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Red Square becomes green square

Students and community learn about local and organic foods

TERRA MAROTZ
Mast news writer

Several hundred people from PLU and the surrounding community gathered on Saturday, Sept. 30 for the Organic Local Foods Fair. Sustainable farms and businesses from around the Pacific Northwest came to share their expertise on practicing sustainability. Participants learned about opportunities to support the environment through sustainability and got a healthy meal.

Free organic produce and coffee was given away, as well as free herb seeds, potting soil and pots for planting your own herbs. Local farms, such as Mother Earth Farms in Lakewood, Wash., and the Cascade Harvest Coalition in Seattle, Wash., handed out brochures to students interested in volunteering or learning about their sustainable farming systems.

To add to the atmosphere, the foods fair included live music from the Lawn Chair Philosophers, Nick and Jeff, and Stephanie Johnson.

Dining services also provided an all-organic or locally

harvested meal for one swipe or \$5 per person.

Dining services is currently working towards making the food on campus more sustainable, more organic and more local, said Jeff Smith, Dining Services manager.

"Many of the foods are organic and local, but not

everything, so we work hard to bring in more," he said.

Many students on campus have been inquisitive about the origin of their food, as well as the portion sizes given out to each student. The present system at the UC

is designed to make sure every student has the freshest food possible and to waste less by making sure the portion sizes are fair, Smith said.

"If students want a second helping, we ask that they come back later," Smith said. The intention is to have less food wasted so that unused food that can be given to other causes.

"The goal is saying yes, even to the environment," Smith said.

For more information about sustainable changes in Dining Services, go to <http://www.plu.edu/~dining/environment.htm>.

"The goal is saying yes, even to the environment."
Jeff Smith,
Dining Services manager



Photo by Brett Patterson

PLU alumni, Troy Madsen, helped comprise the band Lawn Chair Philosophers, which performed at the Organic Local Foods Fair. The meals served at the event were either all organic or locally harvested.

Students threatened by gun over weekend

Students felt abandoned by officials after confrontation with gun

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A gun was allegedly pulled on PLU students Friday, Sept. 29 at an off-campus location.

Two male and one female student were at the intersection of Park Avenue and 124th Street when the males and two Parkland community members started a verbal dispute.

"The argument was really quick and both sides looked like they were walking away from each other," a witness said.

As the PLU students backed away, one of the unidentified males pulled a gun and shot in the air. "He whipped it out, shot it off and then put it back into his pants," a witness said. "He did it so fast, it looked like something exploded in his hands."

Both of the PLU males called the police despite

pleas from the two unidentified males. After the police were called, the unknown males fled the scene.

When the police arrived they asked for a description of the alleged shooter. After receiving a vague depiction of the two males, they left to look for them, leaving the PLU students at the scene.

"It all went by really fast," a witness said. "The shot was fired, the police came, left us and then we were just left there without a ride...we were just sitting there."

Campus Safety eventually provided a ride for the students, dropping them two blocks away from their destination.

A report was filed, but a mass student notification has not been sent out.

A community safety forum will be held on Tuesday Oct. 10 from 7 to 9 p.m. in the CK.

Author's note: One or both of the parties was under the influence of alcohol at the time of the incident.

Editor's note: The names of the witnesses have been withheld for safety reasons.

For more information on community safety see page 8



STATE, NATION, WORLD BRIEFINGS

Local to Global news



AP Photo: Lannis Waters

David Roth, lawyer to former Rep. Mark Foley, speaks during a news conference in downtown West Palm Beach, Fla., Tuesday, Oct. 3, 2006. Foley said through Roth Tuesday that he was sexually abused by a clergyman as a teenager. Foley represented parts of Palm Beach County for 12 years until he abruptly resigned Friday after being accused of sending lurid Internet messages to teenage boys who served as pages on Capitol Hill.

Foley says he was abused by a clergyman

Disgraced former Rep. Mark Foley said through his lawyer Tuesday that he was sexually abused by a clergyman as a teenager, but accepts full responsibility for sending salacious computer messages to teenage male pages. Attorney David Roth said Foley was molested between ages 13 and 15. He declined to identify the clergyman or the church, but Foley is Roman Catholic.

Gunman said he molested girls long ago

The gunman who killed five girls in an Amish schoolroom confided to his wife during the siege that he molested two relatives 20 years ago when he was a boy and was tormented by dreams of doing it again, authorities said Tuesday. Investigators also said that Charles Carl Roberts IV, 32, plotted his takeover of the school for nearly a week and that the items he brought—including flexible plastic ties, eyebolts and lubricating jelly—suggest he may have been planning to sexually assault the Amish girls before police closed in.

North Korea planning nuclear test

North Korea triggered global alarm on Tuesday by saying it will conduct a nuclear test, a key step in the manufacture of atomic bombs that it views as a deterrent against any U.S. attack. But the North also said it was committed to nuclear disarmament, suggesting a willingness to negotiate. The contradictory statement fits a North Korean pattern of ratcheting up tension on the Korean Peninsula, a Cold War-era flashpoint, in an attempt to win concessions such as economic aid. The strategy has had mixed results in recent years as the totalitarian regime sinks deeper into isolation and poverty, with China serving as its lifeline for food and fuel.

Justices hear arguments on deportation

Supreme Court justices wrestled Tuesday with the question of whether convictions for minor crimes should force immigrants' deportation, the first case in a term expected to make clearer the court's direction under Chief Justice John Roberts. Thousands of immigrants who have run afoul of the law, some for possessing small amounts of drugs, could be affected by the outcome of Tuesday's arguments.

Washington High School receives gun threat

Felony charges may be pressed against an 18-year-old student who called into Washington High School and threatened to kill students. The caller used one specific name, which happened to be his own. The school was closed for one day and the boy was arrested. When the police arrested the boy they found no weapons in his possession.

Violence in Iraq leaves at least 52 dead

A suicide bomber unleashed a blast in a Baghdad fish market Tuesday and two Shiite families were found slain north of the capital as violence across Iraq claimed at least 52 lives. The U.S. military, meanwhile, announced the deaths of nine soldiers and two Marines in what has been a deadly period for American forces in Iraq. The announcement brought to at least 15 the number of service members killed in fighting since Saturday.

Withheld evidence in John Mark Karr child pornography case

Prosecutors withheld evidence that might have led to the dismissal of child pornography possession charges against former JonBenet Ramsey slaying suspect John Mark Karr, defense lawyers told a judge Tuesday.

Karr's attorneys said prosecutors deliberately withheld a September interview with his ex-wife, Lara Knutson, in which she told them the computer from where they found the five allegedly illegal images did not work at the time of his arrest.

Karr's attorneys are seeking to have the charges against him dismissed. Arguments in the case were delayed Tuesday while his lawyers asked a judge to order prosecutors to turn over more evidence. They are expected to resume Wednesday.

Briefs gleaned from the Associated Press Wire Service.



September 25

The automatic fire alarm was activated at a residence hall. CPFR was contacted and determined that the cause was burned popcorn.

September 26

CSIN was contacted regarding a harassing telephone call that had been received by a student.

The power supply was stopped to four upper campus buildings for several hours. Parkland Light and Water was able to restore the power with only one additional short disruption the following day.

September 27

CSIN was contacted for medical assistance for a student who had injured her knee. The student was given temporary use of crutches, and further assistance was not needed.

CSIN was contacted for medical assistance for a student who had rolled his ankle while playing basketball. Ice was applied and no further assistance was needed.

September 28

CSIN was contacted for medical assistance for a student who was experiencing sharp chest pains and nausea. CPFR was contacted and eventually transported the student to the hospital.

September 29

CSIN was contacted for medical assistance for a student who had

rolled her ankle. Ice was applied and no further assistance was needed.

The automatic fire alarm was activated at a residence hall. CPFR was contacted and determined that the cause was most likely burned food.

A staff member reported that someone had splashed an unknown substance across one of the ROTC vehicles.

CSIN was contacted for medical assistance for a student who had cut his finger during lab. The finger was cleaned and bandaged, and no further assistance was needed.

A student reported that his vehicle had been stolen from 127th Street. PCSD was contacted for a formal report.

CSIN contacted a student who was attempting to build a small, contained fire outside of the Cave. No fire was actually started, and the report has been forwarded to Student Conduct.

October 1

CSIN was contacted by an RA who reported that several youths had taken fire extinguishers from the building and discharged them in the lobby and outside. CSIN was not able to contact the youths.

CSIN was contacted for medical assistance for a student who had rolled her ankle while walking. Ice was applied and no further assistance was needed.



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What is LDS? Find out

Members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints meet to learn, study scripture and celebrate their faith

NICOLE RAE
Mast news reporter

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Student Association meets every Monday and Wednesday in the Morken Center for Learning and Technology to celebrate its faith together.

"The people who come find strength in meeting and interacting with each other," Catherine Pratt, School of Business, said.

Every school year the LDS Student Association picks a book of scripture—which includes the Bible, the Book of Mormon, and Doctrine and Covenants—to learn about.

This year the group is reading Doctrine and Covenants, or the revelations given to Joseph Smith, the founder of the LDS church.

Also this year, Elder and Sister Doman, a missionary couple, have been invited to visit and help the LDS Student Association with their teachings. Elder and Sister Doman travel around from different universities and colleges in the South Puget Sound area.

Monday's meeting began with the singing of "Hymn 16" from the book "Hymns of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints." After the hymn was completed, a student gave the opening prayer, thanking God and asking him to bless everyone that is there—and everyone that is not.

"The people who come find strength in meeting and interacting with each other."
Catherine Pratt,
Business student



After the prayer is said, the lesson started. Each student read a few verses of the text, then

Sister Doman talked about the verses. This section of the LDS Student Association is a smaller group than at other colleges and universities, which makes it difficult for them to do service projects together. To overcome this difficulty, they became intergraded with other universities and colleges in the area.

The meetings are open, so members and non-members of the church can join.

"We want to be open about our faith and share it with others, and the best way to do that is to invite anyone

Above: "CTR" rings are often worn by members of the Mormon Church. "CTR" stands for "choose the right."

that is interested in learning about LDSSA or The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints to come," said Russell Taylor, president of the LDSSA.

If you are interested in going to a meeting, please contact Catherine Pratt at x7250 for a schedule.

Nothing weak in powerbuff Men's volleyball competition: a homecoming tradition

BRYANNA PLOG
Mast news intern

Homecoming week at PLU is all about school pride, but it's also about friendly competition between the different residence hall. At the Powerbuff volleyball event Monday, the competition was both fun and intense.

The event is the men's answer to Powderpuff football, as teams from on and off campus tried to serve, spike and dig their way to the championship. The six men on each volleyball team proudly sported their hall t-shirts and were cheered on by small but enthusiastic crowds in Olson Auditorium.

"It was good fun," said junior Danjel Lessard, who played on the team from Foss. "Everyone had a good time."

The teams followed a strict set of rules identical to the regulations the PLU women's volleyball team adheres to. The competition was set up as a round-robin, with everyone playing each other before the final championship game.

"It was intense," said sophomore Michael McNany, who played on the third-place Tingelstad team.

In the first round, there were three games happening at the same time.

"There were balls flying everywhere," Lessard said.

It came down to Foss and the team from off campus. In close games, off-campus won the match 2-0 against Foss and the bragging rights as Powerbuff volleyball champs.

"We thought we were good," Lessard said of Foss' game versus off campus. "But they looked like they all play volleyball." He was impressed by the skill of the off-campus team.

"We didn't even practice," he said, laughing.

Like the Powderpuff football game and Songfest, Powerbuff volleyball is a PLU tradition. RHA finance director Jennifer Lau said that it is an event that has been going on for quite a few years.

"It's basically for Homecoming," she said, as PLU students are able to take a role in the week leading up to the Homecoming dance and football game.

The event is a time for hall spirit to show itself again. McNany saw the event as another way to show pride in his dorm. As the vice president of Tingelstad RHC, he was disappointed that every hall didn't have a team, but hopeful that the tradition will grow.

"It has to start somewhere," McNany said. "It could have a snowball effect."

Both McNany and Lessard plan to play on a Powerbuff team again next year after the energetic competition this Homecoming. Both also hope more people will get involved and the residence halls will all put even more effort and enthusiasm into next year's competition.

"You have to be a good sport," Lessard said. "That's a must."

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Daughters of Norway

Cross-culture club unites with PLU to inform and experience culture

EMILY HOPPLER
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Daughters of Norway originated in Washington nearly 100 years ago when the Seattle, Tacoma and Spokane lodges joined together to make the Grand Lodge of the Daughters of Norway. The original Tacoma lodge, Embla Lodge, began in 1907 and is Pacific Lutheran's host lodge.

"We (PLU and Daughters of Norway) have a mutual interest in preserving Norwegian and Scandinavian culture...passing it on to future generations who may never see their homeland," said Susan Young, director of the Scandinavian Cultural Center. Through PLU's association with Embla and its president, Delphine Johnson, Daughters has brought several different Scandinavian themed programs to PLU this year. "Many of the decorations in the Scandinavian Cultural Center have been donated by members of the Daughters of Norway, and the

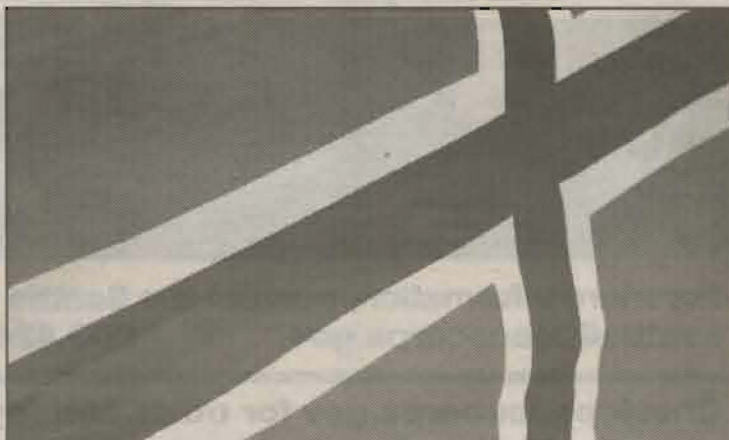
plaques right outside the center were largely donated from the late Florence Buck and her family," Johnson said.

Over the last two weeks, Daughters of Norway and the SCC have presented baking lessons in the SCC to prepare for the lodge's fall season. Sessions teaching rosemary, a Norwegian decorative painting technique, began in the SCC in late September. Two more rosemary sessions will be

taught on Oct. 18 and 25, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Embla and the SCC will hold Norwegian cooking classes on Oct. 3, 14, 19 and 31 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Each class costs \$5 and is taught by Judith Young. Other programs presented in conjunction with the Scandinavian Cultural Center will be announced later this fall.

"Our lodge has about 240 members, and at least 20 of those members are current or recently graduated PLU students, and many of us older members also graduated from PLU," Johnson said.



Better opportunities for women in Harstad

Harstad creates a comfortable environment for girls

KRISTIE KODA
Mast news intern

Harstad Residence Hall, the oldest building on campus, is home to more than 190 women ranging from first-years to seniors. With its long history, the only non-coed residence hall appeals to many Pacific Lutheran University women for many different reasons.

Harstad Hall originally housed the entire institution of Pacific Lutheran College when it was founded by Bjug (Aanodson) Harstad in 1894. After his

term as president ended in 1960, Pacific Lutheran University expanded and the original Pacific Lutheran building turned into a residence hall named after Bjug Harstad.

Harstad Hall is the only residence hall on campus that contain rooms that vary so greatly in size. Harstad's smallest dorm room is 10 ft. by 18 ft., bigger than most of the rooms in other residence halls.

"I like Harstad because the rooms are spacious; it's so big," said sophomore and former Harstad resident Carla Gilmore.

But it is not just the students who like Harstad.

"I didn't really choose to live in Harstad," first-year student Thao Nguyen said. "My family wants me to con-

centrate on my studies instead of getting distracted, that's why they liked Harstad."

Besides having spacious rooms, Harstad Hall also houses Campus Safety, which is a great way for the women to stay safe.

"People, typically young men, stereotype the girls in Harstad, saying that the girls are stuck up and they're always mad and run off boys," Gilmore said.

Residents from other halls seem to agree with that stereotype.

"I heard that upperclassmen Harstad females are anti-guy," said Bryon Bohnen, a first-year Tinglestad resident.

Harstad residence hall has become convenient for worried parents and young women who want to settle down and work instead of having lots of fun. It also provides young women a way to be at home without being stuck in a box by giving them the extra room they

"Being in an all-girls dorm just makes it easier to concentrate."

Kay Saeteurn, first-year

need to feel comfortable.

"Being in an all-girls dorm just makes it easier to concentrate," said first-year Kay Saeteurn.

But Harstad's reputation is changing as the young women living there are more open to visitors of the opposite sex.

Did you know? Harstad also houses the residential life offices.



Photo by Brett Patterson
Students leave Harstad Hall which once housed the whole university. The building has since been turned into an all girls hall.



Political clubs join to gain voters

Both student Democrats and Republicans get together for one cause: getting young people registered to vote

ASHLEE PARNELL
Mast news co-editor

for a common cause.

"We can have disagreements without being disagreeable," said senior and PLU Republicans president, Geoff Smock.

Students with completely different political views came together Wednesday, Oct. 4 to help register voters in the UC and the Cave.

Members from ASPLU, PLU Democrats and PLU College Republicans tabled outside of the UC during the day and then moved to the Cave for HUMP.

"I think that our clubs both believe in the same common democracy and the right and responsibility of voting," said senior and PLU Democrats president, Shannon Murphy.

The movement registered about 125 new voters throughout the day. ASPLU president Anne Spilman helped sponsor the event by donating \$15 gift certificates for NPCC and the PLU bookstore.

The opposing clubs wanted to unite

"I think that our clubs both believe in the same common democracy and the right and responsibility of voting."

Shannon Murphy, senior, PLU Dems president

Both clubs are active in helping with different causes before the general election in November.

If you aren't from Washington but would still like to register, Campus Concierge has forms for out-of-state voters. The deadline for Washington is Saturday, Oct. 7.

If you are interested in joining PLU Democrats email dems@plu.edu, or if you'd like to join PLU College Republicans email colrepub@plu.edu.

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Poppe joins Egyptologist to hear workers' song

Professor travels to Egypt to observe and record Nile workers' songs using only her ears

BOBBY PIMENTEL
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While archaeologists will keep digging for new secrets in and around the Valley of the Kings, Dr. Donna Poppe will investigate another secret that is relatively unknown regarding the work that goes on around the tombs.

Dr. Poppe, assistant professor of music education at PLU, is going to Egypt and the Mendes Valley of the Nile to observe and listen to the singing of the Egyptian workers there. Her job will be to take musical dictation, that is, to write down the notation of the actual musical notes.

"They use a different kind of musical scale there, involving a very different placement of half steps that our Western ears are not accustomed to," Dr. Poppe said.

Because it is not a typically populated tourist area, it is hard to use recording equipment because of a lack of electricity and the sweltering desert heat that affects the batteries. She will be using only her ears as equipment.

"If possible, it will also be part of my job to find out if

these melodies and words are the actual, authentic, historical songs passed down through time, or if Britney Spears has had any influence on what they are singing while they work," she said.

This opportunity presented itself when Dr. Poppe attended a lecture by Dr. Donald Redford, an acclaimed Canadian Egyptologist, in Seattle. Dr. Redford invited her to join his crew for the summer of 2007 to study this unique phenomenon.

"There has been very little research done in this specific field, when you compare it to the actual uncovering of artifacts," she said.

Dr. Poppe has always had a strong interest in the music of other cultures. Well-traveled, she has been to all 50 states and four continents. Not surprisingly, part of her teaching load includes the "Music and Culture" course. Additionally, as an undergraduate, she took several anthropology courses focusing on the African continent. She was actually headed to the Kalahari Desert for a music project, but couldn't go because of a cut in funding.

Dr. Poppe's first experience with Egyptology came when she went to a King Tut exhibit in Los Angeles in the



late 1970s. Not only was it a midnight showing on Friday the 13th, it was a Good Friday with a full moon and lunar eclipse as well.

"After I went through the exhibit twice, my friends had to drag me out of the museum," she said.

She has since pursued her interest actively, taking courses, joining local and national Egyptology groups as well as attending lectures about Egyptology. She sought out museums everywhere she went, and last year she went back to Los Angeles for the new King Tut touring exhibit, which is currently in Chicago.

During her first year at PLU, she heard Dr. Donald Ryan speak about his work with Thor Heyerdahl, as well as his projects in Egypt.

"As soon as possible, I audited his J-term Egyptology class and did all the homework alongside PLU students," Dr. Poppe said.

Dr. Ryan has since put her in touch with other experts in Egyptology, such as Dr. Redford.

Dr. Redford has many years of experience in the Mendes Valley of the Nile and is one of few allowed by the Egyptian government to choose his own work team. When he found out that Dr. Poppe could take musical dictation and had a passionate interest in Egyptology, he invited her to join his crew during the summer next year. Dr. Redford has taken visual artists before, but was never a musician.

Dr. Poppe now finally gets her chance to go to Africa where her interests can once again coincide.

ASPLU opens doors, students win raffle prizes

Goody bag prizes, cupcake walk and cheese were all used to seduce crowds, efforts failed with minimal attendance

BREANNE COATS
Editor-in-chief

Six surprised students won raffle prizes at HUMP Wednesday night. The raffle was part of ASPLU's Open House held in the organization's office from 8:30-9:30 p.m.

Approximately 65 students joined ASPLU's president, vice president, senators and directors for the one-hour event.

"The reason we're having this is so people can come down and see who's involved in their student government," junior Outdoor Recreation director Bryan Johnson said. "It's an opportunity for us to show people that we're actually doing stuff."

One of the promotions for attending the event was ev-

ery visitor to the open house received a raffle ticket for either Homecoming tickets or a goody bag. Ticket winners were first-years Ryan Durr, Kyle Daeley, Malia Lohmann and senior Jackie Sasake. Goody bag winners were first-year Eric Buley and senior Vanessa Bruce.

Some ASPLU representatives used some of the down time to bond other ASPLU members that attended the event.

"There hasn't been that

big of a flow coming in," junior and at-large senator Shannon Greene said. "It (the event) helped the ASPLU group get to know each other better."

A range of students came in who had seen one of the various advertisements for the event around campus or just crossed paths with the event on accident.

"We came because we just felt like doing something," first-year Megan Charles said.

PLU's Alumni Association provided food and drinks for the event, which included bottled water and Pepsi, cheese, fruit, candy and brownies.

"I like brownies, so that's good," said Michelle Davis, a first year who visited the event.

The event was one of the many that occur during the Homecoming week.

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Bryan Johnson,
Outdoor Recreation director

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From the editor

Dangers come in all forms, step up and protect yourself

We are all at risk of being attacked every minute of our lives. Whether you care to recognize the fact or not, there are numerous dangers in our Lutedome that could potentially jeopardize your life, health or identity.

There is one person above all others who can protect you from these dangers—yourself.

Parkland is not a small, country town. Parkland residents and visitors do not have to obey the same student code of conduct we have all agreed to follow. For example, these people may be walking near the campus with a weapon.

I'm not saying we should all be scared of everyone who cannot call himself or herself a Lute, but we should not be ignorant.

Many students will talk smack at a party to a fellow Lute and the most that would result is a fistfight. However, when two PLU students and a friend crossed words with a stranger on the streets of Parkland, they found out this man was different in one significant way: This man carried a gun and was not afraid to fire it in the open air.

If you choose to walk at night in Parkland, do not walk alone. In fact, you better walk in a pack and don't talk to any strangers. If you want to consume alcohol, try and avoid walking the streets entirely by getting a sober friend to drive you.

Unlike the safety of our community, you cannot try and point fingers at the police or Campus Safety if you choose to have sex with strangers. Being promiscuous is an individual's private choice, but if you do choose to have sex with anyone, make sure they do not have a sexually transmitted disease first.

STDs are not a joke and are a huge problem with college students around the nation.

One of the biggest problems is that many students are not even aware they are carriers of these diseases, making it more likely they will pass it along to any of their future partners. You have the right to protect yourself and say you will not have sex with someone until they get tested for diseases. In fact, I encourage everyone—whether you go by yourself, with a significant other, or a group of friends—to get tested as soon as possible if you have ever been sexually active.

On top of watching out for your own health and safety, there is the more modern danger of identity theft we all have to avoid.

MySpace and Facebook have given numerous high school- and college-age students the opportunity to share personal information with each other. Unfortunately, if this information falls into the hands of the wrong person, you could become a victim of the ever-increasing problem of identity theft.

Do not think people won't steal your identity because you are not rich; that is not the case. And please do not think that these thieves must have your social security number to steal your identity. An officer I interviewed this summer warned against even putting your birth date on the Web because some criminals can use it to steal your identity.

The administration, police and Campus Safety must step up to protect all PLU students, but you must take responsibility for yourself as well.

Pointing fingers after an incident may result in some stricter policies for future students, but if the first priority for every student should be prevention.

We are all at risk of being attacked, but we can block many of these attacks. The Lutedome offers students self-defense classes, but more importantly, we are all earning an education here. Use your brains and protect your most important possessions: your life, health and identity.

FYI:

Everyone's Lutecards work on all residents' halls up until 10 p.m. After 10 p.m., only residents who live in that particular hall may swipe in.

The Association of Pretentious Art Majors presents:

Tacoma Art Museum: the Aftermath!



Footnotes:

* Anselm Kiefer, German Neo-Expressionist Painter. Born 1945, Donaueschingen. Known for his innovative use of mud, hay and soil in his paintings. Studied with sculptor Joseph Beuys at the Dusseldorf Kunstakademie. Lives and works in Berlin.

** Kiefer's paintings look like puke.

Cartoon by Adam Spry

Don't think you're immune, get tested



Laura ZAICHKIN

NOT MUCH WITH THE DAMSELING

Susana Doll, director of PLU's Student Health Center, has seen a concerning surge in abnormal pap smears this year.

A pap smear is a microscopic examination of cells scraped from the cervix and is a method used for early cancer detection. The abnormal paps that Doll has recently seen far too often are usually caused by human papillomavirus (HPV).

Though HPV is getting more publicity lately because of the recently approved HPV vaccine, Gardasil, Doll says the STD is still generally under the radar.

But it shouldn't be.

There are more than 100 HPV types and about 30 of them are sexually transmitted and cause genital HPV. Some of the genital HPV types cause genital warts, while a few lead to cell mutations and ultimately pre-cancer and cancer in the cervix and rarely in the anus and penis.

You think you're safe because you practice safe sex and use a condom—or don't have sexual intercourse at all? The scary thing is that condoms don't necessarily protect against HPV. In fact, you don't even need to have sex to get this STD.

HPV is acquired by direct skin-to-skin contact, such as finger touching or non-intercourse genital touching.

But a majority of people don't know this.

Though 75 percent of Americans between the ages of 15 and 49 have been infected with genital HPV in their lifetime and more than 20 million men and women are thought to have an active HPV infection at any given time, a national survey reported that 76

percent of women had never even heard of HPV.

It is unacceptable that a disease most people will be exposed to in their lifetime, and that leads to 5,000 deaths in women in the United States every year, is so severely underreported.

The PLU Wellness Clinic on East Campus is planning to stock the newly approved vaccine upon patient request. This is a step in the right direction for PLU, however, the vaccine costs a total of about \$500 and is only recommended for 9- to 12-year-old girls as they probably have never been exposed to any type of HPV.

Because most college-aged women and men have already been exposed to the virus, the focus needs to shift from vaccination to education. In order to avoid unknowingly infecting partners and detect cancerous cells early, people in their teens and 20s should educate themselves and be educated about the virus.

Resident assistants need to invite Doll and other health care professionals to wing events about HPV.

Student Involvement and Leadership should include a HPV informational session as part of the Wellness Challenge. And students need to take action to educate and protect themselves by getting more information from Student Health Center employees, visiting the American Social Health Association Web site and, most importantly for female students, getting annual pap smears.

Don't keep yourself in the dark. Protect yourself and those you care about through education. It could save a life.

Schedule an appointment at the Health Center today:

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Sidewalk Talk:

Do you feel safe at PLU? Why?



I do. I haven't had a real reason to be scared yet. (However,) the squirrels I'm scared of.

Kels Phelps, first-year



Campus Safety and the sheriff's office have really stepped up to make students feel comfortable.

Jennifer Ropp, senior



If I'm walking at night with no one else around, I don't feel very comfortable, but generally I do feel safe.

Tiffany Spicer, junior



I feel really safe all the time. It doesn't feel like anyone's going to come out and get me.

Mackenzie Trail, first-year



Yeah, there's campus security all over the place.

Shane Shimanuki, first-year



I feel that as long as you are aware of your surroundings and you know where you are, PLU is a safe place.

Derek Tilton, sophomore

Rethink your local watering hole



Ronan ROONEY

DON'T WORRY, BABY

I don't like the way we think about bars. If you've been following the discussions in the "From The Editor" section in The Mast, you know by now that PLU student media (this newspaper included) will no longer be allowed to run advertisements for establishments that serve alcohol.

The controversy began when the administration instructed The Mast to stop running advertisements for the Haven Pub (which you can find at 12510 Pacific Ave., open till 1 a.m. Sunday through Thursday and 2 a.m. Fridays and Saturdays) and all other alcohol-serving establishments.

The reasoning behind discrimination against bars remains mysterious. Are we banning these advertisements over practical concerns or for ideological objections what would Martin Luther think?

In reality, the question should be, "What would Martin Luther drink?" Bars and drinking are hardly inconsistent with a university lifestyle.

The only inconsistent thing I see in this situation is that we encourage moderate drinking, but seem to deny it exists when we forbid bars to advertise in the pages of our newspaper.

Are we so decidedly convinced that bars are incompatible with moderate drinking that we must ban

all bar advertisements?

If this is right, we have just taught a lesson: responsible drinking is too difficult to master. If this is our lesson, then, as any student can tell you, no one will learn to drink responsibly.

Let us redefine the role of the local bar and alcohol. They should not exist outside of the norm. Bars should be thriving, contributing parts of our communities. They should be locations for deep conversations and back-slapping good times. We ought to embrace them as important parts of local business and culture.

Unfortunately, when we only think of bars as centers of sleaze and deviance, just that follows. When people can only think of alcohol as a pathway to destruction, they are destructive.

Whether we like it or not, establishments that serve alcohol are a part of our community. We can ignore them, disassociate ourselves with them and exclude them from everything we do, or we can embrace them as members of our community.

Last J-Term, I was part of a PLU course that met in Japan. Getting together for drinks with our fellow college students from Japan was a great way to open up and get to know each other. PLU is full of study-abroad students who found bars and clubs overseas great ways to meet people and learn about the culture.

My time overseas and conversations with others showed me that places where people get together to drink alcohol can be anything. They can be places where people don't know how to drink or they can be centers of community and exchange.

I think we should expect that our bars in America do just that.

PLU wants to reach out to the broader world community—great. That includes bars, right?

Letter to the editor...

If you are 18 or older, you better make your way to election booths

Some excuses are creative, while others are far-fetched and unoriginal.

Regardless of the rationale, those who fail to vote in the upcoming Nov. 7 election have no good excuses.

One claim is that one vote won't make a difference. Aside from the close presidential elections of 2000 and 2004, Washington has had some important election recounts in the past few years. In the 2004 gubernatorial election, for example, Gov. Christine Gregoire won the statewide race by only 129 votes. In 2000, current Sen. Maria Cantwell's race was determined by 2,229 votes. On the local level, in the 2004 state representative election for the Lakewood and Tacoma area, Tami Green won by a few hundred votes. These elections prove how every vote can change a result.

Younger voters complain that

the political issues aren't relevant to their lives. But last February, the U.S. House voted to raise interest rates on student loans. This November, Washington will vote to repeal the Estate Tax, which generates money for student state need grants. For many college students, financial aid is extremely relevant.

People lead busy lives, which may make it difficult for them to get to the polls on Election Day. Fortunately, all Washington voters can receive absentee ballots, making it possible to vote whenever and wherever they want. In addition, according to federal law, college students can register with either their university or permanent addresses.

Lawmakers are forced to listen to the people who vote for them directly. In 2004, only 47 percent of the eligible 18-to-24-year-olds in the United States

voted, compared to the 72 percent of eligible citizens over the age of 55. Similarly, the average age of a current U.S. senator is 60.4 years old. The concerns of grandmothers are being heard, but not those of young people. If young people vote, our government is forced to take notice.

PLU students should take the first step and register. For Washingtonians, two days remain to submit a voter registration form that must be postmarked by Oct. 7.

Download the form free online at www.secstate.wa.gov/elections/register.aspx or pick one up at the PLU Campus Concierge. For other states' voter registration information, visit www.rockthevote.com.

Stop giving excuses. Take action. Register and vote.

Shannon Murphy
senior PLU Democrats president

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Educating for a s



Photo courtesy of Melanie Rexroth
Part of Groves' role this year as the Men Against Violence project coordinator is to provide workshops and talks on men's roles in preventing violence. Groves is also available for students who would like a safe and confidential person to talk to about their experiences.

Former criminal profiler empowers men at PLU

MELANIE REXROTH
Mast intern

Jonathan Grove, project coordinator for Men Against Violence, found his calling—to work to prevent crime and abuse—and it led him to PLU.

But before he found PLU, this calling first took Grove to George Mason University in Fairfax, Va., where he studied to become a profiler.

"I was out to save the world, but I soon found out it wasn't as easy as catching the 'bad guys,'" Grove said.

While working in an internship with the Fairfax County Police Department's Victim Service Unit, he quickly became frustrated with the law enforcement's limited ability to help victims after a crime had been committed. Grove wanted to take a more proactive approach. The professor that sponsored his internship suggested that he attend the class "Violence and Gender Studies." After completing the eight-credit course, Jonathan teamed up with another male student and began the Men's Ally Group. By the time he graduated, the group had grown to over a dozen students participating.

Following graduation, Grove had to confront the lack of job opportunities in prevention work; fortunately, these opportunities are increasing daily. So when he came across the position for project coordinator for Men Against Violence, it was ideal. When asked about his goals for this position, Grove responded that he has a two-part objective. The first is to raise men's awareness and involvement in the prevention of domestic violence and

sexual assault.

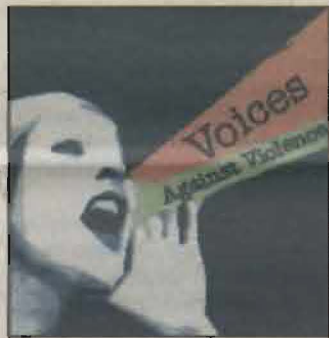
"Violence perpetrated against women isn't just a woman's issue," said Grove. "Every man has women that he cares deeply about, and we need to take action to reduce the statistics—1 in 4 women will be sexually assaulted or raped in her lifetime—that threaten their health and lives."

The second is to encourage men to look at the way our culture defines masculinity. The strong and unemotional stereotype is passed on from man to man like a virus. The outcomes of this are high rates of alcoholism and major depression amongst males.

"Men need to be encouraged to be emotionally available both to themselves and to others so that they can experience the full range of what it is to be a human being," Grove said.

There are many things that men can do to help prevent assaults; the two most important are education and involvement. Students can get involved by taking part in the White Ribbon Campaign (www.whiteribbon.ca), Take Back the Night, which supports survivors of assault and seeks to reclaim a time when women could be free of fear, or other awareness and prevention organizations and campaigns. The MAV will be participating and sponsoring other events throughout the year, including a film series where students can come enjoy a movie and discuss issues of gender roles, social equality and gender violence. To learn more or get involved, you can email Men Against Violence at mav@plu.edu, or Jonathan Grove directly at grovejk@plu.edu.

Become part of PLU's Voice Against Violence



- Help develop and strengthen victim services on campus.

- Stengthen strategies to prevent and prosecute campus crimes against women.

- Engage men as partners to create change in men's beliefs about violence

- For more information about how you can get involved, contact Jennifer Warwick, victim advocate at the Women's Center. You can email her at warwicjl@plu.edu or call her at 253-535-8759

Student Resources

- Women's Center x8759
- Health Center x7337
- Counseling and Testing x7206
- Campus Ministry Office x7464
- SAPET x8759 or sapet@plu.edu
- Sexual Assault Center of Pierce County
- 24hr crisis hotline
- 1-800-756-7273
- 24hr Domestic Violence Helpline of Pierce County
- 1-800-764-2420

Stril says goodbye to Campus Safety

DAN NUTT
Mast reporter

After two years as the head of Campus Safety at Pacific Lutheran University, Marsha Stril, also a sergeant in the Pierce County Sheriff's Department, will be leaving PLU to take a post as chief of police at Bates Technical College. She will also be retiring from the Pierce County Sheriff's Department.

Stril turned in her resignation on Sept. 27, but will remain director of Campus Safety until Oct. 31. Tom Huelsbeck, director of Residential Life, will take over as acting director until a replacement can be found. Huelsbeck also took on these responsibilities prior to the hiring of Marsha Stril two years ago.

As director of Campus Safety, Marsha Stril has overseen a number of changes to the organization, the most notable of which were the changes to Campus Safety's escort system.

Through Campus Safety, students, staff and faculty can be safely transported from one location to another on a 24-hours-a-day, seven-days-a-week basis. The service is most often utilized at night when students typically feel the greatest threat towards their personal safety.

After several violent attacks occurred within weeks of each other during the 2005-2006 school year, Campus Safety changed the escort policy to serve a rapid increase in requests for the service. Several escort officers were hired. As employees of Campus Safety, their job is primarily to drive the escort vehicles around campus, take escorts and patrol when no escorts are requested.

In addition to this new position, the escort boundaries were expanded north of campus to South 112th Street, and west to Spanaway Loop Road. The boundaries of Pacific Avenue on the east and Tule Lake Road on the south remained the same.

Also, students were previously required to request an escort from on-campus to on-campus locations, an on-campus location to an off-campus location, or vice-versa, to prevent students from going from one off-campus party to another and abusing the escort service. This policy was changed to accommodate off-campus to off-campus escorts due to the overwhelming concern for student safety.

Escorts are still given at the discretion of the on-duty operations supervisor, and may be denied if students are unruly or request to be taken to a location where alcohol is known to be served.

Another big change during the past two years was the addition of the video officer to Campus Safety. Corresponding to a rise in concerns about vehicle theft and the addition of several new parking lot cameras from 2004-2006, Campus Safety created a position specifically for monitoring the video cameras strategically placed around campus.

Most recently, two new monitors were installed to accommodate a greater number of cameras. Campus Safety also plans to increase the number of video officers on a given shift from one to two in order to maximize the effectiveness of video monitoring.

Other less-publicized changes that occurred during Marsha Stril's stint as director included new uniforms for operation supervisors, an increase in the number of student supervisors and increased cooperation with the Pierce County Sheriff's Department.

Due to departmental policy at Campus Safety, current Campus Safety employees were not available for comment at the time this article was written.

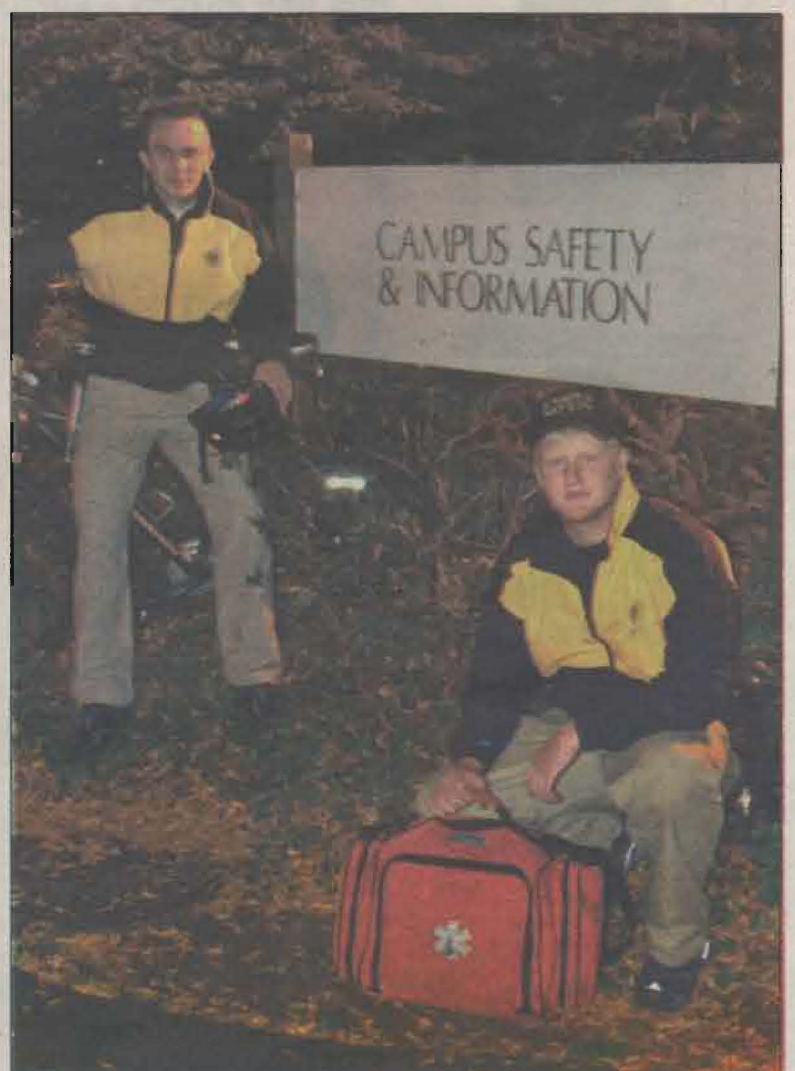


Photo by Brett A. Patterson
Campus Safety officers Andrew "Guffy" Gustafuson (left) and Joey Shinn (right) spend shifts patrolling campus. They are among the many students who have worked with Campus Safety during Stril's two years.

safer community



Fighting back with physical education Students learn practical skills to avoid danger

TIFFANIE CLARK
Luteliflife editor

"We don't want people to ever have to use what they learn in this class." It's unusual for a professor to speak this way about a class they are teaching, but for Dr. Colleen Hacker's "Personal Defense" class, it's the truth. Dr. Hacker started the class more than 20 years ago as a way to educate students about self-defense.

"The focus is on practical personal defense," Hacker said, "releases, strikes, kicks and blocks. This is not a martial arts class."

According to the Washington State Sex Offender Information Center, there are 21 registered sex offenders within a three-mile radius of PLU, 69 registered offenders within seven miles and over 2,500 registered sex offenders in Pierce County alone. The U.S. Department of Justice reported Tacoma as having 175 counts of rape and 1,114 counts of aggravated assault in 2004. With statistics like these, it's no surprise that PHED 157 fills up every time it's offered.

"I think it's interesting learning about the realities women—and also men—face in today's society and learning why society may stigmatize victims," senior John Yu said. John is one of two male students in the class.

Personal Defense is only offered in the fall semester and Hacker said there is almost always a waitlist. This year was no exception. The class maxed out at 30 and a few students on the waitlist waited around on the first day hoping to get signed in.

The course is thoughtfully designed to expose students to music, speakers and films relating to personal defense.

During the second week of class, Hacker brought in a portable boom box and played "Me and a Gun," a song by Tori Amos about her personal experience with rape. The class then watched a TV interview featuring Amos and the sexual assault survivors who were inspired by her song.

Although students are trained in physical techniques, the main emphasis is education, preventative action and attitude.

"Our most valuable tool in personal defense is to

avoid the situation," Hacker said. Students not only learn how to react physically if assaulted, but how to avoid being a target altogether. Hacker suggests that students should always be aware of their surroundings, walk quickly with their heads up and try to keep their hands and arms empty. She also suggests that students keep their keys on a lanyard so that when needed, they can be found quickly.

Personal defense is the only physical education course with a service-learning component, so students who wish to receive an A rather than a pass, have the unique opportunity to change lives in their communities. In the past, students have volunteered with the PLU Sexual Assault Peer Education Team, Take Back The Night, women's support shelters, sexual assault crisis centers and the Sheriff's Crime Prevention Unit.

Hacker is especially appreciative to the community members who take the time to come and speak to the class.

"Frequently, students in this class end up being people others confide in," Hacker said. "They learn how to be a resource for victims of sexual assault and physical and domestic violence."

Hacker is very sensitive of the fact that some students in the class may be victims, or know victims, of assault. Guest speakers are announced ahead of time and students who are uncomfortable with specific topics are allowed to do alternative work in place of that class period. The same goes for physical activity days: Students are never forced to practice personal defense moves. In Hacker's 20 years of teaching the class, she has observed that students are typically eager to practice, and when they aren't, it's usually with good reason.

"I'm learning a lot of stuff I didn't expect to in this class," said senior Ingrid Running, a student in this semester's class. "Dr. Hacker is giving us a lot of practical information and general information. I feel like I'm learning some stuff I could actually use."

PHED 157 will be offered again in the fall semester of 2007. Students interested in taking this class should watch for it during registration in the spring.



Photos by Brett A. Patterson

Above: Dr. Colleen Hacker demonstrates a move to her class of 30 students. When Hacker isn't busy teaching students how to be safe, she is helping them train for athletics. In 2005 she was inducted into the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics.

Top: Seniors Aimee and Alicia Eggink practice strikes. Students spend half the class periods learning physical defense techniques and the other half in the classroom listening to community speakers and learning through multimedia presentations.



Photo by Jessica Luppino

The Grand Cinema will be hosting the first-annual Tacoma Film Festival from Oct. 6-12, which will feature a wide variety of short and full length films.

Grand Cinema's first-annual Film Festival

PLU's director of multimedia services plays a part in the festival

ANDREW CHAPLIN
Mast intern

The Grand Cinema is offering film buffs a treat Oct. 6-12 with the first-annual Tacoma Film Festival. With more than 50 films from all over the world being shown on four screens, there will be something for every type of movie-lover. And with a modest ticket price—\$5 for members and \$7 for non-members—this film festival is an event that can appeal to even the poorest college student. The festival will be split up based on genre and length, with close to a dozen films showing some nights.

"The Grand is great at providing a lot of independent and avant-garde films."

Kirk Isakson
Director of PLU Multimedia Services

media services. "And we have plenty of enough arts people (in Tacoma) that enjoy oddities."

Isakson has been volunteering since August as a film screener for the Tacoma Film Festival. Boxes and boxes of films came in after the theater announced the festival, so Isakson was brought on board to help with the screening process.

"There's a whole world of filmmakers out there waiting to vent their work," Isakson said. "It doesn't matter how much they spend, it matters how they tell the story."

One of the most interesting aspects of this festival is the range of entries. There are local student shorts playing alongside professional, relatively high-budget, feature-length films, there are films from Tacoma and there are some from Germany.

"We all are intrigued by what we see in the movie house," Isakson said. "The cinema is always going to be the place of passion, for getting excited by what you see."

So if you want to take a bit more of adventure next week than a weekend trip to see "Jackass 2," give the Tacoma Film Festival a try. It will be a much different cinema experience, but one that you may ultimately find rewarding.

"It can be very rewarding if you want to see what's going on across town and outside of Lute-ville," Isakson said.

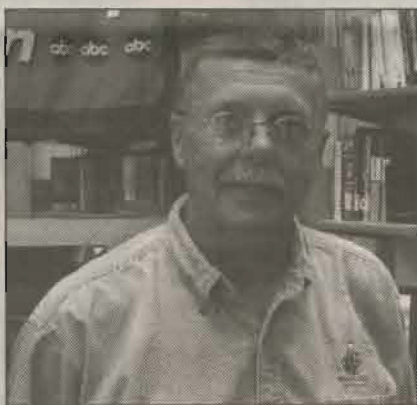


Photo by Derek Tilton
Multimedia Services director Kirk Isakson.

The Grand is a volunteer-driven independent theater that has developed a reputation for its lovable, artsy and hometown feel. Rarely playing films from major studios, the Grand provides an alternative to the blockbuster flicks that are available in big theaters.

"The Grand is great at providing a lot of independent and avant-garde films," said Kirk Isakson, director of PLU multi-

Confessions of a video clerk: Widescreen is the standard for a reason



I love my job. It's fairly easy, relatively stress-free and I'm paid to talk to people about movies. As far as part-time, minimum-wage jobs go, being a video clerk at Hollywood Video isn't too bad. I meet a lot of interesting people, some more film-savvy than others.

And though there's a disturbing number of people who actually managed to sit through and enjoy "Larry the Cable Guy: Health Inspector," and even if every copy of "The Fast and the Furious: Tokyo Drift" was rented out within a day, the only thing that truly perplexes me is when people prefer fullscreen to widescreen format DVDs.

"This film has been modified from its original version. It has been formatted to fit this screen."

Nothing bothers me more than reading the above statement before a movie. I'll admit that it's handy to know that you're about to watch a pathetic husk of a film. I've got a better one for you, though:

"Fullscreen is a drool cup for the ignorant. Enjoy your movie, idiot." The distinction between widescreen and fullscreen is simple: One is right, the other is wrong.

Widescreen is industry standard, typically a 16:9 aspect ratio. Its rectangular orientation is more pleasing to the eye than the square of full screen. It's what you see on the screen at the movie theater and it's what the filmmakers intend for you to see. On a common square television set, widescreen films sport rectangular black bars on the top and bottom of the screen to account for the shift from 16:9 to 4:3 aspect ratio.

In order to remove those pesky black bars for fullscreen format (an entirely unnecessary process), the film has to be cropped and butchered to fit the 4:3 aspect ratio. Hack two or three inches off each side and eureka! No more black bars, but now it's marred with shorn edges and artificial pans, which manage to give the film a hideously blurred picture. This effect is typically referred to as "pan-and-scan," and it's basically the bane of any decent film buff.

I try to explain this to customers when they bring up their fullscreen copies of "Lucky Number Slevin" or "The Lake House." I attempt to tell them they're essentially renting a lobotomized version of the film. Few listen.

A common excuse customers supply is that they don't own a widescreen TV, and the DVD is therefore not formatted for their 4:3 televisions. A surprising number of people think that the picture becomes stretched, which is inherently stupid if you really stop and think about it. The fact of the matter is widescreen is the standard for a very good reason.

But people hate those black bars; they're stubborn about it and are willing to adopt wildly inept excuses to make themselves feel better. But three minutes into the film, those black bars practically disappear. You don't notice them anymore than you'd notice the sides of your TV. But that quick-pan, annoyingly blurry thing? Yeah, unfortunately you have to deal with that throughout the entirety of the film.

Widescreen is the future. A large number of TV shows and video games are now formatted in 16:9. Widescreen televisions are becoming more and more popular. People, for the most part, are embracing 16:9 as their format of choice. Within the decade, fullscreen will join 8-tracks and poodle skirts as useless things of the past and widescreen will become what it was always intended to be: the standard.

Don't fear the black bars, for they are your friend. So, throw out your fullscreen copy of "Jaws II" (for two reasons: one, because it's fullscreen format and two, because it's an awful movie) and embrace the future.

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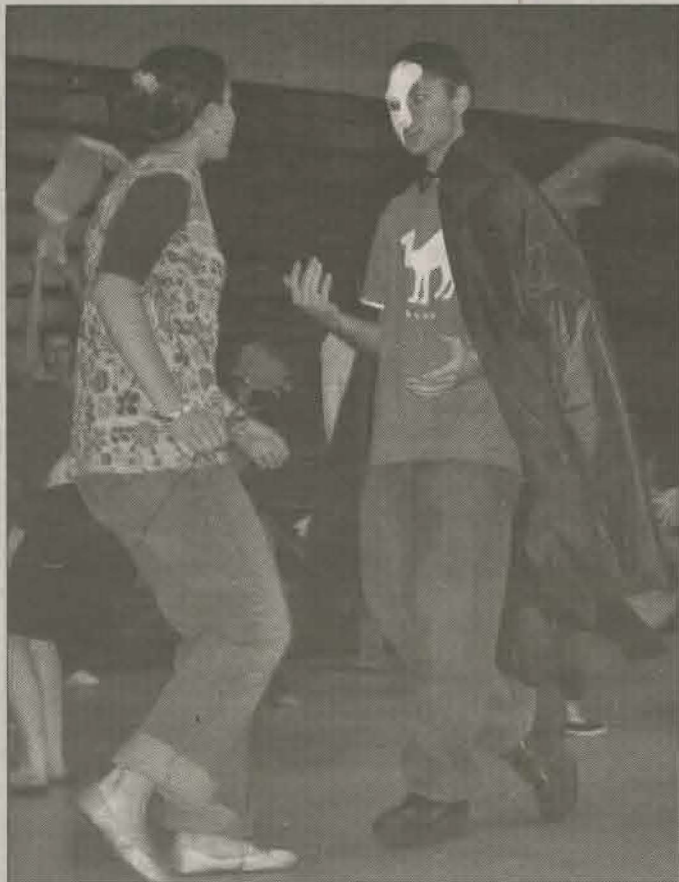


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Nic Olsen and Kristi Riedel practice for Songfest, Wednesday Oct. 4. Ordal and Tinglestad performed Phantom of the Opera at Songfest Thursday Oct. 5.

"Lutes at Play:" Homecoming 2006

There are many opportunities to get involved this Homecoming weekend

KAT JENKINS
Mast reporter

Homecoming 2006, themed "Lutes at Play," looks to be an exciting time for both alumni and current students. Beginning earlier this week and lasting through Sunday, many events are planned that will offer everyone on campus a chance to play.

The weekend opens with a taste of fall at the Apple Festival today at 2 p.m. in Red Square. Similar to the fruit festivals PLU hosts in the summer, the festival will have apple cobbler as well as a student jazz group performing.

Saturday begins with "Into the Streets," an opportunity for students and alumni to give back the Tacoma area. After a continental breakfast at 9:30 a.m., the volunteers will leave for various locations around Tacoma to participate in different community services.

Saturday also brings the Homecoming football game. Beginning at 1:30 p.m. at Sparks Stadium, the Lutes will play the Whitworth Pirates. The game is free for PLU students with ID and buses will be available to take students to the game.

Also, PLU's Residence Hall Association will hold a tailgate party before the game at 12:30 p.m., offering free root beer and face painting to get the gameday off to a great start.

In addition to the football game, the Lute swim, soccer, and cross-country teams will play in home meets and games throughout the weekend.

The swim team is hosting its alumni in an annual meet at 10 a.m. and the soccer teams are hosting Linfield, with the women playing at noon and the men facing the Wildcats at 2:30 p.m.

This weekend is also the annual PLU Invitational for cross-country, which will be held on the golf course. Races begin at 10 and 11 a.m.

The Homecoming Dance is on Saturday night from 8 p.m. to midnight. This year the dance will be at the Tacoma Art Museum with some of the galleries opened for viewing. Tickets cost \$15 at the Campus Concourse before the dance and \$20 at the door. There will be free parking available.

After an evening of dancing on Saturday night, everyone is welcome to attend the traditional Homecoming Worship in Lagerquist Hall on Sunday at 11 a.m. President Loren Anderson will be preaching and the Choir of the West will sing.

Sunday also brings more athletics as the baseball team faces alumni at noon and the Lute soccer teams play the Willamette Bearcats. The women play at noon and the men at 2:30 p.m.

Homecoming 2006 has a lot going on. This means that everyone should find some way to get out and play, whether it be on the playing field, on the dance floor or serving in the streets of Tacoma.

PLU student singing her way to success

ABBY MITCHEL
Mast intern

Student rises to the occasion and tries out for American Idol



Photo by Brett A. Patterson
Tara Williams has a passion for singing and auditioned in Seattle for "American Idol."

Tara Williams, a transfer student from Tacoma Community College, is a vibrant young student trying to sing her way to success. Recently, she let her voice do the talking at the auditions for the popular TV show, "American Idol."

Williams had a typical family life growing up in Spanaway with her family. She has a 19 year-old sister who has become one of her best friends. Her mother is one of her biggest supporters and is proud of her many accomplishments.

Williams fell in love with singing at age six after seeing a Disney movie; her passion for music has been a part of her life ever since.

"I saw the movie "The Little Mermaid" and instantly fell in love with singing," she said.

She joined choir in elementary school and continued singing through her senior year in high school.

Along with having a great voice, she also has a model's physique. Two years ago, while working at Starbucks, a modeling agent walked in to buy coffee. When he saw her, he offered to help make her a modeling portfolio. She was flattered and said yes.

"It's fun to have pictures taken of me," Williams said. "I'm not one to strike a pose, but its fun to act like someone else in front of the camera."

She enjoys modeling, but says it can be very time consuming.

Two weeks ago, "American Idol" was holding auditions in Seattle. Prior to auditioning, Williams stood outside beginning at 3 a.m. to be one of the first people to register when the doors opened at 8 a.m. After receiving her registration bracelet she was ready to audition the following Tuesday. Williams joined the line on the following Tuesday at 3 a.m. in horrible weather and waited to get called to sing. The rain beat down and the

wind was unbearably cold, but she says that she wasn't nervous about singing that day.

Williams said that the setup was nothing like it is on TV: It was not nearly as glamorous.

"I felt like we were all a herd of cattle waiting for our names to be announced," she said.

When she was finally called, she sang in front of three random people, not Paula Abdul or Simon Cowell like you see on TV. She sang "I Will Always Love You" by Whitney Houston and felt confident in her choice. She was surprised when they asked her to sing a second song for them, "How Come You Don't Call Me" by Alicia Keys. Without the judge ever looking her in the eyes, he dismissed her and three other girls.

"The whole thing seemed very impersonal to me," Williams said. "You could tell that they were looking for outrageous people, not talent."

When Williams did not make it to the next round, she was visibly upset.

"I had tears in my eyes because I really wanted to win," Williams said.

Although Williams didn't make it onto "American Idol," she is still going to pursue her passion for singing. After graduating from PLU, she plans to attend Pepperdine University to pursue a masters in psychology. While living in California, she plans on singing at open mikes and to continue modeling.

"I am happy I tried out," Williams said. "It's cool to say that I tried out for "American Idol.""

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Top Ten: Movie Inspired Formal Wear

It's homecoming week here at PLU and that can only mean one thing: Songfest. We even wrote an especially witty column about our top ten musicals inspired by movies to commemorate the occasion. However, we soon realized that our column is printed a day after songfest has already happened. Since this column is made up of cutting-edge, hard-hitting news stories, we scrapped that idea. (Note to editors: this is why our column was eight days late.) Quickly becoming desperate, we realized that there is some sort of formal dance coming up. Now, we need to stress that we're not suit-and-tie guys, but more like tuxedo-t-shirt-with-ketchup-stains guys. Wanting to attend the dance as well as impress the ladies, we needed some sort of alternative dress wear. Looking to our usual source of inspiration, "Laguna Beach," we quickly realized that we aren't bikini-model types either. That left us with only one option: movies. Guys always get girls in movies, so we figure this is as close as we're going to get. Here are our top ten movie-inspired outfits for a night out at Studio 54.

3.) "Night at the Roxbury:" Silk shirts and snazzy polyester suits, it was only natural that those head-bobbing ladies' men were the first thing that came to mind. Sure, they might be a little dressed up for our taste, but we can't deny their dance prowess and success with women. You might not believe it, but we've actually been compared to them before. Yeah, we're that good on the dance floor. We really hope all that expensive art at the museum is insured.

7.) "Batman:" Pick any character from this movie series and you'll look like you just came from some Oscar after-party. The Joker? A classy throwback to a simpler, Cirque de Soleil-esque time. The Penguin? Mention "March of the Penguins" and the ladies will be swooning. Batman himself? There is nothing more mysterious and sexy (as long as it isn't the costume with the nipples on it; that's just gross). Catwoman? Anything with Halle Barry and Michelle Pfeiffer is OK by us.

1.) "Braveheart:" We're pretty sure that the kilt is formal wear in Scotland, so this is a given. Plus, we think that the airflow and "freedom" of going commando will increase our ability to dance for hours. A word of warning: Don't be offended if other guys mistake you from behind for a girl and start dancing with you. That's what the long sword is for.

5.) "Dirty Dancing:" We've never actually seen this movie, but girls seem to like it, and we think that they might also like all the poofy shirts that the rival gangs wear in it. Just don't break out into a rendition of "Summer Loving." We should probably watch movies before we reference them.

9.) "Star Wars:" Han Solo's vest is definitely within our range of dress. There's nothing to tie and we're really trying for that rugged bad/good guy look. Option B: wear carpet shreds and go as Chewbacca. Most guys could also get this look by not shaving for a month; we haven't shaved in years and we have about as much facial hair as Princess Leia.

2.) "Animal House:" Toga!

Toga! Toga! Nothing says sophistication like a bedsheet wrapped around you like a dress. What's good enough for Caesar and Pluto is good enough for us. Not only that, but you can crash just about anywhere when you've got your bedding with you at all times.

10.) "Mary Poppins:" So we've always fantasized about being dancing chimney sweeps and this might be our only chance to fulfill one of our lifelong dreams. Plus, those guys are about as dirty as they come, so the whole "formal" aspect goes right out the window. That sounds pretty good to us.

4.) "Any Disney Princess:" A cheap and easy way to pick out that gorgeous dress for the ball. Any children's costume store will be loaded with all sorts of princess costumes that will cast a spell over Prince Charming or the Beast in your life. We should probably mention that this tip is for girls, and that we have never, ever tried on said dresses. And no, our noses aren't growing right now. There isn't even a princess in that movie.

6.) "Wedding Singer:" Again, a little dressy for our taste, but we can't deny the appeal of a powder-blue tux. A throwback to prom night, except this time we're hoping that girls won't be so intimidated by us and we'll finally get a date.

8.) "Wayne's World:" Party on! We're in the Seattle area, so the grunge look comes naturally to us. Two pairs of ratty jeans and a couple of mullets and we're set. Excellent! Babe central!

Calendar of Events

UNIVERSITY LECTURE SERIES

Sheri Flies

Presentation on corporate and ethical responsibility.

Oct. 10, 6-7 p.m. Morken Center

Dr. Samuel Torvend

Recovering fragments of Martin Luther's social ethic

Oct. 17, 7 p.m. Chris Knutzen Hall

Stephen Kuusisto

Poet and memoirist

Oct. 24, 5 p.m. Writer's Story Q&A, Regency Room. 8 p.m. Reading, Scandinavian Center

Anne Lamott

Bestselling author

Oct. 27, 7:30 p.m. Lagerquist

The Extreme Kindess Crew
Speaking about call to social activism

Oct. 28, 12 p.m. Scandinavian Center



Katy NELSON-PENLAND

The Rock

Pizza, pasta...a long wait

For my first official review this fall, I found myself at The Rock in downtown Tacoma. The Rock is known for its amazing pasta, pizza and beer. I had heard from many people that The Rock is a fun restaurant to hit up on a Friday or Saturday night with friends. Thankfully, I was able to rustle up two very entertaining friends to have quite a fun evening.

When we got to The Rock, the original wait was 30 minutes for a table, but they offered to let us sit in the back bar, which apparently allows minors. However, it was packed, so we decided to go check out the used music store right next to the restaurant. Thankfully the music store also had a few copies of The Stranger, because our wait grew to about 45-50 minutes. Despite this, the wait staff remained perky and even remembered me when I came back to ask.

Once we were seated, it took a while to get service, but we did get to order drinks. I had the "Wild Thing" Honey Wheat Beer, and the minors I was with had a Sierra Mist and water. The beer had a very smooth taste and went well with the dish I ordered, the Gnocchi on Heaven's Door, which is a gnocchi (potato dumpling) with fresh basil and garlic Alfredo sauce. The wheat beer and the Alfredo sauce complemented each other well and made for an amazing meal. Also, gnocchi can be a very heavy meal, but this was made very light and was a delicious pasta meal.

One of my friends ordered the Bohemian Rhapsody

sody pizza, which has chicken, cream sauce, roasted peppers and mozzarella cheese. He enjoyed it, but said, "It wasn't anything that got me singing Queen." The third in our party had a calzone, which, with the ban on spinach, she said was a little dairy heavy, but still delicious. It is usually served with sautéed spinach, chopped garlic, pecorino romano cheese, mozzarella cheese and herb cream cheese, topped with a marinara sauce then rolled in dough and cooked in their fire oven (similar to the pizza). She said that both the dough and the marina were fantastic, but the dairy-heavy factor made it lack texture.

The overall ambience of The Rock was fun and the music was great, although we were placed a little too close to a TV screen for our liking. However, the loud speaker announcing whose table is ready throughout the entire restaurant really does interrupt your meal. We also came on a busy night at the worst possible time, so our service was very slow. I am hoping this is not the usual at an establishment I have only heard rave reviews about previously.

Based on my own experience, I would give the food a 4 out of 5, but the service is a thumbs-down. It was at a sloth-like pace and we felt very unattended. They even brought my pasta out insanely early, leaving us to wait for the other two entrees. I was really glad I had such entertaining guests to keep the conversation going; otherwise it could have been a very awkward evening.



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Fall sports midterm

A mixed bag so far for PLU teams

Tim KELLY



It is almost the halfway point of our fall sports season, so it is only right that we do a midseason report.

We all like to second-guess the decisions made on the playing field, but the last thing these athletes need is to be graded by some armchair quarterback. But it happens.

Coming off a 12-8 season last year, the expectations were high for the men's soccer team. Return a first team All-Conference forward and add a few transfers from a soccer-crazed nation and you've got the formula for success, right? The Lutes have failed to disappoint as they have started this year 6-3, 3-1 in conference play.

The team is currently sitting at third place in conference behind Whitworth, who handed the Lutes a 2-0 defeat and gave them their first conference loss. The Puget Sound Loggers remain undefeated.

Mike Ferguson is playing in top form. He is tied for the team lead with six goals and leads the team and the conference with three game-winning goals.

The most surprising play has been that

of Baard Asker, who leads the team with 14 points, with six goals and two assists. He places third overall in points. Also, Andrew Croft has played well in the net, tying for second in conference with four shutouts.

The team defense as a whole has been nothing short of spectacular. They have allowed on average, one goal per game, which is 2nd only to UPS.

Granted there are still 10 games left, but with the explosive play of Asker and Ferguson, along with the overall team defense, this season looks so bright you've gotta wear shades. Unfortunately, it appears the road to the playoffs travels through the other side of Tacoma.

After finishing in third place in the conference last season, the women's soccer team is pacing themselves for a similar finish this year.

The most surprising aspect has been the play of first-year Jenny McKinsey, who is second in the conference with seven goals. She had a great stretch of five games, with a goal in each game.

The non-conference schedule played well, giving the team three victories and one loss. The first two conference games saw the Lutes go 2-0, but on the road, it's been rocky for this team. The Lutes have struggled to a 1-2-1 record while away in conference play.

The play in the net has also helped the women's team, placing them second in goals in the conference. This success came from the dual effort of Alyssa Blackburn and Amanda Tschauner, who have combined for 36 saves and six shutouts.

The Lutes have always had trouble with Puget Sound, so a victory against them this year would be huge, but the toughest test will be this Sunday when 9-0-1 Willamette comes to town. They have given up only two goals all season.

After winning conference and going to the playoffs in volleyball two years ago, the Lutes digressed a bit last year with a fourth-place conference finish. But the team did have a respectable 11-5 conference record.

This year's team appears poised not to lose a conference match. They are tied with Linfield for first place with a 6-0 record. The big test comes tonight as the Lutes travel to McMinnville, Ore., to battle for first place.

The team is leading the conference in service aces and is no less than fourth in any other statistical category. Stacie Matz is leading the conference in aces and is second in kills. Kati McGinn is third in kills, Gina DiMaggio is second in assists, and Megan Kosel is second in digs. All in all this seems to make a well-balanced team.

Now to the sports that have had a bit rougher time. Cross-country has participated in the Sundodger Invitational and Willamette Invitational and has seen the women finish 19th and 22nd respectively and the men finish 26th and 30th.

Lexie Miller and Michele Hegg have been the top-placing Lutes for the women's team, while Kenneth Chilcoat has been the top Lute for the men's team.

The PLU Invitational will be held tomorrow, but the big sign of how the team stacks up with its divisional competitors will be in two weeks at the NWC Champi-

onships, which will be held at the PLU golf course.

PLU's most surprising start belongs to the football team. They finished last year with a dismal 3-6 record, but hopes were high this year as most of the offense returned intact.

But this didn't seem to help: the team dropped the first three games, all of which were non-conference affairs.

However, redemption came last weekend as the Lutes took their first step toward the "City Championship," which apparently belonged to UPS. The Lutes reclaimed the totem with an exciting 32-28 comeback victory.

The team isn't always outplayed by the competition, but it is not matching opponents in the big play department.

The Lutes are converting 46 percent of their third downs and have only one total yard less than their opponents, but have been outscored by 23 points.

On the plus side, the Lutes are tied for first place in the conference and the duo of Chase Reed and Craig Chiado are first and fourth in the conference in all-purpose yards with Chiado leading the conference in receptions and receiving yards. Each is also finding the end zone on average one time per game, keeping the Lute offense potent.

The margin for error is low, but if the Lutes can win the rest of their games, playoffs will be a reality. All Lute fans should get out and support these teams. It is not often that we have so many competitive teams in one season.

Ladies can't kickstart game

Soccer comes away with loss and tie during road trip

TYLER SCOTT
Mast sports reporter

On the toughest weekend of the season in terms of travel, the women's soccer team battled to a 2-1 loss at Whitworth last Saturday and bounced back for a 1-1 tie at Whitman on Sunday.

Saturday's match-up against a Whitworth team that had been ranked 25th in the nation was considered to be a great measuring stick for the team. Senior Defender Brennan Vanden Bos put the Lutes ahead 1-0 in the 49th minute, a lead that held up until the 82nd minute. Whitworth's Jael Hagerott scored the decisive goal with 2:35 left in the game on a penalty kick that Coach Jerrod Fleury described as "a very questionable call."

The game continued the Lutes' season-long struggle to find consistent offense.

"After scoring our first goal, we also had numerous other good scoring opportunities, including a shot off the crossbar," Fleury said.

"We didn't take advantage of offensive opportunities," senior forward Jackie Oehmcke said. "We didn't play the game all the way till the end and they (the Pirates) took advantage of our letdown and capitalized, unfortunately." Fleury called it "a very tough game to lose."

Sunday's tie at Whitman, however, was a very solid way to follow up the disappointing loss the day before. Fleury estimated that after the game at Whitworth, the team spent "over 13 hours in the bus driving from Spokane to Walla Walla (for Sunday's game) and back home."

Once again, the Lutes took a 1-0 lead early in the second quarter, this time on Oehmcke's second goal of the season. Just a few minutes later, however, the Missionaries tied it up at one, where the score remained through two overtimes.

Fleury praised his players for their effort on Sunday.

"After the emotional defeat the day before, the girls really gutted out a tie. Given the outcome of the first day I was pleased with (their) play," he said.

The games place the Lutes fourth in the Northwest Confer-

ence with a 3-2-1 conference record going into this weekend, when they will return home to face Linfield and Willamette, which currently rests in first in the conference.

"When we really come ready to play, we can beat anyone, regardless of whether they are first or not," Oehmcke said. "Our conference has been so mixed up this year, with UPS not dominating the conference like they usually do, and other teams stepping up."

The Homecoming weekend kicks off at PLU's soccer field at noon on Saturday against the Linfield Wildcats, followed up on Sunday at noon against the Willamette Bearcats.

"Our goal for the season is to win out at home. This weekend is no different," Oehmcke said.

Cross-country team struggles in Willamette

COLLIN GUILDNER
Mast sports reporter

The men's and women's cross-country teams competed at the Willamette Invitational in Salem, Ore., on Saturday, Sept. 30. Concordia University out of California won both events, with the PLU women finishing 22nd and the men finishing 30th.

The top performer for the women at the invitational was sophomore Michele Hegg, who finished 68th in the women's 5000-meter race with a time of 19:25.35. Junior Lauren McDonald finished 80th in the event with a time of 19:35.81.

The top performer on the men's side for the Lutes was junior Kenneth Chilcoat, who finished the 8000-meter course in 27:37.00 in 176th place.

The Lutes are very excited about this performance and the rest of the season to come.

"We have a good mixture of old and new runners; we

have lots of old people to welcome in a good class of freshman," sophomore runner Kate Burdekin said. "It's going to be a fun season."

The Lutes usually only have one home meet during the year to run in front of a home crowd, but with the addition of the NWC Championships at the PLU campus this year, they will have another opportunity to show the Tacoma area what they've got.

The NWC Championships will take place on Oct. 28 at the PLU golf course. The first of the two meets will be this Saturday starting at 10 a.m.

The cross-country team is very excited to run at home and is hoping for a good turn out.

"The home meet is a lot of fun to watch, but we don't usually get that many people out for it," Burdekin said. "Hopefully that will change this year."

Question of the week:

What professional sports team has been in Seattle for the longest?

Answer on page 16

Weekend home soccer games:

*Linfield @ noon
*Willamette @ noon

All games can be seen on the PLU soccer field.

Lutes beat the East



Photo courtesy of Zenon Olbertz
Libero Megan Kosel passes the ball during one of last weekend's games.

Volleyball gains momentum with weekend wins

CALE ZIMMERMAN
Mast sports reporter

The Lutes volleyball team had another successful weekend as it earned two more wins. PLU hosted Whitman on Friday night and Whitworth the following evening.

The Lutes were once again dominant for the second match against the Whitworth Pirates of Spokane, Wash., as they swept the match 3-1. There was no doubt that the match belonged to PLU from the start.

"Our confidence is sky-high right now," first year Kelcy Joynt said. "We know we have the ability to beat anybody as long as we play to our potential."

It was easy to see that the all-important momentum—generated by celebration and team support—was on the Lutes' side.

Every time PLU would get a block or a kill, the ladies, both on the court and the bench, would rejoice as if they had won the match.

The Lutes welcomed Whitman College from Walla Walla, Wash., to Olson Auditorium Friday. Whitman beat PLU during a preseason tournament that did not count towards their conference record.

The Lutes again had a lot on their plate, but learned from their mistakes from the last time the two squads met and Whitman capitalized: PLU edged out Whitman, securing the match 3-2.

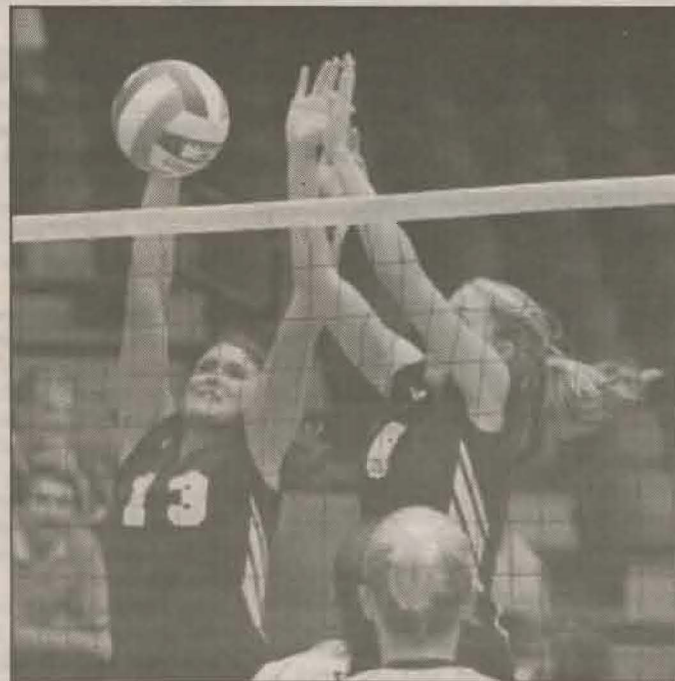


Photo courtesy of Zenon Olbertz
Setter Gina Di Maggio and middle blocker Kyla Wytko block the opponent's attack.

With the win, the Lutes improved their conference record to 6-0. They are currently tied for first place with Linfield, who they will travel to play this weekend.

Men's soccer: Jekyll and Hyde

JON WEDELL
Mast sports reporter

The Lutes netted mixed results in a tough weekend in eastern Washington. PLU played the two-time defending conference leader and current first-place team Whitworth Pirates on Saturday, and fought strong. However they proved too much for the Lutes to handle on this day as PLU lost by the count of 2-0.

Sunday was the day of rebound as the Lutes overcame their season high two-game losing streak with a solid 1-0 shutout victory over the Missionaries of Walla Walla.

The Lutes and Pirates battled a scoreless first half in the first game as neither team could find the net. Whitworth led the total shots in the first half 7-3, and the Lutes had to make only one save, completed by sophomore keeper Andrew Croft. The Lutes also ran into foul trouble, committing 11 fouls in the first half compared to Whitworth's six.

During the second half, the Pirates kicked it up a notch to score at the 10-minute mark. Curtis Flournoy scored his first goal of the season, which was assisted by Brent Murakami.

Within the last 10 minutes of the game, Whitworth's Ali Seyedali floated the corner kick on the far side of the 6-yard box, where Matt Frierson ripped a shot above Croft for the second goal of the game and his first of the season.

The Lutes lone shot on goal was during the 75th minute when the keeper deflected Baard Asker's shot over the crossbar.

"We were not happy with our game with Whitworth; it was our worst game of the season," Asker said. "We weren't mentally sharp."

Coming into Sunday's game with a two-game losing streak, the Lutes shut down Whitman's offense and defeated the Missionaries 1-0.

Junior Erik Gracey played a big role as he scored a header past the keeper towards the end of the first half. The assist came

from Andy Stoltz, who was 50 yards out when he floated the ball to the 6-yard box and Gracey towered over the group of players to redirect the ball in the goal for his first goal of the season. Whitman outshot PLU 7-5 in the first half.

**"We were not happy with our game with Whitworth...we weren't mentally sharp."
Baard Asker
junior forward**

The Lutes continued to play strong in the second half and ended up outshooting the Missionaries 14-11 by the end of the

game, with four shots to two on frame.

The Lutes are now at 3-1-0 and occupy third place in a bottlenecked conference where the separation of the first-place team and the fourth-place team is three points.

The Lutes host Linfield Saturday and Willamette on Sunday. The Linfield game is important for both teams as the Lutes and the Wildcats are separated by only one point, 9-8 in favor of the Lutes.

In Sunday's game, the Lutes invite the Willamette Bearcats to the Lutedome for a match up of two teams going in opposite directions: The Bearcats come into the weekend in the cellar of the conference with only one win the entire season and no victories in conference play, and the Lutes are on their way up. Linfield beat Willamette last week 3-0 in Salem, Ore.

"We need to bring last Sunday's good stuff to next Saturday," Asker said.

Standing tall

PLU on top of the totem

JON WEDELL
Mast sports reporter

In 1947 the Tacoma Young Business Club decided that the cross-town college football rivalry between UPS and PLU should mean more than just bragging rights and a win in the standings. Ever since then, the teams have been playing for a six-foot trophy that represents a totem pole that once stood on the grounds of downtown Tacoma at the corner of 10th and A Streets.

Because of this unique prize, the game between UPS and PLU is known as the Totem Bowl. Over the years the game has been played at multiple facilities, including the Kingdome, Tacoma Dome, Sparks Stadium and Baker Stadium.

"The game has lost some of the rivalry as PLU has dominated the series in recent years up until last year's game," PLU sports administration director Nick Dawson said. "PLU has lost some and UPS has improved, which will help the rivalry."

The current totem is in its 23rd year of existence, but it has not seen much of north Tacoma during its lifespan. The Lutes had won 17 consecutive games up until two years ago when UPS defeated PLU 23-13 at Sparks Stadium during the PLU Homecoming game.

This year, the Lutes stormed back to beat the Loggers 32-28 and reclaim the totem they had held so long before. Let's welcome it back after its season-long absence.



Photo by Jon Wedell
Athletic director Laurie Turner proudly shows off the rivalry totem pole, PLU's reward for its football win last Saturday against UPS.

	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
THIS WEEK IN SPORTS AT PLU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •PLU volleyball travels to Linfield for a 7 p.m. match •MLB Playoffs: NY Yankees vs. Detroit Tigers. Game starts at 5 p.m. on ESPN. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Homecoming weekend: Lute football team takes on Whitworth at 1:30 p.m. at Sparks Stadium. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •T.O. and the Cowboys bring their game to Philadelphia to take on the Eagles. Game time is 1:15 p.m. and can be seen on Fox. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Monday Night Football: The 4-0 Ravens travel to the Mile High City to take on the Broncos. The game is at 5:30 p.m. and can be seen on ESPN. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •The NHL is back: the Minnesota Wild play host to the Vancouver (BC) Canucks at 6:00 p.m. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •The women's soccer team plays UPS at Mt. Tahoma High School. The game begins at 5:30 p.m. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •ACC rivals (21) Virginia Tech Hokies and (24) Boston College Eagles play at 4:30 on ESPN.

Replacing Red



Nate HULINGS

Color commentating job for the M's up for grabs, former player should get the nod

Ever since I was a child, I can remember listening to Mariners baseball on the radio. The voices of Dave Niehaus and Ron Fairly calling Mariner games are present in some of my greatest memories of childhood. The broadcasting tandem has been synonymous with the Mariners for decades and both broadcasters have seen the best and worst this team has to offer.

With the retirement of Ron "Red" Fairly, there has been speculation on who will take his spot behind the microphone. Many people believe a color commentator should be a former ballplayer who can quickly interject baseball jargon and insider information as the play-by-play broadcaster calls the game. Unfortunately, many former ballplayers have lapses in the communication department and are tougher to comprehend than Ozzie Osbourne trying to recite the preamble to the Constitution.

If I were 10 years older, this opening would be screaming my name. It has been my dream to be the M's broadcaster since I was old enough to scream, "Fly away baseball!" But since my name won't be pulled from the hat to call games for the Mariners any time soon, I present to you my picks to replace Ron Fairly behind the mic.

Harold Reynolds: This is my personal favorite. As an ESPN Baseball Tonight analyst for 10 years, Reynolds possesses the on-air skills of a news anchor along with the inside info of a former baseball player who knows the game. As far as past experience goes, Reynolds frequently announced at

the College and Little League World Series, where he was a fan favorite for years.

He recently lost his job at ESPN due to a sexual harassment claim, but with Reynolds' experience and knowledge of the game, he will not be out of work long. He also gets some extra brownie points from me because he sticks up for the Mariners when other analysts tear them to shreds.

Jay Buhner: Remember "The Bone"? As one of the most recognizable faces (or heads) in Mariner history, Buhner has stayed active in the Seattle area and has even guest commentated a few games over the past few seasons. His quirky personality and southern accent would make him a great fit next to Dave Niehaus in the press box.

Buhner doesn't have the experience Reynolds has in front of the camera, but with a little experience and some grease to shine up his head, Buhner could easily turn into a great color commentator. Buhner is a favorite of mine, but I think his inexperience in the press booth coupled with his love of the wilderness and his family will keep him out of a permanent job with the Mariners.

Mike Blowers: A lesser-known Mariner, Blowers has extensive radio experience and a natural broadcaster voice. Blowers has done post-game radio shows for the Mariners since his retirement in 1999 and has a decade of major-league experience. He may not have the fan appeal of Jay Buhner or Dan Wilson, but Blowers was a tough guy

on the field and was a great team player. His current involvement with the organization makes him a prime candidate and I would not be surprised one bit if he got the job.

Lou Piniella: Now before you get on my back for recommending a former manager, hear me out. This guy saved baseball in Seattle, so without him, we wouldn't even be having this discussion. He's the best manager this team has ever had, and I believe we'll never have someone quite like him ever again. After he quit managing the Tampa Bay Devil Rays, "Sweet Lou" took spot-jobs commentating on ESPN and even sat in on a Mariners game and talked baseball on-air.

Even though his voice does take getting use to, Piniella has a fire in his belly about the game of baseball that will live with him long past his managing days. If he is done managing (as many think he is), what better transition would there be than to the broadcasting booth? I see the chance of Piniella being a commentator for the Mariners as slim, but I would personally love to see it.

Kevin Calabro: This one is a long shot. I know that he isn't a former player and would lack the normal color commentator abilities, but "The Voice of Sonics" has perhaps one of the smoothest and most recognizable voices in all of sports. If the Sonics move to Oklahoma City (which I will comment on in one of my next columns), Calabro could stick with his Seattle sports roots and commute to Safeco Field instead of Key Arena.

Calabro has covered baseball in the past when Niehaus or Fairly were on vacation, and his knack for telling a story over the airwaves doesn't skip a beat across the sports spectrum. But the fact that he is not a former baseball player coupled with his high demand in the NBA broadcasting market make his chance for getting the job slim.

Bill Krueger: The former Mariner southpaw was made to be a color commentator. He's been working for Fox Sports Northwest as the Mariners analyst for six seasons and is going strong. Krueger is a quick thinker with a wide breadth of knowledge (pitchers are said to be the smartest baseball players).

Krueger also has an uncanny ability to judge talent, and his slick-back hairstyle helps him fit the mold of a broadcaster. He has a pretty cushy job for Fox Sports, but Krueger would be a great fit and I would put him right behind Blowers and Reynolds in my favorites.

I think the Mariners next color commentator should have deep roots in the organization and understand the team inside and out. That is why a former player would be a prime fit for the job vacancy. Realistically, the job of the color commentator consists of fast analysis and the occasional cliché. But when I'm rooting on my Mariners, I want those facts to be relevant and the cliché to make sense, which is why I need more than a bumbling idiot who 'roided up for years.

Scorecard

Men's Soccer

Standings	Team	NWC	%	All	%
	Whitworth	3-1-2	.667	4-3-3	.550
	UPS	3-0-1	.875	6-0-1	.929
	PLU	3-1-0	.750	6-3-0	.667
	Linfield	2-1-2	.600	5-2-2	.667
	Pacific	2-2-1	.500	5-2-1	.688
	Whitman	1-3-2	.333	2-3-2	.429
	George Fox	1-3-1	.300	5-3-2	.600
	Willamette	0-4-1	.100	1-8-1	.150

(All stats as of 10/3)

Goals by Period	1	2	Total
Pacific Lutheran.....	13	6	19
Opponents.....	3	6	9

Shots by Period	1	2	Total
Pacific Lutheran.....	61	68	129
Opponents.....	55	61	116

Last Two Games

9/30 vs Whitworth - Lost 2-0
10/1 vs Whitman - Won 1-0

Team Leaders - Goals

1. Baard Asker - 6
2. Mike Ferguson - 6
3. Derek Karamatic - 2

Upcoming Games:

10/7 vs Linfield - 2:30 p.m.
10/8 vs Willamette- 2:30 p.m.

Football

Standings	Team	NWC	%	All	%
	Linfield	1-0	1.000	1-2	.333
	PLU	1-0	1.000	1-3	.250
	Willamette	1-1	.500	1-4	.200
	Whitworth	0-0	.000	4-0	1.000
	L&C	0-0	.000	0-3	.000
	UPS	0-1	.000	3-1	.750

Rushing Leaders:

1. Chase Reed - 143 yards
2. Craig Stahl - 62 yards
3. Anthony Canger - 49 yards
4. Aaron Murphy - 8 yards

Receiving Leaders: (Yards)

1. Craig Chiado - 467 yards
2. Chase Reed - 259 yards
3. Brian Stevens - 194 yards
4. Jacob Washburn - 128 yards

Team Leaders: Tackles (Total)

1. Chad Blau - 30
2. Jon Hergert - 27
3. Andrew Eisentrout - 27

Upcoming Games:

10/7 vs Whitworth - 1:30p.m.
*Homecoming
10/14 vs Menlo - 12:00 p.m.

Volleyball

Standings	Team	NWC	%	All	%
	Linfield	6-0	1.000	13-0	1.000
	PLU	6-0	1.000	12-4	.750
	UPS	4-2	.667	9-4	.692
	L&C	4-2	.667	6-10	.375
	Whitman	3-3	.500	7-7	.500
	Whitworth	2-4	.333	3-14	.176
	George Fox	1-5	.167	4-12	.250
	Pacific	1-5	.167	4-12	.250
	Willamette	0-6	.000	3-12	.200

Last Four Games

9/22 vs. Cal State East Bay - Won 3-0
9/23 vs Willamette - Won 3-0
9/29 vs Whitman - Won 3-2
9/30 vs Whitworth - Won 3-1

(All stats as of 10/3)

Blocking:

1. Kati McGinn - 54
2. Kelcy Joynt - 47
3. Kyla Wytko - 43
4. Gina Di Maggio - 31

Team Leaders - Kills

1. Stacie Matz - 227
2. Kati McGinn - 221
3. Kelcy Joynt - 137
4. Kyla Wytko - 81

Team Leaders - Digs

1. Megan Kosel - 325
2. Stacie Matz - 225
3. Kati McGinn - 204
4. Lauren Poole - 131

Upcoming Games:

10/6 at Linfield - 7 p.m.
10/7 vs George Fox - 7 p.m.
10/13 vs Pacific - 7 p.m.
10/14 vs Lewis and Clark - 7 p.m.

Women's Soccer

Standings	Team	NWC	%	All	%
	Willamette	6-0-0	1.000	9-0-1	.950
	Whitworth	4-1-1	.750	6-1-2	.778
	UPS	3-1-2	.667	5-1-3	.722
	PLU	3-2-1	.583	6-3-1	.650
	George Fox	2-3-1	.417	4-5-1	.450
	Whitman	1-2-3	.250	1-3-3	.250
	Linfield	1-3-2	.333	3-5-2	.400
	L&C	1-4-1	.250	3-6-1	.350
	Pacific	0-5-1	.083	2-5-2	.333

(All stats as of 10/3)

Goals by Period	1	2	Total
Pacific Lutheran.....	3	11	14
Opponents.....	2	5	7

Shots by Period	1	2	Total
Pacific Lutheran.....	60	71	132
Opponents.....	53	51	107

Last Three Games

9/23 at George Fox - Won 2-0
9/30 at Whitworth - Lost 2-1
10/1 at Whitman - Tied 1-1

Team Leaders - Goals

1. Jenny McKinsey - 7
2. Jackie Oehmcke - 2
3. Five tied with - 1

Upcoming Games:

10/7 vs Linfield - 12 p.m.
10/8 vs Willamette - 12 p.m.
10/14 at Lewis and Clark - 12 p.m.
10/15 at Pacific - 12 p.m.

Lutes ax Loggers



Photo by Jon Wedell

Sophomore running back Aaron Murphy runs past UPS senior defensive back Mitch Grandstaff in the Lutes' game Saturday. Murphy finished the game with one touchdown, helping the Lutes to a 32-28 victory over the UPS Loggers.

Lutes snap three game losing streak, reclaim "City Champions" title with comeback victory over rival UPS Loggers, 32-28

MARY JOHNSON
Mast sports intern

Coming back from a 21-point deficit, the Lutes held on to win their first game of the season 32-28 against cross-town rival UPS on Saturday.

"It was an awesome game," said first year offensive lineman Matthew Dudley.

After starting the season with a 0-3 start, the Lutes' first conference game of the season also turned out to be their first win.

"Many 0-3 teams would have faltered in those adverse situations," junior quarterback Brett Gordon said. "It was just awesome to see the guys pull together and finally begin to believe in each other."

With 45 seconds left on the clock, PLU had come back to within eight points. And with two touchdown passes from Brett Gordon, the Lutes ended the quarter with a score of 13 to 21.

UPS scored another touchdown in the third quarter and it looked as though the Lutes would walk away with another loss, but in the fourth quarter, the Lutes scored another 19

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Brett Gordon
junior quarterback

points to win the game.

The Lutes scored most of their offensive yardage in the air with Gordon completing 20-37 passes for 336 yards and three touchdowns.

Senior wide receiver Craig Chiado led the Lutes with nine catches for a total of 210 yards and two touchdown receptions.

Senior wide receiver Brian Stevens also contributed with five catches for 45 yards and a touchdown.

Senior lineman Andy Holden also had an amazing defensive game. He snared 10 tackles, three of them resulting in a loss and a fumble recovery.

"We made some big-time plays when we needed to and most importantly believed in each other," sophomore running back Aaron Murphy said.

This Saturday will be the first conference home game and the Lutes' 2006 Homecoming game against Whitworth College. The game's start time is 1:30 p.m. at Sparks Stadium.

Answer:

The Seattle Sonics are starting their 40th season in the city this year.

Fun Fact:

The Sonics are the only male pro sports team in Seattle to win a world title. The Seattle Storm won the WNBA title in 2004 and are the first Seattle team since 1979 to be world champions.

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