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#### Let it snow!

Ordal Senior RA Kristine Thompson, left, catches some falling snow with Hall Director Stacy Jeffers and daughter Kylie Wednesday afternoon.

# PLU 2000 forums lack student, faculty input

By Jamie Anderson Mast senior reporter

PLU's first long-range planning project, PLU 2000, is well under way and is "going well," said Assistant Dean of Nursing Carolyn Schultz, who co-chairs the project with Provost J. Robert Wills.

However, Schultz said that participation in the project has been low and cited faculty burnout as a reason.

"Long-range planning is difficult to establish at best, especially when you are dealing with more immediate problems like the current budget," she said.

The PLU 2000 project has been divided into a series of commissions, each setting goals for different aspects of PLU. The academic affairs commission, the sixth out of eight commissions, held three public forums last week. The aim of the academic affairs commission is to recommend where PLU should go academically, said academic affairs co-chair Rachel Nugent, an economics professor.

The forum split into eight discussion tables based on papers written by faculty members, Categories included global perspectives, diversity, and service and social application. The papers served as a way of kicking off discussions

Schultz said the forums produced some "marvelous discussions."

One discussion, facilitated by English professor David Seal, considered the concept of integrating creativity into the classroom.

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# PLU plays musical offices

By Ross Courtney Mast senior reporter

The Board of Regents told the university in January to move all classes out of East Campus by next fall. The only remaining question: would there be room on

the main campus for all the classes?

Registrar Charles Nelson asked his computer. It said yes, and next fall students will not have to walk three blocks to classes.

As chair of the space committee, Nelson recommended the move to the president's council last year based on test runs of Schedule 25, a computer pro-

gram that matches classes to classroom space.

A final computer check last week confirmed that space will be available, thanks largely to next fall's revised class schedule. Sixty-five-minute classes will run Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, with 105minute classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays

The only exception is marriage and family counseling classes which will continue to use the East Campus counseling offices to see their clients.

Moving the classes is proving to be the easy part. However, finding room for all the faculty who need

offices is not as simple.

The School of Education has five faculty and one secretary who will need a place to work next fall. Nelson and the space committee are ready to meet that demand as well. Room 117 in the administration building will be converted from classroom space to

five or six offices. John Brickell, dean of the School of Education, said he is happy about the move. However, he is still waiting for President Loren Anderson to officially notify him of the project. "We assume it's going to happen," he said. "But we have yet to receive anything in writing on the move. Events of this magnitude usually have written confirmation."

Anderson said he and the president's council are still finalizing plans such as "what walls are going to go where." An official decision will not be made for another month or two, he said, when funding can be planned for and provided.

Currently, the School of Education has faculty in three different locations around the campus: East Campus, Ramstad Hall and the administration building. Centralizing the school's faculty has been one of Brickell's goals since he was named interim dean last fall, and he says the faculty support his intentions.

"It's easier to coordinate programs. It's easier to have communication between faculty. It builds a sense of the School of Education as a unit rather than individual sub-units that tend to become autonomous over time.

Even if room 117 is converted to office space for education professors, Brickell might not have achieved his goal. Two more professors will be hired by next fall, he said. If the room can hold only five, two will still need offices somewhere else.

The School of Business Administration has its Center for Executive Development staff offices at East

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# Students can expect increased aid in April

By Mike Lee Mast editor

For some students, Christmas will come in April this year when the Financial Aid Office distributes its dollars for next year.

While the 1994-95 financial aid budget has not been finalized, financial aid director Kay Soltis is expecting more students to benefit than in years past. "Last year, Congress changed the formula for determining financial need and more students are qualifying," Soltis said.

The major change is that as of the

1993-94 school year, home equity is no longer considered in determining expected family contribution. This and other changes upped the average need up by \$2000 for the current year, Soltis said.

Students with large financial need will likely gain greater assistance, said Soltis, though she cannot guarantee any specifics until her budget is settled next month and her staff matches monies with need indicated on the federal student data-

The projected increase in aid comes on the heels of a 5-percent tuition increase approved by the Board of Regents in January.

This year, continuing students who have filed for financial aid in the past need only to fill out a renewal form. While the new form decreases paperwork, confusion with section H, question 80 has hampered the effectiveness of the system, Soltis said

In order for PLU financial aid officers to access information and award aid, students must check the box that asks if information can be released to the institution. If not done, applications may be delayed four to six weeks, possibly keeping students from filing by the priority deadline, April 1.

Increased aid will likely come in the form of loans to many students because the maximum Stafford Loan limit was recently raised to from \$3500 to \$5500 for juniors. In the past, about 41 percent of PLU's aid has been granted in loans, 54 percent in gift assistance and the remainder in work-study, Soltis

In all, PLU granted \$7.4 million in institutional aid last year. (See related story, page 14)

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BRAIN STRAIN

How do PLU students rate academically?

#### BRIEFLY

#### Senate to vote Anderson onto education board

President Loren Anderson attended a confirmation hearing in Olympia Tuesday for his appointment to the Washington state Senate's Higher Education Facilities Authority.

Appointed to the position by Governor Mike Lowry last year, Anderson now awaits a final Senate vote.

The Higher Education Facilities Authority was established in 1984 to grant private colleges and universities access to non-taxable funds and low-interest loans, Anderson said.

Along with others member of the authority, Anderson said his responsibility is to insure that the deals they put together are financially

Although his appointment may not help PLU directly, "it always helps to be in a leadership position," Anderson said.

# CAMPUS

#### SIDEWALK TALK

### Question:

How challenged do you feel by the academic atmosphere at PLU?



"It's a pretty challenging atmosphere. The professors really care about challenging individuals depending on their needs."

Amanda Hermsmeyer



"I think there is challenge. The professors are knowledgeable; PLU has done a good job selecting them. They need to continue to review the evaluations and take them seriously."

Tim O'Dell junior



"It depends on what class you're in. There's too big a difference between them; some classes you're challenged in, some you're

Chris Hazelbrook junior



"It's more challenging on an individual basis. You can go to a professor, and they will provide you with the opportunity to step to the next level."

Jonathan Haley junior

#### BRIEFLY

#### Prof., students attend Yale Earth Summit

Professor Jill Whitman (earth sci.) and students Jeanette Dorner and Lisa Bakke spent the weekend of Feb. 18-20 at Yale University, where they helped forgeaplan to reform campus environ-mental policies. Dorner is an ASPLU clubs and organizations senator. Bakke is the RHC Environmental Activities Coordinator.

The Campus Earth Summit was attended by students, administrators and faculty from 125 colleges worldwide and featured several prominent guests, including Vice President Al Gore.

#### Q Club gets new president

Larry Green of Bothell, Wash, is the new president of PLU's Q Club.

Green is a 1976 graduate of PLU and works as an agent for Lutheran Brotherhood Life Insurance Co.

He was the assistant coach of the 1980 football team that won PLU's first national NAIA championship.

#### Kraig-Wentworth project honored

Professors Beth Kraig (hist.) and Don Wentworth (econ.) will recieve a Free-doms Foundation Leavey Award for Excellence in Private Enterprise Education in a ceremony April 28 in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Kraig, Wentworth and three others who worked with them will share a cash award for their curriculum project, "U.S. History: Eyes on the Economy," which was published by the National Council for Economics Education.

#### SAFETY BEAT

#### EMALs take on Tinglestad elevator

After beating the Westminster Titans for the NAIA national championship in December, 17 members of the football team decided to move

up to the next level. They didn't quite make it.

Three thousand eight hundred pounds of EMALs piled into one of Tinglestad's elevators late Wednesday night and became trapped between the first and second floors. The elevator was designed to carry a maximum load of 2,500 pounds.

Junior Mark Givens, one of the victims, said someone used the elevator's

emergency phone and contacted Campus Safety.

"We were stuck 30 to 45 minutes waiting for an engineer," Givens said.

Brian Walker, a sophomore, said "the walls were just dripping (with condensation). We were packed in there like sardines."

When the doors finally opened, a crowd of onlookers saw 17 sweaty,

cramped football players emerge from what Givens said was a one and a half-foot space between the top of the jammed elevator and second floor. It was unknown at press time if disciplinary action would be taken.

Saturday, Feb. 19

· A student injured his head at 1 a.m. while playing basketball on the lower campus baketball courts. Campus Safety responded, cleaned the wound and advised the student to get stitches.

 Two female students called Campus Safety when a man tried to break into their room in Tinglestad. Officers found an intoxicated man between 20 and 25 years of age who was not carrying identification. He apparently was a non-student, and an RA escorted him off campus.

#### Sunday, Feb. 20

 A student slid on ice while driving a PLU van on Interstate 90 near Ellensburg. The van hit a pole, denting the passenger side. There were no injuries. A report was filed for insurance purposes.

\*An employee at KPLU reported threatening phone calls to the station around 9 p.m. There are no suspects.

· An ATEC pitching machine was stolen from the softball field dugout. The thief damaged the door and lock. There are no suspects.

#### Fire Alarms

Feb. 19, 2:21 a.m., Tinglestad; malicious Feb. 20, 10:32 a.m., Foss; undetermined

Feb. 21, 7:07 p.m., Foss; malfunction

Feb. 21, 9:58 p.m., Foss; probably cigarette smoke Feb. 22, 10:19 a.m., Kriedler; probably cigarette smoke Feb. 23, 11:57 a.m., Pflueger, malicious

# FOOD SERVICES

Saturday, Feb. 26 Breakfast: Breakfast Quiche Sausage Links Shredded Hashbrowns

Beef Noodle Soup Hamburgers/Gardenburgers

Cream of Mushroom Soup Chicken and Dumplings Broccoli Cheese Casserole Baked Ham

Sunday, Feb. 27

Brunch: Fried Eggs Strawberry Pancakes Sliced Ham

Dinner: Roast Beef Swiss Cheese Pie Corn

Monday, Feb. 28 Breakfast: Fried Eggs Strawberry Crepes

Cream of Broccoli Soup Hamburgers Baked Beans

Dinner: Baked Chicken/Citrus Sauce Ham and Cheese Wraps Cuban Black Beans

Tuesday, March 1 Breakfast: Scrambled Eggs Fresh Waffles Country Hashbrowns

Lunch: Tomato Soup Fish Fillets Macaroni and Cheese Dinner: Fajitas De Porkos Chile Frito Casserole Monterey Rice Ole

Wednesday, March 2 Breakfast: Fried Eggs Pancakes 101 Bars

Lunch: Navy Bean Soup Little Charlie's Pizza Seafood Salad

Dinner: Beef Stroganoff Vegetable Quiche Chicken Strips

Fresh Waffles

Thursday, March 3 Cheese Omelettes

Lunch: Vegetable Soup Grilled Turkey on Sourdough Cheese Ravioli

Dinner: Stir Fry Bar Egg Rolls Terriaki Steak

Friday, March 4 Breakfast: French Toast Fresh Shredded Hashbrowns

Lunch: Clam Chowder Baked Potato Bar Broccoli Casserole

Dinner: Lasagna Vegetarian Lasagna Meat Ball Bar

# CAMPUS

# Lutherans talk peace, not sex

By Kimberly Lusk Mast O&A editor

"Christians are called to be peacemakers. This is not an option, it's a part of baptism," said Daniel Erlander, PLU campus pastor and a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America's Peace Taskforce.

The taskforce finished the first draft of the statement "Peace: God's Gift, Our Calling," Feb. 13. The statement should be released in early April.

The 16-member committee has worked on the statement for two vears. A vote on the final draft will take place at a churchwide convention in the summer of 1995.

The taskforce includes a radical pacifist, peace activists, scholars of international relations, and a re-tired four-star general. Erlander said members learned to respect and listen to each other and were a "witness to what peacemaking is." The committee used consensus for

decision making.
The group's task included reading and listening to responses to a study document, and taking those ideas into consideration when drafting the statement.

Next fall, 10 hearings will be held throughout the nation. The members of the taskforce will take what they learn from individuals at these hearings and write the final draft of the statement. Responses to the statement will be accepted until Dec. 15.

Erlander said Lutheran theology puts peace in two categories: earthly peace and God's peace. "The God of the Bible is a God

of peace," Erlander said, explaining that to work for world unity, reconciliation and harmony is to

# Campus Safety fills vacancy

By Kevin Ebi Mast senior reporter

A familiar face has left Campus Safety to pursue a career in law enforcement.

Micah Lundborg, former Campus Safety operations supervisor, left the position February 1 towork for the Pierce County Sheriff's De-partment, said Campus Safety Director Walt Huston.

Operations supervisor is a full-time administrative position which supervises Campus Safety during the graveyard shift, from midnight to 8 a.m. Tuesday through Satur-

Lundborg has been replaced by a Tacoma native, Lori Harrell. Harrell retired this year from a 15year career with the Air Force as a technical sergeant.

Harrell has been away from the Tacoma area for 20 years.

Her military service took her to Europe, England, Michigan, South Carolina, and most recently Colo-

She has associate degrees in instructional technology, production management, and criminology. Harrell earned a bachelor's degree from St. Leo's College in Florida. Sheattended classes at the college's extension campus on a military base in South Carolina.

Harrell said she would eventually like to earn a master's degree in criminology and continue working in the criminal justice field.

work for God.

Lutherans must realize God's promise of a universe at peace is brought by God, not humans, he

Humans, however, can be inspired by that vision and should "obey the God of peace by working for earthly peace which is fragile and imperfect," Erlander said. The first draft of the peace state-

ment addresses what it means as Christians to work for earthly peace, Erlander said. This includes building good relations between people, cultures and nations, he

One area the draft explores is how the church and individuals can live politically. Areas of political influence the draft discusses include supporting nonviolent con-flict resolution and agreements among countries in the United Nations and similar settings.

The draft emphasizes that there cannot be peace without justice. The biblical understanding of peace is "much more than non-war," Erlander said. It is "a world of justice" in which "all peoples share in the bounty of God's creation and live in harmony." Therefore, people should work for an end to exploitation and differences between the rich and the poor.

The draft also charges the church to talk about peacemaking and learn

to be an example in its own life. Erlander said the church has failed in its calling to be an example of peacemaking in its response to the draft statement on human sexuality. Individuals and groups within the church have fought each other, calling each other vicious names and refusing to listen and work with each other, he said.

The statement affirms different methods of conflict resolution and calls us to really think critically about how we live in a post-war world," Erlander said.

Erlander said the draft does not clearly explain the tension between "the way Jesus actually lived and taught and the way we Christians live politically in the world with all of our theories.'

Erlander hopes the statement will encourage congregations to discuss what it means to be peacemakers. He thinks this is particularly im-

portant in this post-Cold War era. Global society is learning to deal with diversity, he said. "It isn't communism versus capitalism anymore; it's diversity, diverse groups wanting to kill each other," he said. He used the situation in the former Yugoslavia as an example of this type of war.

Erlander said this is a "time of searching, what are we going to do in a world that is so difficult, so

confusing."



Sophomore Alexis Vasquez, left, and junior Kathy Martilla plant trees last Saturday as part of Tacoma's "Tree Project."

# NHBY REHERD

FEB. 23rd!!

\*\*R.A. Applications\*\* (Pick them up in the R.L.O. office)

Interest Meetings Wed. March 2nd in Ordal @ 8:00p.m.

Thurs. March 3rd in Pflueger @ 8:00 p.m.

DUE: March 11th

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# Profs integrate foreign languages into classes

By Karen Andrade Mast Reporter

This semester, PLU students are taking English, business and religion courses that offer an international twist.

Introduced last fall, "Languages Across the Curriculum" gives students the opportunity to use foreign languages in a variety of ways and at different levels, said lan-guage Professor Roberta Brown, the program's co-di-

The program is divided into two levels to meet the needs of students with experience in a foreign language, as well those without, Brown said. In these courses, students are not graded on their language skills.

At the first level, courses are designed to help students reach a better understanding of the advantages that reading texts in their original language can bring to a course. Students with at least two years of foreign language may take a higher-level course where they can apply their skills to their majors or areas of interest.

"The object is to enrich the course itself," Brown said.

A grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities funded the project. The grant enables 16 faculty members to bring their language skills to a level that allows them to participate in the program, Brown said.

Business Professor Richard

Kibbey teaches a level-one course in management information systems with a Spanish language component.

Kibbey stressed the importance of understanding business from a Spanish perspective since Latin American and Caribbean countries represent the fastest growing regional market for U.S. exports.

By incorporating the Span-ish language and culture into his class, Kibbey hopes stu-dents will be more prepared to meet the demands that less technologically developed countries have for information systems.

Brown said, "The Unites States can no longer afford to be a monolingual country."

This spring, two other courses also offer language components.

In the English department, Professor Charles Bergman is teaching a course on Shakespeare from a Spanish perspective, and religion Prolessor Douglas Oakman is teaching a "Life of Jesus" course with a German language

component. Brown said that based on positive student evaluations of fall and interim courses, the project is proving to be surprisingly successful.

"The faculty is very enthusi-astic about it," Brown said.

Future courses are also being designed-for applications of Norwegian and Chinese,



# Danish winter festival lets cat out of the barrel

By Kristen Buckley Mast assistant news editor

Children of all ages lined up to swing a baseball bat at a wooden, candy-filled barrel that hung from the Scandinavian Cultural Center's ceiling Saturday night for Fastelavn, the Danish winter festival.

Adorned in animal costumes or traditional frocks, Danes from all parts of Pierce County celebrated their version of Mardi Gras with dancing and eating, and in piñata fashion, bats were swung until the barrel was broken to let out the black cat of winter.

The SCC, decorated with the traditional barren branches repre-senting fertility, pulsed with old and young alike turning polka steps and eating fastelavnsboller or hot cross buns.

Fastelavn was first celebrated at

PLU 10 years ago, but the origin of the festival dates back to the Danish pagan holiday marking the emergence of the sun after weeks of long winter nights, program coordinator Nina Bertelsen said.

"Later Fastelavn was incorporated by the Catholics to mark the beginning of Lent," Bertelsen said. Danes would feast on meat for days and then dress in costumes for the smashing of the barrel.

A black cat symbolizing winter was placed inside the barrel in hopes that when the barrel was smashed, it would escape and disappear along with the dark days. At PLU's celebration, the black cat is no longer a real one.

The successful barrel breaker was crowned Cat Queen. She and her chosen Cat King led a march of children around the room, carrying branches adorned with ribbons,

PRINCIPLES of SOUND RETIREMENT

bells and stuffed animals, and clapping and singing to the traditional folk music.

Floor-length dresses were converted to baskets as little girls turned up their skirts and filled them with pastries, prizes and candy. A costume parade displayed pumpkins, a black-spotted dog and Superman.

Harry Caren, a representative from the Totem Folk Dancers of Tacoma, led the dancing activities. He has played a part in the celebration for almost 10 years. He showed them how to skip, polka and turn as a group and in couples.

The Danish Family Circle dance brought the evening to a close with everyone joining arms to celebrate their shared cultural bond.

The festival was co-sponsored by the Danish Sisterhood of Tacoma-Olympia and the SCC.

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Photo by Photo Services

Florence Buck teaches the craft of Sponarbeid, one of many such classes offered by the Scandinavian Cultural Center.

# PLU holds onto its Scandinavian roots

By Kelly Graham Mast reporter

From the very beginning, PLU has had strong ties to Scandinavian traditions and culture, a connection still evident today.

Three distinct areas reflect PLU's heritage: the Scandinavian Cultural Center, the Archival and Scandinavian Immigrant Experience col-lections and the Scandinavian Area

Studies program.

Perhaps the connection to Scandinavian culture most familiar to the PLU community is the Scandinavian Cultural Center, located on the bottom floor of the University Center.

Programs sponsored by the SCC this year include Danish, Norwegian, Swedish and Finnish language classes and craft classes in the traditional folk painting known as rosemaling, wheat weaving, woodcarving, Hardanger embroidery and cooking.

Concerts, lectures and exhibits by or about Scandinavians round out the SCC's offerings.

Susan Young, Program Coordinator for the SCC, said that student involvement in these programs is very much encouraged.

"It is so rich and so fun," she said, noting that Scandinavian heritage is not required to enjoy the many activities.

Other SCC programs include annual events such as Swedish Sankta Lucia, a Norwegian Christmas Service, Danish Fastelavn, and the Norwegian Heritage Festival.

This year's Norwegian Heritage Festival has expanded to a two-day event April 22 and 23 with the theme "A Tribute to Edvard Grieg" in honor of the 150th anniversary of this famous Norwegian composer's birth. The festival is celebrated in the spring of each year to commemorate King Olav

Young said the SCC also fosters

strong ties with ethnic organizations in the area such as the Sons of Norway and the Danish Sister-

Located on the third floor of the library, the Archives are awash in historical information.

It is here that much of the history of PLU is kept. All the official records of PLU's beginnings - in Norwegian - can be found in the

In addition, the Archives are home to the Scandinavian Immigrant Experience Collection. Books, records, and oral histories document and preserve the stories of what it was like for those who came from Scandinavia to settle

"What we try to do is show, through the literature, what types of people the immigrants were," said Archives Director Kerstin Ringdahl.

PLU has offered a degree in Scandinavian Area Studies since 1979. Students choosing this field are required to complete courses not only in Scandinavian culture and languages, but also in relevant interdisciplinary subjects such as anthropology, economics, English, history, philosophy, political sci-ence, religion and sociology.

Many students interested in Scandinavian Studies also choose to study abroad. PLU offers scholarships to assist these students, as do several local ethnic organiza-

The Scandinavian tradition that began in the 1890s with PLU's Norwegian founder, Bjug Harstad, has grown and changed over the years, but is still present through these programs, records and classes.

For Audin Tovin, director of the Scandinavian Area Studies program, the presence of strong ties to its Scandinavian heritage sets PLU apart from other universities.

Some of us look at this as a type of diversity," he said.

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of Norway's PLU visit in 1975.

# **OPINION**

**EDITORIAL** 

# East Campus solution: Sell to Seattle U

When the University of Puget Sound sold its law school to Seattle University last November, Tacomans criticized UPS for giving away part of the community.

The UPS sale also dropped a monkey wrench in PLU's plans to sell East Campus. With heightened awareness about its community connection, PLU could no longer forge boldly ahead with the sale of its community landmark and social service center without expecting negative repercussions from the public and the media.

Last week, however, PLU announced the plans for moving all faculty offices and classes to the main campus for the 1994-95 school year. (See story page 1). While President Loren Anderson denied that the plans foreshadowed a sale, it is logical that the move is designed to see if the main campus can carry the East Campus load.

If the transition is successful, why would administrators want to continue owning the largest fire trap in Parkland? Yes, if the transition is successful, start checking local real estate listings for "Affordable luxury. A fixer-uppers dream. Oversized view lot on Pacific Avenue. 4 bath., large basement. No pets."

But for many old-time Parklanders, East Campus is

the last remaining symbol of their dwindling sense of community and PLU can't afford the negative response likely to be generated by selling the "fixer upper" to, say, a parking lot company.

In light of the complications, it seems reasonable that we offer East Campus to SU to house their new law school. Admittedly, East Campus does not have the same mystique as an entire school, but for the price, SU could hardly pass up the chance to colonize another Northwest college. Besides, the purchase would cut by two-thirds the distance SU has to cart its newly-purchased school.

For PLU this arrangement offers the possibility not only of securing East Campus for the community, but also of pro-actively redressing the wounds of the ageold battle between Lutherans and Catholics.

But the benefits may be even greater than these.

With SU just a few blocks away, perhaps PLU could learn something from a school with a clear mission statement, a commitment to their religious heritage and ever-increasing popularity with high school graduates, donors and college administrators in the West

-Mike Lee



#### Correction

Last week it was reported that all past financial aid has been need-based. Financial Aid director Kay Soltis said that both Provost and President's scholarships are examples of non-need based aid the school awards.

If you find other inaccurate information published in the Mast, please call 535-7494.

#### VOICES

#### "Gay for a day" program draws questions

To the Editor:

The Diversity Week activity of being, "Gay for a day" has raised a question in my mind: What exactly is the difference between a homosexual individual and a heterosexual person during the course of a particular day?

Do gay people eat different food for breakfast? Or maybe they don't eat at all. Do gay people even need to eat? I suppose if they eat they also walk around and because this is a learning establishment of sorts I guess gay students would go to class.

It all sounds so different and so interesting. Looking back I wish I would have participated, then I would have been truely diverse.

If people wish to be gay for a day, they should invite over a friend with similar interests and see what happens. If such activity does not entice these would-be homosexuals they should return to the original plan and eat breakfast, walk around and go to classes.

PLU's endorsment of such hypocritical behavior should not go unnoticed. Everybody knows that being politically correct can mean popularity, which can mean that the school could attract more students and perhaps some interesting gay people too!

Kyle Hopkins Freshman

#### Letters show horrors of African war

To the Editor:

"Baby, I hate to write about politics because they read everything in times like these. And most of the letters never reach their addresses."

"No one goes out or at work or anywhere. But we hope that the situation will be stabilized by tomorrow. We hear bullet sounds here and there. I don't know even if you'll ever get this letter. Pray for us. We need peace."

"I'm sorry that I cannot send the letter. We cannot go to town. There is no car, no bus, no taxis not even a bicycle. Besides, even if I manage to get to town it would be useless because post staff do not work. I just hope that tomorrow things will be better."

"There is a communique which is broadcast now. I'll let you know how the situation evolves. Most of the killing is done with (large machetes)."

"The government is asking soldiers to fire (at) the population."

"Last night we didn't sleep at all. The town is paralyzed. I can't get through to you on the telephone. I hope that you'll get this letter." "Pray for us. We need peace."

"There are ethnic confrontations. Killings are going on here. Dozens of people are dying. Baby, it's really awful. (Up-country) hundreds of people are dying. There are armed people coming from Tanzania...who are tighting against the national army."

"We have decided to fast. Everyone has his/her day. Mine is Monday. All through the week, we have someone who fasts. And we pray a lot. All that to beg peace from

"JoJo came here yesterday morn-

ing. He told me that he heard that R'emy is dead."

"Pray for us. We need peace."
The preceding are excerpts from letters I received while in Burundi, a small country in central Africa. Bloodshed from the civil war in this country makes the former Yugoslavia seem like child's play. I am a student here at PLU and

I am a student here at PLU and returned from Burundi a month ago, leaving many friends and family whose numbers are diminishing. We ask that everyone pray who can find the time and the place in their heart.

In whatever way you pray or wish or dream we ask that you appeal for safety and peace in our small country.

Amahoro (Peace be with you).

Alec Mauritsen Senior

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# Two weeks in five parts

Part One: History

Two weeks have passed since the flows of my life and my world were interrupted by the word "Fire!" screamed over and over by Beverly Peterson in the hallway of the Garfield Street apartments.

Piece by piece, the world returns to a semblance of normalcy. Piece

by piece, we dug possessions and memories from cold and sodden ashes. Like archaeologists visiting ruins of an ancient civilization, we knelt in borrowed clothes and discovered the artifacts of the time before noon on Feb. 7. Like archaeologists, we were concerned with history.

I've heard and read about how people speak of disasters as milestones and watersheds; now I know exactly what they mean. It is as if a great portion of our lives started two weeks ago. The weekend preceding that Monday is as far away from today's reality as the moon.

Our home, born of fire, is now two weeks old, and Kathryn and I will celebrate Feb. 7 as an anniversary of sorts for years to

Part Two: Grief

What I'm finding is the difference between a house and a home. Houses are easily replaceable, and this is where insurance companies make a big difference. Houses can be printed in triplicate on a State Farm itemization sheet and picked up in a few minutes with a trip to Magnolia Hi-Fi or Ballard Computer.

Homes are fragile, they consist mainly of time and timing, of memories and feelings, Books can be bought again and even paintings painted over, but what will never be restored is the time which imbued the special things, and even the common things, with a certain magic.

I'm finding now, after the loss, that things, actual physical things, have a sense of placement in the landscape of memory, a patina of familiarity which gives certain books and objects substance and importance far outweighing any monetary value.

What's gone does not hurt so much as the hole it leaves in its place. It is the infusion of the presence and awareness of time which makes a house, a room, or an apartment into a home rather than merely a space to store possessions and shelter us from

While the storehouse is damaged by fire and by smoke, the home is destroyed.

Part Three: Rape

The word that came to mind after the day of salvage (Tuesday) was "Obscene." There lay our apartment, open to the sky after the roof had caved in, defiled by smoke and water, frozen by the cold of the night,



BURNT **OFFERINGS** By Marc Olson

reeking from the filth of a fire that had not totally destroyed it. There was no cleanliness to this fire, no cauterization nor total cremation, no ecstatic burning like the mystics talk about.

The objects involved in our lives lay buried and broken in the burnt

timbers of the ceiling, frozen, drenched and bloated. A part of me would rather they had all been consumed and released as heat energy into the sky of that cold Monday. It made me angry.

Part Four: Recovery

The salvaged items sit in a few cardboard boxes on the porch of our new apartment now. We have a bay window in the bedroom which offers an unobstructed view into the burnt-out remnants of our former residence.

I'm typing on a new computer and sleeping on a borrowed bed. Elijah the turtle still ignores my commands, although now he does it in a more endearing way. We wear clothes that other people, quite possibly you yourself, broke in for us.

We are back at work and back in class, feeling holes in our lives beginning to heal like the empty sockets of missing teeth: if you press too hard, there is pain.

Part Five: Grace The voices and hands offering help, offering kindness and compassion have been many and gentle. How is it possible to show enough gratitude for such grace and generosity?

Begin with acknowledgment.

To the following: The students, faculty, alumni, and staff who donated food, clothing, and money to the relief fund and the mountain of goods in Kreidler hall; Jeff Jordan and the entire RLO staff; Dr Erv. Severtson; Angel and Beth of Kreidler hall; the PLU Bookstore; Food Services; Dan Erlander who cried with us and lent us his car.

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I can no other answer make But thanks, and thanks And ever thanks.

- W. Shakespeare.

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# Senate crime-busters should fight with brains, not brawn

"Getting tough on crime" is the political catch-phrase of the '90s. Now that public opinion polls show that a majority of Americans see crime as the nation's number-one problem, politicians everywhere are jumping on the anti-crime bandwagon.

It's unfortunate that while the 'getting-tough-on-crime" bug has been highly contagious in Washington D.C., most politi-cians seem to be immune to the 'getting-smart-on-crime" bug.

In fact, in an effort to get tough on crime, the Senate has produced a bill which proposes no original ideas—just the same old tired solutions to seemingly unanswerable questions.

Violence and crime are real problems. This can't be argued. But the Senate's crime bill will do nothing to solve these problems. If anything it will just make them worse.

The bill's main feature is the so-called "three strikes and you're out" provision, similar to the one Washington state voters passed last fall. It calls for mandatory life sentences for any three-time violent crime offend-

While this may sound good, especially in a 30-second sound bite, all this bill will practically accomplish is to keep thousands of elderly men in prison at the expense of taxpayers. Evidently, "getting tough" means increasing penalties for almost all criminals and building more prisons; generally throwing more money at the problem.

Long-term memory must be in short supply in Congress and in the public, because it doesn't take a genius to realize that all these solutions have been tried over

UNCOMMON SENSE

the last decade—a decade in which crime and violence have

By Chris Coovert

done anything but decline. It's likely that many Senators realize this fact but choose to ignore it for the sake of political expediency. Voters are impressed any time their representatives support an anti-crime bill because few citizens take the time to find out what the legislation actually

A change in thinking and a new appoach to the crime problem is what we really need right now, not business as usual.

Prevention, not retributon, should be the primary aim of any anti-crime program. That means focusing on improving the educational system, reforming welfare and removing the ridiculous mandatory five-year sentence for any drug offense.

Education is our most effective means of fighting violent crime. Effective education helps prevent teenagers and young adults from participating in activities-drugs, gangs and dropping out of school-which perpetuate violent

Preventing children from becoming involved in crime is much more cost-effective than trying to rehabilitate them later.

The second smart step, eliminating the cycle of dependence in the welfare program, is crucial to reducing crime and increasing the effectiveness of education. When welfare returns to its original purpose and functions as a safety net (not a way of life) and work programs begin to replace handout programs, everyone will benefit.

Finally, we must realize that mandatory sentences for drug crimes are meaningless. It is pointless to waste money and space on people who are only hurring themselves.

It may even be time to take a serious look at legalizing marijuana and some other drugs as a way of reducing crime.

This has the potential to work because legalization will decrease the street value of the drugs and remove the main source of income and motivation for many violent criminals and gangs.

If efforts to reduce crime are going to be successful, the definition of "getting tough" must change. The idea of retribution as the primary focus of the criminal justice system is simply outdated.

Prevention must be the focus of a new way of thinking about crime if improvement is truly desired, "Getting smart on crime" must replace "getting tough on crime" as the catch-phrase of the '90s.

Chris Coovert is freshman majoring in political science and

#### VOICES

#### ASPLU, RHC thank karaoke participants

To the Editor:

We would just like to thank all of you who came out and participated in the benefit karaoke night on Feb 12. Through student donations we were able to raise over one hundred dollars to go to the relief of the recent fire

We would also like to thank audio services, the

special response committee, and the Cave for their donations and helping to make the event a success.

ASPLU Programming Board & RHC Campus Wide Programmers

# DOULT

#### Happy days are here again

Paul Hemenway, guitar and lead vocals for Black Happy, sings during the band's Feb. 19 concert in Chris Knutzen Hall, sponsored by ASPLU. From Spokane, another Nortwest bandmade-good, Black Happy can be heard on their newest album,

# Cave hosts Mr. Happy gig

#### Former Lutes perform benefit concert after playing bass for only a few months. He heard the trio was

By Kimberly Lusk O&A editor

Mr. Happy is giving a benefit concert for Habitat for Humanity tonight in the Cave at 9 p.m..

"It's a special kind of homecoming for us," said Beek Hanson, a guitarist and vocalist. One of the group's first gigs was at PLU in March 1991.

Mr. Happy is a band made up of three PLU graduates and one former PLU student. "If it weren't for PLU, we wouldn't have gotten

together," said Derek "The D.J."
Johnson, the group's bassist.
The PLU graduates are David
"Beek" Hanson ('91), Dan
McKeown ('91) and Abe Beeson
('93). McKeown, vocals and gui-

tar, and Beeson, vocals and drums, both graduated with communication degrees. Hanson majored in

Outside the band, Beeson works in the mail room at a Seattle law firm and is the host of "The Live Room" on a local radio station. Hanson is a waiter at Ivar's and delivers computer supplies. McKeown is the general manager of Natual Wonders at Tacoma Mall. Johnson attends Green River Community College.

Hanson and Beeson met when they lived in Ordal. Beeson and McKeown were in a band together and needed a bass, so they asked Hanson to join them.

Johnson is the latest addition to the band. He joined in June 1993,

looking for a fourth member so Hanson could switch from bass to guitar to keyboard.

Johnson suggested himself as the addition when he saw Beeson at a party. The band agreed to the proposal, and Johnson said "it was a match made in heaven."

Johnson explained that the band runs "things kind of like a marriage .... We really do have to put up with each others' funky moments." One of Johnson's self-admitted bad habits the band must tolerate is playing too much duing rehearsals and concerts, to the point of being annoying.

Johnson described the quartet's music as "intelligent pop."
"The lyrics actually have some-

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## Lecture series grounded by snow

By Ross Courtney Mast senior reporter

The ASPLU lecture series is having a tough year.

Anthony DeCurtis, writer and senior features editor from "Rolling Stone Magazine," cancelled Wednesday's lecture because New York airports were snowed-in. He became the second speaker to stand up ASPLU this year.

Last fall, Speech, the lead singer for Arrested Development, cancelled a speaking engagement because of a

soundtrack recording he had lecture series chairperson scheduled.

DeCurtis' agent called Wednesday morning to break the news to Chris Albrecht, ASPLU's frustrated programming director.

"The forces of darkness are out to get our lecture series," said Albrecht.

DeCurtis was going to speak about the history of rock-and-roll in America and music censorship, as well as give the audience an inside look at the production of Rolling Stone.'

Albrecht and Tabitha Palmer, said Albrecht.

contacted DeCurtis' agent Thursday morning and rescheduled the lecture for May

Albrecht said last fall ASPLU considered legal action against Speech since the cancellation was breech of his contract with PLU. Since then, the ASPLU officers have changed their minds and have let the issue drop.

"We'd rather spend our energies on things happening now rather than bemoan the past,"

# Loquacious hipster gives lead-in to tattoo photos

Due to the overwhelming reader response to my first lew columns, and the stunning effort by the student body to turn in the Lute Top Ten coupons (we've got two total, thanks Steve), the powers that be have approached me with an opportunity to expand the reach of my allotted 20 inches.

Since body piercing, flannel, and stocking caps in the summer are hip these days, the tattoo has reemerged as a way to conform to the rules of rebellion. Being the cutting edge of counterculture that I am [? -ed.], I thought it would be keen if the centerspread of the Mast was dedicated to this little-appreciated art form.

What I am asking is for any student, faculty, or staff who has a tattoo to call me at x4221 so that we can send over a photographer and get that ink on film. Don't be shy. Names can be withheld if desired. I know I'm withholding

If the response is great enough, Mike Lee, the editor, says that we



LUKE-WARM WATER By Mr. Pete

can have the two center pages to publish the gathered tattoo

pictures. Long story short: Call. We'll talk. No big whoop.

Well, it's time to just hit play: Don't forget, Mr. Happy and Headgear in the Cave tonight. This is rumored to be Headgear's last show ever, so don't miss your

chance to see history in the making. Plus, this is finally a valid reason for Derek to be on campus. The ever ch-ch-ch-ch-changing David Bowie has taken it upon himself to make a tribute album. Contributors that Dave has personally contacted are rumored to include: Smashing Pumpkins, Pearl Jam, Suede, Aerosmith, Saucy Jakc, and Nirvana.

The working title is "None of My Recent Songs Have Been Any Good So I'm Going to Try to Ride the Coat-tails Of This Bloody Alternative Trend and Make Money Off Writing Royalties." Sources close to the writer say it will probably be shortened. Speaking of U2: Not content with being multi-millionaires, the Achtung Babies themselves are planning to launch their own TV network: Zoo TV. It's supposed to be a home shopping channel offering environmental products and music-related merchandise. I'm getting sick of moneygrubbing rock stars. U 2?

A Henry Rollins update: The Rollins Band's new album is supposed to be out April 12. The album, called "Weight," was

recorded in a log cabin in Meyers, California, because a recording

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#### LUTE TOP TEN

- 1. RAMONES
- Somebody to Love 2. DEAD MILKMEN Let's Get the Baby High
- 3. MELVINS Lizzy
- 4. A TRIBE CALLED QUEST 9. SMITHS
- Electric Relaxation
- 5. SONIC YOUTH Mildred Pierce
- 6. LEMONHEADS
  - The Great Big No 7. BLACK HAPPY
  - Shovel Jerk 8. NIRVANA
  - All Apologies

  - Handsome Devil
  - 10. BEASTIE BOYS Gratitude

#### LUTE TOP TEN COUPON

Turn your three favorite songs into the U.C. office. They'll be compiled into a top-10 list and played Thursday evening between 5 and 6 p.m.

# Espresso

Coffee-crazed co-eds crave caffeinated concoctions





Photo by Matt Kusche

Jenny Gustafson has a coffee maker and an espresso maker in her Hong room. Gustafson said "espresso makes me go to sleep."

#### By Kimberly Lusk Mast O&A editor

Coffee has taken over the lives of many North-west inhabitants.

Neon signs and banners announce it's presence in shop windows and on street corners, assuring area residents that they are never far from their next fix.

Donna Thomas, president of Latté Latté Espresso Company, thinks the coffee craze is here to stay.

"People have incorporated it into a lifestyle," she said.

The manager of her PLU cart, Jeanne Blair, agrees.
"It's so trendy that it's got everyone addicted."

Thomas opened the espresso stand in PLU's University Center in June 1991. She said she came to PLU because it was open, most of the other campuses in the area already had carts. She added that she was born and raised in Parkland, so she knew the area.

The cart, which stands in front of the U.C. coffee shop, goes through 3.5 to 4 pounds of coffee beans a day, plus another half to full pound of decaffeinated beans, Blair said.

Blair said she thinks the drink selection by cart customers is boring. "People aren't very exotic here at PLU," she said, explaining that people usually order a mocha, vanilla latté or plain latté. She said there was one person who regularly ordered a vanilla-caramel-hazelnut latté in a large cup with three shots of espresso.

For some Lutes, coffee is a necessity, or at least a nicety in life.

Tim Ho, a junior music major, has one to three lattes a week. "I like to drink them because I crave the flavor and it gives me a buzz when I'm down," he said

Freshman Jenny Gustatson got both a coffee maker and espresso maker for Christmas. She had asked for an espresso maker, then asked for a coffee maker instead because she thought it would be more practical. She said she and her friends use the espresso maker more.

Gustafson said the espresso maker came with several sheets of recipes, and that each sheet had a different recipe for lattes, so she picked the one that looked the best and stuck with it.

Espresso ingredients are easily found at the grocery store, Gustafson said. She buys flavored coffee beans, syrups, milk and chocolate syrup. Gustafson estimates each drink costs her between 30 and 50

Gary Wenk, a University of Arizona psychology professor, researched caffeine at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore.

Wenk said caffeine acts as a general stimulant to the central nervous system, raising heart and blood pressure rates. The substance also drains sodium from the body, he said.

"It seems to enchance mental function," Wenk

He added that caffeine is less addicting than nicotine or other drugs and will positively affect only people who are physically or mentally fatigued. Those well rested will only experience anxiousness, he said.

And Wenk said the body does build up a tolerance to caffeine—an event that could create "nasty headaches" for about three days it a regular drinker does not ingest caffeine,

Blair, a senior Chinese studies and global studies major, experienced the caffeine-induced headaches and jitters during the summer of 1992 when she started working at Latté Latté.

"I don't drink regular coffee anymore, it's pure decal," she said. She said it took her about two weeks to get off the caffeine, adding "I don't ever want to have that headache thing again."

(Mast reporter Lora Whitmore, Laura Ingalls of the Arizon Daily Wildcat, University of Arizon and the College Press Service contributed to this article.)

# Java Jargon

Americano: Espresso cut with hot water. Breve: Latté made with steamed halfand-half.

Café au lait: French version of the Italian caffe, similar beverages.

Caffé latté: Espresso with steamed milk and a cap of froth.

Cappucino: Espresso with less steamed milk than a latté, topped with a thick milk foam. Con panna: Espresso topped with whipped ream.

Crema: The dense, golden foam that is fresh espresso.

Double no fun: A latté made with nonfat milk and a double shot of decaf espresso.

Double tall whipless: A tall mocha with a double shot of expresso and no whipped cream.

Espresso: Beverage, and brewing method,

for coffee using pressurized hot water to extract the full flavor of the bean. Also means "quick."

Lattecino: A caffé latté with the milk texture somewhere between a latté and a

rappucino. Macchiato: Espresso "marked" with a dol-

lop of mild loam.

Mocha: Steamed chocolate milk poured over espresso.

No fun: A latté with decaf espresso. Tall skinny: A tall latté made with nonfat or 1 percent milk.

Tall two: A tall latté made with 2 percent milk

Espresso terms compiled by Mast O&A Editor Kimberly Lusk from the March 1992 Café Olé Seattle Special and the Latté Latté Espresso Company menu.



caffeinated beverages during her shift at Latté Latté Espresso company. The

Aime Mitchell, a senior international business major, supplies Lutes with cart has occupied the U.C. since June 1991. Employees get free drinks

# Lute Latté Locations

Latté Latté Espresso Company: The most a.m. to 7 p.m. convenient espresso pit stop for Lutes while on campus. The cart is located outside the U.C. Coffee Shop. It serves espresso, Italian sodas, specialty espresso drinks, iced specialty drinks, biscotti, muffins and cookies. Beverage prices range from \$1 to \$2.75. Hours are Monday through Thursday 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Friday 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Bossy Cow: Located at 323 Garfield St. S., it's just a short jaunt off campus. The care serves Boyd's coffee and espresso, tea and other hot and cold beverages. Coffee and espresso prices range from 65 cents to \$2,75. Customers can also find soup, salad, sandwiches, cards and cow and farm-related gifts. Hours are 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

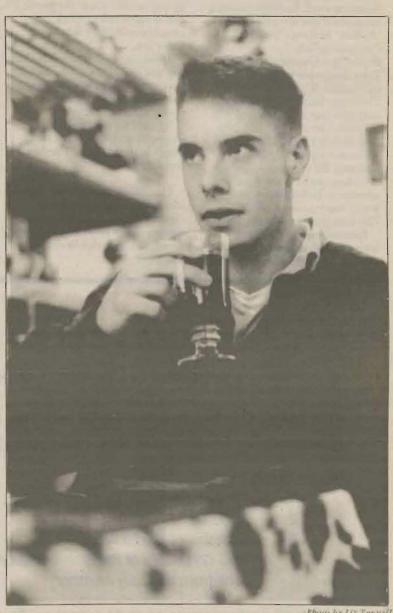
Starbucks: With 10 locations in the Tacoma vacinity, Starbucks should be easy for any wandering Lutes to find. They sell assorted coffee beverages, bottled beverages, fresh juices, pastries, cookies, danishes and scones. At some stores, customers can buy mugs, coffee or espresso makers, thermoses and grinders, among other coffee necessities. Most stores are open 5:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. seven days a week.

R&C Espresso: This shop serves Seattle's Best Coffee and espresso and is located in the Spanaway Village Shopping Center at 15723 Pacific Ave. S. Other menu items include milk shakes, ice cream cones, salad, soup, bagels, sandwiches, pizza and frozen yogurt. The store open Monday through Friday, 5 a.m. to 10 p.m.; Saturday, 6 a.m. to 10 a.m.; and Sunday 7

Cafe Lagniappe: It isn't open yet, but the owners are planning for a late April or early May opening date. The café will be in the old Marzano's location and will be connected with an archway to Sotto Voce. Coffee and espresso will be served, but it will specialize in pastries, and desserts. In the mornings, begneit, French doughnuts popular in New Orleans, will be served. The owners are considering making delivers to campus. Tentative hours are 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. with breakfast available until 10:30

The Antique Sandwich Company: This restaurant serves espresso and cqappuccino, imported coffee and teas and handmade sandwiches. It is located two blocks south of Point Defiance Park at 5102 N. Pearl. Coffee beverages cost between 35 cents and \$2.70. They open at 7 a.m. Monday through Saturday and 8 a.m. Sunday. They close at 7 p.m., except Tuesdays and Fridays when they stay open later for live performances. Open mic on Tuesdays costs \$2. Prices for the Friday night concert vary according to how much the performer charges. Classical music on Sundays is free, but donations are accepted.

Espress Oasis: The calé was destroyed in the Parkland fire two weeks ago. The owner, David Atkinson, is in the process of having a cart built and finding a new location. His wife, Doris Atkinson said he would like to stay in the PLU area and is currently looking into some locations.



Hans Hildebrand has a coffee at the Bossy Cow on Garfield Street. Hildebrand, a senior communications major, lives in an apartment above the shop.

# Out and About

# Post-college drama explores 'Reality'

By John Griffin Mast critic

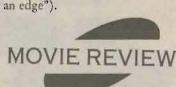
"Love in the '90s": lately it seems a popular topic for discussion in local coffee houses and it's also the primary subject matter of a new movie called "Reality Bites."

The film, just released by Universal Pictures, stars Winona ("Age of Innocence") Ryder and Ethan ("Alive") Hawke. Ryder is Lelaina Pierce, a still-wet college grad struggling to find a rewarding job and an equally rewarding relationship; neither, it seems, is all that accessible in this day and age.

In between career crises, Lelaina is working on another project. Objectively filming her colorful group of friends through good times and bad, Lelaina is assembling a documentary on life after college.

The progress she makes during the course of the movie is as enlightening to watch as it is entertaining. The audience gets a first-hand glimpse at the pressures facing today's youth once they have their education through the eyes of someone dealing with those pressures.

Spicing up Lelaina's love life are two guys from opposite sides of the proverbial tracks. In this corner, we have Troy (Hawke): her long-time friend who prefers alternative dress, Camel straights and obscure references. In the opposing corner: Michael (played by director Ben Stiller), about as yuppie as they come, who wears Italian suits, drinks mineral water and works as a producer for "In Your Face TV" (it's "MTV with



The film does a nice job of balancing the serious moments with the silly. But although issues like drug use, HIV and the effects of sex on friendship are addressed, the film is rarely preachy. Instead, audiences are invited to be a fly on the wall in the lives of 20-year-olds who, although fictitious, are portrayed with sensitivity and realism.

Also, the majority of the dialogue is surprisingly realistic, both in its structure (many a sentence is not even finished) and its appropriately current references. The primary characters continually become more

familiar to us in scenes such as when everybody breaks into "Conjunction Junction: What's Your Function?"

Although "Reality Bites" has the feel of a movie like "Singles," the former lacks the artificial commercialism that probably had a hand in the runaway success of the latter. (Is there anybody who didn't buy the "Singles" soundtrack?) That's not to say that "Reality Bites" doesn't have a good soundtrack. Much of the music that is heard underscoring the experiences of the film's characters can be found on the album. In fact, this soundtrack gets my award for Grooviest Theme Song as it sports "My Sherona," a blast from the '70s by the Knack. Crowded House and U2 also supply some great tunes.

Look out for surprise appearances. Soul Asylum lead singer Dave Pirner appears in the background once, and a hilarious cameo by MTV VeeJay Karen Duffy makes "Reality Bites" worth the price of admission.

What you get for your \$6 is an inside peek at life and love in the '90s through the lens of a post-college American discovering that reality is something you can't prepare for; you just have to live it.

# Os A briefs

#### KPLU honored by nominations

KPLU FM 88.5 didn't return from the 1994 Gavin Awards bearing trophies, but Martin Neeb, station general manager, isn't disappointed. The public radio station had been nominated for the sixth consecutive time for Jazz Station of the Year, and its music director, Joe

Cohn, was given a sixth nomination for Jazz Radio Person of the Year. Neither KPLU nor Cohn were named winners at the awards banquet in San Francisco on Feb. 19, but "all of us are extraordinarily proud of Joey Cohn and the staff," Neeb said. "To be nominated for six years in a row is unprecedented."

Nominations are made by 4,000 members of the music and radio industry. In 1991, KPLU became the first public radio station to win the award, and it captured the title again in 1992. In 1993, Joe Cohn, music director, was named Jazz Radio Person of the Year.

Neeb explained that KPLU is in competition for the awards with commercial jazz stations and stations with much larger markets.

This year's winner for station of the year was KIAZ, a commercial

This year's winner for station of the year was KJAZ, a commercial station from San Francisco, while Bobby Jackson from WCLK in Atlanta is 1994 Jazz Radio Person of the Year.

"For KPLU to be thought of in that context is a real honor for us and for the university and for the student body," Neeb said.

#### Co-Motion honors King in dance

Co-Motion Dance, Co. will round off Black History Month at PLU with "A Tribute to Martin Luther King, Jr." tonight at 7 p.m. in Eastvold Auditorium.

Co-Motion is a modern repertoire dance company, said Gary Reed, a dancer with the group.

Tonight's presentation is "a dance performance that also involves slides and narration to portray the history of Dr. King," Reed said. The the program was created by Gail-Hielbron and Jesse Jaramillo, directors of Co-Motion. Hielbron and Jaramillo choreographed most

of the dances, though the show also includes one designed by Reed.

The production is eight years old, part of the company's repertoire, and is performed approximately 70 times a season, Reed said. The program is run primarily during January, with a few February performance.

Most of the shows are given in elementary schools, junior highs and a few high schools, as "a much more artistic approach to King's work

than is usually portrayed," Reed said.

The program is sponsored by the English Department, PLU Dance

Ensemble and the Multi-Ethnic Resource Center.

#### Mr. Pete-

studio "feels like making music in a dentist's office." The always media-shy Rollins has also reportedly done all his own stuntdriving for his upcoming film debut, The Chase.

Rollins has no driver's license and has never owned a car. I'm not a big Hank fan, but I include this so that local Alternahunk Kip will think I'm cool. An important side note: when you do spell-check, "Rollins" becomes "rolling." Pretty cool, huh.

The Too Outrageous Nasty

Toon animation festival is going on through March 6 at the King Theatre in Seattle. Some of the titles this year include 9 and 1/2 Seconds, two versions of Little Red Riding Hood, and my personal favorite title: Who Calcutta the Cheese.

Tickets are \$7 at the door or \$6

Tickets are \$7 at the door or \$6 advance at Ticketmaster, and worth every penny. Call (206) 726-3006 for more details.

Remember, all you hipsters trying to cash in on the latest trend, it was shows like this where continued from page 7

pop icons such as Ren and Stimpy and Beavis and Butt-Head got their start. Signal Has anyone else noticed that this "entertainment" column has been musicnews-heavy? As a

Chevy? Pure excitement? Misled?
Oh, by the way, even though
the hippest/coolest guy this side
of the end says he loved it, I have
this to say this about the movie
that is supposed to speak to my
generation: Reality Bites bites.

Speaking of Generation X, does any one else get mad that Tabitha Soren and Perry Ferrel are the voices of our generation? I thought that was Pepsi?

So until we meet again, let me leave you with this: Just exactly where in the world IS Carmen Sandiego?

Pete Guertner is an unsuccessful alcoholic who is upset that the closest thing to genetalia in this weeks column is the butt in Butt-Head, but adds that he did say it

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thing to do with life," he said, and noted a song which talked about the gay community as an example.

Several other songs deal with broken hearts. "Almost every single person in the band is a hopeless romantic," Johnson explained.

Hanson writes most of the lyrics for the group.
"I'm in this mostly for the

"I'm in this mostly for the songs that we write," he said, adding that he doesn't like the club scene. The only way he can be coerced into a club is if Mr. Happy is playing there.

Hanson said he gains most of

Hanson said he gains most of his song-writing inspiration "from a really, really bad love life."

Tonight's concert is free, but donations are requested.

All proceeds will go to the PLU chapter of Habitat for Humanity in an effort to help its members fund their spring break trip to build houses in South Dakota.

### What's Happening. . .

#### Friday, Feb. 25

The Karpeles Manuscript Library Museum presents from Mozart to Strabinksi, an exhibition of musical documents. Original sheetmusic of these and other composers will be on display today and Feb. 27 at 407 S. G St., Tacoma. For times, call 383-2575. Free.

#### Saturday, Feb. 26

PLU Hockey Night with the Tacoma Rockets begins at 7:05 p.m. in the Tacoma Dome as the Rockets take on the Spokane Chiefs. Tickets available for \$5 through Feb. 25 at the Information Desk in the University Center.

#### Thursday, March 3

The last day of the University Gallery's Alumni Exhibition, displaying work by alumni artists. Located in Ingram Hall, the event has a variety of media, from painting to sculpture. Gallery hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Free.

#### Friday, March 4

The Group presents To Be Young, Gifted & Black, a tribute to playwright Lorraine Hansberry, who wrote A Raisin in the Sun. The curtain rises at 8 p.m. in the Center House at the Seattle Center. Admission: \$14-\$19, \$5 for students.

Songs of Praise and Liberation from Around the World will be a concert given by Linda Breitag, Mary Preus, and Tome Witt. The program starts at 7:30 p.m. in the Scandinavian Cultural Center. Free will offerings will be accepted.

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# SPORTS

# Wrestlers storm into district on roll

#### Close match with CWU gives grapplers added confidence

By Ben Moore Mast sports editor

When the Lutes sent wrestler Tim Horn to the mat in the last match on Saturday, he got a little more than he had bargained for.

#### WRESTLING

Last week's record: 1-0 Overall record: 5-10-1 Next match: Saturaday, Bi-District Championships, 9 a.m.

Outweighed by at least 50 pounds, Horn's task was to hold the team's lead over Central Washington. Though he was not able to win the match, Horn avoided a near pin that would have given Central the victory. Instead the Lutes walked away with a 16-15

Also making the win possible was senior Brian Peterson, with the Lute's only superior decision,

"It was a whole team effort," Peterson said. "I wrestled well, but I didn't do my full potential."

Peterson cited his illness at the time as part of the reason he did not do as well as expected.
"I knew I probably wouldn't get

the pin, but I thought maybe I could get a technical fall," said Peterson who extended his dual match record to 37-5.

With the Bi-District Championships happening on Saturday, Peterson feels confident about his team's performance.

"I think our team is right where we should be," Peterson said. We're peaking at the right time."

The Lutes will start the tournament Saturday at 9 a.m. in Olson Auditorium.

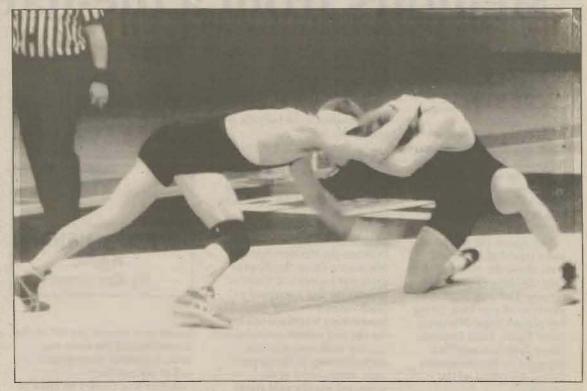


photo by Matt Kusche

Chris DiCugno locks up with a Central Washington opponent at the match last Friday.

#### Women's hoops ends season with win

By Lisa Erickson Mast reporter

After a tough season, plagued by injury and inexperience, the women's basketball team put everything together for its season finale. On their home court Tues-day night, they defeated Northwest College, 64-57, finishing the season with an overall record of 2-22.

#### W-BASKETBALL

Last week's record: 1-2 Overall record: 2-22

"We had to work for it. I was glad we had to push and stretch. I think close games are the fun ones to win anyway." Coach Mary Ann Kluge said.

At the end of the first half, the Lutes were down by ten points. The deficit was a result of 20 first half turnovers and Northwest's 12 points from the free throw line.

Kluge said the team had planned to press but it backfired. North-

Northwest's leading scorer, Dawn Reid keputhe Eagles close in the second half, but the Lutes went on a run led by sophomore Mari Hoseth Hoseth led all scorers with 18 points, including one three pointer. Her scoring run tied the

"Mari came through with a great game. For her to set up and shoot so well, it picked us up and pushed us through. Her teammates also did a great job of giving her the ball," Kluge said.

For the first time this season, PLU had three players in double figures. Sophomore Jennifer Riches scored 16 and senior Cathy Clayton had 12, in her last game as a Lute.

Kluge said the team had been looking to improve parts of the game that they had control over. This included offensive rebounds and free throws.

Both of these areas were strong on Tuesday.

The team had 27 offensive rebounds, led by Kyann Johnson with seven, and an 87 percent free throw percentage.

The offensive rebounds were also strong Saturday at Linfield Colwest was also shooting 52 percent lege. The Lutes snagged 19 offen-

in the first half to PLU's 28 per- sive rebounds, but had shooting trouble and lost the game 48-80.

Riches had a strong game with 18 points and five rebounds. The team attempted 65 shots, but were only able to sink 17 of them, resulting in a 27 percent field goal percentage, compared to the Wildcats

50 percent from the field. In every other area of the game, the Lutes stayed close. They only turned the ball over 19 times and grabbed 42 rebounds.

On Friday, at Willamette University, PLU once again had problems with their shooting, fosing

"We had a shooting percentage deficit in both games. We had an equal amount of shots, but Willamette scored 60 percent," Kluge said.

Karen Weberg was the leading scorer with 11 points. Kluge said she was able to get good shots both from penetrating and hitting three pointers.

She was three of four from outside the line.

The rest of the team was shut down by Willamette's defense. They had seven blocked shots and nine steals. Kluge said they did a ood job of shutting down Kiches,

#### Men's hoops lose last two

By Matt Telleen Mast reporter

Going in to this season, no one knew just how bad the PLU basketball team was going to be affected by losing three of their top scorers from a season before. With only two starters back from last season, a young team struggled through a rough sea-

The season ended Saturday night with a 70-64 loss at Linfield. Sophomore Eric Peterson led the team with 13 points and Junior Jason Dahlberg added 12. The team lost on Thursday 78-62 at Willamette which brought the teams final record to 8-19 and 2-10 in conference. Junior Matt Ashworth led the Lutes with 18

but they shot just 34 percent from the floor and were out rebounded 45 to 39.

Head coach Bruce Haroldson said that the team suffered from early distractions, like senior Shawn Portmann quitting and junior Rico Ancheta being lost

"I thought we played pretty close to our potential after we got into the conference sched-

ule," Haroldson said Haroldson felt that the team was close to being conference contenders, but that one or two ingredients were missing. "Our albatrosses all year were turnovers and fouls. Dribbling errors and passing errors caught up with us."

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#### Men's Tennis starts off hot

By Lisa-Erickson Mast reporter

The men's tennis team successfully avoided the impending threat of rain to complete its first weekend of competition by sweeping three matches.

Monday, while most of the area

#### M-TENNIS

Last week's record: 3-0 Overall record: 3-0 Next match: Today at Pacific University, 2 p.m.

was experiencing light snowfall, the sun was shining over the Lutes as they traveled to and beat Seattle

University 9-0. Seattle University has been the top team in the District the last three years, but this year they're suffering from the loss of all last year's top six players. PLU, who lost no one, dominated the entire match.

In all its singles matches, PLU only gave up twelve games, winning every match in two sets. Senior and No. 1 player Lars Vetterstad had the closest match, surpassing Marcos Agudo, of Seattle U., by the score of 6-1, 6-3.

The only difficulty the Lutes came across was the first doubles match. Vetterstad and junior Andy Jansen lost the first match 6-7, but battled back to a win their next two matches 6-4, 6-2.

'We're still feeling along our doubles combinations. These matches were valuable in getting experience," Mike Benson said.

Chris Egan played No. 1 on Sat-urday against Western Washington and led the Lutes to their first shutout of the season. The Lutes played without Vetterstad, but were helped with the additions of Andy Jansen and Dave Benson.

Benson said the team is so deep in talent, he rotates players every match to allow everyone a chance to compete. Ten different players all got some experience last week-

No. 2 Scott Erickson lost his first match 4-6, but fought back and lost no games during the second set. Benson said Erickson played solid in his matches last weekend.

The season opener for the Lutes See TENNIS, page 13

# SPORTS ON TAP

#### Wrestling

Saturday - NAIA Bi-District Tournament at Olson Auditorium, 9 a.m.

#### Lacrosse

Saturday - at University of Oregon, 1 p.m. Sunday — at Oregon State University, noon.

#### Men's Tennis

Today — at Pacific University, 2 p.m. Saturday — at University of Portland, 1 p.m.

#### Women's Tennis

Tuesday - at University of Puget Sound, 3 p.m.

#### Baseball

Saturday - vs. Concordia (DH), noon. Sunday — at University of Portland, 1 p.m.

#### Swimming

Thursday - at NAIA Championships, King County Aquatic Center, 10 a.m.

# Memoirs from a die-hard Mariners fan

It's that time of year again. The time when the "Boys of Summer" head to Arizona or Florida for spring training to prepare for the upcoming baseball season.

The Seattle Mariners are optimistic about their chances to win the AL West this year. Every spring the Mariners

are optimistic. But this year is different. The M's are favored to win the West.

Last season the Mariners had a record of 82-80 and were above the .500 mark for only the second time in club history. The team battled adversity all year long, losing key players Edgar Martinez, Chris Bosio, Brian Holman, Norm Charlton and Tino Martinez to various injuries during the course of the season.

If the team can stay healthy, there may be pennant fever in the Pacific Northwest. Still, with all the anticipation of a team that could be a contender, I have an empty feeling inside.

I miss the bad Mariners of

I have always loved the Mariners. Before the moose, before the fashionable teal and blue uniforms and way before Skippy Nordquist began doing commercials.

When I attended Mariner games in high school, box seat

tickets cost \$3.50. Actually that was the price for general admission, and we would casually move down to the box seats of our choice. Obviously this can not be accomplished if the ballpark is reasonably full.

Our favorite spot was right behind the opposing team's bullpen. We would make small-talk with the relievers and have them critique our All Star Game ballot selections.

I recently discovered a program from a game in 1981 between the Mariners and the Minnesota Twins. In the program was a scorecard where it appears my dad attempted to teach me how to keep score. My handwriting was much too big for the tiny squares provided and my dad took over after the second inning. In the upper right-hand corner of the scorecard was the paid attendance.

A whopping 6,443.

6,443 may seem like a ton of people at Cheaney Stadium, but anything below 15,000 in the Kingdome and the place seems pretty empty.

One thing is certain about that Twins, Mariners game in 1981, the only people in attendance were true M's lans.

Mariner's fans of the 80s seemed to feel a certain closeness with the team, they were our team. They weren't popular around the country. And there no local fans would jump on the



KOOL-HAND KARL By Karl Hoseth

bandwagon toward the end of the season because the team was never in serious contention at the end of the season.

Before Ken Griffey Jr. came to Seattle, a small crowd would gather outside the Kingdome waiting for autographs. Mariner players would walk to their cars and opposing players would walk about 30 yards to the team bus. Unless the Yankees were in town, there was never a large enough gathering after the game to pose a problem for the players, and most would sign as they walked.

I used to walk with shortstop, Rey Quinones to his car after almost every game I attended. I always used to tell him he was my lavorite Mariner. He would get a big smile on his face, say, "Oh

really?" and sign my card.

On one particular night, I wanted Rey to personalize an autograph on a picture I had taken with him. I asked him if he

would put, "To: Karl with a K." He said, "To: Carlos?" I said, "No, Karl." Making sure to enunciate.

He said, "Carlos?" I said, "No, Karl. K-a-r-l." He signed it, 'Rey Quinones, To Carlos.

After thanking him, and getting over the initial disappointment of having a picture of me signed 'To Carlos', I realized I had several personalized autographs that said To

Karl.' This one was special. Today with several of the Mariners making over one million dollars, the team parking is in a sealed off lot. The opposing team now pulls its bus up to the gate to allow players to step into the vehicle without having to deal with autograph seekers. Even with these deterrences, there are hundreds of kids who wait after games for a glimpse of their favorite player.

The veterans for this year's team are Edgar Martinez and Tino Martinez. What ever happened to veterans like Gaylord Perry, 'Stormin' Gorman Thomas, or Bob 'Sarge' Kearney? Those were veterans who actually looked old.

Who could forget Jack Perconte, the player every father wanted his son to emulate. Perconte not only

hustled to first base after a walk, he hustled from the on-deck circle to the batter's box. Or Ken Phelps who had the alltime. worst mug shot ever displayed on the Diamond Vision screen. Or the great slugger Willie Horton who was hitting pop flies off speakers for ground-rule doubles long before someone with the same name got Michael Dukakis in trouble.

I long for the day the Mariners have a 'turn back the clock night', and bring back the old uniforms with the yellow pitchfork. The U.S.S. Mariner would come out of retirement to shoot off cannon ball blasts behind the center field fence after every Mariner home run. At the same time, Rick Rizz would be back to join Dave Neihaus in the broadcast booth with a

spirited, "Good-bye baseball!" The exuberant Frank Howard would be back coaching first base, and the mellow Ozzie Virgil would be giving signs at third.

The difference between my dream game and the way it used to be is there probably will be more than 6,443 people, and box seats cost

Karl Hoseth is a senior who believes Larry Bird deserves an Academy Award for Best Sup-porting Actor for his stunning performance in Blue Chips.

#### **MTennis**

The season opener for the Lutes was Friday at UPS. The Lutes started strong, with No. 2 Egan being the only player to lose. "UPS is the strongest contender

we had this weekend. I'm most pleased by the UPS match. To have us play our first match and do that well," Benson said.

Sophomore Paul Hemry played the first match of his collegiate career and came our victorious, by

the score of 5-7, 6-1, 6-3. Junior Shane Velezalso dropped his first set before winning 2-6, 6-2, 6-3.

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"Shane and Paul got things going after their first set. From then on the scores were convincing,'

team's experience showed. I saw patience, composure, steadiness in the way they played. To be seeing that this early in the season is a good thing," Benson said.

their domination this weekend, as they travel to Oregon to meet their first Conference contender Pacific and NCAA Division I University

Benson said. "All in all, I was impressed. The

The Lutes will try to continue of Portland.

# Swimmers look to nationals after solid showing at districts

Districts prove profitable for new national qualifiers

> By Bryan Sudderth Mast reporter

The Lute swimmers went to the District Championships in Ellensburg with goals of qualifying

more people for nationals.

They succeeded in doing so and qualified some swimmers who were already going to nationals in Federal Way next weekend for additional

Both teams finished in the middle of the pack in the ten team field. They both finished more than 100 points ahead of the next team separating themselves from the lower echelon of teams in the

Freshman Bret Bastain finished second in the 1650 freestyle, sur-

passing his conference meet time by 47 seconds and beating the next two competitors by a little more than a second in the 17 minute

Senior and three-year letterman Brenna Johnson had a strong swim in the 1650 freestyle as well, finishing fourth in a very spread out field of 18 swimmers.

#### SWIMMING

Men's record: 6-4 Women's record: 5-5 Next meet: NAIA Championships at King County Aquatic Center, 10 a.m.

Masako Watanabe finished one second behind three of the top four finishers as she took fifth.

New qualifiers for nationals for the men are Casey Alex in the 100 fly and backstroke, Bastain and Len Chamberlain in the 1650

freestyle, Levi Dean in the 200 Free, John Kupka in the 100 and 200 Breaststroke, Pat Raftery in the 100 breast, and Keoki Siegmund in the 100 backstroke.

Mary Carr, Kristin Gordon and Masako Watanabe have qualified for more events than they're allowed to swim. They will be asked to choose three events in which to

The swimmers have been improving all season and the districts were no exception. Their goal is to peak at nationals and have a good

Coach Jim Johnson said, "The guys hope to break at least two school records in the relay events ... maybe five."

The relays are an important part of the team score Johnson explained.

"They have always been a cornerstone of our team and we're going to work real hard on them," Johnson said.

The nationals begin next Thursday at the King County Aquatic Center in Federal Way. The pool was built for the Goodwill Games and is an Olympic class pool.

Tickets to see all the sessions are on sale now in the UC. The passes cost \$15 for students and \$25 for adults. Passes for individual sessions to see specific events will be on sale at the pool.



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# SPORTS



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Guard Rico Ancheta works on his physical therapy. Ancheta recently had another season-ending injury.

# Ancheta deals with growing pains

By Lisa Erickson Mast reporter

After two seasons of injuries, junior Rico Ancheta just wanted to enjoy being a member of the men's basketball team this year, but that goal snapped along with his tendon during a home game against St. Martin's on Jan. 4.

During the game, Rico hyper-extended his leg and an opposing player landed on it, causing his right patella tendon to rupture completely. The patella tendon is located below the knee cap and is attached to the quadriceps.
At the time of his injury,

Ancheta, a point guard, was second in the league in assists and was looking forward the season.

This one was hard because I was having fun playing. My biggest goal was to have fun, and I was. It was disappointing in that respect," Ancheta said.

To compensate for the loss of Anchera, Coach Bruce Haroldson had to adjust the rotation and move players to new positions. Sophomore Erik Peterson said he felt the loss of Rico's positive attitude the

"He was a good spirit to have at practice, always keeping people up. It hurts to loose a good point guard like that," Peterson said.

Ancheta had surgery to repair the torn tendon and stitches were used to help repair the muscles around his knee that were also injured. His doctor told him that it would be six months before he would even be able to estimate a complete recovery date.

Yet, injuries and time out from basketball are nothing new to him. Entering his junior season this year, Ancheta had yet to complete an entire college season without missing games due to injury.

In his three years as a member of the Puyallup High School team, Rico missed one season due to a broken ankle.

"I've had five or so broken bones, but it seems like the last couple years have been worse," Ancheta said.

The summer before his freshman year at PLU, he was playing in a pick-up game when he broke his ankle. He was in a cast for about five weeks, but it was off in time for the season to start. The ankle lasted two games before Rico decided to have reconstructive surgery.

Recovery from the surgery carried into his sophomore season. He was able to play, but the ankle was still sore and his knees began to hurt because he was trying to compensate for limited ankle use by putting extra pressure on his knees. The pain and pressure kept him out for approximately 13 games.

After the disappointment of the past three seasons, Ancheta, who will graduate next December, does not know if he will be able to return to the team for his senior season.

"I learned from the ankle injury that you can't set recovery goals. It takes patience, and you have to rehabilitate and work hard. Patience is the key," Ancheta said.

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#### Lacrosse loses to Linfield

By Chris Egan Mast intern

The sport of lacrosse is rapidly becoming popular in the Northwest due to it's last pace and hard hitting action. And the Lutes lacrosse team is providing plenty of hard hits and fast, flying action.

With most of last year's top players back and the addition of some strong newcomers, this year's team could prove to be one of the tougher squads around.

"We've got a young team, yet they are very, very talented and should get a lot stronger as the year rolls on," junior Kristian Erickson said.

The Lutes were victorious in their season opener against Lewis and Clark College, crushing the Pioneers 12-4. Erickson could not be cooled

down as he put in five goals, while senior co-captain John McGoldrick had three goals with the hat trick.

In the home opener on Saturday, the Lutes suffered their first loss of the year, 8-17 to a tough Linfield team. Onceagain Erickson and McGoldrick led the way in scoring for the Lutes, as Erickson knocked in four goals and McGoldrick had two hit the back of the net. Junior cocaptain Eric Anthony and senior Tom Ferguson played solid defense for the Lutes

throughout the game.

The Lutes will battle with the Beavers of Oregon State this Sunday down in Corvallis, Ore. and will be back at PLU March 5 and 6 when they will prepare to take on Western Washington and the University of Washington.



Winding up

photo by Jim Keller

Discus thrower Travis Hale prepares for a practice throw at the team's practice Tuesday. The Lute's first meet is March 5 at the University of Washington.

#### Hoops

This season was not without some highlights. Junior Matt Ashworth was named second team all-conference and senior Denathan Williams received honorable mention. Haroldson was proud of the way Ashworth stuck to his mitments from the beginning of the season.

"Matt Ashworth maintained commitment over the course of the year. There were so many areas where his focus was strong. Other coaches and players noticed and they respected him," Haroldson

The team will lose two starters to graduation, Williams and Rob Hines. Haroldson said these players provided important communication between the coaches and

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the players throughout the season as well as stability on the court.

Williams was the team's second leading scorer and rebounder and led the team in minutes played during the 1993-94 season.

Fornext season, Haroldson says

that the returners cannot stand pat.

"Each Player needs to look inside themselves and decide what they need to do. There's a lot of the room for improvement, especially in dedication and preparation,'



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# NATION

# 'Wake up call' for college leadership

Report finds mismatch between skill level and jobs

#### By College Press Service

RACINE, Wis.-America's system of higher education is not preparing graduates to meet the nation's future educational needs in terms of skills, knowledge and ethics, a report charges.

The report, issued last December by the Wingspread Group on Higher Education after a year's study by both business and education leaders, challenges the nation's 3,400 colleges and university institutions to engage in a candid, far-reaching assessment of the state of higher education.

"A disturbing and dangerous mismatch exists between what American society needs from higher education and what it is receiving. The mismatch is most dangerous in the area of undergraduate education," the report

"The American imperative for the 21st century is that society must hold higher education to much higher expectations or risk national decline.'

The United States will find it increasingly difficult to compete in a global economy unless undergraduates gain a higher degree of skills and knowledge than they are currently getting," said William Brock, a former U.S. senator, secretary of labor and also the current chairman of the

"We have issued this wake up

call' to alert the leadership of the nation's college and universities that they must rethink their basic assumptions and how they go about their business," Brock

"Too much of higher education and education at every level seems to be organized for the convenience of educators.

Too many of our institutions of higher learning fail to put stu-dent learning first. Too many are conveying to students that individual and community values—civility, tolerance, hard work, compassion-don't matter very

Today we worry that the core values may be shifting and that the sentiments expressed are different: "Don't get involved," "I gave at the office," "It's only cheating if you get caught." Too many of us today worry about "me" at the expense of "we," the

'And, too many are failing to create the habits of mind necessary for lifelong learning," Brock

The Wingspread report also challenges college trustees, adminstrators, faculty and stu-

· Evaluate themselves against a 42-point "self-assessment checklist" and make a public institutional development plan to reinforce stronger programs and improve areas of weaknesses.

Define and publish higher admission and graduation standards and develop ways to measure institutional and student progress toward those standards.

· Develop a required core curriculum to assure students a broad liberal education in addition to a professional education.

# Education budget in for a change

By Charles Dervarics College Press Service

The Clinton administration's fiscal 1995 education budget seeks an extra 4.5 percent for student financial aid, but the plan also calls for restructuring some programs as part of a consolidation that could affect college students.

The budget blueprint includes a \$100 increase in the maximum Pell Grant, which could signal the first increase for the grant in three years. If enacted by Congress, the plan calls for a maximum grant of \$2,400—the same as in 1992 before lawmakers cut the program as part of deficit reduction.

U.S. Department of Education officials estimate that a record 4.1 million Pell Grants will be awarded during the 1995-96 school year and expect the average grant to increase from \$1,492 to \$1,549 by 1995.

The department's student aid budget also contains \$100 million more for college work-study, bringing total funding for that program to \$717 million. But the department would offset some of this gain by eliminating State Student Incentive Grants (SSIG), a federal matching fund that encourages states to offer their own financial aid programs.

In calling for elimination of this grant, states have established programs that would continue regardless of the federal match. The SSIG program received \$72 million this fiscal year.

Federal support for Perkins Loans is at stake, in which federal money is used in addition to loans provided by indivdual colleges and universities. New federal capital contributions to the program totaled \$158 million in 1994; no new funds are planned for next year.

Despite these two cutbacks, Education Secretary Richard Riley called the budget a net plus for students and educators. "The president's request for an increase cent in 1995 under the Clinton

his resolve to ensure that our citizens and our nation are well prepared for, and able to compete and prosper in, the new global economy," Riley said. Student reaction

But some student groups charged that the budget proposal shortchanges the nation's youth.

"We're very disappointed," said Stephanie Arellano, vice president of the United States Student Association. Arellano criticized the proposed elimination of the two programs. He also said the \$100 Pell Grant increase was not much of a

Elimination of SSIG also could have negative ramifications for students, she said, since states use that money as an incentive to fund their own financial aid programs. "This cut puts more of a burden on the states," many of which are hardpressed to fund higher education, Arellano said.

Other education groups also had hoped for higher student aid funding levels in the president's budget request. On Feb. 4, Maryland's Harford Community College President Richard Pappas testified before Congress and asked for an increase of at least \$200 in the maximum Pell Grant-twice the level of the president's requested increase.

Congress will have the final say on federal funding levels for 1995, and lawmakers are expected to continue hearings this spring before they mark up spending bills during the summer and fall.

Expanded programs

As expected, the budget plan calls for a dramatic expansion of the government's new experiment with direct loans, in which governmentprovided loan capital goes directly to students without involvement from banks and otherlinstitutions.

Direct loans currently account tor 5 percent of student loan volume but would increase to 40 perin education funding underscores plan. More than 100 colleges and

universities are now participating in the first phase of the project, with more institutions expected to join the program next year.

The administration also proposes \$35 million for a two-year-old program to better monitor student financial aid activities.

Another of the president's favorite programs-national service—would receive a boost in the budget. Colleges and universities would be required to spend at least 10 percent of their work-study dollars on community service jobs, and students who choose a lowpaying service career after college could pay back their student loans overlonger periods with payments based on income.

#### Eliminations

In addition, the Clinton budget calls for elimination of many small higher education programs, including: cooperative education, which combines education and work experience, currently funded at \$13.7 million; law school clinical experience, funded at \$14.9 million; and scholarships for women and minority participation in graduate education, which receives \$5.9 million. The graduate program would be combined with other post baccalaureate programs.

Funding for historically black universities would increase by 4.6 percent, while federal funding for scholarships and fellowships would jump by about 4 percent.

Overall, the budget request would cut or eliminate more than 30 education programs as part of department-wide restructuring. The budget seeks similar changes at other federal agencies as the White House tries to keep federal spending within the confines of a five-year, \$500 billion deficit reduction plan hammered out by the president and Congress last

The president's 1995 budget plan projects a federal deficit of \$176 million, which —if achieved—would be the lowest since 1985.

# Studies show conflicting data for job outlook

Experts give students bleak and optimistic biring prospects for their employment future

By Jennifer Burgess College Press Service

For new college graduates now may be the time to update their resumes and interview clothes-there are plenty of jobs out there for the taking.

But then again, perhaps you should make plans to move back home and leech off Mom and Dad until the job outlook improves.

Are there jobs out there? It depends on

whom you want to believe. The bright news: An increase in hiring is projected in 1994 for new college graduates, according to the 23rd annual edition of Recruiting Trends, a Michigan State

University report. The bad news: The outlook is bleak and recent graduates are going to face stiff competition for jobs, according to the U.S. Department of Labor's Occupation Outlook

Quarterly. The more re-assuring survey for graduates, which was researched by Michigan State, reported a 1.1 percent increase in hiring over last year. This is the first increase projected in the past five years.

In addition to an increase in jobs, starting salaries are expected to be 0.4 percent higher than last year, Recruiting Trends said.

The highest anticipated increases are for majors in chemistry, computer science, industrial, civil and mechanical engineering, mathematics and accounting.

According to the Research Trends survey,

several fields are emerging with vast opportunities for employment. Among the rising occupations reported by the surveyed companies are computer-related fields, business systems analysts, environmental engineers and scientists, health care and medical specialists, and communications and multi-media specialists.

Alan Schonberg, president of Sales Consultants International, said the upturn in hiring is heartening news for people who are looking for jobs in sales and marketing. "As the economy gets better and better, we will see everincreasing sales and marketing hiring," he said.

The highest starting salaries for graduates with bachelor's degrees are chemical engineering majors at \$40,300. The results are based on the responses of 4,600 employers in industry and government agencies.

When asked what advice the employers have for recent college graduates, the most frequent response was to have realistic

expectations. "Get in touch with reality; reduce your 'hat size,"' the Michigan State survey said. "New-graduates cannot demonstrate that they are overqualified for a job until they try it on for size." Employers also said that if you get a new job and it's not what you expected, don't worry. Most companies reported that they don't expect to hire a college graduate and have that person be with the company for a lifetime. There is so much change happening in the workplace



that most companies cannot guaranteelifetime employment.

"The expectation for an individual to 'marry' an organization is no longer the norm," the survey said.

Employers recommend starting at an entry-level position. "Get started in an organization that offers a career ladder and produce outstanding results," the survey said. Promotions will come later.'

"Employment projection for the 1990-

2005 period indicate that the average annual openings in jobs requiring a degree will number fewer than during the 19841990 period," wrote economist Kristina J. Shelley in the Occupation Outlook Quarterly.

Work experience will become as important, if not more important than education for some jobs, according to Shelley, because of the growing number of bachelor's degrees awarded each year that force graduates to compete for fewer jobs.

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# Profs assess PLU academics

Academic atmosphere "serious" in spite of lowered expectations

> By Mike Lee Mast editor

In 1991, PLU's academic reputation was ranked near the top among Western universities in the annual U.S. News and World Report college guide.

Since then, however, PLU's reputation has plummeted from five to 20 points off the pace set by regional front-runners, as deter-mined by the U.S. News survey of college administrators.

While the school's image in the outside world will affect employer and graduate school interest, only those at PLU can accurately reflect the school's academic atmosphere—and even they are hesitant

"It's a muddy issue," said English professor Paul Benton, a 25-year veteran of PLU. "There is a natural tendency for faculty to be nostalgic about the past. But I am self-critical enough to know that is probably an illusion.

For Associate Provost David Yagow, PLU presents an "academically serious, intellectually challenging" atmosphere to students and faculty alike. Faculty are en-couraged by what he noted as a successful sabbatical program, Regency teaching awards and the newly established Center for Teaching and Learning.

However well professors are being intellectually stimulated, only about 40 of PLU's faculty members are truly innovative and vital additions to the classroom, psy-chology professor Brian Baird said.

Further, said Baird, even those energetic professors have not developed a system of classes and

activities that guarentees a quality education. "If you were paying \$60,000 for an automobile, you'd kind of like to know the engineers got together and talked about it," said Baird. "There is absolutely no assurance of that here or on any other campus."

As for the students, "My observation is that generally (they)will perform up to the levels allowed, modeled and expected by their professors," said Baird, who wants to

respect for others' feelings, but "I can't remember when two students have had a real intellectual argu-

ment about anything."
While Lutes tend to be timid, they are also largely honest. "My own gut sense is that PLU students are a pretty honest bunch," Benton said. "I think that most PLU students would be embarrassed to cheat,

And yet, many students may not be aware of what cheating is because faculty rarely address the subject, Baird said. He is confident that cheating, especially in the form of plagiarism, exists, "but we don't

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see faculty challenge students to a greater degree. Coinciding with decreased instructor expectations Baird noted a decline in the level of student preparation for class in his eight years at PLU.

The most important student shortcoming at present, Baird said, is the "greater number of students who don't know what they don't

Benton categorizes students in two groups: the "genuine intellectuals" who find almost anything interesting, and those who are at PLU to fulfill some other life goal. Benton finds more students in the latter category, but does not think they necessarily detract from the intellectual climate.

What he does note is a reservation that keeps students from engaging each other in intellectual dialogue. Perhaps, he says, it is the have a very good system of track-ing people," he said. The most difficult aspect of the

academic atmosphere to gauge seems to be grading, especially as it is linked to "grade inflation," the gradual rise of grades for work of the same quality

"We haven't escaped grade inflation," Yagow said, "but I don't think it's the kind of problem here that it may be in some other places.' Benton agrees that grade inflation is not a pressing problem for the university, but finds himself deal-

It's probably harder for me to give C's than it used to be," Benton

Baird says he has also been guilty of grade inflation, but calls it a "disservice" to the students. "It's like we don't want to hurt people's

# Quality of education decreasing across nation

By Mike Lee Mast editor

While the costs and expectations for higher education continue to rise, many say that the performance level of .U.S. schools and students is dropping at an alarming rate.

At Washington State University, a professor claims her students are "anti-intellectuals," interested only in getting away from home to party.

"They're not here for the love of learning, and the life of the mind is something that is simplynot part of their experience," professor Nancy McKee was quoted as saying in the Daily Evergreen, WSU's student newspaper. McKee "concluded that only 5 to 10 percent of WSU undergrads are interested in the more intellectual aspects of their studies."

A 20,000 word report from the Wingspread Group on Higher Education states that schools are just as much at fault for the decline in education standards as students are. The Group, comprised of educators, corporate officers and labor leaders, is concerned with improving American education.

According to the report, "Campuses spend far more time and money establishing the credentials of applicants than assessing the ... competencies of their graduates."

Further said Wingspread, "academic expectations on many campuses are too low, and it shows." These lowered expectations lead to lowered performance, as documented by

the 1993 National Adult Literacy Survey. The survey found that "surprisingly large num-bers" of college graduates cannot use basic reading, writing and arithmetic skills in everyday life.

The Wingspread Group also reported that nearly 40 percent of recent graduates did not earn a single credit in English or American literature, and nearly 60 percent graduated without

taking a foreign language. In his school's monthly publication, Hillsdale College President George Roche blames educational decline on government interference in hiring and entrance quotas. "When merit ceases to be the primary qualifi-cation for college admissions and hiring policies, should we be surprised when it is absent in the classroom, as well?"

Poor academic atmosphere in classrooms leads to a national dropout rate of 50 percent be-fore graduation, Roche said. This means declining income for universities, Roche said, which are already notorious for being the "worst-run institutions in the country.'

The Wingspread Group's pre-diction: "Either educators or other Americans raise their sights and take the difficult steps described in this open letter, or we all face the certain and unpleasant prospect of national decline.'

Roche agrees. The "loss of quality in education is enormous and has negative consequences not only for the immediate welfare of this generation, but also for generations to come."

# College avoids cheating and theft with honor system

#### By College Press Service

MEMPHIS, Tenn.—Honesty is not just the best policy at Rhodes College, it's the only policy.

At Rhodes, which is considered to have one of the toughest honor code systems in the nation, it is assumed that students do not lie, cheat or steal.

Students who eat lunch in the cafeteria can carelessly drop backpacks on the floor with certainty that nothing will happen to their possessions. No one checks to see if they have paid for their meals. Professors leave classrooms unattended during tests. Examinations are left on computer programs that are easily accessible to students, and if a student elects to take a test early, it is expected that he or she will not divulge any of the questions.

"It gives students a sense of control over

their environment," said Chris Campbell, president of the Student Honor Council, which investigates alleged infractions of the code. "Students have more at stake in what's going on in the classroom. If one student cheats and the professor happens to grade on a curve, that affects the others in the class. It's fairer for students to be judged by their

All first-year students are told that they have to sign a pledge not to cheat, steal or lie and to report anyone who does. New students walk up, one by one, and sign their names in a large leather volume that is the honor code book itself and pledge to live up to the standards of community life at Rhodes College.

"These standards, by which we all agreed to live, protect our personal freedom by encouraging a climate of trust, concern and respect conducive to learning and growing,"

the pledge reads in part.
The Honor Council is tough on violators. About half of the students hauled before the student-run council were turned in by other students. In the past five years, the council has placed 47 students on probation, suspended 16 and expelled seven.

All reports of violations are brought before the council, which investigates the incident. If it is determined that an infraction has been committed, the council convenes a hearing in which the student is either exonerated, placed on probation, suspended or

There is an appeal panel of faculty and administrators which can uphold the decision or recommend a different course of action. But the council's ruling stands virtually in all cases.

Faculty members said they were generally pleased with the results of the honor code. "I leave my purse in my office in plain sight and don't lock my office door when I am on campus," said Dee Birnbaum, profes-

sor of economics. However, she said the honesty of students, faculty and staff at the college tends to lull them into a false sense of security.

The worst part about the honor code, for me, is that I have become too relaxed about looking after my property," she said. "The problem is that I'm afraid that I'm losing that paranoid edge that permits me to survive in other places like New York.'

Milton Brown, professor of religious studies, said he likes the message that the system conveys to students. The honor code, he said, "encourages authenticity, being accountable for oneself in the context of a true community of responsible selves, having a sense of interdependence that fosters and expects the best in others."

#### Forums-

Seal's paper, "Curiosity and Creativity," suggested that while faculty members continue to push data-oriented classes, "the next Bill Gates is out there, dropping out of Harvard or PLU."

Schultz said a lot of brainstorming went on at the "Curiosity and Creativity" table, where she sat in on the discussion. One suggestion was made for an annual fall faculty conference dedicated to teaching and learning strategies.

At the science/communication/ technology table, discussions were generated about what PLU needs to bring it up to date with technology. Recommendations included interactive TV in all of the classrooms and providing new students

with their own computers upon enrollment at PLU, said Nugent.

Nugent said that despite distributing flyers advertising the forums all over campus, student attendance was low. Nugent was surprised to find that while students didn't respond to flyers, they did respond to an E-Mail message sent to the computer center, advertising the science/technology/communication forum.

"The attendance at that forum was by far the biggest attendance at any table by faculty or students," Nugent said.

The results of each commission will be compiled and presented to the PLU 2000 committee. These recommendations will become part of a long-term planning document next fall. Reactions from the larger PLU community will be used to

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revise that document. Schultz expressed the importance of students and faculty members getting involved with the current process of generating ideas rather than waiting and reacting when the document comes out in the fall. "PLU 2000 is absolutely essential

to PLU's future," Schultz said. Finance commission forums will be held March 14 and 17, while external relations commission forums will be held April 13 and 14. All forums will take place form 4-5:30 in the CK.

Commission papers will be available the first of each month.

#### Moving-

Campus, although no business faculty are there. The center provides professional development seminars and conferences for the School of Business Administration.

These staff offices will join other School of Business Administration offices in the Rosso House, Nelson said.

Joseph McCann, dean of the school, also wants to use the move to centralize, and hopes the center will accent the school's two branches currently in Rosso.

Like the School of Education, the School of Business Administration has offices scattered across the campus. The transplant to Rosso will consolidate offices to four sites instead of five.

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"It's definitely a step in the right direction," McCann said. But like the School of Educa-

tion, the center is also waiting for official notice from university administrators about its relocation, said Catherine Pratt, director of the Center for Executive Develop-

"I'm sitting here with both fingers and toes crossed hoping that it's true," McCann added

Anderson said the final decision to move East Campus classes and offices is not a hint of the building's overall fate and cannot be considered a prelude to a final decision. Like Brickell and McCann and their faculty and staff, the university



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