

SHE'S A WINNER Jennifer Hamlow awarded PLU's 42nd Fulbright.

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For the college student whose priorities are anything but sleeping, here's something to think about.

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BRIEFLY

Faculty contracts announced

Amidst a day of pranks and jokes, Provost Paul Menzel released a memo previewing faculty raises and staff cutbacks.

According to Menzel's memo, PLU's full-time faculty will receive 2.5 percent across-the-board raises.

In addition to cost of living raises, uniform supplements of \$425, \$525 and \$925 will be distributed respectively to Assistant Professors, Associate Professors and Professors while \$120,000 was also distributed throughout the staff as discretionary equity supple-

"While these salary increases for continuing faculty and staff are of course less than we would like to see, they do put us discernibly above inflation again this year," read the memo. "In a difficult budget year, with enrollments an revenue not meeting our expectations, this should be considered a major achievement.

But while the administration was able to exceed costof-living raises in several cases, sacrifices were made. Even long-time staff members were not safe, as the administration found it necessary to lay off staff members to meet budget goals.

Menzel's memo read, "To be sure, to attain it we have had to reconfigure some positions and reduce the number of staff, and we all feel distinctly the loss of some well-known people among us."

Four awarded Diversity prize

Four winners were chosen from among 15 entries for the 1996-97 Diversity Prize Competition..

First prize was awarded to Ieisha McIntyre for her essay, "That Girl I Know." She recieved a \$500 scholar-

Second Prize went to Jay W. Chennault for "A Cabin on the Coast." He recieved a \$500 scholarship.

Dawn M. Lawerence and Suzanne Jones each recieved honorable mentions.

Each recieved a \$50 gift certificate to PLU North-

An award ceremony and reception honoring this year's contestants will be held on April 8 from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 in the UC, Regency Room.

Politics in action:

Education in the 21st century

By Dave Whelan Mast news editor

Congressman Adam Smith met with education leaders from around Western Washington Monday in a "Higher Education roundtable."

The purpose of this meeting was to give the congressman feedback and ideas of what his constituents feel the 105th Congress should be

doing about education.
Included in the panel were PLU President Loren Anderson, UPS President George Mills, David Spangler, president of Saint Martin's College, and Vicky Carmen, dean of students at UW-Tacoma, as well as students and parents representing all the schools.

Smith called education "the most pressing issue" facing the country

"There is a gap between what people need to know and what they do know," said Smith. "Right now schoolwork is not relevant to the

"We need to not lose the liberal

arts education while, at the same time, making it relevant to the real

Smith mentioned affordability as one of the major concerns of college students.

"The states have backed away from educational funding," he said. "The federal governments job should be to stimulate the states."

According to Smith, 25 years ago, 75 percent of financial aid packages consisted of grants and 25 percent of loans. In 1997, those figures have reversed.

Current proposals of the 105th Congress regarding higher education, (see chart, below,) include a \$1,500 tax cut for students with a B-minus or above average, an annual \$10,000 tax deduction for a taxpayer with income between \$50,000 and \$80,000 and raising the maximum Federal Pell Grant

The concern of the college presidents regarding financial aid was the regulations of the Department

"Government should be saving. 'How can I help you?' rather than 'What do you want?"

-Adam Smith

of Education regarding financial

"They do not draw distinctions between public and private institutions," said Anderson. Smith maintained, however, that

the government "has shown more sensitivity in the recent past," when it comes to regulating money. The example for this, explained Smith, was set by the Republican majority in Congress, elected in 1994

"One thing that the revolution of 1994 taught us is that government should not be viewed as

adversarial," he said. "Govern-ment should be saying, 'How can I help you, rather than What do you want?"

Smith also asked the presidents to identify the mission statements of their universities.

President George Mills of UPS defined his school's goal as "to analyze and articulate change to create a vision for the future. We have a passionate commitment to connecting the arts and sciences with job employment."

Anderson went one step further, calling PLU a "comprehensive uni-

"We emphasize professional programs based around a liberal arts core," he said. "Our graduates our employable but also have the breadth to carry forward the school's motto of educating for service.

President Spangler of St. Martin's College identified his school's goal as "combining the depth and See EDUCATION page 12

Education Proposals in the 105th Congress Affecting Higher Education

PRESIDENT'S PROPOSAL

1) HOPE Scholarship: A nonrefundable tax credit of up to\$1,500 for tuition and required fees for each of two taxable years. The second year credit is conditioned upon students having earned at least a B-minus average in their previous post-secondary education.

2) Tax Deduction: Up to an annual \$10,000 tax deduction for tuition and fees is proposed, with no time limit. Credit and deduction would be reduced for a taxpayer with modified adjusted es income above \$50,000 or \$80,000 for married, filing

3) IRAs: Permits funds in IRAs to be used for college ex-

penses without penalties.
4) Pell Grants: FY98 Pell Grant maximum would be raised to \$3,000 and changes in need analysis would increase Pell eligibility for single, independent status.

SENATE DEMOCRAT'S PLAN

(S.12 - Education for the 21st Century Act)

Similar to the Administration's proposal on tax credit and deduction with several differences including the following: tax credit would be refundable, eligible students must have earned at least a Bminus average in high school, and credit applies to two academic years of post-secondary education, (not two taxable years).

Unlike the Administration's proposal, the Democrats proposal

authorizes the deduction of interest on education loans for taxpayers below certain income levels.

SENATE REPUBLICAN'S PLAN

(S.1 - Safe and Affordable Schools Act)

This bill would authorize tax exempt education savings accounts up to \$1,000 per child per year.

It also makes permanent the exclusion for employer education assistance and extends to graduate level courses.

It modifies provisions of the tax - Perkins Loans ode regarding state tuition prepayment programs to exclude distributions used for higher education expenses, (including room and board), from taxation.

It also authorizes the deduction

of interest on education loans for taxpayers with income below certain levels, and it excludes Federal Work Study earnings from taxation.

TYPES OF FEDERAL AID

- Student Loans
- Pell Grants
- -Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants
- Work Study
- -State Student Incentive Grants
- Byrd Honors Scholarships
- TRIO Program

FBI recruiter talks with PLU hopefuls

By Roger Broadniak Mast reporter

A special agent from the Federal Bureau of Investigation (the nation's largest law enforcement agency) paid a visit to the PLU campus Tuesday night, marking the first such appearance since 1991.

For one hour, Special Agent Mike Sanders conducted an informational session about FBI employment opportunities in the Regency Room.

Sanders is the applicant coordinator for the Seattle field office.

More than 50 students listened intently as Sanders provided an overview of the FBI's hiring procedures, followed by a question-and-answer session. Several questions concerned the special agent application process and the desirability of different kinds of work experience.
"I find that it's more effective to

give a brief and informal discussion first, rather than a 20 minute canned speech." Sanders said. "It usually turns out that my presentation is more informative if the audience asks the questions and I answer them as best I can.'

Other questions addressed the day-to-day life of a special agent and the image of the FBI as por-

trayed in movies.
"You'll find that FBI special

agents are ordinary people just like anybody else, "Sanders said. "It's interesting and exciting work but it can get tedious. It's not all action like you see in the movies."

Another topic of interest was the FBI Honors Internship Pro-

The HIP, as it is known, is offered to undergraduate and graduate students during the summer entering their senior year. The program seeks to attract highly capable students interested in careers in law enforcement.

FBI honors interns spend three months in Washington, D.C., at the FBI headquarters.

A handful of interns spend their

Washington, D.C. are reimbursed.
Other perks include a personal
visit with FBI Director Louis J.

summer at the FBI academy in

Quantico, Va. The internship is

paid and transportation costs to

Freeh, a firearms session in the FBI firing range, briefings from the assistant directors of the FBI and a tour of the FBI academy. The HIP is well-renowned, hav-

ing been cited as one of the top 100 internships in the United States, according to The Princeton Review's "America's Top Internships of 1996." Princeton Review's

See FBI page 12

CAMPUS

Question:

"How much value do you put on sleep? Why?"

(See related stories in the centerspread.)



"I feel that I need a lot of sleep because it boosts the immune system and keeps you awake no matter bow much caffeine you bave."

Jason Miller Freshman



"I know that if I don't get sleep I can't do anything effectively and it usually makes me byper if I don't get sleep."

Melinda Dickman Sophomore



"I sleep all day if I could because I bave good dreams at night."



"I place a bigb value on sleep because I get beadaches and get cranky and snap at people."

Kelly Jones Sophomore Philip Edlund Freshman

Saturday, April 5 Breakfast

Muffin Sandwich Fresh Hashbrowns

French Bread Pizza Cheese Pizza

Dinner Chicken Fijatas Mexi Fries Veg. Burrito

Sunday, April 6

Breakfast Pancakes Cheese Omelet Sausage Donuts

Dinner Pot Roast & Gravy Red Potatoes Ratatouille

Monday, April 7 Breakfast Waffles Scrambled Eggs Hashbrowns

> Lunch Lasagna Veg. Lasagna

Dinner Hamburgers Cheese Burgers

Tuesday, April 8

Breakfast French Toast Fried Eggs Canandian Bacon

Lunch Grilled Cheese Spicy Garden Pita Tuna Cass.

Dinner: Kaluha Pork Sticky Rice Hum Bao

Wednesday, April 9 Breakfast Apple Pancakes Eggs

Sausage

Lunch Chicken Club Pasta Peppers Salsa Lito Rolls

Dinner Fried Chicken Potato & Gravy Jambalya Corn on the Cob

Thursday, April 10

Breakfast Waffles Scrambled Eggs Sausage

Lunch Taco Veg. Burrito

Dinner Salisbury Steak Eggplant Parmesean Breadsticks

Friday, April 11 Breakfast

Cheese omelets Ham Hashbrowns

Lunch BBQ Chicken Sand. Ratatouille

Dinner Healthy Baked Fish Turkey cutlet Souffle

Friday, March 14

 Campus Safety talked to a person who was making copies in the library of political and religious leaflets to distribute to students on campus. The person admitted to not having permission to make the copies. The person was asked to leave campus.

Sunday, March 16

 A student called Campus Safety to ask for help after she cut her finger in Ordal. Campus Safety cleaned and bandaged the wound.

• A student called Campus Safety to ask for help with a knee injury that occurred while playing a sport in Olson

Gymnasium. Campus Safety applied ice.

• An Ordal RA called Campus Safety to ask for help dealing with a student who was having emotional and psychological problems. Campus Safety talked to the student, whom had calmed down by the time Campus Safety arrived. Campus Safety advised the student to go to counseling and testing.

Tuesday, March 18

· A staff member in the Human Resources Building called Campus Safety to request assistance with a cut she had received on her hand. Campus Safety cleaned and bandaged the wound.

 A student contacted Campus Safety to report the theft of her lava lamp. The student identified one person as a possible suspect. The suspect's alibi was found to be flawed. The suspect admitted he had stolen the lava lamp and then lied about his alibi. Student conduct was notified.

Thursday, March 20

 A pool staff member contacted Campus Safety to request medical assistance with a guest who had aggravated a previous injury during physical therapy in the pool. The guest was unable to move because of excessive pain in his lower back.

Friday, March 21

 Campus Safety responded to a dispatch on the Pierce County scanner that a Harstad resident had fallen down the stairs from the second floor. The resident lost consciousness and began to convulse. Pierce County paramedics took the resident to St. Claire's Hospital. The resident was later

 A library staff member called Campus Safety to report that a student lost consciousness while working. Campus Safety determined that the worker had not eaten that day. Campus Safety advised the student worker to eat.

Sunday, March 25

•Campus Safety noticed while on patrol that Pierce County Paramedics had arrived at Olson Auditorium to assist an elderly guest who was suffering from cardiac pain. The guest was taken to the hospital by the his spouse.

Thursday, March 27

• A student called Campus Safety to get assistance with a cut he had received while inadvertently falling down stairs in Ordal.

 An Olson building supervisor called Campus Safety to request medical assistance for a PLU guest whom had fallen from the second floor balcony of Olson and was in great pain. Pierce County Paramedics determined the victim may have suffered a broken back.

Fire Alarms

• March 15; Business Office. The cause was a system

March 18; Hinderlie. The cause was undetermined.

• March 19; Stuen. The cause was undetermined. March 20; Hinderlie. The cause was a malicious pull.

· March 20; Tingelstad. The cause was a malicious pull.

Don't cancel those tanning salon appointments because we're looking at gray Keep your heads up and look for low-flying clouds. skies through Monday.

Mike Thorner is a senior economics major and the weather guru for KCNS6. You can watch him live every Wednesday night at 10 p.m.

Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
Low 34	Low 34	Low 42	Low 36
High 53	High 54	High 54	High 54

CAMPUS

New registration computer to ease process

By Stefon C. Reid I Mast intern

The upcoming mad dash for PLU students to register for summer and fall classes has arrived, and with the help of the new SC.T. Banner registration system, students will have access to a wide variety of

The institution decided last year to purchase a new software system to handle student information, driven primarily due to problems in processing financial aid," said Chuck Nelson, registrar.

The S.CT. Banner, is similar to teleregistration, but has a few sig-

The biggest difference will be that students will no longer be notified of their registiration times through post cards.

Registration days will be assigned by the number of credits.

The phone number, (253) 531-4011 from off campus, or x4011 on campus, will remain the same, but students will be asked to provide a pin number as well as their social security number,

The initial pin number will consist of the student's birthdate. For example, a student born on Jan. 12, 1978 would have 011278 as their initial pin number.

"It is important that the student change the initial pin number as soon as possible," said Nelson. "In case someone knows your social security number and birthdate they won't be able to make changes to vour schedule without vour knowl-

Another change is the elimination of the pound sign at the end of each request. Nelson believes this may take some getting used to.

"Basically, you punch in the fourdigit number for the class, then wait," Nelson said.

Once the classes are imputed, they must be confirmed by saving them. This will enablle students to double check their schedules.

It will also inform students of any time conflicts with classes, which the old system does not do.

This will keep students from enrolling for two classes that start at the same time. Students will also be informed of any labs, lectures or study groups they may have to reg-

In addition to theses features, students will be able to access their entire PLU academic history, as well as if they are any type of registration hold (medical, financial, etc). The software that will enable this access will be installed next

By the fall 1997 semester, students will be able to call in to get their grades.

During a recent mock registration, about 600 students tested the systems, in attempts to work out any system errors. One minor problem did appear, but it was cleared up within minutes.

As with any new system, there may be a few more bugs to work out. The registrar's office urges patience should the need arise, students will have to come into the registrar's office and register.

Complete information on this new system will be made available to students soon.

42nd PLU student awarded Fulbright

By Melissa Bakos: Mast Reporter

One of the most prestigious awards that a student can receive is the Fullbright Scholarship. This scholarship is bestowed upon a student who is academically strong as well as driven. The student must possess qualities that make him or her competitive with other applicants in the United States. PLU senior Jen Hamlow was recently given this award.

As a double major in Public Relations and German, she will study at the Paris-Lodron University in Salzburg this fall.

Her plan is to conduct a comparative study focusing on the different teaching methods used by the United States and Europe in the field of Communication.

"I think it reflects well on PLU and the individual students that we have serious candidates," said Professor of Communication Diane Harney.

Harney was one of the individuals who wrote a letter of recommendation for Hamlow and helped her through the interview process.

After many months of research on the internet, Hamlow devised a plan of study where she will attend class at the university and observe the methods of teaching.

Some of the classes that she will enroll in will be ones that she has already completed at PLU.

According to Hamlow, the communication classes in Europe go one step further by incorporating the international aspect into the curriculum.

She hopes to possibly construct a teaching plan to bring back to PLU. Professors could use the information in creating a class that would teach cultural awareness and have an international focus.

Among the goals that Hamlow plans to accomplish are: to become completely fluent in the German language and to take advantage of this opportunity to become more marketable to future employers.

"I want to equip my self with the tools that will make me a positive addition to any internationally minded company," she said. "The more I can do for myself now, the . better it will be for my future."

Hamlow is extremely excited to be able to return to Europe and pursue her educational goals.

She spent last year studying abroad in Germany. She returned and applied for the scholarship in October and was just recently notified that she had won the award. abroad office, Hamlow advises other students on studying abroad

As a counselor in the study and encourages them to take the opportunity to broaden their hori-

in the jeld.

Other Fulbright Scholars

lason Thompson and Bak Melvers

Roommates their treshman year, Melver and Thompson are currently teaching English to Korean children. Thompson is a 1996 graduate of PLU with a double major in

theater an music Melver graduated in 1996 as well with degrees in both English

and classics, plus a publishing and printing arts minor Melver and Thompson are PLU's 38th and 39th Fulbright Scholars.

Alexis Vasquez

Alexis Varquez graduated from P. U with as an economics

Currently, she is in Chile stratying the effects of free market policies on forestry that were put into place during the Pinochet regime (1973-89). She is focusing her attention on the city of Concepcion and gather data from mainly the '80s. Varsquezais PLU s 40th Fulbright Scholar.

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OPINION

EDITORIAL

Rethinking our attitudes on sleep

Once upon a time we were forced to take naps on little mats in the middle of the day, when all we wanted to do was play.

Now we willingly fork over more than \$400 to take classes such as "Relaxation Techiques" in order to find time for a nap.

In front of our friends and co-workers we may still laugh in the face of exhaustion, but deep inside we are longing for our blanky and drool-soaked pillow.

As college students, we are faced with constant drains on our brain and energy levels. We are expected to go to school, work, participate in extracurricular activities, keep some semblance of a social life, and still manage to take care of ourselves and maybe even

While some people are experts at organization and can get everything they want done and still get at least eight hours of sleep every night, most of us are natural-born crammers.

We cram for a test.

We cram for a meal.

We cram to finish that project at work.

We cram in naps, but never sleep.

But despite the fact that we know and are told that we will work better if we get enough sleep; that we'll be healthier if we get enough sleep; that all in all we'll be happier if we get enough sleep, hardly ever do we listen.

But maybe we need to.

It shouldn't take crying over corn flakes, becoming bedridden with mono or being struck with a nervous breakdown to slow us

But often it does.

While that eight hours of sleep may seem like a great time to schedule your study hours, extra part-time job or your overflowing list of dates - take look at the costs.

(See related story in this week's centerspread.)

-Alicia Manley

Car maintenance and other tales of woe

Note: Dave Whelan is still mentally on Spring Break. He apologizes for any confusion this may cause.

My car is an eternal source of wonder to me.

This is primarily because I have no idea how it works. Being male, it is usually assumed that I understand the inner workings of my engine, but I don't.

Here is a list of my automotive

knowledge to date: Pedal on left = STOP

Pedal on right = GO
However, when something on
my 1984 Civic breaks, or starts to rattle, or smoke starts billowing out from under the hood, I feel that I have a responsibility, no, a duty to inspect the damage.

I don't know what I'm expecting to find when I pop open the hood. Who knows, perhaps the broken part will be standing there holding

a sign reading, "I'm Broken."
This would make things easier, however, this seldom is the case. So what do I do? Well, usually I

end up standing there staring at the

WHEELS TURN By Dave Whelan

what I'm doing. In reality, I haven't the first

Many was the time growing

up that my father and I would stand side by side and contemplate a car engine, both of us nodding in a competent manner, neither of us knowing what was wrong, neither of us willing to ask for assistance.

I also remember going to the hardware store with my dad. We would always see a lot of other dads and their kids. Every-

one kind of wandered the aisles, looking for the right part. Nobody knew what that part

We'd often make friends with this other searchers.

Sometimes, we'd exchange parts, just to keep things interesting.

Inevitabely, we would return home - only to discover that my mother had called the repairman. Eventually, of course, I'll break

down and ask for help. A me-chanic, usually named "Joe" will fix my car and explain what's

"Well, your fuel filter is clogged and not enough gas is getting to your carburetor, causing the engine to stall."

I'll nod at him in a competent manner, all the while having no idea what he's talking about. Meanwhile, "Joe" will be wondering just how he got stuck with such a moron like me as a cus-

He shouldn't hate me. Without us morons, "Joe" would be out of

I shouldn't be bitter. I guess I'm just lucky there are guys like "Joe" in the world to fix my car. If mankind ever regresses to a primi-tive state, guys like "Joe" will be living in shelters they have built while the rest of us are eaten by

In the meantime, however, my car runs fine now, and I'll just keep driving until the next breakdown.

At which point, no doubt, I'll be standing in my driveway, looking at my engine, nodding in a competent manner.

Dave Whelan is a senior public relations major. Following graduation, he plans to travel the world looking for the Spice Girls.



engine and nodding as if I know

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clue as to what's wrong, but if I nod in a competent manner, maybe people walking by will think that I do.

I'm not the only person who

Corrections

In the article titled: "Anti-theft steps taken in the UC," The Mast incorrectly reported that there are 3-4 bags stolen daily from the UC backpack rack. The correct figure is approximately 3-4 bags are

Rob Peyree, Eric Montague, Alexa Marsh, and Erin Sigman's names were misspelled in our last issue. Erin Sigman is the Associate Director of Dining Services.

Dining Services was incorrectly referred to as Food Services in our last issue. The Mast apologizes for these errors.

The Mast strives for accuracy in its writing. If you detect any misspellings or errors in the Mast, please, let us know! The Mast stall can be reached at (206)535-/494 or by e-mail at mast a plutedu. Or, by post at:

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Common misconceptions about computer geeks

Recent events in Rancho Santa Fe, Calif. have turned attention onto those of us who develop websites.

I find it interesting to find that the immediate reports were 39 males between the ages of 18 and 25. What exactly did the deputies who first entered the mansion do? I am assuming that they made a quick look around, saw everyone wearing Nikes, a bunch of computer equipment, and made the quick stereotype that they were all males who were a bunch of computer geeks.

In the days that followed, each member of the Heaven's Gate cult was identified very quickly, seeing that they each had a piece of identification laying next to them in

their beds, as males and females. Not that I don't appreciate the attention this story has brought to the World Wide Web, but it seems to me that the general media have



WEBMASTER'S WORLD

By Joel Larson

gone gaga over this and make it seem that every web developer believes that there is a UFO in the tale of the Hale-Bopp comet.

In a way, it is just another thing to pile on the growing list of inaccuracies about computer programmers and web developers. Let's examine a few:

NOTION:

· Web developers are big, unshaven slobs who survive on fast food and pizza. DEFENSE:

• Web developers come in all shapes and sizes, just like every other job there is. There may be proven stastics that computer programmers are over weight, but this is probably due to the fact that not much exercise happens while working on a computer.
NOTION:

· Web developers would much rather talk to their on-line friends than their real life friends.

DEFENSE:

 Personally, I no longer have the time for on-line friendships. Which is unfortunate, because I have built a network of triendships all over the world. This can be helpful in life when you need to

find out something, still proving: "It's not what you know, but who you know." Downside? I'm almost 21 years old and I wear bifocals. Stupid computer screen. NOTION:

· Becuase it is on "the web" it must be true.

DEFENSE:

• Yup, 100 percent right. There is a UFO in the tale of the Hale-Bopp comet, and twinkies become radio-active after being microwaved for a minute and a half, and I am really a 40-year-old teacher who rides around on a dragon charring a carbon-eating organism called "thread"...Come on...There is such a thing as fiction. Even on the web.
HOTSITEOFTHEWEEK!!!!

If you can connect, I suggest you read what the Heaven's Gate cult was all about. A very well done and extensive site can be

http://www.heavensgate.com Also, if you are looking for some real information, or further news on the Heaven's Gate mass suicide, check out the major maga-

http://www.pathfinder.com TIP OF THE WEEK!!!!

Have a tip? Send it in! Nominations for PLU's Best Website are now being accepted!!! This includes departments, organizations and personal homepages. Myself and my pages are exempt, so send in your nominations to-

Joel Larson is PLU's Webmaster. He is still attempting to attain his Bachelor of Music Arts degree, with a minor in Computer Science. Comments and suggestion can be sent to The Mast or to webmaster@plu.edu. The opinions expressed is this column are that of the columnist and in no way express the opinions of the university or the Web Development

Devine intervention needed for "The Devil's Own"

First, actor Brad Pitt called it an irresponsible bit of film making. Days later, Pitt (under intense studio pressure) came back saying the quote was taken out of context and the film was actually quite

He was right the first time. "The Devil's Own" isn't a terrible film as much as it is a letdown. With Pitt ("Seven") and fellow star Harrison Ford ("The Fugitive"), audiences have come to expect a certain level of quality.

Throw in respectable director like Alan J. Pakula (who worked so well with Ford in "Presumed Innocent") and the audience expects a great film. Unfortunately, this film does not live up to these lofty standards.

It started off as a great premise. A good story and two of today's

Each star, though, wanted his individual characters to become the focus of the movie. This is where the trouble began. Through-



FRUGAL REVIEW By Bryan Powell

out the long shooting (which went incredibly over budget), the script was constantly changing, trying to accommodate both of the stars.

And so, an unusual problem (by Hollywood standards) occurred and the film became over characterized. Pakula does successfully

The Devil's Own

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Starring: Brad Pitt and Harrison Ford

Director: Alan J. Pakula Showing: Narrows Plaza 8, Puyallup Cinemas, Gig Harbor, Lincoln Plaza, Lakewood Mall Cinemas

keep the viewer's interest in the two lead characters.

He never allows the audience, though, to really care about any of the other characters. Instead, he chooses to focus on Pitt and Ford, making them seem overly impor-

Whenever Pakula comes close to making some significant point, he cuts to an action scene. Of course, the action sequences aren't that special.

The action is slow and predict

able. Rarely does this film come anywhere close to surprising the audience. A good action film will keep the audience on the edge of its seat in anticipation. "The Devil's Own" does not do that.

Not all is bad with the film, though. Ford and Pitt both do good jobs in this film.

Ford plays a New York police officer. He manages to make his morally conflicted character seem believable, despite a flawed script (rewritten numerous times for h

Pittalso does a decent job acting in this film. Sporting an Irish brogue and an attitude, Pitt makes the character's strengths and frail-

Pitt's supposed compassion for Ford and his family, though, is not as prevalent. This may not be com-pletely Pitt's fault. According to sources on the film, most of the scenes where Pitt displays compassion were edited out of the film in an attempt to increase the pac-

ing of the film.
All in all, "The Devil's Own" is a decent film. Ford and Pitt do commendable jobs acting in a poorly scripted movie. The real problem with this film is that it

never really seems to get going. The only thing "The Devil's Own" does is cause viewers to sink further into their seats and wonder when the real movie is

going to start.

Pornell is a sophomore film major

Studio economic dilemma: Go for the Big Bucks or the art?

A couple of years back a little movie called "Waterworld" was made.

Rumors swirled around its release that its budget had soared to an astonishing \$200 million. It was later was found that the budget was only a paltry \$150 million. With the help of the overseas market, "Waterworld" did eventually break even-barely

So what did Hollywood learn from this fiasco? Not much, based on the recent productions Hollywood is putting out. With a record number of \$100 million productions coming out this year, Hollywood seems to be saying that bigger is better. But is it really worth

Studio heads are claiming it is more economically sound for them to produce a couple of expensive



HOLLYWOOD By Bryan Powell and Craig Coovert

blockbusters than it is for them to produce a bunch of mid-ranged films. They feel that at the very

least, through the overseas market and video rentals, an "event picture" (like last summer's "Independence Day") will end up re-couping its money. On the other hand, they feel that mid-range films (lacking in the amount of hype and advertising surrounding a bigger film) is a more risky proposi-

An unfortunate, though obvious, side effect of this practice is the decline in the quality of the films produced.

To sell their films, studios are spending gads of money on lavish special effects and hot stars (regardless of their acting talents). With the amount of money being thrown in those directions, something has to give. And that usually ends up being something known quite commonly as a story.

Jim Carrey and Tom Cruise are all a part of the \$20 million club. Are they really worth it?

Definitely, from an economic standpoint.

Carrey's recent film "Liar, Liar" made an astonishing \$31.4 million its opening weekend on his name

Cruise's current film, the Acad-Maguire", has so far made \$143 million. Would "Jerry Maguire" have done as well without Cruise? Not likely. With Cruise (nominated for Best Actor for his performance) in front of the camera, the film was virtually guaranteed to be a success.

Some stars, like Carrey and Cruise, are deserving because (regardless of what critics think) they make money and the film industry

is NOT a non-profit organization. Hollywood is as much about making money as it is about making movies.

This leads us back to the argument of quality film making versus economic movie making. They are linked, as one cannot survive without the other.

Artistic films need the money generated from the "event pictures" to sustain them. "Event pictures," consequently, need the intelligence of the more artistic films to give them the industry respect.

Therefore, there needs to be some sort of balance between the

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atchin Story by Wendy Joy Garrigues Mast reporter Sleep graphic by Ruth Ann Hagglund Mast cartoonist

Humans spend about one third of their lives unconscious and

During sleep, the brain consumes extra oxygen and has increased blood flow.

REM, rapid eye movement, is the "dream" phase of sleep and occurs about 1 or 2 hours after falling asleep. Waking up during this phase is when dreams are best remembered.

Sleep is a necessary part of life, not a fringe benefit, as many college students come to believe. Without enough sleep, one can feel less alert and vigorous. In addition to seriously sapping energy levels, lack of sleep affects mental and social functioning (i.e. instead of a functioning brain, you go to class with oatmeal in your scull.) Sleep deprived persons may also suffer confusion and fatigue. One can argue that many a brilliant paper was conceived on fewer hours of sleep than one might imagine, but the time it takes to recover from such a feat may damage other papers and projects in the process.

Sleep deprivation has been as a form of torture and an instrument in brainwashing because prolonged sleeplessness has been found to cause hallucinations, delusions, disorienting, and demoralizing af-

Interestingly, both little children AND grown-ups need naps in the afternoon, and sleep less at night. Only older children and adolescents seem to be able to function solely on one long sleeping stretch.

A CATNAP BEFORE C

Naps are quite common in most European cultures, but ge past have been looked down upon in American society during Age simply because they were viewed as "wastes of time." The a comeback however, ranking in the top ten list on "full spectre." Trenda Research published in 1996. With so many people tele these days, more opportunities for sleeping "on themselves. Napping allows for more pro-cause people feel happier and more rested.

In an excerpt from a piece title "Ode to a Michael Fay, one such happy verse says: studies have shown that a half hour nap in ternoon makes you a better human being. (Studies also show that doing volunteer work down at the homeless shelter makes you a better human being as well, but napping is easier.) Forget about taking naps in your bed though, yech. It's like putting on SCUBA gear to splash around in a kiddy pool."

While naps are a great way to relax and revive between classes, they should not exceed an hour or so. Sleeping too long during the day can interrupt normal sleeping patterns and ccause more problems than benefits once nighttime comes.

Rest and relaxation

Written by Jaime Britt

Relaxation can take many different forms. Some people prefer to sit and read while others enjoy a nice long bath. A good way to relax is through

Meditation is basically sitting in a relaxed position with your eyes closed in a quiet environment where you feel safe and will not be disturbed for a period of time.

There are two components to reaching meditation. One is listening to a dialogue on tape instructing you in ways of relaxing, and the other is listening to music.

Not all types of music are relaxing since most music was not composed for the use of relaxation. The reasoning behind this is that "the tempo of the music should not exceed the speed of a relaxed heartbeat (about 60 beats per minute)." If it does, it stimulates not only the heart but the brain as well, which defeats the purpose of relaxation, which is the basic element of deep meditation.

Music prepares an atmosphere of tranquility, but only if the music is mellow enough, with a slow tempo as described earlier.

Surprisingly, there are some who completely disagree with the idea of music as relaxing. "Most music, from Bach to rock, is intended to stimulate rather than relax. It literally makes you nervous system 'more nervous'. [Their] music was never intended to be relaxing in the first place... Therefore, music- even if it's played softly in the background- will keep you from reaching a meaningful state of relaxation.'

Since this could be the case, special music has been composed as an aid in relaxation.

The other component to help reach meditation is audio tapes. These tapes take you through series of steps, helping one reach complete relaxation. In most cases, these tapes tell you to find a lying position in which you feel most comfortable. They then ask you to close your eyes and envision a place of comfort, a place where you feel safe and undisturbed. It will talk you through steps in imagining relaxing certain parts of your body individually, usually starting from the head and moving down to the toes. It may also ask you to count your inhales and exhales just to keep your mind from wandering about the day's activities.

Another reason that breathing is important is because in a shallow inhale, which is common in a relaxed state, less oxygen is consumed, slowing down the heart rate, and causing the body to relax even more.

These are things that anyone can do to relive tension in a person's body.

Meditation not only help one feel emotionally better, but it can actually improve health.

By eliminating the level of stress in a person's life by regularly practicing meditation, "many of today's stress-related diseases can be prevented and help provide you with: more energy, am ore robust imune system, enhanced concentration, clarity, and creativity, more ease in falling asleep, a possible attitude, and enhanced recuperation after illness or sugery."

To learn more about relaxation, point your web browswers to the follwoing web sites:

http://www.soundrx.com/page2a.html http://www.soundrx.com/page2a.html http://innerpeace.com/page2b.html http://cucare.clever.net/emmanuel/meditation.html

The above sites were referenced for this article.



LOSING SLEEP: INSIDE SLEEP DISORDERS

Should any of these sound familiar, a visit to a Sleep Clinic could help remedy the problem. At a Sleep Clinic, a person stays overnight while doctors observe the individual's sleeping patterns. Once a diagnosis is made, things can be suggested which can help to control and remedy and sleeping problems which may be occuring.

Insomnia

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> When one has difficulty falling asleep or staying asleep. It also can be defined as awaking earlier than desired. Insomnia can be triggered by several factors, like stress, tension, and poor sleeping habits.

Sleep Apnea

A brief 10 to 30 second pause in breathing while asleep. It is often associated with loud snoring and snorting. The results of sleep apnea are daytime sleepiness, depression,

and problems with the cardiovas- Narcolepsy is not limited to sudcular system.

Parasomnia

Includes such activities as sleepwalking, nightmares, sleep related violence, and sleep eating.

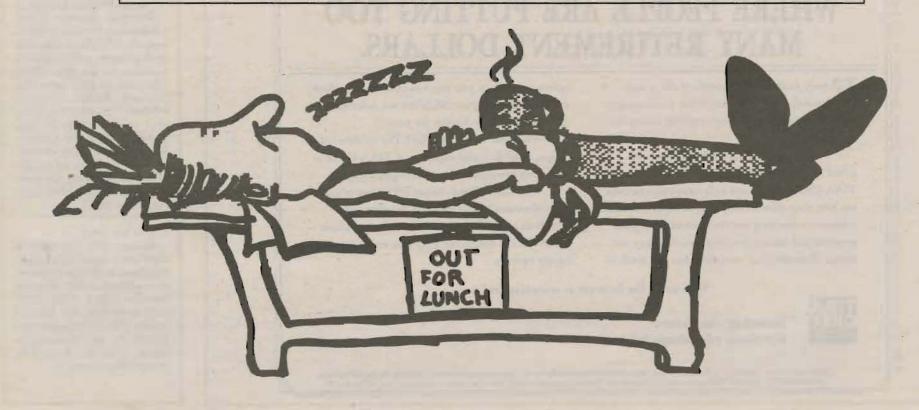
Narcolepsy

den attacks of sleep: it may also cause continuous day-time fatigue. Treatment for narcolepsy is the drug Ritalin.

Excessive Sleepiness

When a person finds themselves Sudden attacks of sleep, where an individual suffers from uncontrollable lapses into sleep. These attacks can occur in stressful situations such as being tickled.

When a person mids themselves struggling to stay awake during the day. This can cause reduced productivity at school and work, along with concentration and memory problems.



A&E

Ernie's Fools Play Improv to perform in the Cave

By Heather Meier Mast A&E editor

Every Saturday at 11p.m. at Tacoma Little Theater, darkness fills the theater, and the audience begins their sacred chant:

"Bring out the fools!"
"Bring out the fools!"
Is it some branch of a new cult,

preparing to make way on the next comet?

No.

With great enthusisiam, from the recesses of the dark stage's wings emerges eight members of Ernie's Fools Play Improv.

A local improvisational comedy group, Ernie's Fools Play Improv started about five years ago.

Originally part of Theater Sports, they became their own organization because many of their games were different from those in Theater sports.

Using audience suggestions, the actors break into a mile-a-minute comedy routine, that leaves its audience crying on the floor for more

The catch, though, is that none

of the actors know what will occur over the course of the evening.

They might do a skit on visitors from Mars or a one on having lunch with your mother-

in-law, or having your ailen mother-inlaw for lunch.

The troupe sports a relatively young cast, with college students from Olympia to

participating.
Unless
y o u
J. Howard Boyd, the oldest member of the troupe, who admits that he's just a kid

"It looks really easy and it becomes a lot easier, but it is a lot harder than it looks," says PLU sophomore Bethel

Bellingham

Cope.
Cope has been a member of Ernie's Fools Play Improv for a year. She had experience in drama but had never done improviztional acting before.
"Oh-my-gosh, I pooped my pants the first time. I was so nervous," says

Cope.

Now, though, she finds that the best part is when people recognize her.

The actors do get a chance to warm up prior to performing in front of an audience.

Ed Gibbs, presi-

dent of Ernie's
Fools Play Improv,
explains that for a
warm up the actors
might try to create a story by
each actor saying one word. "It's
usually pretty ridiculous and
embarrassing," said Gibbs.
Still, there are times

when warming up does not help and an actor gets caught on stage with nothing to say. "If I don't have anything to say that would make sense, I

could say something that doesn't make sense and it would just get a cheap laugh," says Cope.
There are now almost twenty members of Ernie's Fools Play Improv. The mem-

ber are required to audition for their spot. Cope says, "I used to go watch and there was only one girl, so I tried out and they begged for me to stay."

The antics of Ernie's fools will perform here at PLU on April 8, at

8 p.m., in the cave.
"We're funny. We're damn funny," says Cope.

Ernie's Fools Play Improv

100% Comedy. 100% Made up

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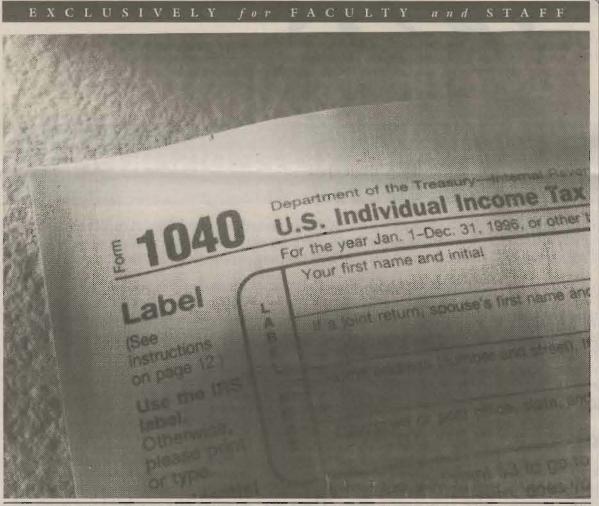
Tacoma Little Theater 210 N. I st.

Special First Anniversary performance April 4, 8 p.m.

Cost: \$6
Tomorrow 11 p.m.
Cost: \$5

PLU Performance

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THE QUICK FLICK

Coming this week:
The Saint: Val Kilmer
("Batman Forever") satrs as
Simon Templar, a thief who
embarks on a moral jouney.
After stealing the secert of
cold fusion from a beautiful
scientist, played by Elizabeth
Shue ("Leaving Las Vegas"),
Templar decides to set things
right. Directed by Phillip
Noyce ("Patriot Games" and
"Clear and Present Danger").

Double Team: Jean-Claude Van Damme ("Maximum Risk") is back, this time with a bizarre costar, Dennis Rodman, in his film debut. The plot (a plot in a Van Damme flick?) revolves around Van Damme being sent to some sort of "spy prision" called the Colony, leaving Van Damme to team up with Rodman to escape. Directed by Hong Kong action amatuer Tsui Hark in his American deput.

Out last week:

Selena: The true story of the Tejano superstar who was murdered in 1995 by the president of her fan club. Starring Jennifer Lopez ("My Family") as Selena, wit Edward James Olmos ("Stand and Deliver") and Constance Marie. Directed by Gregory Nava ("My Family").

Lutes looking for

winning attitude

By Mike Safford Jr.

Mast reporter

The Lutes (1-3 in NCIC, 3-8 overall) took advantage of a picturesque Tuesday afternoon in Forest Grove, Ore., but a

Boxers' starter Mike Larson (2-1) toiled over 6 2/3 innings to

pick up the victory.

The game was tied at one, when Pacific exploded for ten runs in

the third inning. According to Lutes' assistant coach Danny

Desmond, 14 consecutive Boxers reached base in the inning. PLU starter Ryan French (0-3), the staff leader last season,

struggled in his third consecutive start. French, who has yet to pitch past the third inning this season, gave up six runs and walked five in 2 2/3 innings of work.

Boxer shortstop Bob Berent did damage to the Lutes, going 4-6, with three RBI on the afternoon.

Five Lute errors, three belonging to senior first baseman David

Trailing 17-6 going into the ninth, PLU rallied for five runs against reliever Ryan Labreton, capped by a base clearing double

SPORTS

Good weather, dreary game

Lutes massacred by Pirates vicious attack

By Mike Safford Jr. Mast reporter

Good weather followed the PLU baseball team home from California, but the Lutes lost a spring break series

against Whitworth the friendly confines of the PLU baseball

PLU split doubleheader last Friday, winning 4-2 and losing 10-0, and lost Saturday to the Pirates 6-1.

In the second inning of game one, the Pirates took full advantage of a stiff breeze to left, as Lutes centerfielder Tim Beaudin

misplayed a Tim Bishop fly ball that led to a Sam Chimienti sacri-

Whitworth made it 2-0 in the third, when Eric Brown knocked home Ryan Swann with a base hit to right. But Lutes' pitcher, sophomore Craig Willis, enticed a inning-ending double play to get out

Pirates hurler Jason McDougal, playing before family and friends, retired the first 11 Lutes in order. But Dak Jordan welcomed

Cano led off with a double, and Peter Finstuen legged out an infield single. Wai Tim Petersen lined a hot shot over second that scored Cano from third to tie the score.

With two outs, senior David Quiggle singled home both run-

ners giving the Lutes their first

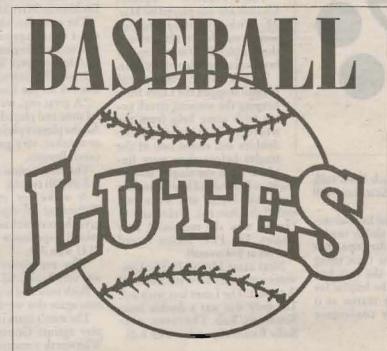
That would be all Willis would need, as he worked out of jams in the fifth and sixth inning, andhada 1-2-3 seventh inning to earn his second win of the season.

Game two was a different story, as the Lutes pitchers could not find the strike zone. Six PLU pitchers combined for 14 walks and four hit bat-

Junior Mike Olson toiled on the mound, walking six in his 3 1/3 innings of work. Leading 5-0 into the sixth, the Pirates batted around for five

more runs. Bishop was hit by Craig Coovert's pitch, and Ryan Wilson followed with a single. Jack Arthaud hit a ball past the outstretched glove of Beaudin, bringing in two run.

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McDougal home with a long home run to the left that made a dent in the University Golf Course practice putting green, cutting the Whitworth lead in half.

The Lutes tagged three more runs on McDougal in the fifth. Nathan

Dak Jordan went 3-5, and Nathan Cano 3-5 with two RBI, but it wasn't nearly enough. "We need to develop a winning attitude, and hopefully this weekend will be a start of things," said pitcher Craig Willis. PLU travels to Walla Walla for a weekend series with Whitman, before coming home for a Tuesday doubleheader against these same Pacific Boxers.

Quiggle, did not help the cause.

by Peter Finstuen.

lackluster performance did PLU in 17-11.

Lady Lutes play well, can't keep up with Loggers

By Mike Safford Jr. Mast reporter

The green and gold of the University of Puget Sound shined brightly, as the Loggers (4-0 NCIC, 9-5 overall) swept a Northwest Conference Softball doubleheader from the Lutes (2-2 NCIC, 13-7 overall), Wednesday on the UPS campus.

UPS won the opener 5-3, and the second 1-0, in an exciting,

tension packed game. Everyone looked good in pregame. We hit the ball well in batting practice, and fielded good in warmups, but they just didn't

play to their potential," said Lutes' head coach Rick Noren. "UPS played an extremely good game." The Loggers were paced in game one by the hitting of Heather Paulsen. The freshman shortstop went 3-4 with 3 RBI's to lead her team to victory. Teammate Freda Franklin went 3-4, as the

Loggers took advantage of three Lutes errors. Tharen Michael was the bright spot for the Lutes. The freshman had a single and a double, scored one run, and had one RBI.

Sarah Noble went the distance, limiting the Lutes to seven hits. Janelle Gunter took the loss for PLU.

In the night cap, it was a pitcher's dual between Gunter and the Loggers' Kassia Vote.

The Lutes had two opportunities to score, as Michelle Iannitto came through with two clutch base hits, but both times, PLU runners were gunned out at the plate.

"Both Tharen (Michael) and Michelle (Iannitto) are very intense and experienced players," Noren said. "They showed character out on the field today."

Gunter took a no-hitter into the seventh, but Paulsen led off with a double. After a pop out and an infield single, Mino McLean dashed the Lute's hopes for extra innings with a gapper that

Both Vote and Gunter (11-7) went the distance each giving up only three hits. Noren feels being back at home will help his team out. "Going

to class, having practice, the normal daily routine, it will get the ladies on track. This was a definite learning experience." PLU returns to action this weekend, as they travel to Linfield and Pacific for Northwest Conference doubleheaders.

Gunter retires Pioneers

Softball sweeps Lewis and Clark doubleheader

By Mike Safford Jr. Mast reporter

Mother nature was kind to the PLU softball team, as the weather broke just enough for the Lutes to sweep Lewis and Clark in a North-

west Conference doubleheader March 20.

Through sun, wind, rain and hail, and the Lutes perservered over a pesky, yet winless Pioneer ball club 2-0 in the opener and 7-1 in the nightcap.

In the first game, the Lutes started quickly. Danetta Laguna led off with a walk and promptly stole second. After Sheree Deskin sacrificed her to third, sophomore Jill Kindle singled Laguna home to give the Lutes a 1-0 lead.

That would be all senior All-American Janelle Gunter would need as she

went the distance, giving up only three hits and striking out eight.

Stockton kept her team close, strik-

Gunter knuckled down. She got power-hitting Kim Howard to pop However, Pioneer pitcher Annie up and struck out Monique Radman to stop the rally.

ing out seven Lutes with her slow, but effective, pitching style.

The Pioneers had a scoring op-portunity in the fourth. Chris Kreger reached on a Missy Cole error and Jamie Tyler's single passed the outstretched glove of Michelle Iannitto. They were sacrificed into scoring position, but

The Lutes got an insurance run in the sixth on back-to-back doubles by freshman Tharen Michael and Iannitto. Gunter retired the last eight Pioneers in order to notch her sixth win of the young season.

The Lutes, frustrated after their performance in the first game,

dominated the nightcap. PLU jumped out early again, in almost similar fashion. Laguna slapped a base hit to left and swiped second. She eventually scored on a Kindle ground out to give the Lutes a 1-0 lead.

PLU added a single run in the third while Lutes hurler Jessica Coleman was cruising. However, Coleman ran into some trouble in the fourth when Tyler lined a one-out single and stole second. A Howard single brought home the Pioneers third baseman and cut the Lutes lead to 2-1. But the tall right hander

from Gladstone, Ore. shut the door and snuffed the Pioneer attack.

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SPORTS

Lutes fall, but gain experience in Hawaii sun

Tennis teams finally find fair weather after leaving soggy North America

by Lena Tibbelin Mast reporter

The PLU tennis teams headed for Hawaii during spring break in order to catch some sunshine an ssome matches against various schools from Hawaii.

WOMEN'S TENNIS

For the women this meant that they would actually get to play ten-nis matches for the first time in three weeks after having consecutive weekend matches rained away. Both the conference match against George Fox and the annual Alumni match were canceled pervious to

the trip.
On Mar. 22, PLU played
Chaminade and the women won with 6-1. Chaminade only had five singles players, so the sixth singles and the third doubles were default

wins for PLU.

Next opponent, on Mar. 24, Hawaii Pacific was thougher for the Lutes. Hawii Pacific, ranked 11th in the nation, won all the matches, and the Lutes added another loss to the record. Only Lute to win a set was sixth singles Kristi Benson who took the second set against Cristinane Silva, only to loose in the third set with 6-

The following day, Unisersity of Hawaii won over the Lutes with 7-0.

Number one ranked in the nation BYU Hawaii won over the Lutes with 7-0. The last match on the trip for the women's tennis was against Hawaii Hil on Mar. 28. The Lutes won two of the singles and one of the doubles. Second singles Karen Schitt own over Erin Gauien with 6-1, 6-3 and sixths singles Benson won over Dawn Martins with 6-2, 6-2. The second doubles Krissy Summers/Alexa Marsh won over Cindy Andrade/Toshiko

Hasimoto with 8-6. But Hawaii Hilo won the match with 4-2, the last double match wasn't played because of lack of time.

The women's record for the season is now at 3-10 overall.

Women's tennis coach Jackie Savis said that the team's trip to Hawaii was an excellent opportunity to play good tennis against division I teams and for the team to be competitive. About the re-



sults of the trip coach Savis said, "The scores don't indicate how well we played."

The teams in Hawaii have advan-tage over PLU with ability to play outdoors and scholarships, but Savis is proud of the team being competitive during the matches. The spring trip will be helpful for the reminder of the season as it continues with the conference

MEN"S TENNIS

Men's tennis coach Mike Benson hoped for five wins during the trip, but saw only one win from his team against Chaminade University with 6-

match against Chaminade was played on Mar. 22. With only dropping one singles match and taking two of the doubles, PLU started spring

break training on a positive note. Two days later, University of Hawaii stopped the Lutes from keeping the winning streak go-ing with some help from the weather. Rain canceled the doubles and ended two of the singles before they were fin-ished. Both the singles involv-

ing Matt Braundand Matt Simmons were teid 1-1 in sets when rain ended the matches. University of Hawaii won the remaining four singles. The PLU season record was set at 5-4 overall.

Next came Hawaii Pacific University, and they blew the Lutes off the court. The Lutes lost with 0-7. The only win was a double from Simmons/Rob Thornton over Kelly Kon/Felipe Silva with 8-2l.

The Lutes faced Hawii-Hilo Mar. 27, where they took three victories. First singles Braund won over Carsten Eisenbarth with 7-5, 2-6, 6-4. Fourth singles Karl Sjoborg won over Kris Jordan with 6-3, 6-2. Simmons/Thornton added another victory to their double's record when they won with 8-1 over Josh Dickinson/Matt Macabitas.

The next day, the only Lute to win a match against BYU Hawaii was second singles Clayton Har-ris. He won over Wei-Yu Su with 6-2, 6-4. The final score of the meet was 1-6 for the Lutes.

"A great trip, we had a wonderful time and played good matches. All the players played, at one point or another, very good tennis, said coach Benson.

The men's team currently has a 5-7 overall record.

A make up match against Willamette on April Fools' Day gave the team a chance to play with gained experience from Hawaii. PLU won 7-2.

"The experience from Hawaii was very beneficial," said Benson. Both men and women are in action again this weekend.

The men's team is in Spokane to play against Gonzaga today and Whitworth tomorrow.

Even \$20 parking doesn't ruin opening night magic

By Geoff Beeman Mast sports editor

I have achieved total awareness. An awakening of some sixth sense has led me to this breakthrough and it all happened at the King Dome on a starry Tuesday night, my first opening night.

It seemed like just another extraordinary day when I awoke Tuesday morning. I got my breakfast at McDonald's and was in front of the TV at 10 a.m., just in time for ESPN's opening day coverage to begin. Game one was Chicago at

Toronto.

A great match up of last year's Cy Young winner with Toronto against the new bash brothers in Frank Thomas and Albert Bell.

I was set to watch baseball on TV until it was time for me to drive off to my own game, but then tragedy hit: the cable

was disconnected. How on this holiest of days could the evil corporate world cut off my very lifeblood?

Before I could mourn the loss of my dear friend, it was time to go. So I packed my baseball glove, double-checked that I had the tickets and drove off to a place where even TCI Cable couldn't ruin my day.

Upon arrival at the dome I knew this was no ordinary game. Every parking place in Seattle was filled and there were still 90 minutes before game

Parking proved to be quite difficult. First, I drove up to my usual favorite spot for what I expected to be free parking,

only to find it was now \$20.

After much profanity and stress I finally settled in and created my own parking spot. I'm pretty sure it wasn't entirely legal, but I really couldn't have cared less at the time.

The magic of opening night re-ally didn't hit me until the bottom of the first inning. There were two



Riding the Pines

outs with Ken Griffey Jr. up to bat. He had taken two strikes with two huge home run swings that left the crowd breathless. But the true magic came on the 2-2 pitch.

It was as if God himself guided the ball off the bat as it soared into the lights to the anxious fans in right field.

Griffey was perfect. He was on pace to break almost every record in baseball history. He would go down as the only man to hit 1.000 with 546 home runs and 546 RBI's in a single season.

Yes, a home run in every at-bat seemed to be within grasp.

Of course, not everyone had come to this conclusion, but it wasn't long before Grifley came to

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This time the mighty Ken had Alex Rodriguez on base so there was a possibility that Griffey would actually surpass

our expectations.

Again, two huge swings, and again, two huge misses and again, on his third swing the ball sprung from the bat high into the domed sky.

But this ball wasn't as deep; it looked impossible that it may actually cross the wall, but as it fell it looked like it just might, and it did. The mighty Griffey had homered again, a two-run home run.

Now, with all the collective brains of the 57,800 in attendance trying to ligure out what he was now on pace to achieve, the game settled on.

Lost in the confusion was a great pitching performance by Mariner pitchers, but by game's end, reality had to set in.

Griffey didn't hit any more home runs in the game but the Mariners did win.

On my way out to the car I realized how silly it was to think Griffey could hit a home run in every at-bat, so I decided to have more realistic expectations after my opening night. Griffey will go on to hit 324 home runs, drive in 486 runs and bat .500 for the season. All this with the Mariners going 162-0 this year. Of course, that is assuming they hold up their average.

Words of Wisdom; What's so wrong with living in your own little world? Sometimes reality really sucks.

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Rowers ready after UC Davis warm-up

Haircuts and long van rides highlight the Spring Break trip

By Jenny Chase Mast asst. sports editor

Tired of the icy winds and freezing water, the crew team migrated south for spring break.

UC Davis was the host for the Lutes, who for one week, rowed, bonded, and played in southern California. The UC Davis trip is the first spring break trip for the crew team in about six years.

The idea of a spring break crew trip hit men's varsity captain Aaron Ells last summer.

"I rowed with a guy from Davis, and we got to be pretty good friends. Both of us thought it would be fun to have our teams row to-gether," Ells said.

One of the biggest reasons for the trip was team bonding. "Novice became closer, I think,"

said novice rower Jessica Allen. "The guys and girls teams got to know each other. It really was a

team building trip." Vacation officially began Saturday morning at 5:30 a.m. as 15 passenger vans, carrying 66 rowers, head-coach Doug Nelson, and novice coach Tim Sitz, headed south to UC Davis.

The team, and all their luggage,

were packed into the vans for 15 hours. Allen said it was fun, but a lot of people spent the first half of the drive sleeping.

"The vans were really crammed," said Ells. "We did have CB radios in the vans. We talked to the other vans, the truckers. It was fun. Those kept us pretty entertained and it

kept the group to-gether." the

The next day, the Lutes rowed against UC Davis and Cal Berkley in an informal regatta. Davis and Berkley had the advan-

tage over the Lutes. Both are bigger school with a larger team. Lutes pulled one win from women's varsity four. Men's lightweight four placed second, and men's varsity eight placed third.

During the week, crew rowed twice a day, morning and afternoon. The sunshine made it much more fun.

"Everyone was rowing in shorts

and tanktops. Hard practices, but it was a lot of fun," said Allen.

Sunscreen and aloe became very popular during the week, but not for everyone. More than a few rowers got sunburns.

"One guy got so burnt, he looked like he had a permanent tank top," said Allen.

Playtime started afterdin-

Initiation traditions appeared during the week. The week before the trip, novice crew members were at the mercy of the varsity rowers. Novice couldn't eat with silverware, called

varsity members "sir" and "ma'am," and were occasionally caught serenading tables in the UC.

In California, the novice men were subjected to one tradition: haircuts.

Ells said that the guys used to get buzz cuts, but not this year.

"We just gave them nice hair-cuts," said Ells.

"Some guys looked better after

their haircuts than before," admit-

The team also went on a scavenger hunt around the campus, spent a couple hours in San Francisco, and explored the cheat restaurants around UC Davis, like Chico's

Friday night, the Lutes ended their trip with a bonfire, roasting

marshmallows, and hanging out. Both Ells and Allen agree that the most important factor of the trip was the team building and

We really became a team during the trip. I got to know a lot more people on the crew team," said Allen.

"I'm glad it went so well," said Ells. "Wasn't super-organized, but everyone had a great time."

For the next two months, PLU crew competes almost every weekend. This Saturday, varsity heads back to California for the San Deigo Crew Classic.

1997 Regatta Schedule

April 5, 6, San Diego Crew Classic

April 5, Husky Invatational

April 12, Western Invitational

April 26, Cascade Sprints

May 3, Opening Day Regatta

May 10, Northwest Regionals

May 17, 18, Pacific Coast Rowing Championships

Baseball

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Alter consecutive walks, Ryan Swan singled home a pair of Pirates to make it 9-0. Shortstop Miguel Salden knocked in Swan to put Whitworth in double digits.

PLU was mesmerized by NCIC pitcher of the week Sam Flemming. The British Columbian native went the distance, giving up only five hits and striking out 12. Only one Lute was able to reach third base in Flemming's masterpiece.

On Saturday, it was the same story, as the Lutes lost 6-1 to the Pirates. PLU got its only run in the third, as they stringed three hits together to score Mike Chunn.

However, the Lutes managed only two hits the rest of the game, and did not get a runner in scoring position after the fourth. Junior Kevin Purdy took the loss on the

Larry Marshall's Lutes are now 1-2 in Northwest Conference play, 3-7 overall. They travel east of the mountains this weekend for a three game series against the Whitman Missionaries in Walla Walla.

Softball

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From there, the Lutes attack hit high gear, scoring one in the fourth on a Cole RBI double, and two unearned runs in the fifth. A tworun double by Lisa Treadle into the right-centerfold gap closed the scoring and PLU had the sweep. As "Sweet Home Alabama" ech-

oed on the loud speakers, the Lutes prepared for their spring break voyage to sunny California.

In Southern California, the Lutes split a pair of doubleheaders with NCAA Division II Chapman University (losing 3-1, winning 4-3) and NCAA Division II UC River-

side (losing 3-1, winning 4-3). At the Southern California Col-

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lege Tournament in Costa Mesa Calif., the Lutes went 3-1, defeating Baker of Kansas (6-3), Southern California College (5-1), and 31-5, 2-0 in the Northwest Con-

California Baptist (2-0), while losing to Azusa Pacific (7-2). This puts the Lutes' overall record at

ference with games slated this weekendat Linfield in McMinnville Ore., and at Pacific in Forest Grove,

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The concerns of technical schools and branch campuses were also brought up. Vicky Carmen, dean of UW-Tacoma, noted that Washington last year ranked 47th in access to upper division courses.

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Fraternities ban alcohol

By Collen DeBase College Press Service

In an effort to shed their "Animal House" image, Phi Delta Theta and Sigma Nu have become the first fraternities in the nation to ban alcohol in all chapter homes.

The policy, announced March 14, is slated to go into effect by the year 2000. Both fraternities cite surveys that say incoming fresh-man are more interested in their

studies than chugging beer.
"This is what we believe is going to be the future of the fraternity," said David Glassman, assistant executive director at Sigma Nu's national headquarters. "We think this is actually a way to become more sensitive and more conducive to student's needs and desires."

More fraternities are expected to follow suit. Lower insurance rates, better living conditions and the academic improvement of members are among the benefits expected from instituting no-alco-hol policies, Glassman said.

Chapter houses can still throw parties in which alcohol is served, as long as they're held at a site other the fraternity house, Glassman said.

Still, many students said they wonder how fraternity members including potential pledges - will react to a alcohol free house.

Although most fraternity houses were dry until the 1960's, brothers

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who are 21 or older might have a two-week period.) trouble adjusting to the notion that they can't drink a beer in the house, said David Bair, a Phi Delta Theta brother at Willamette University.

"It's time for fraternities to go we've had it this way for a long time," he said.

With rush season set to begin next fall on many campuses, only time will tell how popular the new policy will be with freshman.

"People really have a hard time getting away from the 'Animal House' image," said Blair, 20. "But there's a lot more to a fraternity than drinking."

Still, alcohol-related incidents at fraternities, including deaths from excessive drinking or hazing, continue to grab headlines. In 1995, a nationwide study by Harvard University's's School of Public Health and Social Behavior accused many fraternities of being "func-tional saloons" after finding fraternity and sorority members drink more heavily and frequently than

non-Greeks. The survey of more than 17,500 students at 140 colleges and universities showed that 86 percent of men and 80 percent of women living in fraternities and sororities are binge drinkers. (Binge drinking is defined as consuming five consecutive drinks for men, or four for women, one or more times during

These numbers are nearly double those of the overall student population, where 44 percent report binge drinking. Often the drinking leads to tragic

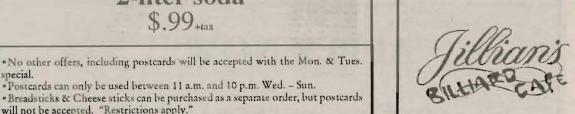
back to what they used to be, but consequences. In February, eight Frostburg State University stu-dents, all members of an unsanctioned fraternity, were charged with manslaughter in the alcohol poisoning death of a freshman. That same week, nine stu-dents were charged with hazing after a Clarkson University freshman pledge was found dead at Theta Chi fraternity house after a night

of drinking.
The no-alcohol policy reflects
that the frats are "aware of the need for proactive change," Glassman said. "This is not the end-all. We don't expect this to end all alcohol related problems," he said.

Robert B. Deloian, president of Phi Delta Theta's general council, said a fraternity is supposed to stress friendship and a commitment to community service.

"Too often, the fraternity exp rience today is defined by alcohol," he said. "We risk losing our pur-

Sigma Nu, based in Lexington, Va., has 210 chapters and 9,500 members. The Oxford, Ohiobased Phi Delta Theta has 180 chapters and 7,500 members.



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