband. She is survived by her son, Grover; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

1954

Class Representative – Iver Haugen

1955

Class Representative – Phyllis Grahn Carroll

1956

Class Representative – Ginny (Grahn) Haugen and Clarene (Osterli) Johnson

David Scherer is the visitation pastor at Victory Lutheran Church in Minneapolis.

1957

Class Representative – Carol (Bottemiller) Geldaker and Helen (Jordanger) Nordquist

1958

Class Representative – Don Cornell and David Knutson

JoAnne Knutson Nelson writes books for children and is the owner of SuperBooks in Edmonds, Wash. She and her husband, Gary, have three sons and four grandchildren.

1959

Class Representative – Alvin Dungan

1960

George Doebler has served in pastoral care for 30 years – 13 years in mental health and 17 years as director of pastoral care and counseling – at the University of Tennessee Medical Center. The center has a \$3 million endowment to clinically train clergy in health care and spirituality.

1961

Class Representative – Ron Lerch

1962

Class Representative – Dixie (Likkel) Matthias

1963

Class Representative – Paula (Heyer) Billings and Judy Perry

Karen Dunn continues as a substitute teacher after retiring from teaching elementary school in 1997. She is "Nona" to Zolt Siobhan, 3.

1964

Class Representative – Kathy (Taylor) Edlund

Gerald Dittrich retired from his job as a corrections officer for Spokane County Jail in 2001. He also taught an anger/self esteem class and was a GED tester. In March, he was hired by the community colleges of Spokane to teach adult basic education/GED to inmates of the jail. In June 2001 he began working part-time as a pastor at Zion Lutheran Church in Spokane under Pastor Shelley Brian-Wee and is seeking reinstatement in the ELCA.

1966

Class Representative – Jack Oliver

Harold and Shirley (Bottiger) Ostenson have a fruit packing shed in George, Wash., where they pack, exclusively, organic fruit for orchardists from Mt. Hood, Ore., to Oroville, Wash.

1967

Class Representative – Angie (Nicholson) Magruder

Elaine (Shusta) Ponton is studying for the priesthood in the Episcopal Church at the Diocese of the Rio Grande.

1968

Class Representative – Michael Ford

Jim and Georgia (Stirn) Girvan both work at Boise State University. Georgia is the director of the Idaho Regional Alcohol and Drug Resource Center and Jim is the new dean of the College of Health Sciences.

Jean (Waddell) Isakson died on April 6. Jean was a teacher and head of the health department at Stadium High

School in Tacoma. She retired in 1999 and spent time with her family and friends, hiking, hunting, fishing and gardening. She is survived by her husband, **Kim '69**, and daughters, Krista and Sonja.

1969

Class Representative – Rose (Lanes) Steiner

Rick Nelson hiked the Wonderland Trail around Mt. Rainier during the summer of 2001. He is a speech and drama teacher at Eastmont Junior High School in Wenatchee, Wash.

Rev. Dr. Richard W. Rouse, Executive Director of Church Relations and Continuing Theological Education at PLU, was recently elected to the Board of Directors at Wartburg Theological Seminary and to a second term as President of the Society for the Advancement of Continuing Education for Ministry (SACEM).

1970

Class Representative Lois (Wehmann) LaCuran

Ingrid (Knutzen) Gintz is a financial consultant at the Federal Way, Wash., branch of Salomon Smith Barney. She recently passed her Certified Financial Planning examination, enabling her to provide comprehensive planning services. Ingrid has worked in the financial services industry for 26 years and has been a financial consultant for the past three years. Ingrid works as a team with her husband, **Ron '70**, who is first vice president of investments at the Federal Way branch.

1971

Class Representative – Joseph Hustad Jr.

Dennis Magnuson is the new pastor at Light of the Hill United Methodist Church in Puyallup, Wash.

Cathy (Corn) Dormaier and her husband, Denny, moved to a beautiful home in the country and love the quiet and peacefulness. Cathy recently completed her 31st year in education. She was a teacher for 22 years and has been the principal at Park Orchard Elementary School in Kent, Wash., for the last nine years. Cathy and Denny have many hobbies including drag racing, gardening and relaxing in the hot tub. Denny will complete his 30th year at Boeing in November. Recently he has been an AWACS air vehicle manager.

1972

Class Representative – Pam (Weeks) Russell

1973

Class Representative – Nikki Martin

Tana Knudson is assistant professor of mathematics at Heritage College in Toppenish, Wash. Her husband, Dave, is adjunct math instructor.

Bill Little is a program manager at n-Link Corporation in Seattle.

Jennifer McDonald performed in a vocal recital featuring a selection of music from Norway, Sweden, and Scotland on July 21 in Vancouver, Wash.

1974

Class Representative – Dave Johnson

Jack Anderson received a master of divinity degree from Luther Seminary in St. Paul, Minn., on May 26. He served as an intern at Faith Lutheran Church in St. Paul. He plans to serve a congregation in Oregon.

1975

Class Representative – Ed Voie

Wendy (Wilcox) Neptun received a master of science degree in nursing from State University of New York, Stony Brook, in December 2001. She is a family nurse practitioner.

Adrian Kalil is training for the Games in Sydney (Australia) scheduled for November. He will compete in five freestyle and backstroke swimming events. Adrian is involved with masters swimming in Oregon but will represent San Diego for this international forum. He is looking forward to the weeklong competition that will be held at the Sydney International Aquatic Center, the site of the 2002 Olympics. Adrian is in his 22nd year as a staff anesthetist for Kaiser Foundation Hospitals. He still loves his work, life, and the sport of swimming.

1976

Class Representative – Gary Powell

Rick Wells is the interim principal at Shelton (Wash.) High School for the 2002-2003 school year. Rick started at Shelton High School in 1997 as the dean of students and was appointed vice principal in 1998. Previously he was at South Kitsap High School.

Glenn Preston is active on the Buchner Masters swim team at Ft. Richardson, Alaska, as a swimmer and as part of the coaching team. He holds several state records in his age group for distance events. His wife, **Janna (Cooley) '75**, is also a swimmer. Glenn is a wholesale plumbing salesman for Familian Northwest.

Malia (Meyer) Haglund died on May 9. After PLU, Malia returned to Hawaii and married Bill Haglund. She worked as a nurse in oncology/chemotherapy. When

they moved to Bellingham, Wash., in 1989, Malia began teaching practical nursing at Bellingham Technical College. She also volunteered as a nursing supervisor at the Firwood Camps and at Royal Family Kids Camp each summer. Malia is survived by her husband; daughter, Maluhia; sons, Kawika and Jonathan; and one grandson.

1977

Class Representative – Leigh Erie and Joan (Nelson) Mattich

David Trombley died on Jan. 25 of acute myelogenous leukemia.

Richard Lund and his wife, Katherine, have lived in Rice Lake, Wis., for six years. He serves as senior pastor of Bethany Lutheran Church. They have two sons, Trygve, 10, and Peter, 9. In addition to his pastoral ministry, Richard was elected to the Rice Lake City Council as an alderman.

Fred Davis became the manager of South-east Veterans Service Center in Washington, D.C.

Paul Crumbacher, owner of Crumbacher Business Systems in Santa Fe, N.M., was asked to take over the Xerox agent program in April. He has been an agent in Santa Fe for eight years.

Dick Allen retired from his position as principal at Olympia High School in June.

1979

Class Representative – David and Teresa (Hausken) Sharkey

Bonnie (Clare) Low received her master's degree in education from Texas Tech University in August 2001 and her certification as an orientation and mobility specialist in September 2001.

Debra (Buege) Merriman is a major in the U.S. Air Force. She is a certified registered nurse anesthetist. She has served in the Air Force for 18 years.

1980

Class Representative – Phil Waldner

1981

Cindy (Kloth) Knotts lives in Fairfield, Conn., with her husband, Bert, and three children.

Scotty Kessler was named head football coach at Greenville College, an NCAA Division III school in Greenville, Ill., in April.

Fredi (Edna Giesler) Rector earned a Ph.D. in social welfare at the University of Washington in June. Her dissertation is titled: "Early Head Start: Home Visiting and Parenting Group Program Uptake – An implementation study." She will continue to work on Early Head Start

related research in her new position as an assistant professor in the social work department at the University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh.

1982

Class Representative – Paul Collard

Steve Schumacher received a master of divinity degree from Luther Seminary in St. Paul, Minn., on May 26. He served as an intern at Peace Lutheran Church in Dresser, Wis., and is awaiting a call to a congregation.

Mary Lynn Pannen owns Sound Options, Inc., a private care management company serving businesses and private families in Western Washington.

Lori Jo (Miller) McLean is a medical tech and microbiologist. She also helps with the family farm. Lori Jo and her husband, Dale, were married in June 2000.

1983

Class Representative – David Olson

Eric Johnson was promoted to assistant director at the Washington Public Ports Association.

Tony De Alicante is a lieutenant commander and attorney in the U.S. Navy. He is currently attending the Naval War College in Newport, R.I. He and his wife, Kathleen, have two children, Hannah, 5, and Marcel, 1.

Elizabeth (Hewes) Zarone is a physical education instructor at St. William of York Catholic School in Stafford, Va. She is also an assistant coach for a U-11 girl's soccer team.

Jacqueline (Romano) Vignal is married and has two sons. They live in Northeast Tacoma. Jacqueline has been a foster care caseworker at Catholic Community Services for 13 years.

1984

Class Representative – Mark Christofferson

1985

Class Representative – Janet (Olden) Regge

Sharon Gilleland and Gary Gorham were married on Feb. 18, 2001. They are busy raising their four children in the Puyallup area.

Sam and Maggie (Knudson) Tuttle own a loan mortgage company in the Puyallup/Tacoma area. They have two children, T.J. and Oliivia.

1987

Class Representative – Darren Hamby

1989

Class Representative – Lisa (Hussey) Ferraro

Keith Sippola is an Aid Association for Lutherans/Lutheran Brotherhood (AAL/LB) financial associate in Napa, Calif. He recently earned membership in the Million Dollar Round Table, an international, independent association of leading life insurance producers. Keith is with the Vern Hanson Agency in Roseville, Calif. This is the second time he has qualified for the MDRT.

Missy Maxson is returning to school to pursue a master's degree in teaching. She plans to teach middle school history.

Jonathan Edmonds recently moved his Lutheran Brotherhood practice to serve clients and alumni in the Puyallup and Tacoma areas.

1990

Class Representative – Sean Neely and Angel Vahsholtz-Anderson

Jeremy Soltroff has served in the U.S. Air Force for 16 years. He is stationed in New Jersey. Jeremy's cross training has included electronics and non-destructive testing and inspection.

Jim McKown is a middle school special education teacher in Honolulu.



Mike Hansen and Carol Yang were married on Sept. 1, 2001 in Seattle. Mike is a senior software engineer

at Radio Frame Networks.

Alison (Whitney) Shane and her husband, Kent, have accepted a call to First Lutheran Church in Poulsbo, Wash. They will share the associate pastor position. They were previously in Albia, Iowa.

Christopher Legler and Valerie Perdue were married in Christopher's hometown of Detroit Lakes, Minn. Valerie is a teacher and Christopher is vice president and CFO for Bernie's Coffee and Tea, both in Orlando, Fla.

Marcelle Askew and Kai Fjelstad were married on July 5 at her family's summer cabin in the mountains of Montana. Marcelle sold her flat in Oslo and moved to Kai's house outside the city. She loves having a garden and a view of rolling hills and a ski jump. They have spare bedrooms and enjoy visitors.

1991

Gail Ingram and David Kinner were mar-

ried on June 16, 2001 at First Lutheran Church in Tacoma. Gail is the marketing manager at Spencer Technologies in Seattle and David is a loan officer at Guaranty Mortgage in Edmonds.

1992

Erik and Sarah (Broetje '94) Dahle moved back to the Tri-Cities area in 2001 to work for Sara's parents at Broetje Orchards, the largest contiguous apple orchard in the U.S. Sara is the general manager and Erik is the accounting and systems manager. Their daughter, Rachel Marie, is 3.

Anne Margrethe Olsen and Trond Williksen live in Norway with their daughters, Kristina, 7, and Ingrid, 5. Anne Margrethe is the quality manager at Terra Seafood and Trond is head of the Center of Fisheries and Aquaculture at KPMG Management Consulting.

Lisa (Aune) Ofenloch began her new position as director of the Southern Service Center for the U.S. General Services Administration in February. She moved to Portland, Ore., with her husband and daughter, Abigail. They are excited to be back in the Pacific Northwest.

Leigh Ann Evanson is in Kampala, Uganda, working with the American Red Cross on an international project relating to blood banks and AIDS and HIV education. The project includes presenting research findings to an international conference on AIDS in Barcelona. Leigh Ann was recently featured in a story in GW Magazine, George Washington University's alumni publication, about Peace Corps volunteers. She served in Gabon, Africa, from 1996-1998. The article at www.gwa.edu/~magazine/archive/2001_winter/docs/feature_country.html

1993

Alisa (Benson) Pinnell and her husband, Pat, announce the birth of Kyle Edward, on May 10. Alisa is an international flight attendant, fluent in Japanese, for Continental Airlines. She is based in Houston, Texas.

Bill and Sarah (Nelson) Wallis have moved back to Washington with their two boys, Payton, 4, and Carter, 2. Bill has accepted a call as associate pastor at Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Marysville.



Becky Hoddevik and Sean Callahan were married on July 28, 2002, in Portland, Ore.

Bradley Chatfield and Elizabeth Peyton were married on April 13 at the state Capitol in Olympia. **Jack Peterson '93** served as best man.

Teri Poff has a new position as principal at Capital High School in Olympia. She was previously the director of teaching and learning for the Bethel School District.

Zoey Garnett and Gary Dering were married on April 21 at Chapel Hill Presbyterian Church in Gig Harbor, Wash. They met at "Positive Christian Singles" at Chapel Hill. Zoey is an emergency room and critical care registered nurse. Gary is an electrical contractor.

1994

Class Representative – Dan Lysne and Catherine Overland

Darrick Hartman was nominated for "Who's Who in America's Teachers" for the second time. He is currently an administrative intern with the Tacoma School District.

Daniel Tye is a financial analyst at Lucas Arts in San Rafael, Calif.

Suzanne (Tiedt) Tye is the director of annual giving at Mills College in Oakland, Calif.

Gretchen Brueggemann and Brian Greutman were married on July 22, 2001, at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Tacoma. They now live in Kansas City, Mo., where Gretchen teaches and Brian is the music director for YWAM.

Ben Moore and **Mike Liefeld '96** completed a 102-mile recreational bicycle ride as part of the American Lung Association's annual Reach the Beach event. The trip, from Beaverton to Pacific City, Ore., took nine hours and 44 minutes.

Erika Larson received a master of arts degree in international policy studies, with distinction, from the Monterey Calif. Institute of International Studies, in May. She also received a certificate in non-proliferation studies.

Matt Bohlmann and Maile Rehbock were married on April 26 in Seattle. Matt is a managing editor at Expedia.com and Maile is an editor at Amazon.com.

Shannon Tilly graduated from the University of Colorado Medical School and began her residency in obstetrics and gynecology in Salt Lake City in June.

Aron and Julie (Buckingham) Watts live in Veradale, Wash., where Aron teaches fifth grade in the Central Valley School District and Julie is an at-home mom and piano teacher. Their daughter, Hannah Leanne, was born on July 26, 2001, and son, Caleb, is 3.

Gina (Procopio) Remington is in her third year of residency in Creighton

University's Accelerated Family Practice program. For her final year, Gina was chosen as the chief resident for family practice. She lives with her husband, **Travis '92, '94**, in Omaha, Neb.

1995

Shawn Seversen and Michael Fresolone were married on Jan. 20, 2001 in Seattle. Shawn is a human resource assistant at Dynamics Research Corporation in Andover, Mass.

Esther Chon has a new position as a registered nurse practitioner at Harborview Medical Center Urgent Care. She also continues to work in the Virginia Mason Medical Center emergency department as the registered nurse residency education coordinator.

1996

Class Representative – Steve and Kim (Nadon) Leifsen

Emilie Dietz and Mark Montemayor were married on Sept. 1, 2001, at Holy Cross Catholic Church in Tacoma. Emilie is an elementary music teacher at St. Francis Cabrini School in Lakewood, and Mark is a doctoral student in music education at the University of Washington.

Tim O'Dell was promoted to director of global strategic sourcing at Vivendi Universal, the parent company of Universal Studios Music. He and his wife, **Heather (Kegley '97)**, purchased a home in Simi Valley, Calif.

Peter Briggs and Tricia Rafanan were married on April 20, in Redlands, Calif.

Melanie (Wright) Ohi completed her doctoral degree at Vanderbilt University and is now a Jane Coffin-Childs fellow at Harvard Medical School in the laboratory of Dr. Tom Walz. She is working on determining the 3D structure of the spliceosome using cryo-electron microscopy.

1997

Class Representative – Andrew and Stephanie (Merle) Tomlinson

Ryan Alexander received a master of divinity degree with an emphasis in youth and family ministry from Luther Seminary in St. Paul, Minn., on May 26. He served as an intern at St. Andrew's Lutheran Church in Mahtomedi, Minn. Ryan currently serves as director of high school ministries at St. Andrew's and will be assigned to a region of the ELCA in October.

Amos Lyso received the master of arts degree in youth and family ministry from Luther Seminary in St. Paul, Minn., on May 26. Before entering Luther Seminary, Amos was a teacher at the Seoul (South Korea) Foreign School.

Following graduation, he plans to return to work at the school.

Mary Forslund and her husband, Drew, have three children, Nick, 13, Emma, 4, and Seth, 2. Mary is a registered nurse at Wausau (Wis.) Hospital and Drew is a network specialist at Wausau-Mosinee Paper.

Tracey Sund accepted a new job as a litigation associate at Greenwald, Greenwald, Powers, Winsor, LLP, in Milford, Mass. Her primary area of practice is civil litigation.

Joel MacDougall and Crystal Clarity were married on June 22 at Callahan's Lodge in Ashland, Ore.

1998

Class Representative – Shannon Herlocker and Nate Sears

Daniel Shaw received a master of divinity degree from Luther Seminary in St. Paul, Minn., on May 26. He served as an intern at Maple Leaf Lutheran Church in Seattle. He plans to serve at Zion Lutheran Church in Kent.

Allyson (Weld) Tedrow has a new position as a physical education teacher at John Brown Elementary School in the Lakeland (Idaho) School District. She is also a U-16 volleyball coach for the North Idaho Lakes Club.

Kathleen Jones has a new position as the member service manager at the Sherwood Family YMCA in Oregon. Previously, she was a stay-at-home mom. Kathleen and her husband, David, celebrated their 10th anniversary on April 18. They have three children, Matthew, 6, Christian, 3, and Annie, 1. They live in Newberg. passionforgod@juno.com

Kenneth Johns graduated from Palmer West Chiropractic College on Dec. 7. He opened his own practice, Chiropractic Associates of Kitsap, in Silverdale, Wash. His wife, **Kourtney (Goldsmith) '98** is an elementary school teacher.

Martin Mogk is teaching chemistry and earth science at Millennium High School in Goodyear, Ariz.

Kelley Minty is a reporter and anchor for KOTI-TV, the NBC affiliate in Klamath Falls, Ore. Through her work she is the spokesperson for breast cancer awareness and diabetes prevention and works with the Klamath Falls Humane Society. Kelley was also a 2002 Olympic torchbearer.

Alicia (Manley) Lawver was named editor of The Peninsula Gateway, a weekly newspaper in Gig Harbor, Wash. She and her husband, **Nathaniel '98**, bought a home in the North End of Tacoma. Their

second child was born in August. Their first child, Abigail, will be 2 in November. Nathaniel is a financial adviser at Northwestern Mutual in Tacoma.

Seth and Cammy (Hagler '97) Copeland live in Yakima, Wash., with their two children, Anastasia, 5, and James, 1. Seth received a doctor of optometry degree from Pacific University in May.

Cynthia McClure bought a home in Seattle's Wedgewood neighborhood in February.

Wendy Rygh received a master's degree in teaching from George Fox University in 2001.

Michael Hjelkrem received a doctor of medicine degree from the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences in Bethesda, Md. He is currently a resident in internal medicine at Brooke Army Hospital in San Antonio, Texas.

Kaia Benson has begun working in Ashgabat, Turkmenistan, as a program coordinator for the FSA Undergraduate Exchange, administered by International Research Exchanges.

Robin (Nance) Shultis received a master's degree in literacy from PLU in August. She is a curriculum and reading specialist at Park Orchard Elementary School in Kent, Wash., and has begun graduate studies in administration.

1999



Lindsay Fowler and **Bret Hiles** were married on Feb. 2 in the Northstar Ballroom in Portland, Ore.

Katie (Tippett) Hoff '99 was the matron of honor. The couple honeymooned on Maui and live in North Tacoma. Lindsay is a Web/print content developer and Bret is a student at the University of Washington, Tacoma. lindsay_hiles@msn.com

Chris Backman received a master's of education degree in school counseling from Seattle Pacific University in June. He is a counselor at Whitman Elementary School in Tacoma.

Kristi Shettel celebrated the two-year anniversary of The Manhattan-Churchill (Mont.) Times, a weekly newspaper she started with her sister. Kristi runs the one-woman show as writer, photographer, designer and janitor.

Katherine Briggs is an administrative assistant at Mission Aviation Fellowship in Redlands, Calif. She previously spent

two years in Cameroon, Africa, with Wycliffe Bible Translators.

Ainslie Kopperud is working at the University of Alaska, Anchorage, and pursuing a graduate degree in adult education.

Amity Smetzler works at TRW as a Department of Defense contractor, testing record management applications. She is located at Fort Huachuca, Ariz. The job includes traveling around the nation.

2000

Class Representative – Ashley Orr

Melissa Wood is an eighth-grade science teacher in the Pioneer School District in Shelton, Wash. She said she draws daily from her rich experiences in the PLU education department.

Phyllis Higgins is an executive assistant at Weyerhaeuser in Federal Way, Wash.

Suzanne Sampson was commissioned as an ensign in the U.S. Navy Reserve in March. She is stationed in Newport, R.I.

Courtney Tomfohr received a master's degree in social work from the University of Washington in June.

Matt Rygg earned a masters of education degree in college student services administration with a minor in counseling from Oregon State University in June. He accepted a position at OSU as Arnold Complex director and resident director of Halsell Hall, a new, "community service learning," theme hall.

2001

Class Representative – Linda (Hutson) Pyle and Keith Pranghofer

Jenny Johnston is a registered nurse at Mary Bridge Children's Hospital and Health Center in Tacoma.

Stacey Schadler is the director of youth and family ministries at St. John's Lutheran Church in Phoenix, Md.

Pontus Agren is a portfolio-trading associate at the Frank Russell Company in Tacoma.

Britta Hobbs is a choir teacher at Convington Middle School in Vancouver, Wash. She continues to sing in the Portland/Vancouver area.

Eric Rutherford is a Peace Corps volunteer serving in Ukraine.

Keri Farthing has a new position teaching special education, math and language arts at Aylen Junior High School in the Puyallup School District.

Emily (Lawrence) Cook is the membership representative for the Tacoma-Pierce County Chamber of Commerce in Tacoma. Her husband, Brandon, is a fire systems estimator.



Whitney Martin '01 and **Jeremy Johnston '99** were married on July 21, 2001, in Portland, Ore. **Amy Reed '01**, **Courtney Black '01**, **Kate Babbo '02**, **Josh Johnston**

'97, and **Eric Arena '99** were in the wedding party. Whitney works in the School of Science and Engineering and Jeremy is a law student, both at Seattle University. They live in Seattle.

Future Lutes

1981

Cheryl Goldberg and her husband, Gregg, announce the adoption of their daughter, Gabriela Isabel. She was born in Bogota, Columbia, on Feb. 3, 2001. Gabriela joins Adam, 7, and Tyler, 5.

1982

Scott and Patricia (Buette '83) Ellerby announce the birth of twin girls, Petra and Marit, who rule the roost with brother, Benjamin, 7.

1984



Janna (Hamilton) Hudson and her husband, Tom, announce the birth of **Brianna Nicole** on Dec. 28. Tom is a U.S.

Navy captain and officer in charge of the Branch Dental Clinic in London, England.

1987

Todd and Sara (Foss) Carmichael announce the birth of their son, Torin, on April 12. He joins Davis, 2.

Sandi (French) Henley and her husband, Greg, announce the birth of John Daniel on April 23. He joins Kate, 5, and Aaron, 3. Sandi is taking time off from teaching English at Lane Community College in Eugene, Ore., to be home full-time.

1988

Erin (Kirkpatrick) Randall and her husband, Keith, announce the birth of Jett Owen on June 1. Erin is a mortgage banker at Phoenix Savings Bank in Seattle.



Sharyl (Bennett) Rapavy and her husband, **Brian**, announce the adoption of **Marisa Hope Qian** from the

Anhui Province of China on April 1. Marisa was born May 22, 2001, and joins big brothers, Taylor, 10, and Nathan, 8. Brian is a medical sales representative for Synthes Spine and Sharyl is a stay-at-home mom. They live in Poulsbo, Wash.

1990

Loren and Jennie (Acker '91) Camp announce the birth of Piper Elise on Feb. 7. She joins Miles Payton, 2. Loren is a financial adviser with TIAA-CREF in Denver and Jennie is a Ph.D. candidate in American literature at the University of Denver.

Helen (Marshall) Stemborski and her husband, **Mick**, announce the birth of their son, **Story Gray**, on Feb. 26.

Katy (O'Connor) and Steve '89 Vitcovich announce the birth of Benjamin on June

25, 2001. Steve is the vice president of human resources at URM Stores, Inc.

1991

Maureen (Brown) and Sean '92 Peterson announce the birth of Rory Tate on March 12. He joins Tanner, 5. Maureen works part-time as a therapist at Child and Family Guidance Center and Sean is the event coordinator at Multicare in Tacoma.

Susan (Kinoshita) Weber and her husband, **Douglas**, announce the birth of **Sydney Anne** on Jan. 25.

1992



Eva-Liisa (Shilamba) Kafidi and her husband, **Petrus**, announce the birth of their daughter, **Ponheni Pakalwa**

Twahafifiwa, on Dec. 25. Eva-Liisa is an integrated natural science lecturer at Ongwediva College of Education in northern Namibia. After earning her bachelor of science degree in biology

and a chemistry minor from PLU, she attended the University of Hawaii at Manoa, where she earned a master of science degree in physiology. Petrus is studying for a master's degree in computer science at the University of Pretoria.



Kristin (Harte) Sawin and her husband, **Van**, announce the birth of **Courtney** on April 16.

Annie Ofstun and her husband, **Ron**, announce the birth of **Eric William** on Oct. 7, 2001.



Julie (Cram) Platt and her husband, **Rob**, announce the birth of their first child, **Charles "Charlie"**

Robert, on March 15. Julie is staying home with Charlie and Rob continues to work for PWC Consulting.

is a teacher at Colegio Menor San Francisco de Quito and Pablo is a veterinarian. They live in Sangolqui, Ecuador.



Jason and Julia (Conley) Schafer announce the birth of their first child,

Christopher James, on Feb. 9.



Toby and Kirstan (Leatha '94) Tobin announce the birth of **Riley**

Graham on Sept. 4, 2001. He joins his brother, **Kendall Scott**, 2. Riley was baptized on March 7 at Mountain View Lutheran Church in Edgewood, Wash., by Pastor **John Vaswig '80** and assisted by **Todd Kelley '88**. Riley's godfather is Kirstan's brother, **Brandon Leatha**. Kirstan stays at home with her sons, and Toby is in sales at Boise Cascade.

Gus Gustafson and his wife, **Cathy**, announce the birth of **Hunter Pierce** on June 7.

1994

Heather (Carlson) Wheeler and her husband, **David**, announce the birth of **Jonathan Donald** on April 5. He joins **Hannah Ruth**, 2. Heather graduated from family medicine residency in Spokane in June 2001 and they moved to Bozeman, Mont. After taking a year off, Heather began work at the Bozeman Clinic, a Christian family practice, over the summer.

Daniel and Karin (Wiitala '95) Roney announce the birth of **Brendan Cole** on April 21.

Gretchen (Woodall) Flores and her husband, **Tony**, announce the birth of **Samuel Edward** on May 4.



Joel and Sarah (Gutzman) Ertsgaard announce the birth of their

son, **Erik William**, on May 28. Joel is senior graphic designer at Seattle Pacific University, and Sarah is director of adult day health at Providence Mount St. Vincent in West Seattle. They live in the Ballard neighborhood of Seattle.



Jenny (Michael) McGuire and her husband, **Tom**,

announce the birth of their son, **Mason**, on Sept. 8, 2001.

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4 1/2" Tomte with Goat \$21.95

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15" \$9.95
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Michelle (Lechnyr) Henningsen and Oyvind Henningsen '90 announce the birth of **Emilie Mackenzie** on April 6. She joins **Kristoffer Martin**, 3.



Timothy and Traci (Wensel) Mitchell announce the birth of **Rebecca**

Katherine on April 26. Tim is the accounting supervisor at Reef Management and Traci is a pharmacist at Swedish Medical Center in Seattle.

Jennifer Hallman and her husband, **Derek**, announce the birth of **Sarah Marguerite** on May 30.

Erik and Christy (Tuck) Peterson announce the birth of **Joseph Martin** on May 17. Christy is a desktop publishing specialist at The Math Learning Center and Erik is a quality engineer at Hewlett Packard in Vancouver, Wash.

1993

Jennifer (Norman) Williamson and her husband, **Charles**, announce the birth of their daughter, **Paige**, on Jan. 24. Jennifer is the training coordinator at the University of Montana, and Charles is an accountant.

Sarah (Sigler) Ponce and her husband, **Pablo**, announce the birth of their daughter, **Kamila Cruzanna**, on March 21. Sarah

1995



Ted and Jennifer (Iverson) Riddal announce the birth of Titus

on Dec. 31. He joins Vanessa 14, Christian, 5, Hallie, 4, and Rykker, 2. Ted is a special education teacher in the Kenai Peninsula (Alaska) School District, and Jennifer is a homemaker.

1996

Julia (Nelson) Fulmer and her husband, Steven, announce the birth of Sarah on March 16. Julia is the Internet sales manager at CollegeNET, Inc., in Portland, Ore.

Greg Melchert and his wife, Allison, announce the birth of Julia Kristie on May 23. She joins Jonah, 8, and Samantha, 4.

Kami (Moeller) Hayes and her husband, Eric, announce the birth of Melaina RaeAnn on Feb. 9. Kami is a teacher in the Longview School District, and Eric is a firefighter for the City of Longview.

Cari (Tvedten) Williams and her husband, Brian, announce the birth of Kelsey Brynn on June 4. Cari is a registered nurse.

1997

Kelly and Kasie (Scales) Pranghofer announce the birth of Kyla on March 26. Kelly is a lead program manager at Microsoft.

Kara (Workman) Klotz and her husband, Timothy, announce the birth of twin girls, Taryn Elisabeth and Adria Lorraine on May 13.

1998



Valerie (Mallabon) Hopper and her husband, Devon, announce the birth of their

daughter, Sara Pauline, on March 22.

2001

Krista (Marshall) Dearey and her husband, Chad, announce the birth of their son, Josiah, on March 11. Krista and Chad were married on May 25, 2001, at the Nazareth Chapel on the campus of Northwestern College in Roseville, Minn. PLU alum, **Leigha Lemon '00**, was in the wedding. Krista is a homemaker, and Chad is president of Dearey Mortgage and Dearey Diversified. [S]

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In Memorium

1932

John Hopp died on March 11.

1939

Gertrude Tingelstad died on Jan. 14.

1947

Frank Spear died on April 20.

1948

Corinne (Fosso) Stuen died on April 29.

1950

Marjorie (Lane) Lean died on May 5.

1952

Carol (Sletto) Hueller died on Feb. 20

1953

Magdalyn (Baumgaertner) Akre died on May 8.

1968

Jean (Waddell) Isakson died on April 6.

1976

Malia (Meyer) Haglund died on May 9.

1977

David Trombley died on Jan. 25

1987

Craig Forstrom died on April 10.

Faculty and Friends

Earl Luebker, retired Tacoma News Tribune sportswriter, died on April 13. He retired in 1986 after 37 years and was inducted into PLU's Athletic Hall of Fame in 1996.

Maurice Skones died on May 2. In 1964, Dr. Skones came to PLU as chairman of the music department and director of the Choir of the West. A native of Montana, he graduated from Concordia College in Minnesota, completed his master's degree at Montana State University and received his doctorate from the University of Arizona. At PLU, Dr. Skones achieved a national reputation for the choir, was instrumental in the fivefold increase in music majors, helped bring national accreditation to the music program, and encouraged the emphasis on contemporary music. In 1983, he left PLU to head choral activities and graduate programs in conducting at the University of Arizona.

Ardeen Iverson died on May 20.

Catherine Richmond died on June 8. She was a cook at PLU for 27 years and was a member of PLU's Rose Window Society. She is survived by her husband of 63 years, Ray; daughter, Dianne; and seven grandchildren.

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the arts

Selections from Saxifrage, Spring 2002 student literary magazine

November

Sarah Irvine

November has returned,
an unwelcome guest.
It is always wise to count the spoons
after November visits.

This light-fingered unpleasant
month,
with nights that leave me
wondering why I bothered
to sleep in the first place.
The low-grade fever
and scratchy throat that
last for eternities of short gray days,
punctuating
restless nightmare plagued darkness.
I'd ask for a tonsillectomy,
but insurance would call it elective
surgery
even if it would preserve my sanity.

The inside of my head feels
like a convocation of ADD tigers
complaining in New Jersey accents
about bad pedicures.

The idea haunts me
in the studio,
at the computer,
at dinner with my friends,
that I could more directly
influence the human race for good
by dropping out of college
and doing something real,
like growing potatoes.

Things don't get much more real
than potatoes.

But that's November for you.

A Mate---Without Company*

Desiree Westlund

(Translated from the Spanish for Saxifrage)

Alone, always alone, I drink my mate
The straw settled between my lips
accompanies me
Even as my empty thermos reminds me
That truly I am alone
The spent yerba floats atop the water
And I dream of my companions
 sharing the sweetest cookies in all the Americas

I sigh,
 Hey, wanna drink a mate?
 Sit awhile and we'll chat
Life is hard
And even my fantasies can't save me from my solitude
The mate is my only companion
 and the straw its friend
The water fills us with hope and we keep going, together
 my mate and I
 without company

**Mate (Mah-tay) is similar to a very strong green tea and shared by passing a hollowed gourd from person to person during small afternoon gatherings in Argentina and Uruguay.*

Journey of the Oblivious Believers

Dan Russell

We clasped our hands together, danced and spun
in the timeless ritual of our forefathers
cried out in our urgent need to the goddess of the sea
to
 come, bend fate,
 bring destiny to our will
 shed light on our path
 lend us more paper life again

We took our nickels and,
 bathed in the ethereal currents of the ocean,

Began to scratch in eager anticipation

years ago because I think I understand PLU better, and I understand the context and the genesis of the statement.

The continuing challenge for us is to express what it means to be a Lutheran university in one or two sentences that are understood by the broader community and adequate for Lutherans who come from a wide range of theological perspectives. Given the breadth and richness of our Lutheran tradition of education, that is not easy. Yet it is such an important conversation that we repeatedly come back to it in many other contexts, and it is important that we do.

Nordquist: Indeed, among the strengths the regents, faculty and search committee looked for in a new president in 1992 were experience and success in development and long-range planning. The process leading to a long-range plan that ultimately was called PLU 2000: Embracing the 21st Century was launched in December of 1992—almost as soon as you arrived—and received final approval in January 1995. What were its most important axioms and initiatives and how successful was it?

Anderson: PLU 2000 is a remarkable story in part because in those years the university juggled an important set of near-term issues while at the same time thinking in bold terms about its long-range future. That was a delicate balance to maintain and I think it is a tribute to the community that both were done well.

The plan's five foundational axioms were the right ones: 1) invigorating the learning community, 2) sustaining and finding sustenance in our Lutheran heritage and tradition, 3) focusing on educating for lives of service, 4) committing ourselves to becoming a more diverse community, and 5) building fiscal integrity.

We can all take great pride in looking back over 10 years and seeing the degree to which the university's accomplishments flow from PLU 2000. My basis for this judgment is the countless people who come to visit us—accredi-

tors, foundations, candidates for positions—they all say that PLU 2000 is a very impressive report and that PLU is one of the few places they have seen that has developed a comprehensive long-range plan and actually implemented it.

Nordquist: A second plan called PLU 2010: The Next Level of Distinction is nearing completion. Can you predict what its most important emphases will be and if any new directions will be charted?

Anderson: The key element of the 2010 report will be the way it helps us focus on the future of our academic programs: How do we strengthen our traditional academic culture? How do we advance the cause of international education? How do we work on student engagement in shaping their learning experience? How do we continue to focus on ethics, values and service? I expect these will be the markers for what we want to accomplish academically over the next 10 years. I believe they will also form the foundation for a dramatic breakthrough of our institutional reputation that will lead to a new, broad public recognition of what a truly remarkable and excellent place PLU has become.

Nordquist: What have been the university's most important achievements in fund-raising during the last decade and what still needs to be done?

Anderson: The most important achievement—one with long-term significance for the future of the university—has been members of the broad PLU constituency stepping up to support our endowment. As a result, the endowment has increased over the past decade more than 500 percent and planned, future gifts to the endowment have increased about 1,000 percent.

The biggest challenge we face in the fund-raising area is what I call the revitalization of our schoolhouse, the maintenance and renovation of our campus facilities. Most of our campus was built in the '50s and '60s, so many of our buildings are now ready for revitalization. Among projects in our current fund-raising campaign are construction of The Morken Center for

Learning and Technology and then the Eastvold renovation and expansion. But there is more on the horizon. The Hauge Building and the University Center need work and many of our residence halls are out of date. So the capital appetite of our schoolhouse is going to be significant in the coming years, and with the costs of construction such as they are, funding these projects will be a challenge.

Nordquist: PLU has made some significant advances in international education in the last decade. The new Wang Center for International Programs will undoubtedly accelerate that institutional emphasis. How important and appropriate is it for PLU to be a major player among Lutheran and Northwest institutions in international education and scholarship?

Anderson: The evolution of PLU as an internationally focused university is a very interesting case study. So much of it has happened without an orchestrated plan. Instead, by virtue of the faculty that have been hired, the program interests that have been developed, and our location on the Pacific Rim, suddenly we're recognized as among the leaders in international education. Now, through the generosity of Peter and Grace Wang, we have taken another major step.

The excitement is that not only is our reputation for international education beginning to emerge, but we also find ourselves competitively placed as one of just a handful of undergraduate institutions in the country that have significant, substantive international programs throughout the curriculum. The events of the last year have reinforced the importance of this focus. It is an essential part of who we've become and where we need to go.

Nordquist: Diversity in all its complexity has been an important agenda item for all educational institutions in the recent past. What successes has PLU achieved in the last decade, and what still needs to be done?

Anderson: In my first state of the university address in the fall of 1992, I suggested that becoming a more diverse institution is a matter of both reality

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and relevance. With the world constantly becoming smaller and more diverse it is clear that if we are going to be a part of it, relate to it, and have an effect on it we must ourselves be a diverse community. The challenge for us is how a community that comes out of a particular tradition becomes welcoming and embracing to other traditions without losing a sense of who we are. That's a tension we feel today and will and must continue to feel.

And the fact is that the nation's university campuses are probably more diverse than any other communities in our country. The campus has become the real melting pot. Here is where people of different backgrounds and traditions and beliefs are coming together in mutual respect and understanding. It is one of the key roles higher education is serving in our society, and I am pleased that PLU is playing a part.

Nordquist: You have been connected to Lutheran higher education for most of your adult life and you are now finishing your first decade at PLU. You are also completing your responsibilities as chair of the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities with its 950 institutional members. From those multiple perspectives how do you see the future of Lutheran higher education, and what are PLU's prospects for the next decade or two?

Anderson: The prospects for Lutheran higher education have never been brighter, particularly at places such as PLU. Today, more than ever, our conviction that life is a gift from God, that life has purpose, that the human experience is transcendent, and that we are ultimately created to be a positive force in the world resonates with people from all faith backgrounds, as well as those who come out of no faith background at all.

The Lutheran perspective on higher education also gives us a unique insight into teaching and learning. Education, we believe, must include both rationalistic ways of understanding the world and faith-based frameworks for knowing. Our campus response to the events

of Sept. 11 is an interesting example. First, we established a discussion center where we invited faculty who are experts to help us understand intellectually what had happened. Second, we set up a counseling center for people who needed to address the experience in more personal terms. Third, we provided opportunities that day and the days following for worship and reflection. Another university might have taken any one of these approaches. For a Lutheran university it was natural to do all three.

Nordquist: What has given you the greatest satisfaction during your tenure as president at PLU?

Anderson: It is watching students grow and succeed. I've now been here long enough that some students I first met as high school sophomores and juniors are now two or three years into their careers. Watching them discover their potential and claim their vocation is always the greatest satisfaction.

Another source of satisfaction is being part of a community, a team that is continually working to create opportunities for faculty, staff and students to work together. It is truly fun to have had a hand in providing a new building, providing a grant for a research project, hiring just the right person, contributing to the preparation of a Fulbright scholar, or being there and cheering when the softball team goes 34-0. PLU is an "opportunity" place and the president's job is to help create such opportunity. It is a very rich experience.

Nordquist: What are the most important tasks that still remain to be accomplished?

Anderson: I think finishing the 2010 process and moving forward with the academic initiatives that result. Also, continuing to work as a community to further clarify our statement of mission, our understanding of what it means to be Lutheran, and how we communicate that more effectively.

More specifically, I have a little sheet of five goals that I carry with me. Goal number one is to complete and implement the 2010 plan. A second goal is to finish the Morken Center for Learning and Technology and the Eastvold restoration projects. A third is to accom-

plish some of the academic changes currently under discussion. The fourth is to stabilize enrollment in the 3,500 to 3,600 range. And the fifth is to continue to make progress on infrastructure issues, reducing deferred maintenance, keeping up with technology and growing the endowment. In short, giving students and faculty the resources they need to do their work well.

Nordquist: The evolution of the Board of Regents is obviously central to our institutional health right now. The board is much stronger and as a consequence the institution is much stronger.

Anderson: It is. That is a huge subplot of PLU's growth and progress. Just one measure of the leadership that the regents have demonstrated has been their willingness to step up with contributions of over \$30 million in support of our current \$100 million fund-raising campaign. At the same time, the board has a strong commitment to PLU's mission, a very good spirit about academic and faculty matters, and a deep interest and concern for students. Members also have a keen understanding that the university is not a corporation of the kind that many of them run, but rather is a unique community that needs their special nurture and care.

Nordquist: Strong boards, strong presidents and strong faculty work together. If one is weakened the whole is weakened significantly. We have to increasingly be able to be candid and work together to the benefit of the entire institution. Still, it is a credit to you that you have been able to find the political capital to continue with your work for the past 10 years and continue on into the foreseeable future. The average tenure of college presidents is half the time of what you have already served.

Anderson: This is a forgiving community! Lutherans call it grace, every president lives by it.

You mentioned the importance of candor in addressing the challenges and problems we face. The past 10 years have been a real time of learning for me. I'm a much, much stronger proponent of democracy than I was 10 years ago.

Nordquist: It was a learning experience

for the entire community. And as it turns out a beneficial one.

Anderson: I once wrongly tended to think that when a university faced difficult challenges it was up to leadership to fix them. But leaders can never work alone. When they do, the issues become leadership's problems and no one else's. So one needs to always trust in the strengths and the fabric of the institution and its people. I think PLU's history has verified that this is the right approach. Over the past 10 years I have learned that when in doubt, trust the process, trust people. Be a part of the community and work together for our shared long-term well-being. So, we now have a governance system that spins and sputters and sometimes doesn't always move very fast, but when the day is over, it acquires itself very, very well.

Nordquist: It has turned out better than any of us could have predicted.

Anderson: I believe that PLU is developing a stronger sense of self-confidence and self-acceptance. The university community has become more comfortable with the new complexity that describes both PLU and the challenges we face. At the same time, there remains a tremendous sense that we have not yet arrived; PLU is on a journey. A greater sense of excellence and service is always before us.

Nordquist: We are 110 years old. But in many respects we are quite young.

Anderson: Yes, but as I mentioned earlier, I believe that PLU is about to enter an era of even greater maturity. We are poised to move beyond a deep seated tendency to underestimate our achievements and, thereby, free ourselves to better articulate our distinctive mission and to embrace the excellence of our program.

As a final thought, I believe that one sign of this new maturity will be a reduced tendency to focus on the president. PLU has had such a tradition of strong presidents that much of the institution's experience has been defined in terms of them. I believe the real story line is not the president. The university – our people, our mission and our programs – are finding their own stature. They are the story. That is as it should and must be, and it is another very positive step for PLU. □

Inter-tribal violence continued to plague Central Africa. And the Palestinians' catastrophic second intifada effectively destroyed the Middle Eastern peace process.

But Sept. 11 does not mark the end of "liberal convergence," either as an actual process, or as a compass for American foreign policy. It is not, as is sometimes suggested, a Western conceit to claim that the good life is best achieved through popularly accountable government, the rule of law, and socially-regulated free markets. The conceit lies in assuming that the West has some proprietary rights over these ideas. In reality, the developing world has no shortage of people willing to risk everything to achieve democracy and human rights in their countries. But the pathologies that threaten world order – inter-communal violence, abject poverty, illiteracy, and Malthusian population pressures – are endemic to those parts of the world where secular rationalism has not yet established itself. And so it remains the enlightened self-interest of the existing wealthy democracies to promote and cultivate democracy and economic development at every practical opportunity.

In the immediate aftermath of Sept. 11, the anti-terrorist offensive necessarily came to dominate American foreign policy. Only a committed pacifist could deny that the United States was right to prosecute a war against an enemy that had killed more Americans in a single day than at any time since the Battle of Antietam in Sept. 1862. But over 80 nationalities were represented among the dead in the World Trade Center. The war on terrorism is not America's fight alone.

Ordinary Americans have proven themselves well deserving of the outpouring of international sympathy post-Sept. 11. To their eternal credit, they have refused to live under the "something wicked this way comes" paranoia hoped for by al-Qaeda, and the terrorist attacks did not even have the anticipated lasting impact on the American economy. Corporate fraud

may well have done more damage to the stock market than Osama bin Laden.

The Bush administration conducted the war against the Taliban with efficiency and resolution, and also with serious efforts to minimize the nonetheless inevitable civilian casualties. The war's intended deterrent effect has been seen in the public denunciations of terrorism by states like Libya, Syria, and Somalia. And the deployment of anti-terrorist advisers in the Philippines and the former Soviet republic of Georgia is a logical extension of the administration's policies. Terrorism has lost what the novelist Tom Wolfe called "radical chic," as is shown by the IRA's recent apology for thirty years of civilian casualties, and the drying up of the organization's funding.

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There have, of course, been the predictable objections that the United States has itself promoted terrorism in the past (e.g. against the Soviets in Afghanistan, and the Sandinistas in Nicaragua), and that it is has enlisted oppressive regimes (including reactionary Islamic ones) in its pursuit of the Sept. 11 terrorists. But international politics is an arena in which moral consistency is precluded by power-political realities that cannot be simply wished away. Winston Churchill once confessed that "If Hitler invaded Hell I would at least make a favorable reference to the Devil in

the House of Commons."

Ultimately, wars are to be judged by their results. Following the recent loy jirga, terrorist cells have been dispersed and Afghanistan has its best prospects in decades for internal peace and stability. But the Afghan war was only the beginning of a campaign against terrorism that will depend less on direct military engagement than on multilateral cooperation. This will require the long-term maintenance of the new anti-terrorist coalition. But that coalition is already under some strain.

Key allies, such as Canada and Spain, are reluctant to extradite terrorist suspects to the United States because of the persistence of the death penalty, the prospect of military tribunals, the federal violation of suspects' civil liberties, and the highly questionable legal status of Camp X-Ray in Guantanamo.

The coalition is also jeopardized by the Bush administration's instinctive unilateralism. It has rejected the Kyoto Treaty and the International Criminal Court, with the minimum of rationalization. It has set conditions for future negotiations over Palestine, and threatened war against Iraq, without consulting other key players. And, in contradiction to its stated free trade ideology, the United States has protected its steel and lumber industries, and lavishly subsidized its domestic agriculture.

As Harvard's Professor Joseph Nye has recently pointed out, the "war on terror" illustrates a paradox: in a world of complex interdependence, America may undermine its own interests when it pursues those interests in ways that alienate actual and potential allies. When America flaunts its ability to compel, it risks diminishing its ability to persuade. The existing and emerging democratic world will welcome the leadership of the United States. But it will reject and resist American domination, and the ensuing divisions could seriously weaken the democratic world in relation to its enemies. [S]

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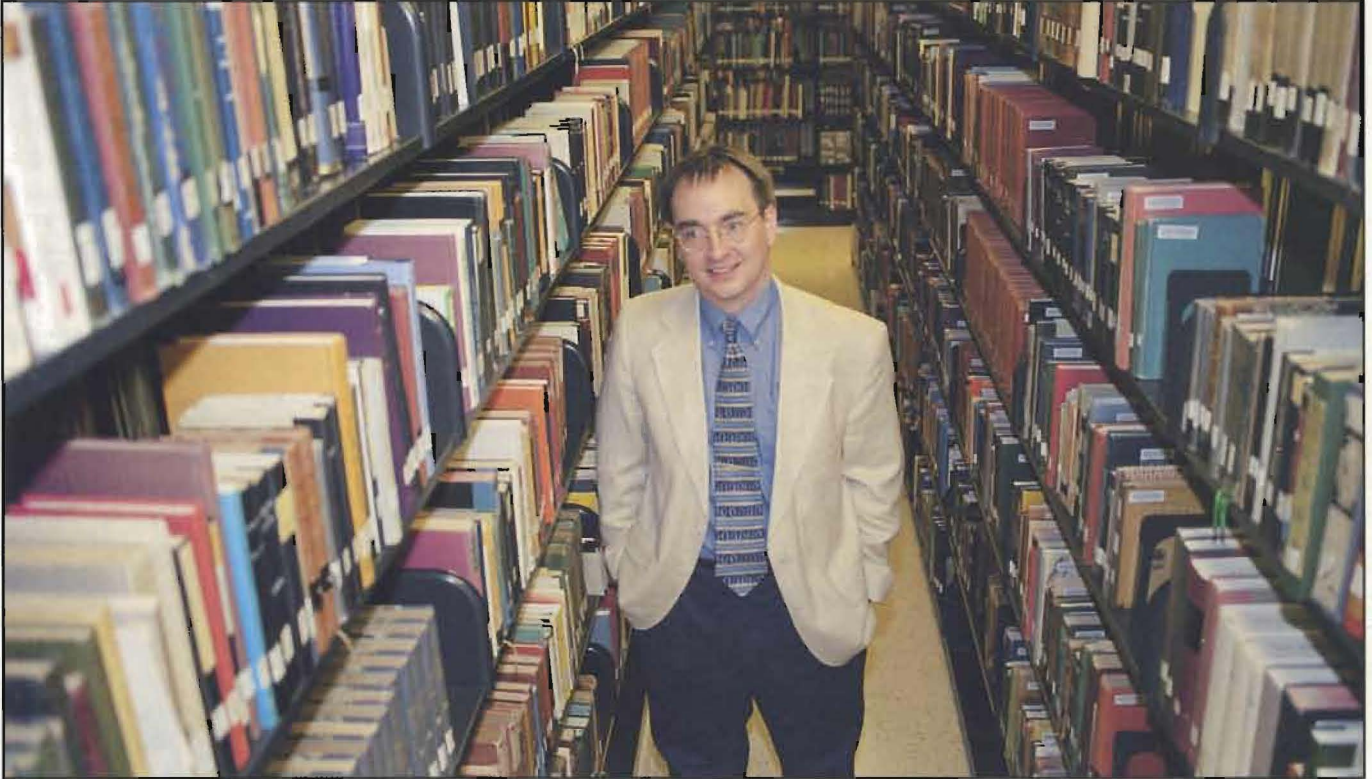
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perspective

After Sept. 11: Evaluating the 'War on Terror'



Peter Grosvenor, assistant professor of political science, examined the world after Sept. 11.

by Peter Grosvenor

The end of the Cold War triggered an energetic debate about the structure of international relations and about the place of the United States within it. Over the course of the 90s a wave of democratization spread through the former Soviet Union and its collapsed Eastern European empire; the South African apartheid regime fell; the military junta disappeared from Latin American politics; and pro-democracy movements appeared in China and across Asia. An American-led international coalition reversed the

Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. Human rights began to trump state sovereignty, as demonstrated by the NATO intervention in Kosovo, by Australia's venture into East Timor, and by the emergence of an International Criminal Court. Some observers predicted a "liberal convergence" that offered the prospect of a sustained "democratic peace." In this analysis, the protection and promotion of democracy around the world was in the interests of both the United States and the world community as a whole.

And then Sept. 11 tilted the debate in favor of the "clash of civilizations" thesis, according to which the ideological conflicts of the Cold War have been replaced by intercultural conflicts that are fought over race, ethnicity, and religion. Yugoslavia dissolved into irredentist slaughter. Somalia's rival warlords placed the country beyond the possibility of outside help. A Hindu nationalist government in New Delhi squared off against a newly nuclear Pakistan.

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