

Lecture series explores Jesus as a revolutionary



Panel members David Wold, Dan Erlander and Dennis Sepper opened the floor to audience comments at a panel discussion Tuesday night, titled "Jesus as a Revolutionary." PLU student Natalie Gulsrud takes the opportunity to share her thoughts on the topic.

BY STEPHANIE CHRISTOPHER Mast reporter

Advocates for Social Justice explored the example Christ gave as an advocate for peace, justice, and healing, and how this works specifically into Lutheran theology with a series of lectures this week titled "Called to Serve: Jesus as a Revolutionary."

The. group intended the events to "be a nurturing, inspiring, and encour-

aging program for Christians and people of faith whose actions are inspired by this call and demonstrate the ideals of service to all in need.'

Events began Tuesday at an afternoon lecture by Micah Steinhilb, who graduated in the spring, of Equal Exchange & Lutheran World relief, entitled "What Juan Valdez doesn't want you to know about your coffee: Coffee production, fair trade, and socially responsible alternatives at PLU." Steinhilb said, "Growers of a rich crop often remain poor. The life of a coffee farmer. They often have a hard time knowing what the product value is because they are so isolated."

Equal exchange is taking responsibility by always paying a fair price to the farmer even when market prices are low, trading

directly

with democratically elected farming cooperatives, providп

advance credit to farmers, and encouraging ecologically sustaining farming processes. Steinhelb stressed the importance of consumers speaking up and asking for fair trade products and thinking about how the money they spend is dis-tributed. "Slow down the next time you get a cup of coffee and

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PLU volunteers prepare Christmas celebration for low income families

BY JESSICA LOCKEN Mast reporter

As December rolls around, it is hard not to get excited for the holidays. Along with this excitement often comes heightened desire to give back to those less fortunate. The PLU

Five groups of children and their families come at assigned times throughout the day, Freeman explained.

They are greeted, do some Christmas art activities and eat snacks. Then, the children go into a room beautifully decorated with a real Christmas tree and Christmas decorations made by local high school students. When Santa comes in, every child will be called up individually by name to receive a present from Santa, and have his or her picture taken. After each child has received his or her present, he or she will go to make Christmas crafts while the parents get to shop for free Christmas presents at the toy and clothing bank. Freeman continued, "These toys are then wrapped, again free of charge, for the parent to take home and put under their Christmas tree."

Chemistry Club earns grants

BY KATIE GILLIAM Mast reporter

The Chemistry Club has been busy this year after receiving programming grants for soil research and for providing career information to undergraduates.

Jason Higbee, a chemistry major and the president of the club, said that the Chemistry Club's main program this year involves soil research on soil samples from around the state of Washington. Members of the club also plan to go to San Diego, Calif., in March to take part in the American Chemical Society's national convention. The PLU club will receive an award at the convention for the amount of involvement it has had on campus and students will present their research. The main program the group has planned involves ongoing soil research, said Higbee. The funding for the soil research comes from the society's Innovative Activities Grant. The Chemistry Club applied for the grant earlier this year. The club received \$247.50 and is using the money to pay for transportation to collect soil samples and the costs of running the tests. The Chemistry



"God loves to undermine

systems. It was a stealth

revolution, undermining

every system and calling a

community together."

Rev. Dan Erlander

Volunteer Center has a fun and worthwhile way to spread Christmas joy

A Children's Christmas party for less fortunate families will be held at East Campus on Thursday, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sigrun Freeman, the Christmas Party Coordinator from the PLU Volunteer Center, said, "Christmas is the time of year when we focus most on the message of hope and thinking of others. This is an excellent way to do it."

This year, 197 children from less fortunate families served by 10 social service agencies, including a therapeutic daycare, health clinic, marriage clinic, and Head Start, have been invited to share in this celebration.

Freeman explained that the Children's Christmas Party is an opportunity "to provide an afternoon of fun for families during the holiday season."

Freeman emphasized that this yearly party is organized not only by PLU's Volunteer Center but also by many community service groups such as the Elks and Kiwanis, local businesses, including a few

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Chemistry Club members take a break from collecting soil at Ocean Shores. The club includes: Andrea Hauge, Erica Hunter, Liz Cox, Jackie Kimball, Sarah Rensel, Norman Crites, Jessica McFarland, Patrick Pastor and Jason Higbeen.

Club has already visited Ocean Shores and it plans to go to the Olympic rainforest to collect more soil samples. Higbee said the group will visit three or four different places in Washington to collect soil this year.

The Chemistry Club tests the soil samples for health and activity using biochemical and inorganic tests, said Higbee. These tests reveal DNA extraction and metal content of the soil, among other things.

Once the group tests all the samples, it plans to make crayons out of the soil. The Chemistry Club will make the

results of their tests available to PLU students at the academic festival in May. It will also present its findings at the national conference in San Diego.

The group also applied for and received a grant of \$2,750 from the society.

This money will sponsor the planning and materials needed for undergraduate programming at the society regional meeting in Seattle in July. The PLU Chemistry Club is working on coordinating programs

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Sidewalk Talk

What should Dead Week mean?



"It should mean that we're excited to go home, but it's a killer because we have stupid exams."

Rachel Williams

"[We should do] absolutely nothing."

Sara Henson



"I think we should go to class, but shouldn't have any assignments."

Josh Spartz



"A beer fest, a cake walk, a day for academic diversity."

James Hulbert



November 21 A PLU student reported finding a bag containing marijuana in the lounge of Pflueger Hall. The bag was turned over to Pierce County Sheriff's Department for disposal. A PLU staff member reported that someone had stolen a cardboard lion from the UC dining area. Estimated cost of replacement is \$32.95. A PLU staff member was seen stealing numerous food items from the UC Kitchen. The items were recovered and the case was turned over to Pierce County Sheriff's Department.

Monday:

Tuesday:

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Campus Events

SANKTA LUCIA FESTIVAL

The 50th annual PLU Sankta Lucia Festival will be tonight at 7:30 p.m. in Lagerquist Hall. Tickets are \$5 for adults, \$3 for students and free for children 11 and under. For more information, call x7322.

PLU CHRISTMAS CONCERT SERIES

Concerts will be held in Eastvold Auditorium tonight at 8 p.m. and Sunday. at 4 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for general admission and \$5 for senior citizens and students. Tickets can be purchased from the Music Department at x5116.

FACULTY HOUSE NOON PROGRAM

Bill Teska of the Biology Department present Conservation and Sustainable Development in Latin America: A Slide Presentation, in the faculty house at noon on Dec. 6.

PASSIONATE ABOUT RELIGIOUS DIVERSITY?

The second discussion in the Passionate About Religious Diversity series will be on Wednesday, Dec. 6 in University Center room 210. The focus of the discussion is how to encooperate feminism and Christianity. Come learn how to unpack patriarchy and shape a gender-rich Christianity.

16 DAYS AGAINST GENDER VIOLENCE

The 16 days of Activism Against Gender Violence is an international campaign targeted at linking violence against women with human rights. It strives to emphasize the fact that such violence and is a violation of human rights and calls for the elimination of all forms of gender violence.

Today -World AIDS Day International Perspectives on AIDS Displays around campus all day

Monday -**Intimacy and Relationships** Informal workshop on finding ways to achieve safety and openness in intimate relationships. UC 206 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

You Can Help Reduce Violence! Information, letter writing and ideas for action on ending domestic violence and sexual assault. UC Lobby 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Time To Relax Tuesday -Join Maureen McGill Seal for an hour of relaxation and breathing! Regency Room 12 p.m. - 1 p.m.

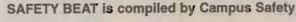
Human Rights Are a Woman's Right: A Global Perspective Join a panel of PLU professors and students exploring women's rights issues around the world. Regency Room 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Wednesday - The Montreal Massacre Day of Remembrance Remember the 14 women who were killed at the University of Montreal as a result of a tragic act of injustice against women. UC Lobby 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.



November 26

A PLU student injured her right hand when she fell on the front stairs in Harstad Hall. Ice was applied and she was told to seek further medical treatment if necessary.



Defending Our Daughters: Rights of Women in the World Video and Discussion. UC 206 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Clubs and Organizations

Feminist Student Union UC 206 - 12:30 p.m. -1:30 p.m. Philosophy Club Northern Pacific Coffee Co. - 7 p.m. HARMONY UC 208 - noon-1 p.m. Truth Ministries In front of Eastvold - 4 p.m. UC commuter lounge - 6:30 p.m. Puentes PLU Young Democrats UC 214 - 6:30 p.m. -7:30 p.m. Wednesday: B.L.A.C.K. @ PLU UC 208 - 7:30 p.m. Advocates for Social Justice UC gray area - 7:30 p.m. Thursday: Diversity Coalition ASPLU office - 8:30 p.m. Truth Ministries The CAVE - 9 a.m. Saturday:

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Conference, sexual minorites deserve unconditional support from PLU administration - not "lukewarm acceptance"

This coming spring, the Seattle Repertory Theatre will perform Rebecca Gilman's play Spinning Into Butter, which chronicles a small university's response to acts of racially motivated hate speech. As the administration struggles to confront this overt racism on their campus, certain administrators in Gilman's drama are forced to recognize their own complicity in a more subtle form of racism.

We fear that two recent developments on the PLU campus reveal a similar pattern to the one Gilman dramatizes, a pattern that leads us to question what the University's professed commitment to diversity actually means. The first is the deplorable spray-painting of homophobic graffiti on the Administration Building. The Administration's response to this act was swift and laudable: a message from President Anderson to the entire University community condemned such actions in no uncertain terms, and a variety of public forums have been held to foster dialogue in the interest of tolerance and civility.

At the same time, however, the University's response to a proposed student conference for sexual minorities and their allies, sponsored by Harmony, has sent a far different, indeed conflicting message. While

Guest Editorial Jim Albrecht and Lisa Marcus

University administrators have officially expressed their willingness to host such a conference, they have thrown up hurdle after hurdle over several months, objecting to various specifics in the conference plan, making the entire process of planning the conference exceedingly, and we believe unneces-sarily, difficult.

While administrators will perhaps see these as two separate issues, we suggest that the University's resistance to the proposed conference runs the risk of perpetuating and reinforcing the homophobia embodied in the graffiti.

In meetings discussing the conference parameters, the administration's repeated theme has been to "go slow," perhaps in response to fears that PLU would suffer for appearing too liberal in its support for the rights of sexual minorities. As teachers who regularly address struggles of civil rights from our nation's past, we cannot help hearing ominous echoes in this desire to "go slow."

King, Jr., eloquently stated in his "Letter from Birmingham Jail," such cries for moderation too often constitute a major obstacle to achieving meaningful justice for all. Addressing his public letter to white clergymen who condemned the condemned the peaceful demonstrations of the civil rights movement as controversial and extreme, King wrote:

"I must make two honest confessions to you, my Christian and Jewish brothers. First, I must confess that over the past few years I have been gravely disappointed with the white moderate. I have almost reached the regrettable conclusion that the Negro's great stumbling block in his stride toward freedom is not the White Citizen's Counciler or the Ku Klux Klanner, but the white moderate, who is more devoted to 'order' than to justice; who prefers a negative peace which is the absence of tension to a positive peace which is the presence of justice; who constantly says, 'I agree with you in the goal you seek, but I cannot agree Indeed, as Martin Luther with your methods of direct

action'; who paternalistically believes he can set the timetable for another man's freedom; who lives by a mythical concept of time and who constantly advises the Negro to wait for a 'more convenient season.' Shallow understanding from people of good will is more frustrating than absolute misunderstanding from people of ill will. Lukewarm acceptance is much more bewildering than outright rejection."

Applying King's analysis of racism to contemporary manifestations of homophobia, we fear that well-intentioned peo-ple of "good will" at PLU are demonstrating precisely the same kind of "lukewarm acceptance" that King derides. The message from the PLU administration seems to be this: the University deplores acts of excessive bigotry aimed at sexual minorities, but is uncomfortable with affording sexual minority groups the same kind of visibility and acceptance that other campus groups would likely receive.

We fear, in other words, that the university's message to "go slow" on questions of sexual orientation and difference replicates the logic of the closet: sexual minorities will be tolerated, as long as they are willing to submerge their identity.

tions of equality and justice there can be no such hedging. PLU needs to have the courage, which King demanded, to stand for a "positive peace which is the presence of justice" over a merely "negative peace which is the absence of tension."

We should learn from history that standing on the principle of equality is the right thing to do. People now look back with disbelief at those white moderates of the 1950's and 1960's who bowed to the racist status quo by decrying civil rights activism as extremist and provocative. Extending rights to sexual minorities is clearly a central civil rights issue of our own time: we as a university have an opportunity to stand with our gay and lesbian brothers and sisters. If we miss this opportunity, and others like it, how will history judge us?

We urge the university to offer its unconditional support for the proposed conference without restrictions - to stand on the side of justice rather than capitulating to the worst elements of the status quo.

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Jim Albrecht is a professor in the English department and director of We strongly feel that on ques- Freshman Experience Program.

News from beyond the Lutedome

Newswire

Cyclone hits southern tip of India

A cyclone hit the southern tip of India early Wednesday. The tropical storm brought tidal surges, gale winds, and heavy rains as it moved inland from the Bay of Bengal. The coastal belt of the two southern states of Tamil Nadu and Andhra Pradesh were directly in the northwestern path of the cyclone. Hardest hit was the port town of Cuddalore, where winds gusting in excess of 75 mph tore the roofs off houses, uprooted trees, and downed power lines. That last cyclone to make landfall hit the coastal districts of eastern Orissa state, which is just north of Andhra Pradesh, in October of 1999.

The quake was centered approximately 190 miles north of Anchorage. A 9.2 earthquake in 1964 generated a seismic wave and killed 131 people.

Serbian police retake village

Serbian police retook the Yugoslavian village Lucane Wednesday. At the time of capture, Lucane was a ghost town as most of the town's 1,000 eth-nic Albanians had already evacuated. Albanian forces in the area did not try to stop the Serbian police from seizing the village.

The move by the Serbian police places them within 500 yards of the rebels. An ethnic



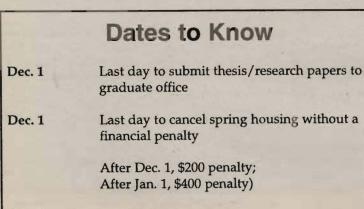
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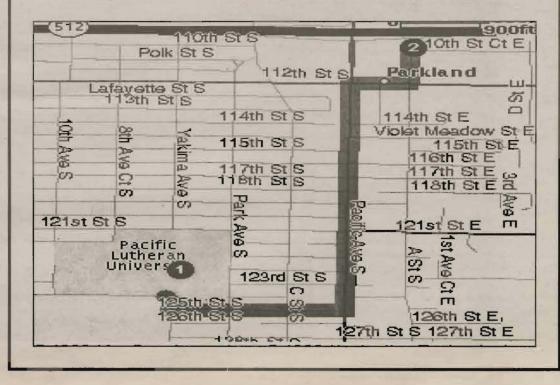
Minor earthquake iolts Alaska

The area from Fairbanks, Alaska to Anchorage, Alaska was jolted Wednesday by a 5.9 earthquake. The quake was described as minor and did not cause considerable damage.

Albanian guerrilla group accused the Serbian police of breaking a cease-fire deal. The taking of the village is speculated to be a reaction to last week's rebel offensive that left five dead. Lucane is on the edge of a contested area between Serbia and the Natoheld Kosovo province.



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Guest Editorial

Loudest voices do not always reflect majority

Throughout the past months of controversy surrounding Harmony's proposed conference for sexual minorities and allies, I've been proud to be a member of *The Mast* staff. I've been proud of our efforts to provide objective coverage of the debate and of our ability to serve as a place of dialogue, printing letters with every opinion imaginable.

I've also been pleased with the university's efforts to engage the community in dialogue. Unfortunately, throughout the discussions and debates, an important point of view seems to have been dismissed – the perspective of the Christian supporters of sexual minorities has been overlooked and underestimated.

Admittedly, there are many Christians who believe that homosexuality is a sin, and many sexual minority advocates who see Christianity as an oppressive religion. As the controversy rages on, I am more and more disturbed by the rift being torn between these two perspectives.

As I watch the administration try to decide how to handle the conference proposal and the objections it raises, I feel that it's decision is based on a choice between supporting the Christian heritage of our school or the pledge to make PLU an inclusive and open environment. I wonder why we cannot seem to accept that we can have it both ways.

No matter what the cause of this rift, it is a dangerous and destructive, though rarely recognized, consequence of our debates. The university – administrators, faculty, staff and students alike – need to recognize that a third party does exist, and not in small numbers. We need to recognize that one does not have to choose between being a Christian and being fully supportive of sexual minorities.

There are those of us who find a less literal, fundamentalist teaching in the Bible. There are those of us who look into historical context, into the message beyond the detail, who would rather focus on the forest than the trees, so to speak; those of us who, as Christians, believe that the Bible does not in any way condemn committed, loving homosexual partnerships.

And there are those of us who choose' to focus on Christ's command that we not condemn one another, but leave the judgement to a God who is far more knowing, forgiving and loving than we could ever be. There are those of us who do, in fact, believe that the Bible tells us that homosexuality is wrong, but who realize that we, as mere humans, have no right to speak for God.

None of these people possess a less valid faith than the fundamentalist extreme and none are less true Christians.

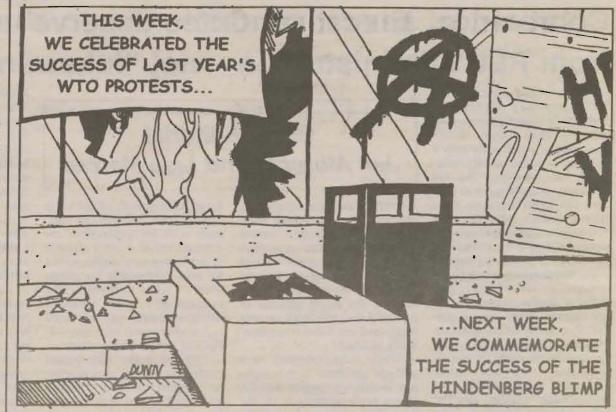
Perhaps the individuals who hold more extreme perspectives simply have louder voices; perhaps conflict between two clearly opposed opinions draws more attention than compromise; perhaps the individuals standing in the middle ground are overwhelmed by the voices implying that they must choose one side or another.

The middle ground is a rocky place to stand – there are no clear lines and no simple black-and-white answers. But the people holding these opinions of both faith and acceptance cannot be ignored – our community, our university cannot make decisions based on who shouts their opinion the loudest.

So, let's continue to talk, to engage in dialogue, even to disagree. But in the midst of this conflict, let's take care not to drown out the voice of compromise between Christianity and full support of sexual minorities.

Jenni Dillon Mast news editor OPINION

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Environmental Services thanks participants of recycling day

As part of America Recycles Day, which was Nov. 15, Environmental Services hosted a two week long recycling contest amongst the resident halls. The competition was very close. The winner of the aluminum collection was Ordal Hall, receiving \$100, with Hong as a close runner up. The second portion of the contest dealt with the collection of plastic bottles, specifically #1 petes. There was a tie between Hong and Ordal and each will receive \$75. We would like to thank all the students and staff of the resident halls who participated in the contest.

A special thanks goes out to LeMay Enterprises, Inc. for their donation of the prize money that made this contest possible and their continuing contribution to the PLU community. Be on the look out for future recycling contests with Environmental Services and LeMay.

BrookHunter Welch Environmental Services

"A Modest Proposal" for the homosexual controversy

It is heartbreaking for those who walk through this campus to see a community divided in crisis. Over the course of the last few weeks, the "homosexual predicament" has become a common topic of debate within this publication and other building surfaces. This community-destroying plague is tantamount to the Harry Potter situation being faced by our nation's youth. Therefore, I suggest this matter be dealt with Swift resolution.

In light of arguments from both sides, I propose we solve this dilemma in a mutually beneficial manner. Having weighed a number of alternative schemes, I now humbly offer my own thoughts. I propose that we must place the homosexuals up for sale.

Selling our homosexual population will completely remove our school from homosexual influence. Imagine the campus free of the daily torment these undesirables present to our community.

Secondly, since there is a strong

sexuals (specifically from Canada) this will provide a significant supplementary income for the school. As we all know, this institution is spending madly as it works to improve residence facilities, dining services, etc.

Finally, this would also provide the homosexuals with the ability to see a world outside PLU, free from a hostile environment, where they could live as individuals, respected for who they are and not for their personal habits and beliefs.

If, every year, each of us were to recruit one homosexual, we would not only provide a noble service for the community, but we would also create a spectacular fundraiser for this institution. As an added bonus, a surplus can be formed and kept safely within, what I call a "lock box," to ensure the wellbeing of future generations.

Some may challenge this proposal as unethical, cruel, or even illegal. But I will have each of you know, I personally searched the throug, and found not one reference to hom sexuals. Thus, we may naturally assume they have no recognized legal rights within this nation. Besides - they are different from us, aren't they?

Though I have never personally met a homosexual, I am confident if we work together, we can not only eliminate this problem, but also create a safer, more equal environment where everyone, straight and heterosexual alike, will coexist in harmony. Thank you.

Matt Agee PLU junior Travis Zandi PLU sophomore

Editor's Note: This is a parody of Jonathan Swift's, A Modest Proposal, written in 1729. The original Modest Proposal is accessible via the Internet at http://artbin.com/art/omodest.h

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Get rid of Electoral College, so that votes really count

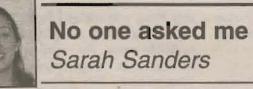
The Electoral College sucks. And I'm not just saying this because I'm a flaming liberal and my candidate lost because of it. Even if that nit-wit Bush hadn't won, I'd still be irritated with the ElectoralCollege.

I've always hated it. I think that it diminishes the power of the people while disguising its intentions under the flag of a democratic republic. Frankly, I think we should just get rid of that whole republic part, it's the democracy that the United States is famous for anyway.

Some people are still confused about what the Electoral College, really is even after all the information from this election, so I'll explain it.

Each state has a number of electoral votes (minimum three), depending on its population.

The electoral votes typically go to the winner of the popular vote in the state. However, what some people don't know is that those enigmatic electors can decide together to disregard the popular vote of the people and just vote how they themselves



want. Most of the time this doesn't happen, but it's possible under the current system.

So why do we even have this undemocratic, potentially corrupt system in our government? Well, frankly, the founding fathers did not trust the people to make educated decisions. Heck, they left out over half of the people in the country to start with. Maybe they were right. Americans didn't have TV, or any sort of reliable media. They hardly had a country, so letting the educated people vote, however biased they may have been, was probably a good idea.

However, we have TVs now. We have a media that gives us information 24 hours a day.

People know what's going on, and most people who vote, make themselves particularly aware of the people for whom they are voting. It is absurd to keep around a governmental relic just for the sake of tradition.

If the founding fathers were founding our nation today, they'd adopt a completely democratic system of voting because voters in this country are smart enough to be informed when they vote. We do live in one of the most highly developed countries in the world, I'd hope the government thinks we're smart enough to vote for ourselves, wouldn't you?

However, some people dis-agree with me. Some people argue that the Electoral College system is good. Their most common argument for the Electoral College is that they think the less-populated states will be ignored if they do not have electoral votes to entice politicians to campaign in their state.

That's a load of crap. The three measly electoral votes from the smaller states aren't that important to politicians anyway. It's like Monopoly, who really makes much money on Mediterranean Ave and Baltic Ave? It's Park Place where you make it big. If anything would change, I think politicians will spend less time in places like California and New York, because their whole election isn't riding on those huge states.

Getting 80 percent of the votes in a smaller state is a lot of votes that add up when you are counting the popular vote. Instead of hoping to just get a simple majority in one state, they would really need the majority of all people, in little states, and big states. Elections would be more fair and more personable.

Besides promoting everything our country stands for, (democracy and freedom) getting rid of the Electoral College would improve people's commitment to politics. Can you even imagine voter turn out for the first election that doesn't depend on our hypocritical method for electing the highest office in the country?

Our votes would literally count. My vote, would be one of those numbers up on the screen; it would make a difference. My vote wouldn't be can-celed out if the majority of my state disagreed with me. - It would still count towards the person I thought would be best at governing the country. I think voter turn-out would be huge, especially among young people who are the ones who mostly complain about their vote being meaningless.

I hesitate to say that under the current system they're right, but one could easily jump to that The Electoral conclusion. College - sucks, it should be done away with and we should live in a country that promotes democracy, not just the facade. But, then again, nobody really asked me.

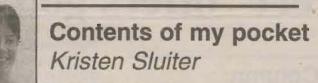
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Learning to jump through hoops is irrelevant to true learning

I'd started to think I was the only one tired of jumping through hoops when it came to school. After some unofficial investigative work, I found that it is a very common setiment shared among college students. So then what are we doing here?

To get an education or just learn how to jump through the appropriate hoops in the appropriate ways so that we can someday end this interesting phenomenon? In many senses we are learning (or I am) that there are guidelines to getting to where we want to go.

In the process, through years of schooling, we learn that the system has a lot of hoops we've got to jump through in order to become contributing members of society. In the process of learning how to become more critical thinkers, on the whole there is a lot of boredom with the way things have always been done.



regurgitate information onto a couple of pieces of paper and pass. But in this type of system is something lost? I would have to say an astounding yes.

From various observations I would say that the spark for taking risks in academia have been stifled by the tried and true methods where the landscape looks like a hierarchy of hoops.

After years of inner aggression and utter confusion I feel it's time to get it out and luckily, you get the brunt of it. I want to be a baby about it - kick, scream and cry. I don't want to suck it up and get through so I can get my diploma. But as fate would have

Nearly any Joe Schmoe can it, I am sucking it up and jumping through the hoops.

So with aggression in one hand and determination in the other, all I can end up doing is laughing at it. I've realized that the only way to work through this is to simply come up with creative solutions.

One of these solutions that I purchased is an 11" x 24" sketchbook, a marker and a roll of tape. Whenever I feel moved (re: angry, frustrated or fed-up) I stop whatever I am doing and grab that marker and get to work, shattering my aggressionwith really large writing and various obscenities. I then hang it up on my wall as a simple

reminder that it will be all right. I also just talk, talk and talk to my friends about what it is we could do and have come to the conclusion that thinking for one's self is excellent. We encourage other's each

eccentrics and theories, no mat-

ter how irrational or out-of-hand they may seem. Validate yourself for yourself and then don't be afraid to throw it around the classroom. Goodness knows I am one big ball of incoherence when I am in class discussions, but really it is okay because it made sense in my head. Validation is much easier said then done but realize you don't have to be a sponge, passively sitting in your chair soaking up the almighty word. Filter people, filter. If all else fails just watch Dead Poets Society.

I've also contemplated carrying around a hula-hoop as a visual representation and every so often jumping through it just column and we are sad to see her go.

to be absurd. Maybe set it on fire only on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Pretty soon PLU could have a circus and make more money for scholarships. Of course if all else fails, screaming from the tips of your toes doesn't hurt either. Tolerance might be good too.

Truly the system has, I would suspect, been struggling with making or creating a method that works for years and will continue to do so after my wailing-ass is gone. So far I've only got ideas that haven't morphed into answers. In the meantime, let's all pat one another on the back and realize the hoops, as much as they annoy us, are in our hands to crush, burn and recreate.

Kristen Sluiter is a senior majoring in communication. I have seen her hula and she rocks. This is her last

Consider importance of sacrificing to do what you care about

Several weeks ago, I discussed the importance of acting on our ideals, rather than being content with maintaining an identity. As we move into this Christmas season, often thought of as the season of giving, an important aspect of this principle deserves additional emphasis. As we give presents to our family and friends and share our time and money to the needy, I think it is important to reflect on the aspect of sacrifice in these deeds and what role sacrifice plays in acting our ideals. To look at it very simply and to almost use a cliche, anything we really care about deserves sacrifice. Conversely, I believe one can reason that sacrifice is an indication of the importance of something in our lives. I thought of this during Thanksgiving when a friend asked me to go with her on Christmas Eve to serve food to the homeless. I tell this story not to convince you of my goodness as a person or give you guilt so you will do the same, but to



This is most certainly true

important to you and what you Jr., Gandhi, Dietrich Bonhoeffer, had to sacrifice in order to have those times in your life. I think Square, Joan of Arc, the lady of travel, of my education, my family, my friends, and my faith and the great deal of time and energy my commitment to these people and things has required. I really had to sacrifice a lot, but that is what one does for "the important things," right? The point in this exploration is really that my earlier column was incomplete, in fact, perhaps very lacking. Yes, it is great to "stand up and march" for what one believes in, but the action is not as telling as what one had to sacrifice in order to demonstrate commitment. Ask yourself, what do I give up in order to do X? Is it that important? Is there something else, say Y, that is worth more of a sacrifice? As a campus that has a wide range of passionate feelings about political and social beliefs, we have wonderful role models who sacrificed a lot for what they believed to be just

riences that have been very and right. Martin Luther King, from Gorillas in the Mist, and oh yeah, Jesus, all sacrificed a lot for their convictions-their lives. I mention these examples not to suggest that one's life should always be consumed by something one cares about. Rather, these examples are helpful for us to ponder when we consider the choices we make in our lives. Will I sacrifice my Christmas Eve to feed the homeless? I am honestly still not certain, but it reminds me that when we act on our beliefs, the sacrifice is equally, if not more, important than the deed itself. Please consider the sacrifices you make as well.

hopefully encourage you to struggle with what I am struggling with in my decision.

As a Lutheran Christian, Christmas Eve obviously has significance to me, being the eve of the birth of the person I believe to be the Son of God. It is an evening that signifies a time of closeness with my family and my religious community. Christmas Eve is a night of warmth - hot cocoa, a fire, and glowing candles at midnight.

On any other occasion, I probably wouldn't hesitate to go and serve food to the homeless. But obviously, this evening requires sacrifice and I struggle to decide if I want to give up this celebration, this time with my family, and this warmth to feed others. It is a decision I have honestly

yet to make. In the meantime, it has forced me to consider my other commitments and what, if anything, I sacrifice in order to participate.

It is clear that in order to be active in a campus community, one has to sacrifice time to be involved. There is also a significant sacrifice of energy when one is busy organizing, going to meetings and juggling a full life. I am sure we can all identify. The question is how much of a sacrifice do we really make to be involved.

Perhaps this was clear to all of you prior to reading these lines, but a reminder cannot hurt. Isn't it true, though, that the things that really mean the most to us require the greatest sacrifice? Think back on some expe-

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Broadband Buzz: Napster sells out, Scour gives up

BY MATT CAMERON Mast music critic

The beginning of the end of the Golden Age of digital music is now at hand

Within two days' time in early November both Napster and Scour, the two most popular file-sharing applications in the world, had effectively given themselves up to The Man.

Napster, the godfather of peer-to-peer file-sharing technology, has been thriving despite the massive lawsuits hanging over the company since its software was first released.

It now enjoys an impressive total user base of 38 million even as it remains the only company in history ever to be dragged into court by a heavy metal band (Metallica), a rapper (Dr. Dre) and the Recording Industry Association of America, among others, at the same time.

It has been assumed from the beginning that if any one of these suits were to be found against Napster that it would not survive the blow. Not liking those odds, the company has been looking for

an endgame agreeable to all parties. Thanks to the third-largest media conglomerate in the world, it seems to have found one.

After a few days of negotiation, AG agreed to purchase a controlling start-up called America Online. interest in Napster and

drop its lawsuit against it. A \$50 million line of credit is also being extended to the company to enable implementation of a new business plan.

Although the new around \$5 per month for copyright Napster is still in devel-

opment, it has been hinted that users will be

charged somewhere around \$5 per month for access to the service.

Instead of allowing users to exchange questionably legal files of their own, Napster will somehow be reworked to become a content provider, supplying members with legitimate music files from Bertelsmann's own BMG music label

Napster is counting upon other labels to join this new service as well, presumably along with some flying pigs.

This is a risky investment that will probably cause the company to lose In all fairness, so was money. Bertelsmann's last major technology German media behemoth Bertelsmann investment a few years ago - a fledgling

> Now for the less fortunate:

As reported in this Napster is still in develspace a few weeks ago, Scour had been sufferhinted that users will be ing for some time. Several months after infringeaccess to the service. ment lawsuits from the Motion Picture

Association

America and several other media representatives were announced, the company severely reduced its staff and declared bankruptcy.

According to its Web site, it was finally forced to shut down its popular Scour Exchange file-sharing service on Nov. 16 to "facilitate a resolution" of the suits.

The day after the Napster-Bertelsmann agreement was announced, Inside.com reported that Listen.com had

offered to pick Scour's corpse off the information superhighway with a \$5.5 million buyout deal.

Listen.com is a content provider backed by several major labels and although it is not as impressive as Bertelsmann, it will presumably be taking Scour's business model in much the same direction that Napster is currently headed.

These deals could very well directly affect the future of the global music industry, as well as the exploding world of digital media.

However this all plays out, those of us who knew and loved peer-to-peer filesharing in its earliest stages will someday be able to tell our children that we were once able to download anything we wanted for free from Napster way back when it was an idealistic startup led by a naïve 20-year-old looking to change the industry forever.

At which point they'll look up at us in wonder. "What-ster?"

Matt Cameron is a junior writing/communications major. His MP3 collection is bigger than yours.

"Legends in Concert" offers good times for all

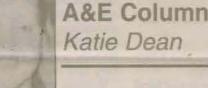
The profile of Dolly Parton can be somewhat alarming. Luckily, Michael Jackson and Elvis Presley are able to distract the crowd a bit.

The "Legends in Concert" is a series of Las Vegas style impersonation performed at the Muckelshoot Casino in Auburn.

Skip those Spring Break plane tickets to Vegas and come on down to this free show which no Lute (21 or over) should miss.

Sponsored with great success, the Muckelshoot series has been cast with amazing talent.

Upon our arrival, every seat was full and mouths



gaped at a svelte, gyrating Elvis on stage.

Unfortunately, because we were a few minutes late, it was only possible to stand and watched from the outer area.

As an opener, Elvis Presley, was a fiery and energetic replica of the snarl-lipped pretty boy.

Elvis' singing and dancing were highly entertaining. A particularly scrumptious black leather outfit was a highlight for some females in the crowd.

Above and beyond your "run of the mill" Elvis impersonator, Scott Bruce does a fantastic job of reviving the aptly named King of Rock and Roll

Additionally, strutting the stage and belting out a collage of sad and sassy country tunes, Dolly Parton did not miss a beat.

Now, (because the authentic Dolly is overwhelmingly annoying herself) I give much credit to her impersonator,

Shelly Gordon.

The silhouette, the giggle, the voice, those gravity defying high-heel shoes, she was precisely so.

And lastly, another King, but this time his highness of pop music reigned supreme.

Michael Jackson impersonator William Bostick energized the show, complete with a moonwalk and one dazzling gold glove.

He was larger than the real-life Jackson, but Bostick's clothing, singing, and smooth movements were uncanny.

Perhaps best was his rendition of my personal favorite, "Billy Jean.

For a finale, all three performers reappeared to pay their respects with "Viva Las

Vegas."

The song was a collective tribute, which could be viewed as a national anthem to impersonators everywhere.

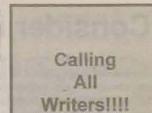
The show is free, so arrive early, because it is very popularly.

After the show, the performers can be met up close to sign autographs.

For additional information, including directions, call the Muckelshoot Casino at 1-800-804-4944.

Katie Dean is currently a junior English writing major. A Cancer, Katie likes long walks on the beach, any day starting with the letter "S," oxymorons, and Ricky Martin (forgive me.)

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Movie Review: Red Planet

As a self-proclaimed science fiction enthusiast, I was looking forward to *Red Planet*, the latest genre release from Warner Bros. However, after the embarrassing *Mission to Mars*, I did not dare to have anything but low expectations.

While Mission to Mars suffered from overly long introductory character development, Antony Hoffman's directorial debut in Red Planet has gone to the other extreme.

The audience is thrown directly into the story after a cheesy opening narration, which sets the standard for the rest of the film.

The characters are shamefully underdeveloped, and it is painful to watch how the talents of a distinguished actor, such as Terence Stamp (George Lucas' *The Phantom Menace*), are wasted.

Stamp's performance provides the only interesting character in the film, Dr. Bud Chantillas. In the opening scenes he is established as the "soul of the mission," the science officer who has long since abandoned science and become a philosopher, only to be the victim of a sudden demise.

Chantillas is a member of the first manned mission to Mars. The mission objective is to find an explanation for the apparent failure in the process of terraforming the planet to sustain human life.

> Creating a new Earth is of vital importance to save mankind, since the old one is dying from pollution.

The crew of six astronauts are brought as much to life as the planet Mars itself through the performances of a cast which include notables such as Carrie-Anne Moss (The Val Kilmer (*The Saint*) and Tom Sizemore (*Saving Private Ryan*). Bad performances are not as much to blame as the script. The actors had simply not enough material to work with here.

Matrix).

The film makes a failed attempt at inspiring to philosophical thinking. Philosophy definitely has its place in a film that deals with a dying Earth and the possible extinction of mankind.

However, the philosophical ideas are delivered without inspiration and lack power. Subsequently, a potentially thoughtful, and enriching, aspect of the film just becomes goofy dialogue.

Written by Chuck Pfarrer, whose earlier credits



include brilliant masterpieces such as *Barb Wire* and Hard Target, *Red Planet* is a mess of unexplored storylines and confusing plot elements.

Never deciding whether it wants to be a science fiction, disaster, or horror film, it jumps back and forth and leaves very little explanation for the events that occur.

At times the cinematography adds to this confusion as a few editing flaws are noticeable. However, the surface

> imagery for Mars is sometimes quite pretty. If it had been supported by a powerful musical score, this could partially have saved the film, but the score lacks impact.

The special effects team seems to have put most work into the AMEE robot, which looks great. The ships, however, look terrible.

And despite several pretty visuals from the surface, the planet Mars has a distinctly earthly feeling to it.

Little effort has been put in to making the story scientifically believable. When the film calls on us to believe that 25 years of terraforming has created a breathable Martian atmosphere, and temperatures which at worst will be experienced by man as unpleasant, it relies heavily on the audience having a belief in magic.

Also, it appears that too much exposure to MacGyper was involved when a half century old equipment left on the Martian surface is jumpstarted to save the day.

Another repulsive aspect about Red Planet is the extensive advertising throughout the film. Red Planet is heavily spiced with company logos.

There is hardly any scene where you cannot spot the Toshiba or IBM logo. The film industry has a long history of such product placement, but *Red Planet* brings us to another level.

I wonder what we can expect next? Perhaps a big-budget sequel from McDonald's is in the works?

Hans-Petter Grav is generally very enthusiastic about the whole concept of motioning pictures, and he is a starved George Lucas fan.

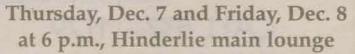
By Hans-Petter Grav

Mast Reporter

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AUDITIONS!

The PLU Film Society is seeking three women and two men to play parts in *Pillowtalk*, a short film of romance, anticipation and a kidnapped teddy bear. Male and female extras are also needed.



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Local acapella group to offer concert in The Cave

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BY ANNE KALUNIAN Mast senior reporter

Jamie Dieveney, PLU alumnus, and his acapella group are coming to PLU to perform a free concert for students, faculty, and staff as they promote their newly released Christmas CD, On Christmas Time.

Dieveney together with Kerry Dahlen,

K e i t h Anderson, and Doug Wisness comprise the four-member acapella group, the Coats.

The group was formerly named The Trenchcoats but after the Columbine shooting the foursome had to change their

name, since the Columbine shooters were associated with a group called the "Trenchcoat Mafia.

Prior to the Columbine shooting, the Coats purchased and had the copyright to the Web site address, trenchcoats.com. Then, a 20/20 news broadcast after the shooting



Tuesday,

Dec. 5

8:30 p.m.

The Cave

reported the Web site address

trenchcoats.com mistakenly as

mail because people were mistakenly associating the group

with the "Trenchcoat Mafia." As a result, the Coats decid-The Coats ed to change their name. They have left Web their address as trenchcoats.com but on the home page they have their name listed as the coats.net, vocal extraordinaire.

Despite all of the controversy, this local group continues to

produce CDs, tour around the country and play in the Seattle area, where they got their start. All four of the group mem-

bers grew up and attended college in the Seattle area. Dahlen and Wisness graduated from the University of Washington and Anderson graduated from



Photo courtesy of The Coats

The Coats, a locally-based acapella group, including PLU alumnus Jamie Dieveny, will play in The Cave Tuesday night at 8 p.m. The group was formerly known as The Trenchcoats until the name was mistakenly associated with the "Trenchcoat Mafia" responsible for the infamous Columbine High School shooting.

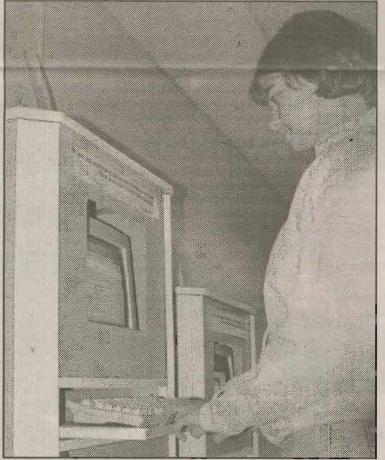
The Coats finally decided to consider their singing as a career and not just a hobby after a hit performance in a local high school music class.

Edmonds Community College. January 1987 and some of their earliest concerts were held in UW's Red Square and The Pike Place Market. Interestingly enough, Dieveney is the only member with some sort of a The group formed in music degree; he earned a

music minor from PLU.

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The Coats will be performing Dec. 5 in the Cave at 8:30 p.m. They will have some of their previously released CDs with them as well as their Christmas CD to sell.



Internet kiosks, laptop stations add e-mail, Web access across campus

BY ANNE KALUNIAN Mast senior reporter

Thanks to new computer kiosks from Computing and Telecommunications Services, students are able to check their e-mail and surf the web from various locations across campus.

Over the summer, Computing Telecommunications and Services (CATS) installed computer kiosks in the University Administration Center, Building and in front of the Computing and Telecommunications office.

Keith Folsom, senior system administrator, said that CATS has been considering installing these kiosks for a year and a half.

"Some of our networking staff have these kiosks in other unia great idea," said Folsom.

The main reason why CATS had to wait so long to install the kiosks was budget issues. Folsom explained that despite the fact that CATS used older computers in the kiosks, the wooden stand that encases the computer is very expensive.

"The ones we have currently are not top of the line but nonetheless, they are good pieces of furniture, Folsom said. CATS had to get additional money from its parent organization, Information Resources because the wooden cases cost so much.

CATS has installed two more kiosks in the Administration Building. One is on the second floor commuter lounge and the other is next to the courtesy phone in the main lobby.

Along with the standard personal computers, eight stations versities and thought they were with power and network concessing nections are available to stu-

dents with laptops. Folsom said CATS purposely did not put chairs in front of the kiosks. "We did not want to encourage long sessions of use," said Folsom. He added that one of the kiosks in the UC is shorter, allowing greater accessibility for students in wheelchairs.

CATS urges students to avoid handling food or drinks around the kiosks. "One sticky drink spilled in a keyboard will put a kiosk out of commission in a hurry," said Folsom

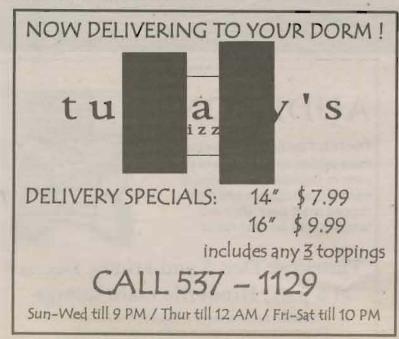
Folsom said that CATS is planning to install more computer kiosks in the library. "Students in the library show

a great need for checking their e-mail and sending e-mails," said Folsom. "Our plan is to install more kiosks so the other computers can become free for students to use for word pro-

Photo by Leah Sprain

Survey rates PLU Dining Services

PLU freshman Leslie Murphy checks her e-mail at one of the new Internet klosks in the University Center.



BY MAGGIE EASTMAN Mast Reporter

The University Center participated in a four-day national survey last month. The survey, sponsored by the National Associations of College and Universities Food Services, was given to students at schools across the country to see how they compare to one another.

'It's a benchmark survey. It will tell us how we compare to other universities as well as how our customers like Dining Services," said Deborah Severe, Dining Services office adminis-trator. Severe was responsible for administering the survey. She estimated that roughly 600

people participated.

Once the survey was complet-ed, it was mailed to Industry Insights, a company contracted by the national association to consolidate data. After the surveys are read, Dining Services will be advised on where it needs to improve and how they compare to other organizations. Recently, there have been numerous improvements to the University Center. The menu was broadened to accommodate different groups on campus. Cookies, pop tarts, cereal, and a hot soup are available from open to close and there is always hot soup offered.

On the weekdays, hamburger baskets are always available at lunch, as well as prepared sand-

wiches and salads. There is also a salad bar for more variety.

In addition to changes with the food, the atmosphere has undergone reconstruction as well. New chairs were added to improve the building. All service ware has been updated, including new casserole dishes and better glasses and trays. The UC has also been redecorated to give it a homier feel and look.

Severe encourages students to come forward with ideas for other improvements, either on comment cards or through email. "People get upset when they don't think they're heard. We can't make improvements if we don't know where they are needed," Severe said

Johnnies end Lutes run at title

Lutes

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BY CHRIS FREDERICK Mast reporter

The PLU football team ended its season Saturday when the Lutes fell to St. John's in round two of the NCAA Division III playoffs.

The overtime loss was the second time PLU was ousted by the Johnnies in the three matches the teams have played against one another. Last season, the Lutes defeated the Johnnies and continued on to win the national championship title. This year, however, was a bittersweet loss that put an end to a winning season, with a 9-2 record for the Lutes.

As always with the PLU football team, the players viewed the defeat positively. Senior running back Shipley Ennis said, "We went down swinging. (St. John's) was a tough team, and it was a pleasure playing such a good team." Ennis finished his PLU football career with 10 touchdowns and 312 yards rushing on the season.

The entire matchup was like a cat-and-mouse game. First the Johnnies would score, then PLU would hit back with a touchdown of its own. St. John's struck the first blow with only seconds remaining in the first quarter.

PLU responded 24 seconds into the second quarter when senior quarterback Chad Johnson threw a bomb to freshman running back Aaron Binger to put PLU on the board. Binger finished his first season as a Lute with 18 touchdowns, 827 rushing yards, and 727 yards receiving.

The Johnnies ended a long drive in the third guarter with another six points, but the kick attempt was blocked. PLU then took the lead for the first and only time during the game after Johnson hit sophomore receiver Kyle Brown in the end zone for the score. Brown finished the year with nine touchdowns for 996 yards receiving.

Johnson was named first team all-American quarterPhoto by Ty Kelberg

Junior receiver Todd McDevitt (19) jumps to catch a Chad Johnson pass in the PLU loss against St. John's Nov. 25 at Sparks Stadium in Puyallup.

Johnson leaves his mark in PLU record book

When the 2000 All-Northwest Conference team was selected for football shortly after the last regular season game on Nov. 11, PLU quarterback Chad Johnson was on the top of the list.

Johnson was named the offensive player of the year by the coaches in the Northwest Conference, after leading the Lutes to their third playoff appearance in the NCAA Division III in as many years.

Not only has Johnson made an impression in the conference but he has had some recognition on the professional level as well. During the regular season Johnson was being scouted by the San Diego Chargers of the NFL. Two other professional scouts were on



Instant Replay Andrew Bentz

game as a Lute.

Johnson made his mark in the PLU record books during his career. He is ranked No. 2 in both passing yardage (8,081) and total yards on offense (8,386). Mark Weekly (1990-93) is the only Lute quarterback to amass more passing yards (9,737) and more total offense yards (10,977).

Johnson is ranked

hand in Johnson's final No. 1 in pass completion percentage with a career average of 61.7 percent (569-of-922). and he broke Weekly's record of 58.6 percent. Johnson also set a record for throwing at least one touchdown in 22 consecutive games.

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While Johnson's statistics are impressive, he couldn't have complied them without a supporting cast.

Other Lutes to make the 2000 All-Northwest Conference first team include: freshman running back Aaron Binger, sophomore receiver Kyle Brown, junior offensive lineman Trevor Roberts and sophomore defensive back Devon Pierce.

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Swimmers invitational

The Pacific Lutheran Swim team will finish the first half of its season today and tomorrow while competing in the Northwest Invitational in McMinnville, Ore., at Linfield College

Who forgot the bus? - The Lutes were supposed to host a dual meet against the Lewis & Clark Pioneers Nov. 18 but the Pioneers had problems getting transportation up to Parkland and did not show up. There has been no word on whether the meet will be rescheduled.

Next up - After the Northwest invitational, the Lute swimmers will face Pomona-Pitzer Jan. 7 at the PLU pool.

Ossiander finishes year as All-American

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Junior runner places ninth in national race

BY REBECCA WELLS Mast reporter

Pacific Lutheran University Junior Lia Ossiander came home with an All-American title at the Division III national cross country champi-onships in Spokane, Wash. "It was exciting to run with that group of people," Ossiander said. "It was a tough race."

Along with Ossiander, seniors and team co-captains Maree George-Milles, and

meet Nov. 18.

Ossiander lead the team

and notched a_ ninth place finish with a time of 18:19.6.

This was the second national race for Ossiander in her college career this year she improved on her 1999 national placing of 129th, and took almost 14 seconds off

her time.

The course was almost covered in a few inches of snow and the temperature was 35

Ryan Reed also ran in this degrees, though the sky was clear.

> "The snow was the best part about the

> > race; Ossiander said. "Maree and I Snow made angels about ten minutes before the race started," she added.

George-- Lia Ossiander Milles finished PLU junior with a time of 18:46.0, in 37th

place. The top 35 finishers in the women's 5,000-meter race are named All-American, and George-Milles was within two places

of qualifying. George-Milles is very familiar with this title because she has gained this status twice before, in 1996 and again in 1998.

"I'm sad and I'm happy," George-Milles said about the final race of her college career. She will graduate from PLU this December, and said she will continue to run after college. She looks forward to joining a club and competing in road races.

Reed polished-off his 2000 cross country season by placing 163rd in the men's 8,000 meter run with a time of 27:01.2. He and Ossiander will be competing with the team again next season, in their final year at PLU.

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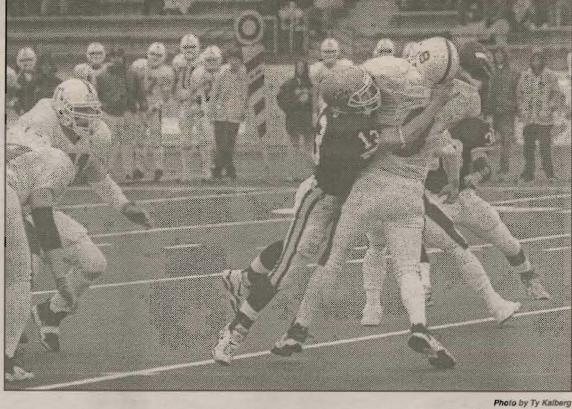
back with 221 completed passes in 341 attempts for a total of 3,304 yards on the year.

The last quarter proved to be trying for the Lutes as the Johnnies pulled ahead again after another long drive. The score was a result of a catch that was bobbled, then recovered in the end zone. The conversion attempt was successful for two, and the Johnnies led by seven.

Still, the Lutes refused to give up their chances for a second consecutive championship title without a fight.

A new hope was born as PLU hurled both teams into overtime with only three seconds remaining in the game. Ennis leapt 1-yard into the end zone for the touchdown, ending a 12-play, 49-yard drive. Freshman kicker David Weller tied the score with his third complete point after touchdown in the game. Weller ended up with 16-of-18 extra points this year.

The NCAA rules for Division III overtime is that each team is given a chance to score, starting at their opponents' 25-yard line. The Johnnies struck first, pulling away 28-21. The Lutes were stopped on their attempt due



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Freshman defensive back Casey Carlson makes a hit on St. John's guarterback senior Tom Linnemann.

to an interception pass from Ennis, ending their chances of defending their championship title.

Even though the loss ended their season, the Lutes are not dwelling on it. Junior safety Benji Sonnichsen said, "We try not to look at it as a loss. All of us went out on the field that day and played with all our heart." Sonnichsen had three unassisted tackles against the Johnnies and 37 on the year.

Most players look back on the season with fondness. Many said they will miss the road trips and meeting people outside the Pacific Northwest. Ennis said, "I love playing football, but I'll miss the guys most of all, and being part of the team." Sophomore safety/punter Seth Berghoff also said he will miss being around his teammates. "That's what the season's about," Berghoff said. "It's about being together, having fun as a team, and building strong friendships."

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With football over, many of the players will focus on school and getting ready for next season. Berghoff said many of the players will do other sports in the spring to get ready. Others will just train privately, he said. Berghoff had three tackles against the Johnnies. He finished the season with a total of 59 tackles and two interceptions for 121 yards. However differently the

However differently the players prepare for the 2001 season, there is still one thing in common among the players. Sonnichsen said, "We look forward to being together again and being able to grow."

The players are also looking forward to next season because they would like to see where the team stands in competition. Although the Lutes will lose some key athletes, such as Johnson and Ennis, they believe they have a good chance.

Sophomore linebacker Joey Mertlich had two tackles during the game Saturday and one forced fumble. "We'll have a big senior class next year," Mertlich said. "A lot of great personalities, team chemistry, and strong leadership will be there next year."

Sonnichsen summed it up by saying: "We don't rebuild, we reload."

Lutes upset Bethel, move to second round

Game recap

BY CHRIS FREDERICK Mast reporter

The PLU football team advanced to round two of the NCAA Division III playoffs with a victory over the Bethel Royals Nov. 18 in

Arden Hills, Minn. The playoff

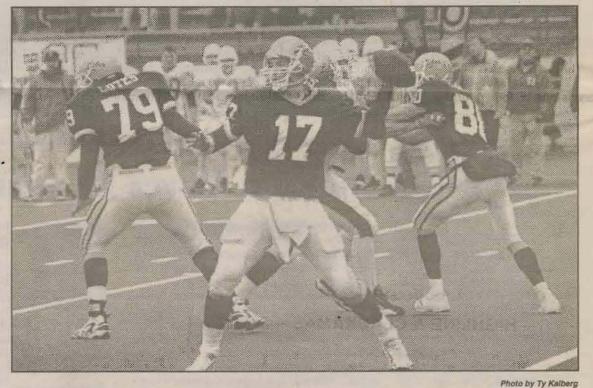
The playoff appearance was the third for the Lutes in as many seasons as a NCAA Division III member. The bout was the first time the Lutes had faced the Royals in competition.

Bethel ended its first unbeaten season in team history with the 41-13 wrecking. PLU struck the first blow in the beginning Bethel earned a touchdown and a field goal, taking the lead 10-7. PLU retook the lead with another touchdown later in the quarter.

Once more the Royals completed a field goal which put them within one point of the

Lutes with a score of 14-13. However, any hope for Bethel was dashed soon thereafter. The Lute defense, led junior lineby backer Ben McGrann, halted the Royals offense. McGrann finished with seven unassisted tackles and one quarterback

sack. Accordingly, PLU offense responded to the workings of its defense. Sophomore running back Ian Hanly put another six on the scoreboard for the Lutes with a short dash over the goal line. Senior quarterback Chad Johnson also had a sprint over the line for six.



Quarterback Chad Johnson (17) prepares to pass the ball while Isaac Williams (79) and Kevin Gibony (80) block.

ception 100 yards for a touchdown. The extra point attempt by freshman kicker David Weller was the only one that

BENTZ continued from page 9 Second team All-Conference - PLU had five players selected for the second team All-Northwest Conference team. Those players included senior running back Shipley Ennis, junior receiver Todd McDevitt, senior offensive lineman Isaac Williams, senior defensive lineman Christian Foreman, and senior linebacker Luke Gearhard.

quarter when freshman running back Aaron Binger dashed over the goal line for a 3-yard touchdown. Binger went on to score two more touchdowns in the game.

The Royals closed the gap during the second quarter as

The Lutes pulled away for good when sophomore safety Seth Berghoff returned an interfailed during the game. Weller ended up 5-for-6 on the afternoon.

The game ended with a final blow from Binger with less than two minutes left of competition. The 5-yard flight gave the Lutes a huge 41-13 victory. Honorable mention -Senior offensive lineman Matt Nichols, junior linebackers Ben McGrann and Mike Mauss, and sophomore defensive back Benji Sonnichsen were all honorable mentions for the all-conference team.

Holt takes second place, leads Lute wrestlers

By JASON ANSPACH Mast reporter

Pacific Lutheran University's wrestling team has been methodically showing improvement since the beginning of the season. The Lutes gave a glimpse of positive things to come at the Pacific Open Saturday.

Freshman Matt Holt gave the Lutes their best finish of the tournament in Forest Grove, Ore., placing second in the 125-pound weight class. Holt won his first match by pinfall, and went on to the championship final by getting a pair of decisions. Holt lost the match to Bobby Brokenshire of Highline Community College in a razor close 2-1 decision.

Seniors Tom Brown and Abe Porter both placed high in their weight categories, 157 and 174 pounds, respectively. Brown, who moved up a weight class for the match, had a pair of decisions before losing in the championship semifinals and taking third. Porter lost his first match, but went on to take four consecutive decisions, as well as third place. Coach John Aiken said, in a PLU press release, that the Lutes were improving, adding, "We're going to get there."

The improvement Aiken spoke of becomes more apparent taking into account the Lutes dual meet hosted by the Southern Oregon University Raiders, Nov. 17. PLU's sole win came thanks to freshman Rich Vigorito, who took out SOU's Scott Armstrong 14-12 in the 157pound category. The win was the only bright spot for the Lutes, as SOU rolled 42-3. Nov. 18 saw PLU participate in the Southern Oregon Open. Porter had the highest PLU finish in the double elimination tournament. Porter won his first match, lost his second, and then won three straight before falling in his sixth and final match. Abe Porter's twin brother Eli, won three out of five matches in the 165-pound weight class. Junior David Chew also won three of five matches.

■ Next Up – The Lutes head to sin city for the Las Vegas duals today and tomorrow.

SPORTS

Men's basketball drops first two games

By KRISTINA COURTNAGE Mast reporter

The PLU men's basketball team dropped its first official games with a pair of disappointing losses to Western Baptist College and Northwest Christian College at the Fibromyalgia Classic, hosted by Western Baptist Nov. 17-18 in Salem, Ore.

In both games, the Lutes started out slowly, allowing the opposing teams to control the game.

On Friday night, the Lutes hit 23 percent of their 30 shots in the first half, giving Western Baptist the chance to race to a 43-18 halftime lead. The Lutes outscored the Warriors in the second half 48-39, but it was not enough to prevent the Warriors from taking the victory 82-66.

Leading the Lutes in scoring was senior

wing Shane Makanani with 17 points, 15 of which came from three-point shots. Makanani said that the team needs an increase in defensive pressure and a better transition game. He said, "We shot the ball better in the second half. We need to come out more focused and play harder the beginning of games."

Scoring 10 points each were junior wings Erik Dordal and Treven Vander Ploeg and sophomore post Josh Davis. Davis led the Lutes with seven rebounds.

The game on Saturday, a 75-69 loss to Northwest Christian, was much like the previous night. The Lutes made just 35 percent of their shots in the first half while Northwest Christian made 61 percent of their shots, to tally a seven-point lead at halftime.

Pacific Lutheran's points tend to come from everyone on the team and leading scorers change from game to game. Saturday's game was no different as five players hit double figures. Vander Ploeg led the Lutes with 18 points, followed by junior point guard Parker Barth and freshman post Michael Kelley with 12 each. Kelly had a strong game, adding eight rebounds in 24 minutes of action.

The team has been preparing for its first home competition this weekend. Vander Ploeg said, "We played better the second game and learned from some of the mistakes we made in the first game. We are really focused on what we need to do (at the tournament this weekend). We want to get a couple wins."

■ Next Up – Pacific Lutheran will host the first PLU Parkland Chevrolet Classic today and tomorrow. PLU plays today at 8 p.m. against Northwest College and again tomorrow at 8 p.m. against The Evergreen State College.

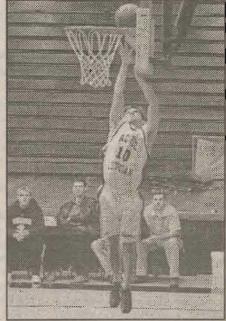


Photo by Leah Sprain Junior Parker Barth scores against Meraloma.

PLU to open conference season against George Fox

By ANDREW BENTZ Mast sports editor

The Pacific Lutheran women's basketball team will open its conference season tonight against George Fox at 6 p.m. in Newberg, Ore.

Last year PLŪ and the Bruins were Co-Northwest Conference champions after amassing 14-2 records in conference play. George Fox will be centered around Katie Lacey, who averaged 16.3 points and 8.9 rebounds per game last season.

Lacey was married this past summer and is better known by her maiden name of Greller. Lacey is one of four returning starters for the Bruins, who finished 23-5 overall last year, advancing to the third round of the NCAA Division III national tournament.

George Fox has compiled a 2-0 record so far this season with two non-conference wins.

Tomorrow night the Lutes will face off against the Linfield

Women's Basketball Wildcats. Linfield also qualified for t h e

national tournament last year, but was defeated by George Fox in the first round.

Linfield has started the season 3-1, but has had to adjust to playing without Kelly Bradstreet and Sarah Jensen. Bradstreet and Jensen were both all-conference players for the Wildcats last season.

Northwest Nazarene Tournament – The Lutes took second place last weekend, defeating Northwest College 86-61 in the first game of the tournament, but losing to the host Northwest Nazarene on a basket with 2.3 seconds left to play.

play. Senior shooting guard Lucy Barker was named to the All-Tournament team for her performance. Combining both games she recorded 22 points, 10 rebounds and six assists. She shot 6-for-9 from beyond the arc in the tournament as well.

Freshman center Courtney Johnson also played well in the tournament, notching 22 points, 20 rebounds and five blocked shots. Standing 6 foot 3 inches tall, she shot 73 percent from the floor (8-of-11).

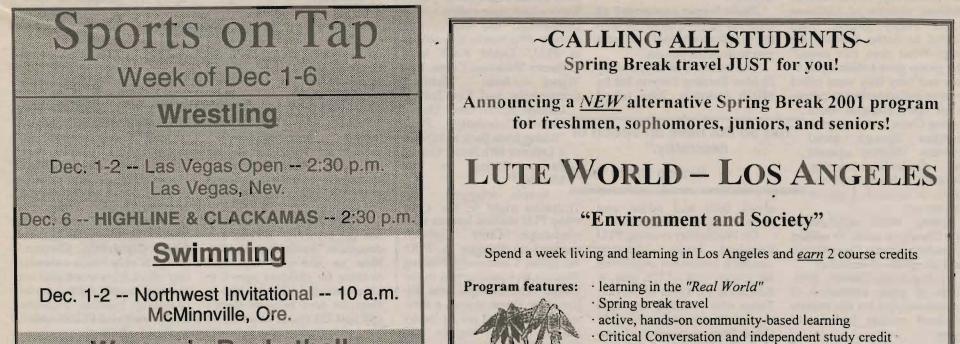
Western Washington Tournament – PLU also took second place in its first non-conference action of the year Nov. 17-18. The Lutes defeated The Evergreen State College 79-47 in the first game of the tournament, but were defeated by the host NCAA Division II Western Washington Vikings 57-52.

The Vikings led PLU early in the game, 10-2, but the Lutes went on a 24-2 run over 11 minutes and led 31-13 at the half.

In the second half, Western Washington went on a 19-1 run, took the lead, and eventually handed PLU its first loss of the season.

Junior point guard Becky Franza and Barker were named to the All-Tournament team for their performances. Franza recorded 29 points and 11 assists in the two games while Barker contributed with 24 points, six steals, five rebounds and five assists.

Johnson also put up good numbers with 15 rebounds, nine points, and eight blocked shots. Junior forward Jessica Iserman added 16 points, 13 rebounds and four assists for PLU.



Women's Basketball

Dec. 1 -- *George Fox-- 6:00 p.m. Newberg, Ore. Dec. 2 -- *Linfield -- 2:30 p.m. McMinnville, Ore.

Men's Basketball

Dec. 1-2 -- PLU PARKLAND CHEVROLET CLASSIC-- 6:00 p.m. Dec. 5 -- WESTERN BAPTIST -- 8:00 p.m. Salem, Ore. Dec. 8 -- Northwest College -- 8:00 pm Kirkland, Wash.

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Women's Center hosts

16 Days of Activism

BY JENNI DILLON

Throughout the next week,

the Women's Center will host

multiple campus events, con-

cluding its recognition of 16

Days of Activism Against

Gender Violence, an interna-

tional campaign linking

women's rights and human

rights. Each weekday, the cen-

ter will sponsor educational

and informational booths or

activities highlighting particu-

lar aspects of gender and

from the first Women's Global

Leadership Institute sponsored

by the Center for Women's

Global Leadership in 1991.

Since then, individuals and

groups worldwide use the cam-

paign to raise awareness of gen-

der-based violence as a human

rights issue, to strengthen local

work fighting violence against

women, to link local and inter-

national efforts to end violence,

and to show solidarity of

women around the world in

organizing against violence.

The campaign originated

Mast news editor

human rights.

New student enrollment falls short of budget projection

BY ANNE KALUNIAN Mast senior reporter

Normally the year after a university wins a national sports championship, enrollment increases significantly. Unfortunately for PLU, enrollment did not increase this year but rather fell short compared to the number of new students the university had planned its budget around.

Laura Polcyn, vice president for Admissions and Enrollment Services, said that the freshmen class this year has 585 students but the university planned its

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that include career opportunities and research information for undergraduate students at the regional conference.

And Jeff Schultz, the club's adviser, said that it is in the process of applying for a similar grant for the society national meeting.

If it receives the grant, the club will be responsible for

budget around admitting 610 new students.

The overall student body this year has the same gradepoint and SAT averages as last year's student body. In addition, the same percent of students are from Washington state, relatively the same number of students live on-campus and the percentage of students of color is the same.

The differences in this year's freshmen class are that 90 percent live on-campus as opposed to last year's 88 percent. The number of freshmen ranked first in their class increased by

organizing programs for under-

graduates similar to the pro-

grams they worked on for the

approximately 20 members, and anyone is welcome to

attend the meetings held twice

an interest in chemistry, not just

The Chemistry Club has

"The club is for people with

regional meeting.

a month, Higbee said.

nine students and the number of international students has increased from 211 to 225. The percentage of male freshmen students increased by 4 percent this year. However, the percentage of male transfer students dropped by 6 percent.

The university's statistics are officially compiled and sent off to publications and organizations such as U.S. News and World Report, Peterson's Guide, and the ELCA Division of colleges and universities so that prospective students are able to learn about Pacific Lutheran University.

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chemistry majors," said Higbee. He said he joined the club because he had always liked chemistry and was interested in atoms and molecules.

The club hopes to promote awareness of chemistry, and, more importantly, "connect students who like chemistry with each other," Schultz said.

PARTY -

from Garfield Street, and clubs like Future Business Leaders of America, student government, and National Honor Society from local junior high and high schools.

"We could

not do it without all "The Children's of these vol-Christmas Party] is unteers," very much a commu-Freeman said. "Our program is entirely funded by

their donations of time and money." All the gifts, decorations and money are donated and everyone involved donates their time

nity effort."

"There are two ways people can get involved-service and donations," Freeman explained. New or like-new toys and clothing for children ages 0 to 12 are needed. "If you like to shop for toys because there's still that kid inside of you who

The campaign began Nov. 25, marking the International Day of Violence Against Women, and will continue through Dec. 10, International Human Rights Day. The dates for the annual campaign were specifically chosen to link violence against women and human rights.

The period also includes World AIDS Day, Dec. 1, and the anniversary of the Montreal Massacre, Dec. 6, commemorating the death of 14 women killed in a shooting at the University of Montreal's School of Engineering in 1989. The PLU Women's Center

will sponsor activities on each of these dedicatory days, as well as the days in between. Scheduled events include videos and discussions, panels, informational booths, and lectures all focusing on a wide range of topics, from domestic violence to gender apartheid in Afghanistan.

For more information, call the Women's Center at 535-8759. For a full schedule of events, see page 2.

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loves the toy store, you can make a trip to the toys store and donate what you purchase," Freeman said.

Also, PLU students are needed to help fill the roles of 65 vol-

> unteers to spread some holiday cheer at the Christmas Party. In addition, PLU students will be asked to bake over 1,000 cookies

Sigrun Freeman for the party. Students inter-PLU Volunteer Center ested in volunteer-

ing can call x8318 to donate time. To donate items, call x7173 or drop off items in Harstad 105. All items need to be in by Dec. 5, so that they can be prepared for the party.

Freeman expressed her desire to get everyone involved, "[The Children's Christmas Party] is very much a community effort. It's a wonderful way to bring people from a variety of settings together. It couldn't be done without PLU students."

think about the \$3 you just spent and how that money is divided."

An evening lecture was delivered that night by Rev. Dan Erlander, Bishop David Wold, Rev. Dennis Sepper and Danielle Welliver, director of Lutheran Public Policy Office, titled "Called to Serve: Striving for Peace-What does this mean?" The group gave testimony as to how and why they were called to serve and answered questions

in an open dialogue about serving Christ and their com- "You do not have an option of munities through social activism. Welliver opened the discussion saying, "Because I have seen the effects of injustice, I cannot turn away."

Bishop Wold emphasized that Christians must be willing to confront issues. "You do not have an option of neutrality."

lution of grace, revolution of compassion was not disconnected from worldly justice and peace."

with the idea of Jesus as revolutionary. "God loves to undermine systems. It was a stealth revolution, undermining every

system and calling a community together." Pastor Sepper encouraged all students on campus to "be willing to talk about what motivates you to do what you do."

The lecture was followed by Holden Evening Prayers led by Micah Steinhilb, who talked

neutrality."

about faith and action and Jesus' example of service to all.

On Wednesday evening, PLU President Loren Anderson opened a conference on striving for Justice and PLU's goal of Education for Lives of Service. Wold said that Christ's "revo-Those who attended then split into mini-conferences and could Pastors Dennis Sepper and chose from a number of ses-Reverend Erlander agreed sions. Sessions included a con- Nancy Connor.

ference by religion professor Samuel Torvend titled "Walking

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among the snakes? Christians engaged in political life," another by Micah Steinhilb, "What Juan Valdez doesn't want you to know about your coffee: Coffee production, fair trade, and socially responsible alternatives at PLU," Debbi Koch from Lutheran Volunteer Corps, Ron Vignec from Salishan Community, and Rev. Joanne

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Events wrapped up Thursday night in the Cave when PLU student leaders with moderator Oney Crandall engaged in dialogue in "PLU: An Active Community Healing Wounds on Campus and in the World. The dialogue was fol-lowed by Tower chapel, a service of healing and prayer led by

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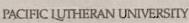
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