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Commuter Awareness week is coming

ASPLU Commuter Relations is sponsoring a variety of activities next week, March 16-21.

Events include a St. Patrick's Day mixer, a Kids fest and a lecture on the needs of commuter students.

In addition, free coffee and donuts will be served at most of the events.

Call Kelly Smith at x7486 for more info.

PLU spring play continues

The University Theater production of "A Streetcar Named Desire" continues tonight at 8 p.m. in Eastvold.

The play will run through this weekend. Tickets are \$4 for PLU students, staff and faculty.

Upcoming musical events

Two exciting musical performances will take place in Mary Baker Russell building in March.

On March 14, Park Avenue Vocal Jazz and PLU's Instrumental Jazz Ensemble will perform at 8 p.m.

On March 18, the University Symphony Orchestra will perform at 8 p.m.

The performance will feature Zwilich's "Celebration," Thomson's "Symphony on a Hymn Tune" and Beethoven's Piano Concerto No. 2, in B flat Major, Op. 19.

Parking signs replaced

The "new" green and white signs flanking roads near campus and proclaiming two-hour parking limits aren't really new at all.

Walt Huston, Director of Campus Safety, said the signs on Yakima, 120th, 121st, Park and Wheeler streets and 8th Avenue are replacements for the signs that have been stolen.

Keep an eye on the clock. Violation of the time limit bears a \$38 parking ticket.

Theft at the Information Desk leaves everybody quiet

By Mark Lee

Mast page two editor

A student counting the till of the Information Desk noted while resetting the till that \$300 was missing Monday, March 3 on the close of the shift about 3:25 p.m.

"There are a significant number of suspects," Campus Safety Director Walt Huston said.

Campus Safety has identified six people as suspects or "people of interest," Tim Allen, Campus Safety Supervisor said. "These are people that had access."

Kristi Benson, a senior who works at the desk, was working at the time when the theft was discovered.

"I can see how it (cash box) would be really easy to take," Benson said.

A student worker from the bookstore noticed the theft of the cash box from the safe. At the end of each shift the tills are counted and any money over the base \$200 in the till is put in the safe.

At the end of Benson's shift a student worker came to reset the tills (make sure there is sufficient change and smaller bills in the till) and discovered that the cash box from the safe was missing.

The University Center workers believe that it is one of their own that is the perpetrator. "I think

that it is one of us," Benson continued, "since it has happened before."

Angel Lepley, Information Desk Student Supervisor refused to comment on the issue hoping that the person who is responsible will turn themselves in.

This is not the first theft in the UC this year. This year Campus Safety has responded to three thefts that amounted to over \$680 in loss in the University Center.

In the past year the UC has had two thefts in the Information Desk and one in the Cave.

The first theft at the Information Desk was in November of

1996. The amount of loss was \$249.14.

The second theft that took place in the Cave, reported \$131 missing. This theft took place in late November of last year.

The third theft again at the Information Desk was the most recent occurrence last week.

Each incident has taken place right before a break occurs for PLU. November is just before Christmas Break, and in March, this latest occurrence has happened three weeks before Spring Break.

The case has been turned over to the Pierce County Sheriff's Office for further investigation.

Anti-theft steps taken in UC

By Melissa Bakos

Mast intern

A temporary solution to a continuing problem has been found in the case of backpack theft in the UC.

ASPLU and food services have moved the shelves in the UC Dining Commons. The shelves are now around the corner against the wall, in plain view for students to see while they eat.

Previously, the shelves were located right next to the door of the Commons.

"This is not meant to be permanent," said Erin McGinnis-Sigman, head of Dining Services. "We needed to find a temporary solution fast."

In the past, there have been numerous backpacks stolen from the UC. Tim Allen of Campus Safety, estimated that three to four backpacks were stolen from the UC per day.

In reaction to student complaints, Food Services and ASPLU decided to move the shelves so the students would be able to watch their bags while they ate.

Jeff Jordan, head of RLO, and ASPLU are looking into the possibility of lockers outside the UC.

They want to take some time to assess the situation so that they can find an effective solution that is not too costly.

"Moving the shelves around the corner of the UC is a temporary solution to the theft problem," said Jordan. "Hopefully, we will be able to devise a permanent plan for the fall."

The biggest concern with the shelves moving, according to Jordan is that more food might be stolen from the dining area if the bags are inside.

"We hope that everyone will support the fact that we are trying to work for student's benefit," he said. "We ask that everyone use the honor system."

"If people steal food, it will only serve to make food and other services more expensive for everyone."

Jenn Tolzmann, ASPLU president wants students to take advantage of the shelves new location.

Tolzmann agreed with Jordan that it is important for students to respect the UC's take out policy.

"I'm glad we were able to take some sort of action on this right away," she said.



photo by Eric Dannon

These shelves in the UC have been moved to prevent further thefts

Children's author comes to Garfield Street

By Alicia Manley
Mast co-editor

Activities abound beyond the PLU campus, yet as close as Garfield Street.

Northern Pacific Coffee Company, founded in 1994, is celebrating the grand opening of its expansion, Goodfolk Books, with a visit from award winning children's author Dale Smith.

Smith, author of books "Night-

time at the Zoo" and Benjamin Franklin Award winner "OVER is not UP," will be presenting readings from these first two books and previewing his newest book, "The Rabbit and the Promise Sign."

Smith's readings are slated for tonight at 7 and 8 p.m. as well as Saturday afternoon at 2:15 and 3:15 p.m.

Children's writing, just one of Smith's many endeavors, allows

him the opportunity to focus on a life-time Paso-to make a difference in the lives of children.

Smith is also a management and communications consultant, a sales trainer, specialist in human potential and skill development and has been a sports reporter, minister for more than 20 years, talk-show host and professional speaker.

Smith currently writes children's books and is Executive Director of the Every Kid a Winner Associa-

tion, a Washington not-for-profit organization. He conducts seminars nationwide on the theme "Every Kid a Winner" in a way that involves adults, especially parents, into more meaningful relationships with their children.

For any question regarding Dale Smith's appearance, Northern Pacific Coffee Company or Goodfolk books, call 537-8338 or visit 401 S. Garfield St.

CAMPUS

SIDEWALK TALK

Question:

"What are you going to do for Spring Break?"

(See related stories in the centerspread.)



"I am going to California with my friends. We are going to Disneyland, the beach, and San Francisco."

Chris Backman
Sophomore



"I am going to Victoria, Canada to skip around."

Robin Marsh
Sophomore



"I am going to Colorado and do a ton of skiing."

Chrissie Graham
Sophomore



"I am going to Hawaii to get away from this icky weather here."

Stacie Kline
Senior

FOOD SERVICE

Saturday, March 15

Breakfast
Biscuits & Gravy
Fried Eggs
Quartered Reds

Lunch
Reuben
Chili Frito Cass.

Dinner
Rotisserie Chicken
Fettucini Alfredo
Spanish Enchilada

Sunday, March 16

Breakfast
Blueberry Pancakes
Scrambled Eggs
101 Bars
Sausage Links

Dinner
Baked Ham
AuGratin Potatoes

Monday, March 17

Breakfast
French Toast
Eggs
Ham

Lunch
Fish & Chips
French Dip
Eggplant Parmesan

Dinner
Beef Stroganoff
Ratatouille

Tuesday, March 18

Breakfast
Pancakes
Scrambled Eggs

Lunch
Grilled Cheese
Chips
Spicy Garden Pita
Beef Ravioli

Dinner:

Crispitos
MYO Burrito
Chicken Fajitas

Wednesday, March 19

Breakfast
Waffles
Fried Eggs
Sausage

Lunch
Hot Dogs
Polish Sausage
Macaroni & Cheese

Thursday, March 20

Breakfast
Blueberry Pancakes
Scrambled Eggs
Tots

Lunch
French Bread Pizza
Cheese Pizza
Pasta Bar

Dinner
Chicken Strips
Peppers Salsa Lito
Rice

Friday, March 21

Breakfast
Bisuit Sandwich
Quartered Reds

Lunch
BBQ Beef
Spaghetti Cass.

Dinner
Chicken Enchilada
Italian Tortilla
Spanish Rice

SAFETY BEAT

Wednesday, Feb. 28

• A student reported to Campus Safety that her vehicle had been hit by a staff member in the Library parking lot. The damage reported was a slightly bent rear license plate. Cost of the damage was \$2. The staff member was advised to notify Campus Safety if such an incident occurred again.

Friday, March 1

• A student employee called Campus Safety to request assistance with a burn that she had received while working in the UC kitchen. Campus Safety applied burn gel and bandaged the wound.

Sunday, March 3

• A panic alarm was set off in Ramstad, Room 106, by a night custodian who mistook the alarm switch for the light switch.

• Campus Safety responded to a request for assistance from a staff member who had shocked herself on the office microwave. Campus Safety advised her to seek medical attention for complications that can be brought on by electrocution.

• A student worker contacted Campus Safety to report the theft of approximately \$300 from the Information Desk safe. There are several suspects. The matter is still under investigation by Campus Safety and Pierce County Sheriff's Office.

Monday, March 4

• A Harstad RA contacted Campus Safety to report that a student was feeling dizzy and nauseous. Campus Safety determined that her symptoms were caused by lack of food and sleep following blood donation. Campus Safety advised the student to eat and sleep and to seek additional medical assistance if the symptoms persisted.

• A Harstad resident contacted Campus Safety to request assistance for a nosebleed, vomiting and right ear pain. Campus Safety advised the student to seek additional medical attention in the morning, or if the symptoms persisted to call Campus Safety again for an ambulance.

• The Harstad resident called Campus Safety again to request assistance for reoccurring symptoms of nausea and stomach cramps. After consulting with the Health Center, Campus Safety advised the student to drink fluids and seek attention if her symptoms did not stop.

• A staff member requested assistance for a cut she had received from an Exacto knife in University Printing. Campus Safety cleaned and bandaged the wound. Campus Safety advised her to seek additional medical attention.

Tuesday, March 5

• A Stuen RA reported that a suspicious male was looking into the windows of female residents on the first floor. Campus Safety was informed when they responded that the suspect had fled the scene. Campus Safety searched for the suspect... but did not find him.

Wednesday, March 6

• During a patrol of the parking lots, Campus Safety noticed that a light pole in the Mary Baker Russell parking lot had been damaged by a vehicle. The investigation proved that a Tahoma School Bus Driver was responsible for the damaged pole. Plant Services roped the area off to avoid further damage.

Fire Alarms

• March 2; Evergreen Court. The cause was burnt food.
• March 3; Names Fitness Center. The cause was undetermined.

Mike's Weekend Weather

Not a bad weekend. But we will have a typical Spring weather pattern with occasional showers and milder temperatures. Hang in there, one more week to go!

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

Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
Low 38 High 48	Low 42 High 55	Low 44 High 56	Low 41 High 54

CAMPUS

Changes in store for Dining Services

By Melissa Bakos
Mast intern

With the intention of improving the quality of dining services at PLU, a committee has been formed by ASPLU and Food Services to facilitate communication between students and Food Service.

Last week, five ASPLU senators met for the first time with Erin McGinnis-Sigmund, director of Food Services, to form the committee.

While the specific details and exact format of the group are not decided upon yet, their basic goal is clear.

The committee's main goal is to

establish direct communication between students and Food Service in order to improve conditions.

"We are willing to change with the students," said Sigmund.

According to Sigmund, in the past, Food Service has always been open to suggestions and input from the students, but it has not always been successful.

Many of the surveys were not filled out adequately and sometimes feedback from the comment cards were not constructive.

Therefore, it often became difficult to address student concerns.

The group will be able to help evaluate menus and design larger,

new surveys that are tailored to a wide range of students and their needs.

Some of the proposed issues Sigmund and the senators will discuss are: low-fat and vegetarian selections, quality of the food and matters with the Coffee Shop and Bistro.

The committee hopes students will become involved with the group, especially in the beginning while they form the foundation.

Junior Arlene Nahm said Food Service is trying to accommodate the students, but a broad range of involvement is needed in order to do that.

"We can't make changes without

people's help," she said.

Sigmund agrees with the idea that involvement from students is the key for the group's success.

"We want to make sure that it represents a broad base (of students)," Sigmund said.

She also said a small group will end up deciding issues if people don't become involved.

As of now, the committee plans to meet bimonthly with Sigmund to develop ideas.

Any interested students are welcome to attend the meetings or call ASPLU at x7480 for more details. Sigmund is also open to any comments or questions.

You may contact her by e-mail

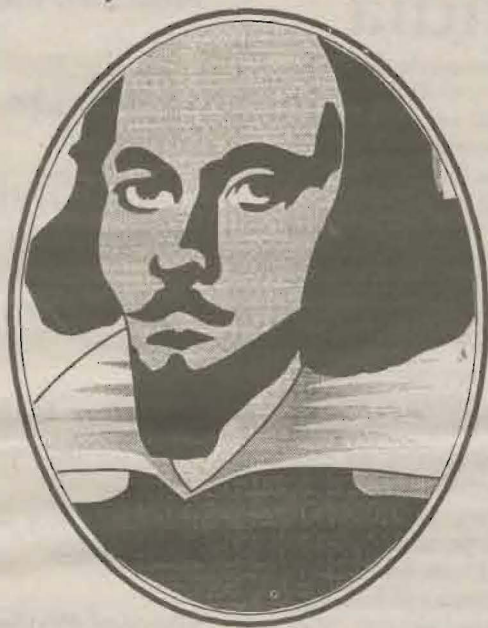
"We can't make changes without people's help."

—Erin McGinnis-Sigmund,
director of
Food Services

at: mcginnem@plu.edu.

The next meeting of the committee is scheduled for Tuesday, March 18 at 8:30 p.m. in the UC.

Will, Will. Wherefore art thou Will?



The Shakespeare dilemma

By Dave Whelan
Mast news editor

For most of us, reading at least one Shakespeare play was commonplace in high school. For PLU English majors, it is a requirement. However, this is becoming less and less common at universities around the country.

The national feeling is that Shakespeare is not as relevant as it once was, and it is more appropriate to study more modern and "pop culture" writers.

One member of the PLU English faculty who disagrees with this approach is Professor Audrey Eyler.

"The recent attitude is that it is better to study theories of literature rather than the literature itself," Eyler said. "At the undergraduate level, I think that the actual literature should be the focus."

Eyler believes, however, that it is

beneficial for students to study the masters in any field.

"Any enthusiasm whether it be cars, bottles or Shakespeare, should have experts or judges on it to show the subject to be truly great," she said. "Any new topic should be judged against the greats."

Charles Bergman, PLU main Shakespeare professor feels that the idea that Shakespeare study is dying is overblown.

"I think that the popular press wants to get the idea into people's heads that higher education is not what it should be," Bergman said. "That's not at all accurate."

"They're trying to influence mindsets to fit a paradigm."

Contrary to the recent articles, Bergman believes that Shakespeare is still popular among undergraduates.

"Shakespeare is alive and vigorous on campuses everywhere."

According to Bergman, it is not

necessary to require Shakespeare in order to get students to take it.

"I've been teaching Shakespeare for 15 years and it's only been a requirement for majors for three," he said.

"In all that time, I've never had a problem filling a class."

Eyler believes that the power of Shakespeare's works does not diminish with time.

"Age doesn't cancel relevance," she said. "Shakespeare's works include people whose lives are just as complicated as ours. They have the same emotions, fears, ambitions and dreams as we do."

"It's a study of the human condition."

The information in last week's Shakespeare article was taken entirely from College Press Service and the Seattle Post-Intelligencer. It was incorrectly attributed to a Mast writer.

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Author Philip Dale Smith will be presenting readings from his first two books, *OVER is not UP!* (Benjamin Franklin Award winner) and *Nighttime at the Zoo*, and previewing his new endeavor, *The Rabbit and the Promise Sign*.

OPINION

EDITORIAL

Looking beyond the "us vs. them" attitude

Two weeks ago, someone stole \$300 from the Information Desk cash as it sat, supposedly, safely in its cold metal safe.

Due to security measures and access constraints, information desk workers as well as the Pierce County Sheriff Department believe that a member of the University Center is the culprit — possibly someone we know.

Three nights ago, the car we had taken down to Portland and parked on a dark and rainy street while we attended a concert was broken into through the passenger window. A wallet and several credit cards were stolen, and everything else flung throughout the streets and the interior of the vehicle. Obviously, someone we did not know.

The question is, which is more bothersome?

We often tend to expect that the person across the street with the grumpy glare, or the person who cuts us off while merging onto the freeway, is most likely the person who robbed the 7-11, cheated on their taxes and is considering much more heinous crimes.

They are the "outsiders."

Here in the Lutedome, despite constant crime reminders, we have a false sense of security about the people around us.

After all, they go to school with us, have friends like us, pay bills like us, are away from home ... why would they betray our trust?

They are the "insiders," the members of the Lutedome club of never-doing-anything-wrongers.

The "outsiders" on the other hand, come to campus with malicious thoughts and sticky fingers. After all, THEY go to school, have friends, and ... hey!

Maybe staying inside our little Lutedome isn't such a great idea — maybe it's safer on the outside.

While one of our ventures to the outside world led to broken glass and the cancelling of credit cards for some of us, we met and bonded with the people parked behind us who had lost keys and dayplanners on top of wallets. We had an in-depth conversation with the guy who we gave a ride home in exchange for duct tape and trashbags to cover our drafty window.

When backpacks get stolen from the UC, or someone decides to dip into their SAFE fund, all we hear are the hushed voices of staff members and the loud, rightly annoyed voices of the victims.

True, it's not a very nice world all of the time, but maybe we need to look beyond ourselves and into the community around us.

Maybe we shouldn't worry about building a bridge to the 21st century right now; maybe we should get our priorities focused and work on building a bridge to the communities surrounding us today.

After all, they will still be there in the 21st century.

—Alicia Manley and Nathe Lawver

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Finding home in the mountains of India

Sometimes you just know you're home.

I think maybe I'll stay here for a lifetime and a day. I've not been so happy and content for so long, as I am right now.

(Ha! So you're having a good time in India...?) Well, yes, of course. India has been a passion of mine for years. But India also stresses me out—Calcutta, at least.

(So then what is it, that you've wandered so far from the Cascades to find?) The Himalayas. That's right: here I am, happy and content, because I'm in the mountains.

And boy am I in the mountains. This isn't just staring at Mt. Rainier from my window in Alpine; this is going on a hike to get to the bakery. This is fog blocking my view of the building across the street. This is wearing a wool sweater over my T-shirt and flannel. This is buildings on the sides of hills, goats climbing on rocks, high-altitude-lack-of-oxygen in my lungs. This is hot chocolate at every meal, wool stocking caps on heads.



LUCIFEROUS
By Kaia Benson

But this isn't ski resorts and McDonald's. No Super 8 or shopping malls. Not even a single movie star with a summer home (as far as I know). The best part of all this is: IT'S STILL INDIA.

This is nose rings and shawls. Sweaters over saris, under saris. This is men carrying packages with a head strap. This is inquisitive looks and rupees in my wallet. This

is book stores full of books on India and short dark men on the streets. This is children playing with hoops and sticks, chickens in the street, biscuits for sale in roadside stands. This is gods and goddesses in store windows and on dashboards.

But it's more than that; more than mountains. This is people speaking Bengali, English, Nepali, Tibetan. This is Buddha next to Ganesha. This is Indians, Nepalis, Tibetans and Westerners. This is men trying to get you in their land rover, rather than their putt-putting auto rickshaw.

This is not Calcutta. This is not heat. This is not pollution. This is not dust and garbage. This is not rickshaws and trams and cabs and subways. This is not five star hotels and movie theaters. This is not men in short skirts and women in fancy saris. This is not children begging and shacks on sidewalks.

This is hotels and restaurants, homes and stores, trees and ferns, goats and chickens, children and Jeeps all about to tumble 500 meters

down a steep mountain side. This is the bright, colorful, entirely decorated, not an inch of untouched wall or ceiling or statue or trim of Tibetan Buddhist Monasteries attacking you eyes. This is the magic of clouds lifting and snowy mountain tops winking at you. This is the wonder of fog thinning and red orange yellow green blue brown white rooftops and buildings appearing before you. This is the rapture of walking all day and never tiring, because all you're thinking about is the endless green valley below you. This is bright clothes hanging on lines, sticking out of the perpetual damp fog.

This is what I love: India *and* mountains. Women with bull rings and men in a wool sweater. Men carrying bundles of sticks and breath-taking views. Goddesses protecting me as I climb through the clouds. Now I must just figure out: why do I have to leave this constant bliss of Darjeeling?

Kaia is a junior English major studying abroad this semester in Calcutta, India.

A guy's dreamland is McDonald's

I'm still just a guy. Not a man. In no hurry to be a man. Just a guy, no more, no less.

If you don't know the difference between a guy and a man, here it is:

I own 20 pairs of socks, all but two of them are white.

In my closet there are 20 T-shirts and only four shirts with buttons.

I do not own a pair of slacks, but I have six pairs of jeans and two pairs of cords.

I own two ties. I've worn each once.

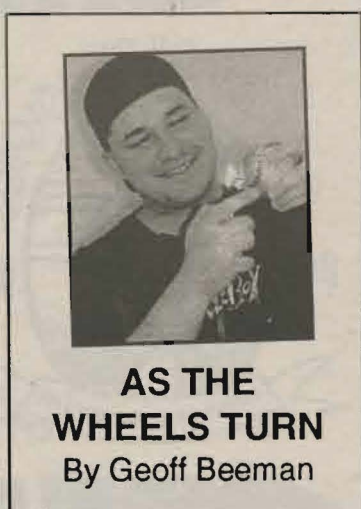
Nearly every day I will be found wearing my lucky beer T-shirt with my Alpine Athletics sweatshirt, a pair of jeans, my Filas and my LSU hat.

For breakfast I like a bowl of Lucky Charms or a couple of Eggos with lots of syrup.

Lunch, on Mondays and Tuesdays, is the Pizza Time special. Any other day and it's a bowl of Campbell's soup and a grilled cheese sandwich.

In an ideal world every dinner would come from the greatest place on Earth, a place where every day is Christmas: McDonald's.

In my free time I like playing Sega games and watching the Cartoon Network. These two alone are guy things, but I take it one step



AS THE WHEELS TURN
By Geoff Beeman

further. I do them both at the same time.

That's what I think being a guy is.

I really don't understand why anyone would be in such a hurry to become a man. I'm 21 now, I'll graduate at 22. That means I've got 50 years of work ahead of me.

Will I be able to eat cereal in bed on Saturday morning when I've got bills to pay and kids to feed? No way.

On a Friday night, will I be able to close out a bar with the guys? I don't think a wife would appreci-

ate that much.

This is my one chance to do these things. My one chance to be a guy.

Being a guy is such a simple thing. It's the act of just being.

But despite the simplicity there are some common misconceptions about being a guy.

Many say we are not in touch with our inner feelings. Nothing could be further from the truth.

We just realize how pointless it is to stress out over them. Come on, that's why they're inner, you can't do anything about them. Just live with it and move on.

Any problem that can't be solved in 15 minutes isn't worth solving.

Another misunderstanding is that we fear commitment.

Anyone who knows me knows that it is quite the opposite. I've been committed to Coke since I could walk. I've been committed to the St. Louis Rams since I could talk. If you know the Rams record last year, you know being a fan takes real commitment.

A guy is not bad at relationships. I love relationships, it just takes a different type of woman to get along with a guy.

Our mothers don't really hate us, they just want us to wear a suit and get a real job. I'm a writer, I'll

never have a real job.

If you look at who someone looks up to, you can tell a lot about a person.

In my case, I look up to Ken Griffey Jr. He's a guy. Wears his hat backwards and still plays video games.

David Lee Roth (he has and will always be the true lead singer for Van Halen) has always been someone I've looked up to. If he ever grows up, hell will have officially frozen over.

Another is Tim Allen. Here's a guy who can communicate at the most basic level, grunting. That's a reason enough to respect someone.

So I'm a guy, love me or hate me, it really doesn't matter to me. I'll just keep being happy while the world grows old around me.

Words of Wisdom: If you learn from the past, look to the future and live for today do you know what you have? A headache. I'd rather forget last night, plan for tonight, and get rid of the hangover tomorrow.

Geoff Beeman is a junior communication major. He and Dave Whelan, the regular op-ed columnist, switched places this week. Turn to page 11 for more entertainment.

COMICS

Five years ago

The following are excerpts taken from the March 13, 1992 issue of the Mast. The purpose of this is partly for entertainment, and partly to give today's students a taste of the University five years ago.

Walles and Watters remain in ASPLU race

After weeks of frenzied campaigning, ASPLU announced the finalists for executive board positions. Cindy Watters and Bill Walles will be on the final ballot for the position of President. Tone Lawver and Jeff Olsen will be facing off for the position of Programs Director.

UW prof addressed death penalty cons

Amnesty International USA board member Gary Katt discussed the problems of the American death penalty system with 17 PLU students, faculty and community members. Katt addressed issues such as deterrence, racial bias, arbitrariness and cost.

He also discussed the cost of imposing the death penalty vs. life imprisonment. He said it costs \$20,000 a year to keep a prisoner in Washington. The average trial costs between an estimated \$1-2 million. It cost \$10 million to execute Ted Bundy in Florida.

The lecture was sponsored by PLU's chapter of Amnesty International and the History Club.

Wasted food weighed in at 265 pounds

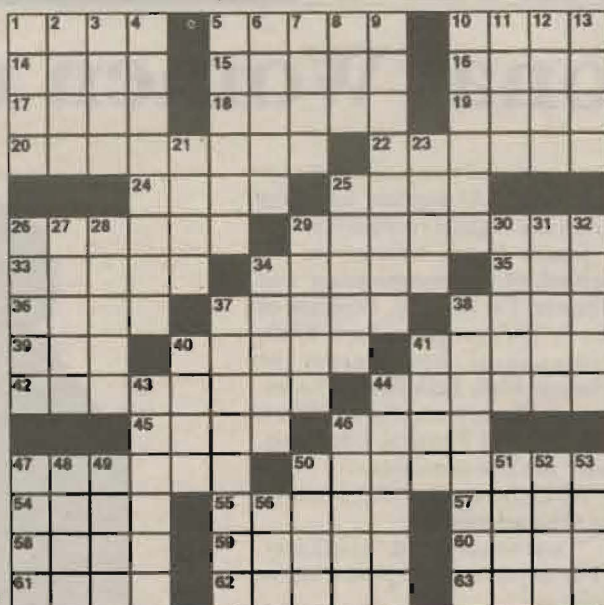
In a letter to the editor, Tim McGlincy of Bread for the World wrote about the waste of food in University Center commons. Their method was simple. Two of the members of Bread for the World worked in the dish room, collecting all the food left by students on their trays. After a two hour period had passed, they weighed the food. It totaled 265 pounds. McGlincy went on to question why students are so wasteful in their eating habits.

Softball defeats Portland State University

With 15 returning players, the Lady Lutes defeated Portland State, 9-2.

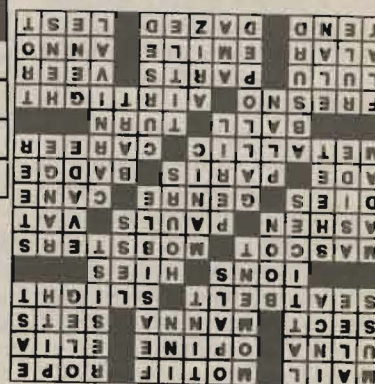
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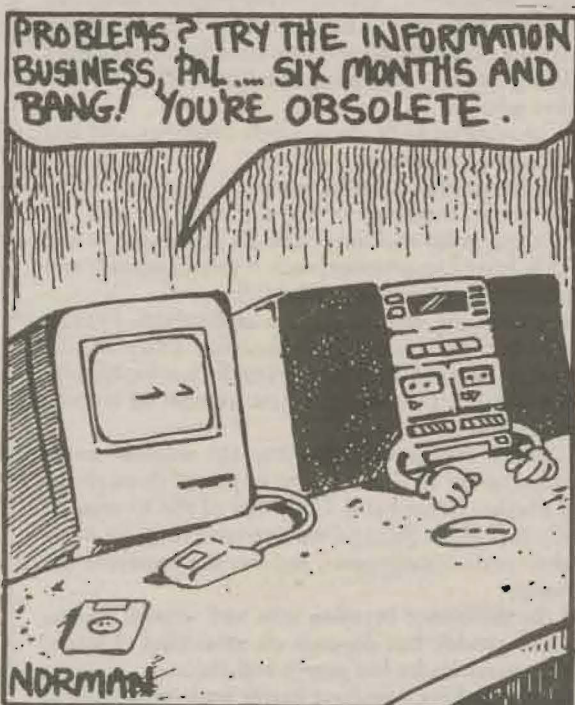
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Flip Girl

By Ruth Anne Haglund



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Inspirational Women of PLU Honored

By Melissa Bakos
Mast intern

Women's History Month was highlighted by a banquet held in the Chris Knuntzen Hall on Wednesday night.

After a welcome by President Loren Anderson and an invocation by campus Pastor Nancy Connor, attention turned to the featured speaker, Associate Director of Forensics Sue Weber.

Weber's speech focused on the importance of the many women in the PLU community that make things run smoothly and inspire us along the way.

"I was happy that so many people were able to attend," Weber said. "This recognition night was the first of its kind at PLU."

"It makes people stop and think." While Weber spoke, a collage of slides took the audience through PLU's history. There were numerous images from the past that showed PLU women making a difference on campus.

PLU first graduated women in 1898.

While the program given at the

banquet listed many nominees for inspiring PLU women, five were given the highest recognition.

Joanne Eager, secretary in the School of Communication and Theater, Pat Roundy, Director of the AURA program, Barb Wick, professional housekeeper of Harstad Hall, Beth Kraig, Professor of History and Sara Officer, Professor of Physical Education, were the five nominees.

All of the winners were honored by their selection.

"I was so surprised," said Eager. "The department kept it a secret from me."

Eager said she felt "a little inflated," since Weber and everyone else who contributed to her nomination said so many thoughtful things about her.

Other winners were gratified that PLU was finally recognizing the achievements of women.

"This recognition banquet was a ground breaking event at PLU," said Roundy.

All five of the women recognized were presented flowers and a certificate by Loren Anderson and Judy Mladineo, Director of the Women's Center.



(L-R) Inspirational women of PLU Sara Officer, Barb Wick, Joanne Eager and Pat Roundy

photo by Eric Demmon

Weber made it known that this list of inspirational women was not a complete listing, but merely an introduction.

"There are many inspirational women at PLU," she said.

The students who attended the

banquet were impressed with the festivities as well.

"This was emotionally overwhelming," said sophomore Shana McGillivray. "I hope they do it again next year."

Nominees for recognition were

compiled through a write in ballot that had been circulating around campus. The ballot solicited opinion from students, faculty and staff regarding inspirational women on campus.

Reaching for the Top

By Kara Klotz
Mast copy editor

Words of wisdom mixed with harrowing tales about mountain climbing were the tone of the evening Tuesday night.

Stacy Allison, the first American woman to reach the summit of Mount Everest, spoke in CK about her experiences.

Allison dropped out of Oregon State University at the age of 19 to devote all her attention to mountain climbing. Her first major climb was Mt Huntington in Arizona.

"Climbing at that time was my passion, it was my reason for living," she said.

Three years later, Allison set her sights on Mount McKinley in Alaska. She chose the most difficult route up the mountain and brought with her six days of food. She was on the mountain for 11 days.

After she climbed McKinley, she started to think about climbing Mount Everest, the tallest mountain in the world.

One year later, she was climbing a mountain in the Himalayas. At the top of that mountain, she could see Mount Everest looming one mile higher than the peak she was standing on. That was when she decided to climb Mount Everest.

She said it took two years of preparation to climb Mount Everest. Climbers have to apply for permission from either the Tibet or Nepal governments to climb the mountain, depending on which side they want to start from. There is a 6-to-8-year wait in Tibet and an 8-10-year wait in Nepal.

Fortunately, Allison found a group of climbers who were scheduled to leave in 1987 for Mount Everest. Among those climbers was Scott Fisher, who died climbing Mount Everest on a later trip.

There were 15 climbers on her first trip, which turned out to be unsuccessful. They spent 2 1/2 months on the mountain, but were ultimately prevented from reaching the summit due to the weather.

The worst storm in 40 years moved in, and Allison's summit team of four people was trapped in an ice cave for five days. She said the inside of the cave was comparable to the space underneath a dining room table.

She said her defeat was upsetting, but she realized later that she had attempted the summit for the wrong reasons.

"I always thought I'd make it to the top the first time," she said. "But the journey is the most important part of anything we do."

Allison said she had been so concentrated on reaching the top, she forgot to enjoy the actual climbing. She said it didn't work for her to try to be the first woman to reach the top.

Unbeknownst to Allison, Fisher sent her resume to another group scheduled to climb Everest the next year. They accepted her two months before they were supposed to leave.

It took them 28 days to climb the Ice Falls, a glacier that



photo by Jacson Kita

Stacy Allison speaks of her experience on Mt. Everest

moves like a waterfall. They had to use ropes and ladders to cross the crevasses.

When they finally got 1,000 feet below the summit, there were not enough oxygen tanks for all three people in her summit team to finish the climb, due to a miscommunication with the sherpas. To settle who would go, they drew straws.

"I knew I was going to make it to the top of the mountain," Allison said.

Allison won, so she watched as her two climbing partners turned around and started down to the base camp. She said she had never been more scared in all her life, even though this was something she had worked hard to do.

"There are times in our lives when we have to walk away from everything that means security to us to reach our dreams," she said. "I had to walk away from everything I knew to reach the top of Everest that day."

Allison said the last 1,000 feet seemed to take forever. It took her 10 1/2 hours of climbing to reach the summit that day.

"I was one of the most exhilarating moments of my life, but also one of the loneliest," Allison said.

Allison still enjoys climbing and hopes to climb with her sons someday.

"When I climb, I feel most connected to this Earth," she said.

Noted author speaks at PLU

By Kara Klotz
Mast copy editor

There are presently 15 past or current women world leaders alive, and only one person has met them all.

Laura Liswood, author of "Women World-Leaders," spent two years traveling the globe, interviewing women who are or were presidents or prime ministers. Her efforts were compiled in the book and in a video by the same name, narrated by CNN anchor Judy Woodruff.

Liswood said her experience was inspiring.

"I came away with a sense of courage," she said.

Liswood spoke about her experiences in the Scandinavian Center Thursday night. She said the impetus for her project came from pondering what it would be like to have a woman U.S. president.

She interviewed one woman leader and then attended the women's conference in Beijing last year. She found out there were 15 women world leaders alive who are

or were heads of state of U.N.-recognized countries and had held office for at least nine months.

That was when she decided to do her project.

Liswood said it took an average of 100 hours of research, 50 phone calls and 25 letters for each interview. In addition, she had to contact the U.S. State Department, each foreign embassy and the press or appointment offices for each leader.

Liswood interviewed the women leaders of England, France, Bangladesh, Dominica, the Netherlands Antilles, Pakistan, the Philippines, Lithuania, Ireland, Poland, Turkey, Sri Lanka, Nicaragua, Norway and Iceland. This is the largest number of women world leaders in history.

Liswood said there are definite patterns for women world leaders. She said five of the 15 women came to power through the assassination of a father or husband. Only one of the 15 women didn't have family in politics. She said women tend to be far more symbolic than their male counterparts, and women represent the possibility of change.

Liswood said the difference between men and women leaders does not lie in their gender, but depends on what kind of leader they are. She said a great leader has power and vision.

"I don't necessarily believe men have better leadership style or women have a better leadership style," she said.

One problem common to all the women was that they were judged by harsher standards than men. Liswood said this occurs because there are so few women in roles of power. She related this to the power of seeing things.

"If we don't see it, it's very hard to understand what it can be," Liswood said.

She said once we see a woman hold a position of power that only men have previously held, our psychological barriers begin to break down. Liswood drew a parallel by using U.S. Secretary of State Madeline Albright as an example.

"I think we will see the State Department start to change," she said.

She used Hilary Rodham Clinton as a counterexample to that point. She said Clinton defied the stereotypical image we have of a First Lady, which is why she is so harshly criticized.

"She broke some molds," Liswood said. "Anytime someone

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Backpacking through J-term:

16 students experience New Zealand in the backwoods

By Lisa Patterson
Mast Reporter

Some students agree that one of the best classes PLU offers isn't on-campus. It isn't even in this country.

For the third year in a row, 16 students, an instructor and his wife headed off for 28 days of backpacking adventures in New Zealand.

"I highly recommend it if you're open for new experiences and want to meet new friends," said senior Mary Ann Forsythe. "I would do it again. It was an awesome experience."

Students believe they ended up earning more than just a few P.E. credits. They learned back-country safety and survival, experienced a new culture, learned more about teamwork and environmental concerns.

"I think they had an experience of a lifetime," said John Herzog, program director of the trip. "They probably had to work harder there (New Zealand) than in any other P.E. course."

Herzog's wife, Colleen, is a 56-year native of New Zealand. She met Herzog on a hiking club trip he attended there six years ago. She shares her knowledge and culture with students by assisting

them on the trip.

"They know a lot about New Zealand," said senior Karen Schmidt. "Colleen has family and knows other people that we got to meet. The trip ran so smooth. There was always somewhere to

go or something to do every day. We didn't run into any glitches."

According to Herzog, New Zealand is full of so much to do and see, the hardest thing about planning the trip is choosing what to do.

"It has beautiful glaciers, rainforests, sandy beaches, canyons, volcano craters and sheep, sheep and more sheep," Herzog said.

According to Herzog, there is a ratio of about 15 sheep for every

one person.

Students had the opportunity to choose activities they were interested in. Students went whitewater rafting, bungee jumping and hang-gliding.

"I still can't believe that I just ran off the cliff with no doubts," said Schmidt, one of two students who chose to go hang gliding. "We felt like birds."

Forsythe chose to go white water rafting.

"I have been rafting before, but this was a lot better," she said. "There were five major rapids, some boats in front of us flipped."

Students shared some universal highlights of the trip. For example, most of them cited the Millford tracks, a difficult hike that is practically straight up Mt. Cook, as something they were proud of conquering. The group said they enjoyed walking with special spiked shoes on The Franz Josef Glacier, which starts on the mountain and extends into the rainforest.

For senior Eric Hunt, the trip gave him some insight on how to better relate to the opposite sex, since he was the only male student there.

"I learned to be a good listener," Hunt said. "By the end of the trip, I think I was accepted into the sisterhood."



Looking to the future of Black History Month at PLU

By Wendy Joy Garrigues
Mast reporter

Bad weather and lack of getting the word out may have hampered Black History Month event turnout, but overall Cristina Del Rosario, Student Involvement and Leadership director, said that the events were a success when it came to quality and student involvement in programming.

But there's always room for improvement.

"Conversations with God," a collection of prayers and songs written by African Americans in history was well received by audiences. Creators Markus Williams, Nate Sears, Paris Mullen, Kevin Nevaro and Crystal Akin each had a significant role in its success.

According to Williams, presentations like these should not be just to celebrate "Black" history, but history as a whole. Williams speculated that turnout was low due to the fact that students did not know how they were able to support Black History Month.

In past years, the banquet had consisted largely of a speaker and some singing; this year was different. A large change this year was having a large religious presentation which made the event feel more like worship.

"The people in attendance loved it," Del Rosario said.

The Martin Luther King Jr. Jamboree consisted of a variety of gospel singing, reading pieces from King's speeches and showing pictures from King's life.

While the King event showed a Rosario was pleased to see that members of alumni and community were impressed with the poise and maturity shown by the PLU students.

The School of Education took the initiative this year in presenting the lecture series, a move which Del Rosario hopes will spur a future trend among the departments in providing activities for the month.

Organizations and groups who were involved in Black History Month this year included: the Provost's Office, School of Education, Campus Ministry, the Division of Student Life and the faculty and staff on the Diversity Committee.

Del Rosario hopes to see this evidence of community effort and support continue and grow in the years to come.

Next year, Del Rosario says that multi-ethnic outreach will continue to increase. Plans include trying to have personal contact with every new multi-ethnic student arriving at PLU as well as involving more faculty in helping publicize events to students.

"Outreach will be much more intensive next year," Del Rosario said.

Answers to the origins of Black History Month

Black History Month is celebrated across the nation. It honors the contributions African Americans have made to American society and science.

The original intent of Black History Month, formerly known as "Negro History Week," was to alleviate the oppressive, ignorant, and distorted views attached to African Americans in the United States during the late 1920's. Prior to this program, history books and society viewed African Americans as "sub-human."

The founder, Dr. Carter Godwin Woodson, wanted to create a time for celebrating the history, traditions, and ingenuity of the black people. He organized banquets and symposiums to bring these things into the public light.

Woodson chose February because the birthdays of so many great African Americans fall there. The Ghana Review, Feb. 17, 1995 says that "The month of February is significant and recognized in African American history for the birthdays of great African American pioneers and institutions. These include the birthdays of Frederick Douglass, W.E.B. DuBois, Langston Hughes, Eubie Blake, NAACP and the first Pan African Congress."

The week became a month in 1976. This month-long celebration of a cultural past also helps emphasize the importance of teaching all subjects in history fairly and not editing them to begin with the arrival of Europeans.

Black History Month is a celebration of diversity and history that have shaped America.

Spring



Hearts scream in ecstasy — Spring Break is coming!

For everyone, a mere number of days exist until freedom. Minds are psyched, energy is being conserved, plans are being made and plane tickets are being bought. In a boring lecture, you sit daydreaming of spring break: waking up at 1 p.m. everyday, going to bed at 1 a.m. every night, eating real food, visiting with friends, socializing, socializing and more socializing.

Whether you're stuck at home or the Lutedome ...

WAIT! What if you aren't dreaming about a week of days filled with languor. **WHAT IF YOU DON'T HAVE ANY PLANS?!** No plane ticket? Okay, don't panic. Everything is under control. A world of possibilities exists that can build the perfect spring break for anyone.

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Go to The Mall

Ah yes, the mall. After living several months in this bubble devoid of news on trends, fashion and cultural fads, what better place to become reconnected to materialism than the mall? Go alone, or with some friends. For some added fun, take \$10 and a group of buds. Split up with the agreement to meet again in an hour or so and then head off in search of the coolest stuff one can buy for the agreed amount of money. Meet afterward and have lunch, compare purchases and talk about each other's college experiences. At Lakewood mall, you can also see a flick for \$4. They have 12 screens, so there will be something for everyone.

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Be a Kid For A Day

Begin by dressing the part. Take a hike to McDonald's and grab some happy meals then continue onward to a park or elementary school playground. If the park isn't your idea of fun (sand in the shoes and all), take in a day of little kid movies at the cinema or play in a toy store. Lakewood Mall boasts an excellent toy store selection, as well as a great movie theater. Tacoma Mall (also bus accessible for those transportationally impaired), has a dual movie theater, though the price is a bit higher. Tacoma Mall also has a Toys 'R' Us, which is a great lead-in for the next suggestion:

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Ride The Bus To Toys 'R' Us!

Okay, so now you are in the greatest toy store in the world, what to do? Toys 'R' Us is one of those wonderful places where everyone can find something to play with. To begin, they have an awesome "Star Wars" exhibit right next to the entrance, filled with mini-sized Lukes and Darth Vaders and screaming, greedy children. You will need a cart. After giving the store a once-over, go through and find toys or other items that don't have price tags on them. Don't collect too many, just a few. Locate the two "price scanners" located at either side of the store for customer convenience. One will be in the game aisle, the other in the pre-school aisle. These handy little contraptions scan an item and tell you the price, thus eliminating the need to bother the clerks at the counters. Divide into teams, and prepare for the relay. Find a place in the middle of the store. First up for team one will grab the item and run to the scanner, scan and return to the group with the price. Have someone timing and see who is quicker at dodging little children. The object is to see how long it takes until the store clerks kick you out.

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Be A Skiing Super Star

Anyone with easy access to some mountains and some money can make the best of a week without worries by hitting the slopes. Most lodges rent skis, so all you need to do is pile into the car and go.

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Flea Market At UPS; March 22

Whether or not you love the Loggers, no one can dispute the glory of a good day at the flea market. Such treasure troves abound that any spendthrift shopper will be in paradise. Since they have school that week, you can tee-hee at them as you paw through piles of hand-me-downs and dusty vases.

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Put Some Pine Cones In Your Shoes

Tired of living within the cramped confines of the dorm? Why not take a week and live in the cramped confines of a tent? Instead of sharing your personal space with one other person, share it with five. Pack the necessities, some wood, a tent or two, some sleeping bags and head for a cool campground. A site located near a beach or lake, or high up in the mountains always increases the fun because there will be an abundance of trails to explore, opportunities to sunbathe and a chance to do some communing with God. If it rains, there will be tons of time to commune with God. Some places to check out are Alder Lake Park (360-569-2778) and Green River Gorge Resort (360-8862302).

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Rainy Day Activities

Okay, there is always the possibility of rain during vacation. This category includes the following: mud football, mud wrestling (nothing dirty intended), puddle stomping and the more passive sport of rain watching. **MUD FOOTBALL:** this operates the same as your average game of amateur football, only you have to wear old clothes because it will be messy. Survey the campus for an extremely muddy area, and have a ball. **MUD WRESTLING:** After a nice messy game of football, wrestling in the mud will be second nature. Treat this as an excuse to ignore every warning your mother ever told you about keeping dry and clean on rainy days. **PUDDLE STOMPING:** Be silly, be creative, be flirtatious, be mean. Grab some old shoes and head out into the puddles. Take a friend and see who can get the other wetter quicker. **RAIN WATCHING:** Make some cocoa, perhaps take a book up to the Garfield Street coffee shop, play some nice music in your room, sit outside in a covered area, pull up a chair, and watch the rain. It is soothing, relaxing, lazy, and best of all, clean.

eight

Find A Summer Job:

Growing a little anxious about that great chunk of free time you have to fill? Now is the best time to hunt down a summer job and snap it up before some dorky high schooler can. The malls want you to work in their stores. Such glam jobs as working at Hot-Dog-On-A-Stick cannot be given to just anyone, so now is the time to get your name in. Something a bit more mature in mind? Scout the Internet for business numbers and web sites that provide jobs for your field of interest. **LUTE LINK** is another great alternative for getting in touch with Lute alumni in the work force. Call **LUTE LINK** at 535-7415

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Help Those Less Fortunate

Want to make a difference? Give your time. Being a volunteer is a rewarding experience can be exceedingly rewarding. The Nativity House is one place to start.

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Art Is A State Of Mind

Do a weeklong project. What to do? For a wistfully pretending artist, something in this category may be just the relaxing activity you need. Take a hand at making those cool clay beads, experiment with cooking, sew some clothes, or do anything you want. There are endless! A good supplier of crafts and materials is ArtCO, and Tacoma Art Supply.

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Feel More Like Just Observing

The Tacoma Art Museum hosts many interesting exhibits on Chihuly Glass. For more information call 425-835-4258. Art Concepts, also located in downtown Tacoma, has a large selection of art prints and prints from various regional and international artists. They also have a variety of sculptures, jewelry, glass art and gifts. For more information call 525-4258.

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Take The Time To Smell The Flowers

The park. Slides, swings, fields, a sandpit, and a roller coaster. Make for a superb day outdoors. Pack a picnic, take the roller blades, rev up the boom box and enjoy the sun, hanging out with friends, swinging on the swings. A round of Frisbee together and sharing funny stories, or sleeping under a tree. From this category can be the making for a great memory.

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A Blender of Possibilities

Still need more suggestions? Okay, in this category, here are some activities to try: Plan a hike, drink coffee with friends, get a haircut, do your homework, pretend you are a homemaker (just write to them), go to the movies, see a play, or portraiteering.





Spring Break Guide to Fun

Or are seeking some fun in the sun ...

For spring break to those less shelter or soup kitchen. This is going to your heart and sense of volunteer.

For the vacationing, pretending, from the "arts and crafts" needed to revitalize the mind. As everyone is wearing, try tie new clothes. The possibilities ideas is Michael's Art Store,

Traveling exhibits plus a section on current exhibits, call: 272-2202 Tacoma, offers originals international artists, along with more info call: 272-2202

For those who maybe, these elements all picnic, take a basketball, bring spend an afternoon lounging, playing b-ball and hide and seek, sitting in the sunshine, anything a perfect day.

In the event of a boredom emergency miniature golf, go bowling, but, commune with nature, do a town tourist, visit relatives (or a concert, practice high-speed

It's not too late!
As students, we are prone to procrastinate, and that doesn't stop when it comes to Spring Break plans.

For the student who has put off making travel plans to the last minute, here are a few ideas:

CALIFORNIA

Disneyland and neighboring Los Angeles areas are sure bets of fun for those on a decent budget. Always fun and entertaining, you can never be too old rush down Splash Mountain or float through Pirates of the Caribbean. While The Main Street Electrical Parade is no longer being featured, the Hunchback of Notre Dame is making a special appearance in Disney's Festival of Fools.

But, if you're going to go all that way just to hug Mickey, why stop there?

Universal Studios is now featuring "Jurassic Park—the Ride"; Sea World is a great place to get splashed with over 30 shows and exhibits, and the ever-loveable Shamu, the killer whale; Knotts Berry Farm offers fun with the Peanuts gang in good old Western-style fun; and the San Diego zoo is a great place to visit those furry and not-so-furry friends.

Even if you don't like the hot tourist spots, California can offer some great locations in the sun. Checking into youth hostel locations, national parks and good beaches can be a cheap way to spend a Spring Break. Of course, you have friends or relatives (or friends with friends or relatives) in the land of eternal sun, that's even cheaper.

LAS VEGAS, NEV.

If you're 21 and up and like a game of chance, Las Vegas is the place to go. However, even for those unlucky minors, there can be plenty to keep a Spring Break treasure hunter busy.

Many of the hotels provide not only convenient gambling, but large shows with comic acts, bands, show girls, singers, and more as well.

Las Vegas offers a menagerie of services to the weary traveler/gambler, whether you want to relax and take in the sights, enjoy the restaurants and be pampered in one of the many spas—or want to thrive on the city's energy and gamble till you drop while taking in every other

show—Vegas has it.

MEXICO AND HAWAII

While these southern tourist attractions are a little more spendy than most college students are willing to pay, they are popular vacations almost invariably worth the expense. However, unless you already have your plans made, you are probably out of luck. You might be able to get a flight on an airplane, but you might find yourself sleeping on a beach. So if these are pleasing plans, start planning for next year now.

A LITTLE CLOSER TO HOME

Time can be a factor in planning vacations as well. While California and Vegas may not seem too far, it's a time commitment many can't make. So if you don't have the money for a plane ticket or the time to use it, here are some ideas for day trip vacations in the Puget Sound area.

The Spirit of Washington Dinner Train provides dinner and great scenery all at once. It lasts a little under four hours and costs anywhere from \$47 to \$69. It's a 45 mile trip which covers the gorgeous expansions of Lake Washington, the Olympic Mountains, the Seattle skyline and Mount Rainier. However, remember you MUST make reservations.

The Victoria Clipper can also give you a great scenic view of the Northwest. You can travel anywhere from the San Juan Islands to Vancouver, B.C. There are several overnight trips as well as day trips available.

The Spirit of the Puget Sound also provides lunch cruises, dinner cruises and midnight party cruises which include dancing.

Tillicum Village on Blake Island shows a look at ancient Northwest Coast Native American dwellings. The four-hour cruise gives a view of the Puget sound. There is also salmon, prepared over alder fires, and a stage show for tourists to enjoy.

So, whether you have a lot of money or are on a shoe-string budget, don't say you can't have a spring break. — there are many options available. So make sure you take these few days of intended relaxation and recover from the first half of the semester and, even if you can't afford a fancy Spring Break, take a nap and ENJOY it.

By Heather Meier

Break

By Wendy Joy Garrigues



A&E

E-mail connects worlds, and even high school friends

Do you know what the coolest thing about the Internet is? It's e-mail.

There are at least two columnists for The Mast who are not even in the country.

In the days before e-mail, to have a columnist who was in another country would be an oddity. They might have a column now and again when their letters finally made across the world to Tacoma, but never has it been possible to have a current and weekly column at an inexpensive cost.

Think about it.

How many times have you written to your high school friends, parents, grandparents, people who you wished you'd never hear from again, or whatever?

Hasn't e-mail kept you closer and



WEBMASTER'S WORLD
By Joel Larson

more in touch with your friends from home?

Maybe not, although it has for

me. Being from the East coast, and the only one of my circle of friends to go to school west of the Mississippi River, e-mail is a God-send. The next-closest of my high school friends is in that wonderful and bustling town of Terra Haute, Ind. We've managed to stay close enough to still know what is going on in each other's lives.

When I go home at Christmas—and sometimes in the summer—it's almost like I have never left. They know I own my own business, they know about my car problems.

E-mail is a lifeline to my past. It allows me to stay up-to-date on all the latest hometown gossip. It has even helped my high school keep track of many of its alumni.

Not that we want to be kept track of; but one of our teachers is sometimes included in our growing list of forwards and cc's.

Maybe e-mail doesn't seem too personal for some, but we all get it for free.

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Joel Larson is PLU's Webmaster. He currently is trying to develop a device to upgrade his life from a 24-hour day to a 48-hour day.

Howard Stern: The king of all media

Say the name Howard Stern. What's the first word that comes to mind? Sexist? Racist? Idiot? Freak? Words that I can't put in this article? All of these?

Now think about a movie about the self-proclaimed "King of All Media." Worse yet, imagine a movie based on his best-selling 1993 autobiography "Private Parts." What words now come to mind? The same ones mentioned above? Different derogatory remarks? Try touching and funny.

"Private Parts" tells the story of Stern's rise to fame. Surprisingly, it manages to take one of the United States' most controversial celebrities and make him seem human.

"Private Parts" lets you understand Stern and his need to be famous. You may not agree with what he has to say, but you still have to like the man.

Most of the humor lies in Stern's unwillingness to be censored and the absurdities that consequently arise. An advocate of free speech, Stern says whatever comes to his mind. You will laugh within 10 minutes.

That's not to say "Private Parts" is good, family fun. Well deserving of its R rating, this film is extremely lewd and licentious. Instead of being completely offensive, "Private Parts" teeters on the edge, just staying within border of acceptability.

Nudity abounds in the movie,



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By Bryan Powell

but somehow it manages to avoid being gratuitous. Unlike other movies, "Private Parts" uses nudity to demonstrate the comfort Stern has with what he says.

Playing himself, Stern does a tremendous job in his first-ever big screen role. He delicately (now that's not a word usually associated with Stern) lets the audience watch his quest to become the King of All Media. When he needs to be outrageously hilarious, he does it without making it seem forced. If the story calls for a more tender performance, Stern manages to make the audience sympathize with him.

Playing opposite Stern, Mary

Private Parts	
Entertainment Quality:	\$\$\$\$
Cinematic Quality:	\$\$\$\$
Willing to pay:	6 bucks
Starring: Howard Stern, Robin Quivers and Mary McCormack	
Director: Betty Thomas	
Showing: Tacoma Central, Lakewood Mall Cinemas, Tacoma South Cinemas, Puyallup Cinemas	

McCormack stars as Stern's wife, Alison. McCormack does a reasonable job. She acts very subdued, neither overly emotional nor completely deadpan. While this does benefit her role as Alison, it also makes her performance seem hollow in comparison to Stern's.

The fault for this, though, may not lie completely in McCormack's acting. Since the movie is based on Stern's autobiography, the film is from his point of view. Therefore, his feelings, not his wife's, that are central to the story. This would cause her character to become more static than Stern's and explain her subdued performance.

Director Betty Thomas ("The Brady Bunch" and "The Late Shift") does a surprisingly good job. Demonstrating that the third time is a charm, Thomas directs "Private Parts" with an extremely

loose touch, producing a film far superior to her previous efforts. The film never feels forced as Thomas gracefully moves from scene to scene.

The only fault with this approach is that there isn't one truly defining moment in the film, as each individual scene is given equal importance. But even this seems appropriate since life is just a jumble of linked episodes, each important in their own right.

"Private Parts" is a tender and funny film that takes one of America's "bad boys" and makes him actually likable. One of the most humorous movies of the year, "Private Parts" rarely lets a minute go by without a laugh.

Recommended to all but the most prudish of people.

Bryan Powell is a sophomore film major.

THE QUICK FLICK

Coming this week:
Gentleman Don't Eat Poets: A Gothic farce about the misadventures of an eccentric aristocrat, Alan Bates, and his decaying court. Based on Patrick McGrath's 1989 novel *The Grottesque*, the film stars Sting ("Dune") as a butler who serves various families in their chambers. This strange tale also stars Teresa Russell ("Black Widow") and Lena Heady ("Waterworld"). Directed by John-Paul Davidson.

Return of the Jedi: The final chapter of George Lucas' epic "Star Wars" trilogy. Luke, Leia, Han, Chewie, R2-D2, and C3PO face off against Darth Vader, the Emperor, and the rest of the evil Empire. A true classic (originally released in 1983) restored and enhanced with a few new scenes. Starring Harrison Ford, Mark Hamill, Carrie Fisher, Peter Mayhew, and Anthony Daniels. Directed by Richard Marquand and produced by George Lucas.

Out last week:
Jungle 2-Jungle: Successful Wall Street commodities trader, played by Tim Allen ("The Santa Clause"), travels deep into the Amazon jungle to locate and divorce his estranged wife. When he finds her he gets the surprise of his life when he discovers he has a 13-year old son, who has been raised by an Amazon tribe. Laughter and mayhem ensue as Tim Allen takes his son back to the other jungle, New York. Also starring Martin Short ("Captain Ron") and Lolita Davidovich ("Blaze"). Directed by John Pasquin ("The Santa Clause").

love jones: A smart, sexy, romantic comedy set among the over educated and under employed in downtown Chicago. Starring Larenz Tate ("Menace II Society"), Nia Long ("Boyz n the Hood") and Isaiah Washington ("Clockers"). Directed by newcomer Theodore Witcher.

Major studios not doing so well in Academy Awards

"The Academy Awards". No other awards are so hyped. No other ceremony is so glitzy and gaudy.

It's Hollywood's chance to pat itself on the back for another wonderful year (monetarily, at least).

It's the biggest show, and yet also the least important because the Academy chooses, not the public. Thus, a movie that did poorly at the box office can still easily win at the Academy Awards (in contrast to the MTV Movie Awards).

But for all of the hypocrisy of the evening, the awards do have some merit. They do (at least they are supposed to) recognize those filmmakers, performers and technicians who have contributed to the quality of motion pictures.

Usually the Oscars are the domain of the studios, the place to honor their achievements of the last year. This year, though, it is the smaller studios and independent films that are commanding respect. In the best film category, only "Jerry Maguire" (TriStar) was made by a major studio. All of the



WHOLLY HOLLYWOOD
By Bryan Powell and Craig Coovert

others were either made by a smaller, less controlling studio or made independently and released through some other studio.

Of course, all isn't lost for the major studios. They swept the coveted Best Visual Effects, Best Sound Effects Editing and Best Makeup categories.

Without further ado, our abbreviated take on the Oscars:

Best Picture:
Will most likely win: "The English Patient"

Should win: "Jerry Maguire"
With 12 nominations and a Golden Globe, "The English Patient" is the odds-on favorite to win Best Picture. A great film, it definitely deserves all of its nominations. And in being independent, it gets an edge over its blockbuster rival "Jerry Maguire." With five nominations, a major studio and a big star (Tom Cruise), it has all the characteristics of a traditional Hollywood winner.

Best Actor:
Will most likely win: Geoffrey Rush ("Shine")
Should win: Tom Cruise ("Jerry Maguire")

The two Golden Globe winners square off (Rush won for Dramatic Role and Cruise won for Comic Role) in lopsided battle. Playing a mentally disabled person, Rush follows the same formula that led the likes of Daniel

Day-Lewis and Dustin Hoffman to the winner's circle. The Academy voters love this type of performance and end up overlooking a very simple fact: It is easier for an actor to portray a disabled person than it is for them to play a more complex role. In "Jerry Maguire," Tom Cruise plays a complex, conflicted character that is far harder to portray than someone like Rush's character.

Best Actress:
Will most likely win: Brenda Blethyn ("Secrets and Lies")
Should win: Brenda Blethyn
The winner of the Golden Globe, the British actress is very deserving of a win. And she most likely will repeat come Oscar time, due to the fact that she is a lesser known actress in non-mainstream film.

So, to see if we're right, tune in to the Academy Awards on Tuesday, March 26.

Bryan Powell is a sophomore film major. Craig Coovert is a freshman communication major.

SPORTS

Salzman dominated by Lutes

By Jenny Chase
Mast asst. sports editor

When they win, they win big. Pacific Lutheran University hosted track and field teams from 14 other schools and clubs at last Saturday's 27th Annual Salzman Invitational. Repeating the trend set by their first meet, the Lute's swept both the men's and women's portions of the meet.

With a team total of 433 points, they soared ahead of second place Western Washington, 260 points. This year's win marks the 10th team victory for the Lutes at the Salzman International.

Also competing were Seattle Pacific, Puget Sound, Central Washington, Highline TC, Eastern TC, Whitman, Northwest College, Grays Harbor CC, and Bellevue CC.

The men's team dominated their competition. They walked away from the Salzman with 242 points, more than doubling Western



PLU pole vaulter Neil Owen crosses the bar cleanly. Owen won the event with a height of 15'0"

photo by Lawson Kita

Washington's second place score of 142 points.

Nine PLU men seized first place in their prospective events. In field events, senior Jon Roberts won the

hammer with a throw of 159'2", pole vault was grabbed by junior Neil Owen's 15'0" leap. Victorious in discus was sophomore Luke Jacobson, throwing 156;10", and

sophomore Judd Hunter jumped 22'3 1/4" to nab the long jump win.

The men also seized five wins on the track. 110 Hurdles saw sophomore Casey Hill run a first place

time of 14.97, and senior Andrew Wilson ran 55.19 to win the 400 hurdles. Freshman Chris Engel won the 5000 meters with 15:10.74, and the 3000 meter walk was captured by Dan Casmier, 14:50.24. The distance medley relay team was also victorious. With their time of 10:28.34, they beat second place Puget Sound by over three minutes.

The women's team proved that winning individual events doesn't ensure a team victory. PLU's women only first place win was in the distance medley relay, with a time of 12:20.16.

SPU won 10 individual events, more than any other school or club competing that day. The Lutes made up for their lack of wins with depth. Placing second, third or fourth in 19 events, they edged ahead of SPU with 191 points, winning the women's portion.

The Lutes' next competition is the NCIC Quadrangular meet, hosted by Puget Sound. Events begin this Saturday at 11 a.m.

Sports fever strikes again

By Dave Whelan
Mast news editor

Sports tend to make me act irrationally.

There's something about two heavyweight teams going head to head that makes me come unglued. A good example of this is last weekend's

nationally televised National Basketball Association game between the Seattle SuperSonics and the Portland Trail Blazers.

Normally, I consider myself a rational, logical person. You can ask me about any topic and I can converse on it in a rational and logical manner.

You should not, however, ask me during a Sonics game, as I am too busy reacting rationally and logically to events on the court.

"YOU SUCK KEMP!" I am informing Shawn Kemp, the Sonics power forward, who has just missed two free throws with about two minutes to go.

"YOU SUCK!" I add, by way of clarification.

I am on my feet, face turned beet red, eyes wide, veins popping out of my neck.

At this particular moment, I HATE Shawn Kemp. I hate him more than I hate Hitler. Hitler was a bad person, yes, but he did not miss important free throws in a nationally televised game.



Riding the Pines

I want Shawn Kemp dead. I want his eyeballs chewed off by red ants, right there on the court. I want... Wait a minute, he has grabbed an offensive rebound! He is going up to score! A L L R I G H T SHAWN! MY MAN!

HIGH FIVE BABY!

I LOVE Shawn Kemp. I want to KISS him. I want to fly to Switzerland to have major surgery so that I can bear his children. I cannot believe I am privileged to live on the same PLANET as such a magnificent human being as Shawn Kemp. He is a GIANT! He is a GOD! He is...

HE IS NOT GUARDING HIS MAN!!! You SUCK Kemp...etc., etc.

My point here is that I tend to become emotionally unglued during major sporting events.

With all the success that Seattle sports teams have had recently, it's doubtful I'll survive from now until the World Series.

However, that's a small price to pay for a few championship banners.

Dave Whelan is a senior public relations major. He is paranoid, but that's because everyone is against him.

All-American Lutes pin down nationals

By Lena Tibbelen
Mast reporter

PLU wrestlers who went to the National Championship on March 6-7 look back on a long season that ended with four All-Americans and an 11th place in the team competition.

Not since 1994, when co-head coach Brian Peterson was a senior at PLU, has the PLU wrestling program had four All-Americans and finished that high.

Peterson said he was not really surprised, that he knew the capacity was there. Those competing at Nationals were seniors Matt Bliss and Kyle Weakley, juniors Tuan Nguyen and John Aiken, sophomore Hoc Do and freshman Mokii McClendon.

Going into the 118-pound competition, Nguyen was ranked third, and when the tournament was over, he had finished third. Nguyen lost in the semi-finals to the future champion Joe Tezak from Mary University with a 4-11 decision.

After two more matches in the consolation bracket where he pinned his competition Nguyen was number three and an All-American.

"I was happy about the last match, (it meant that) I could eat again, and I ended (the season) with a ding-dong (pin)," Nguyen said.

Nguyen wrestled at 126 during the season but in order to qualify for the nationals he had to cut weight to 118.

"It's a hard cut (going from 118 to 126), I regulated it well and gained experience at 126, otherwise I would be burnt out," Nguyen continued about the season as a whole.

The season also meant that the new record for pins in one single season was set by Nguyen. He

pinned 20 opponents during the season.

Hoc Do was to be the other Lute representative in the 118 pounds weight class during the championships, but Do did not make the cut. He was 1.2 pounds over when it was time to weigh in, so Do wrestled at 126 and lost two straight matches.

At 134 Weakley lost the first match, but came back and won three matches in the consolation bracket. Then a loss in the consolation semi-finals took Weakley to the seventh place match, which he lost in overtime, 2-1 to Findley's Kyle Rederick. Weakley finish his last tournament as an eight place All-American.

In the 150-pound weight class, Aiken lost in overtime in the quarterfinals, only to come back and wrestle for fifth place in the consolation bracket. Aiken won with 5-4 over Findley's Ryan Ludwig.

"It was a good way to end the season. All-American status gives me something to work for during next year."

—John Aiken

"It was a good way to end the season. All-American status (gives me) something to work for during next year," Aiken said.

Bliss entered the tournament ranked No. 4 in the 177-pound weight class. The first matches were against wrestlers from the Northwest region. In the semi-finals Bliss was stopped by the future champion Bobby Lashley from Missouri Valley College with a 11-2 decision.

"I was going into the tournament wanting to be number one, then realizing that's not going to happen was hard. But it was only to start over. To enjoy (the tournament) and don't worry about it and just have fun," Bliss said about his last tournament.

In his first match in the consolation bracket, Bliss encountered Simon Fraser's Kevin Stemp again. Bliss had won over Stemp in the first match, but this time Stemp won. Bliss wrestled for fifth place against Central Washington's Chris Feist, and won 4-3, to gain All-American status.

In the 275 pounds weight class, McClendon was pinned in his first match, he wrestled in the consolation bracket, and was one match away from placing.

In an overall look at the tournament, Peterson noted that all the guys who went to the nationals last year were the ones who placed this time.

"It came together for all those four guys; they knew what to expect, and they all placed," Peterson said.

For Do and McClendon, the tournament was a good experience, and they will be hungry to place next year, Peterson continued.

"(The tournament was an) outstanding performance by the older guys, to end the season like the way they did," said Peterson.

Since only Bliss and Weakley are graduating, Nguyen, Aiken, Do and McClendon are expected to be the backbone for the team next year.

SPORTS

Gunter grand at Central

Western stops Lutes short of tourney title

By Mike Safford Jr.
Mast reporter

With the early spring weather washing away the opening doubleheaders of the year, the PLU softball team traveled to the Columbia Basin to find action.

At Richland the Lutes played eight games in three days, compiling a 6-2 record, including a second place finish at the Central Washington University tournament.

The Lutes started on the losing end of a 3-1 game with Simon Fraser on Friday.

The Lutes' gloves let down, committing three errors in a season opening loss to the Clansmen.

Janelle Gunter was strong in the circle, striking out five over six innings of work.

The lone PLU run was knocked in by junior Missy Cole as the Lutes were held to four hits by Simon Fraser pitcher Tanya Karlsen.

The Lutes fit in three games Saturday, getting their first win against Western Washington in a 2-0 shutout.

Lisa Treadwell's two-run double in the fifth inning was the difference for the Lutes in Richland.

Gunter threw a complete game two hitter, striking out six Vikings along the way.

The second game on Saturday was another PLU 2-0 shutout, this

time over Concordia.

The Lutes bats finally caught fire for eleven hits against the Cavaliers.

Kristen Gurske, Sheree Deskin, Sarah Johnston, and Shannon Muehleisen each had multiple hit games for PLU, giving Gunter enough runs to work with.

Gunter struck out 11 batters in notching her second win.

The final Saturday game had the Lutes blow out Eastern Oregon 10-2.

PLU rallied from a 2-1 deficit with two runs in the sixth and a seven-run explosion in the seventh to steal the victory from the Mounties.

Treadwell and Sarah Johnston each had two hits and three RBIs as the Lutes pounded out 10 hits.

Gunter, in relief of Jessica Coleman, improved to 3-1 with five strikeouts in 1 2/3 innings of relief.

Sunday brought another full day of play, the first of four games against Willamette where the Lutes won 9-2.

Coleman went the distance, striking out seven in picking up her first collegiate victory.

The Lutes gave Coleman plenty of support, stinging Bearcats pitching for 14 hits, including a four-hit, five-RBI game from Deskin.

Laguna had three hits and Gurske two hits in the PLU romp.

PLU got their third shutout in two days when they beat George Fox 9-0.

The wind was blowing out for the Lutes, as PLU hit three home runs in the shutout of the Bruins.

Freshman Tharen Michael homered twice and Carli

Rasmussen had a pinch-hit grand slam in the fifth to lead the black and gold.

Gunter extended her scoreless inning streak to 20 in recording her fourth straight win.

In their last win of the weekend, the Lutes dominated Oregon Tech 6-1.

The cold weather could not stop PLU's march to the tournament finals as Gunter threw a five hitter for the victory over the thirteenth ranked Owls.

The Lutes jumped out early with five runs in the first inning and never looked back.

Laguna was a perfect 4-4 and Cole had two hits and two RBIs to lead the Lute attack.

Western Washington finally ended the Lutes' run of victories with a 2-1 victory over PLU.

In their second meeting in as many days, pitcher Lisa Chaussee held PLU to four hits as the No. 10 Vikings upset the No. 4 Lutes to win the Central Washington Softball Tournament.

Laguna led off with a slap homerun to center, a rarity in softball, but that was the only offense for the Lutes.

Gunter went the distance for PLU, giving up two runs and striking out three.

The loss dropped Gunter's record to 5-2 in the young season.

Up next for PLU are two games on the road.

Saturday, the Lutes will start with a double header at Lewis and Clark.

The first game starts at 2 p.m.

Sunday, the Lutes head to George Fox for two games.

The first game starts at noon.

SPORTS ON TAP

Softball

March 15, @ Lewis and Clark doubleheader, 2 p.m.

March 16, @ George Fox doubleheader, Noon

Baseball

March 15, PACIFIC UNIVERSITY doubleheader, Noon

March 16, @ Pacific University, 1 p.m.

Men's Tennis

March 14, @ Idaho, 5 p.m.

March 15, @ Lewis and Clark State, 9:30 a.m.

Women's Tennis

March 15, ALUMNI, 10 a.m.

Track and Field

March 15, @ NCIC Quad held at UPS, 11 a.m.

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March 16, @ Simon Fraser

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Dogs take a bite out of Lutes

By Jenny Chase
Mast asst. sports editor

A season that began with so many high expectations is still looking for the first win for PLU Lacrosse.

The Lutes were dismantled by University of Washington last Sunday 17-2.

In the game the Lutes managed only five shots, two for goals by attack Andy Eklund.

Problems in the UW game were summed up neatly by defenseman Ken Johns. "The team chemistry just wasn't there against UW."

The weather in Husky Stadium also played a role in the game. The game had to be stopped six times due to large debris being blown on the field.

Senior defenseman Kyle Andrews did find some good in the game, "This was a learning experience for us. We couldn't get our transition game going and we are still suffering from injuries."

The injuries Andrews spoke from have been to recent losses of mid-fielders Chad Booth and Matt Nelson. The season long loss of last years goalie Geoff Beeman has

also hurt the Lutes.

Coming into the season PLU had high expectations to match their No. 25 ranking in the country. But as the season has been progressing it has been made clear that the expectations may have been too high. "Everyone else in the league is so much better than last year," said senior mid-fielder Kevin Kristopheron.

The Lutes cross the border this weekend to play Simon Fraser. The Saturday game begins at 1 p.m.

Sunday PLU will be home to face Whitman for a noon face off.

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SPORTS

Oh so close

Men come up one short to Seattle U while women's weekend washed out

By Lena Tibbelin
Mast reporter

The PLU men's tennis team played Seattle University on March 8 and lost a close non-conference match 4-3.

In the match, the Lutes won three of the singles and one of the doubles matches.

The first single was lost in the set tie break. One of the doubles matches was lost in a tie break.

"It doesn't get any closer than this," said coach Mike Benson.

After losing the first three singles matches, the Lutes came back with three wins.

The wins were by sophomore Rob Thornton who won 7-5 and 6-2. Senior Jesse Caryl was victorious by scores of 6-0, 3-6, and 6-1. Junior Cefe Quesada also won with scores of 6-4, 6-1.

On the doubles side, the first match was a loss when Thornton and sophomore Matt Simmons lost the tie breaker 9-8.

PLU was victorious in the other doubles match, with freshman Karl Sjoborg and Quesada winning by 8-5.

The men's tennis team is now 3-2 for the season and 3-0 in NCIC

play.

New for this season is how doubles are played in the NAIA division.

Instead of playing an ordinary match of best of three sets, only one set is played up to eight points.

This change is to shorten the time of the meet.

Benson said he misses the loss of getting players experienced in playing doubles, but added if both coaches agree to play by the older rules, the doubles will be played best of three.

The team will leave for Hawaii during spring break to play tennis against various teams to get match experience and also get time for senior Mike Pitzen to come back from the shoulder injury he sustained over Christmas break.

Pitzen practiced with the team for the first time this week and Benson looks forward to get the experience back with Pitzen.

The men's team traveled to Moscow, Idaho today and tomorrow they will play Lewis and Clark State.

The PLU women did not get to play last Friday due to the weather. The next time the Lutes will be in action is tomorrow against the alumni. Matches start at 10 a.m.



PLU junior Cefe Quesada lines up a shot against Seattle University. Quesada won the match 6-4, 6-1

Photo by Heather Anderson

M's: 162 games away from post season

By Geoff Beeman
Mast sports editor

Injuries can make or break a season. The 1996 Seattle Mariners experienced the latter.

But with an off season of healing and key pick ups, the Mariners are ready to jump into 1997.

Much of last season's roster remains the same but there are some key departures.

Dave Hollins came over late last season and brought a high level of intensity and a strong switch hitting third baseman to replace the injured Russ Davis.

The other departure is Mark Whiten. Whiten came over and had a direct impact on the M's with his power and strong arm in left field. Although his consistency in left will be missed, his price left the Mariners front office with little choice but to let him go into the free agent market. Whiten will be back to Seattle on opening night, though. He is now battling for the starting left field job with the New York Yankees.

With the two departures, some very strong newcomers join the Mariners' pitching staff.

A staff that was left aceless when Randy Johnson went down last season now is one of the most formidable in the American League.

Returning is mid-season pickup Jamie Moyer. Moyer posted a 13-3 record between Boston and Seattle last year. He was rock solid down the stretch for the M's.

Randy Johnson will make his return from injury to lead the staff this season. Even with an ailing back Johnson put up impressive numbers. He went 5-0 in 14 games striking out 85 batters in 61 innings.

With Johnson's return along, the M's should be a contender for the

AL West.

The biggest of the Mariners off season pick ups is Jeff Fassero.

Regarded as one of the top pitchers in the National League for years, Fassero will probably be the opening night starter and could serve as ace of the staff if Johnson takes longer than expected to recover from surgery.

For the low-scoring Montreal Expos, Fassero posted a 15-11 record with a 3.30 ERA. With the Mariners offense backing him up,

Currently Martinez is still trying to get over arm trouble and probably won't be ready at the beginning of the season. If spring training is any indication, the fifth spot should go to Bob Walcott, who has allowed one run in 11 innings. Torres has struggled this spring, but Manager Lou Piniella has not yet made a decision.

The biggest question left for the pitching staff is the role of closer.

The Mariners have Norm Charlton, who has at times over the past two seasons been untouchable, but last year also had some troubles.

Another option is Bobby Ayala. As with Charlton, Ayala has his ups and downs.

Ideally, Ayala will be used to set up Charlton in the closer role.

The Mariners will come out with an offense almost identical to last year's.

Leading off will be most likely be Joey Cora and at times Rich Amaral at second base. Cora enjoyed another fine season last year with a .291 average and a career high of six home runs. Amaral brings much more speed to the lineup. Last season he swiped 25 bases while hitting .292.

Hitting second in the lineup is last year's batting champion, Alex Rodriguez.

Last year, Rodriguez had the best offensive season ever by a short-stop, but many are questioning if he can live up to last year's numbers.

All indications are that Rodriguez has plenty more to show in the years to come. At the ripe age of 21, A-Rod posted a .358 average, had 215 hits, hit 36 home runs and drove in 123 runs. All this in his first full season.

With a year under his belt, a healthy Ken Griffey Jr. hitting behind him and increased strength

and quickness, there's no reason Rodriguez shouldn't have an even better year.

Batting third is Ken Griffey Jr. In an injury-filled season Griffey still managed to hit 49 home runs and drive in 140 runs. Is he the best power hitter in baseball? An injury-free season may just answer that.

Clean up will again be manned by designated hitter Edgar Martinez.

Although Martinez is aging, he is still one of the top hitters in the game.

Fifth in the lineup will be Jay Buhner. Buhner continued to improve with his best season ever last

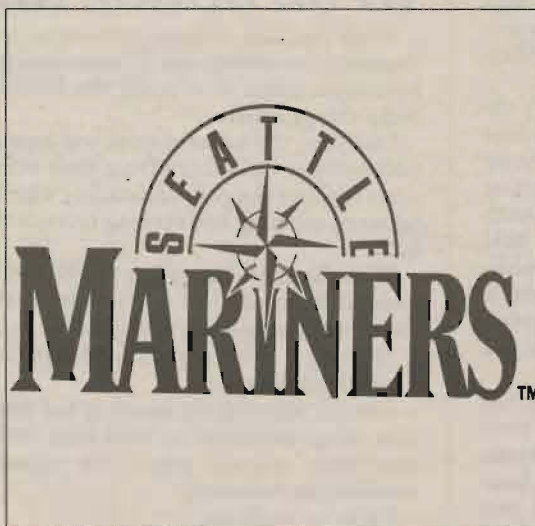
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Buhner blasted 44 homers and was second in the team's RBI's with 138.

Playing first base again for the M's is Paul Sorrento. Sorrento enjoyed a solid season in '96, improving in almost every category. Continuing work with Mariner's hitting coach Lee Elia should show continued improvement.

Platooning with Sorrento will probably be ex-Mariner-again-Mariner Mike Blowers. Blowers missed much of last season with the Dodgers due to an injury.

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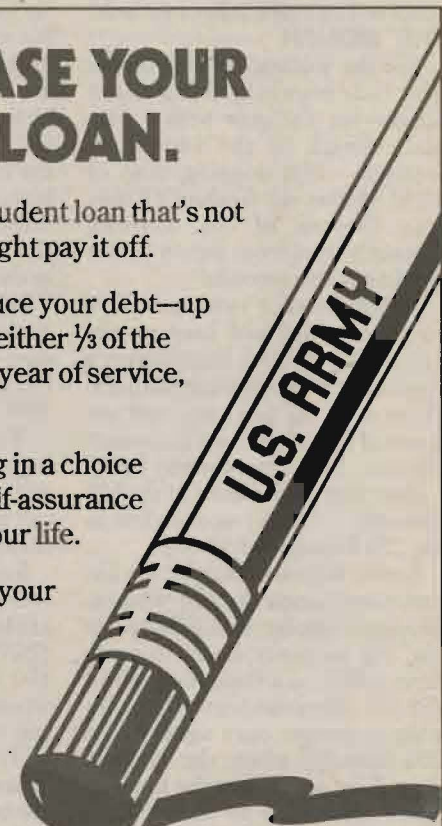
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Blowers may also see time at third base.

Another option for the M's at first is veteran Chris Sabo.

Dan Wilson will handle the catching duties once again. Wilson had a career year last season, including a three-home-run game.

Russ Davis looks to return from an injury last season to play third. At the time of his injury, Davis was finally heating up on offense. The M's hope he can pick up where he left off.

Rounding out the lineup for the Mariners in '97 will be the left fielder.

Currently there are many players competing for this job. Since Ken Griffey first started, he has never played an opening night with the same left fielder, and this year will be no different.

The front-runner is rookie Jose Cruz Jr. In spring training he has been floating around the .400 mark.

Also strong in the spring has been Lee Tinsley, who is also hitting well.

Rich Amaral will probably see some time in left field as well this year.

The 1997 Mariners open up April 1 at home against the defending World Champions, the New York Yankees. Just as with last season, their success will live and die with injuries. If the M's can stay healthy, they look to have the clout to dethrone New York.

Errors trip up Lutes, fall by one run

By Erin Rowley
Mast reporter

The Lute baseball team opened its season Tuesday at home, but finished just one run short of a victory against St. Martin's College.

St. Martin's capitalized on four Lute errors to win 8-7 in the first game of a double header. Junior right-hander Kevin Purdy (0-1) suffered the loss for PLU.

The second game was suspended by darkness after six innings of play with the score tied 3-3.

Head coach Larry Marshall said he was frustrated by the loss, but

"There are areas that we can improve on and allow us to play at a higher level."

—Larry Marshall

said the team can only improve.

"I was extremely disappointed with the number of physical and mental mistakes. In contributed to the lack of success that we experienced," Marshall said. "A lot of that is simply due to the youth and experience on this team, but these are areas that we can improve on and allow us to play at a higher level."

St. Martin's jumped out to an early lead in the first two innings, but the Lutes came back to tie the game 3-3 in the third.

PLU held on for a 5-4 lead going



photo by Heather Anderson

PLU outfielder Dak Jordan connects with a pitch in a PLU intrasquad game.

into the sixth inning when St. Martin's scored four runs to secure their lead.

St. Martin's extended their lead in the sixth by capitalizing on one Lute error, and had two doubles, a single, a sacrifice fly and a hit batter.

Even though the Lutes were short in the run column, they refused to give up. PLU had the potential tying run on second base in the seventh, only to have the game end on a groundout.

Despite the loss, bright spots emerged for the Lutes. Junior shortstop Peter Finstuen went 2-3 with a double and a run-scoring single.

Senior first baseman David Quiggle was also 2-5. "Dave had two clutch hits for us in key situations," Marshall said.

On the mound, sophomore right-hander Craig Willis was a key player in the second game of the twin bill.

"Craig threw extremely well,"

Marshall said. "We just didn't support him defensively which was the result of their three runs."

The suspended game will be completed when these two teams meet again in April.

This weekend will mark the beginning of conference play when the Lutes host a doubleheader against Pacific University Saturday as PLU travels to Forest Grove, Ore. to continue NCIC action with Pacific.

Women score high; men shatter records

By Alicia Manley
Mast co-editor

The NAIA national swimming and diving championship meet concluded last weekend in Federal Way leaving the Lute co-host team with a sixth place women's team, 10th place men's team, several scoring spots and two new school records.

THE WOMEN

For the women, junior Aurora Bray came from behind to grab top honors for the girls with a first place finish in the 1650-yard freestyle. Her winning time of 17:37.53 beat out freshman Elaine Van Oosten of the winning women's team from Simon Fraser by almost five seconds.

"Most distance swimmers have to go out hard and keep up the pace," said Bray of Van Oosten's big lead halfway through the race. "I have to go out easy and get warmed up before I really get into the race. That's just the way I am."

Bray also placed third in the 500 freestyle (5:10.50) and eighth in the 200 freestyle (1:58.57).

Senior Masako Matanbe was another key scorer for the women, dropping almost two seconds in the 100 butterfly finals to jump from a fifth to a third place finish (58.78). Matanbe proved her winning technique once again in the 200 butterfly where she dropped over three seconds in the finals to move from fifth to fourth place (2:10.77). Matanbe rounded off her winning career with a seventh place finish in the 50 freestyle (25.21).

Women's relays scored well across the board, winning fourth

place in the 400 free relay (3:38.68, fifth place finishes in the 200 free relay (1:41.36) and the 400 medley relay (4:07.40) and a seventh place finish in the 200 medley relay (1:53.76).

Other scoring finishes for the women were made by sophomores Stacey Snowden, Kari Bland, Heidi Settje and Heather Munden. Snowden finished eighth in the 200 backstroke (2:13.48) and 12th in the 100 backstroke (1:02.81). Bland garnered a 10th place finish in the 100 freestyle (54.96) and 16th in the 200 freestyle (2:03.51). Settje managed to hang onto a 14th place finish in the 200 freestyle (2:01.12) and Munden scored a eighth place in the 100 backstroke (1:01.84).

Sophomore Mara Fiksdal swam in the 100 backstroke and freshman Katie Mininger in the 1650 freestyle.

THE MEN

While the men didn't score as high as the women this year, several swimmers proved that they can make waves with the best of them.

Sophomore Mike Simmons scored two top-eight finishes with a fifth place in the 200 breaststroke (2:07.95) and a sixth place in the 100 breaststroke (58.41). Not wanting to stop with point-scoring success, Simmons broke the PLU school record in the 200 individual medley (1:57.85) with an almost two second drop in time and a move in the final consolation heat from 12th to 10th place.

Ironically, junior Paul Alexander's school record-breaking swim came with a 10th place finish in a different individual med-

ley race. Alexander dropped almost three seconds in the final consolation heat of the 400 individual medley (4:14.98) to break through the PLU record by almost two seconds. Alexander also placed 15th in the 200 backstroke (2:01.67).

The highlight of the men's relays was in the 200 medley where they were able to come from squeaking into the final heat at eighth place to finishing in fourth place (1:37.27). The men held steady in their other relays, finishing seventh in the 400 freestyle (3:13.72), 11th in the 200 freestyle relay (1:27.80) and 12th in the 400 medley (3:36.55).

Other point scoring members of the men's team include seniors Casey Alex and Fumi Moriyama. Alex placed 15th in the 200 individual medley (2:01.77) but was kept out of consolation finals in the 200 freestyle (1:46.94) and the 100 butterfly (53.80) by a very thin line. Alex tied for 16th in the 200 freestyle to be knocked out in a swim off. Moriyama was able to score in the 100 butterfly in 16th place (53.52) but was out-touched in the 100 freestyle by .05 of a second and came in 17th (48.54).

Junior Charles Bendock swam in the 200 freestyle and the 200 backstroke, freshman Douglas Nelson in the 100 backstroke and sophomore Scot Hale in the 100 breaststroke.

PLU swimmers Steve Goett and Jerry Ladd were valuable contributions to PLU's relay teams.

Numerous members of the PLU swim team were also on hand to cheer their teammates on to their many victories.

Home nationals prove to be honor and hurdle

While the Lute swimmers are proud to be able to host the NAIA National Swimming and Diving Championships again next year, swimmers admit that being the home team doesn't necessarily make things easier.

Last year, the national meet was located in Texas, allowing Lute swimmers to be isolated from their normal distractions and pressures without the guilt of deciding whether they should go to class between morning and evening races or the annoyance of residence halls.

With the meet located at the King County Aquatic Center in Federal Way, only 30 minutes from the Lutedome, the typical swimmer schedule was pretty hectic last week.

"Having it at home presented some interesting problems," said junior Paul Alexander.

Instead of having the bonding and meditation times teams often have when participating in an away meet, such as sharing rooms, meal times and van spaces, the normal swimming schedule resembled the following:

- 7 a.m. — wake up
- 7:30 a.m. — breakfast
- 8 a.m. — leave for King County Aquatic Center
- 9 a.m. — warm ups
- 10 a.m. — preliminary heats begin; Lutes swim their hearts out
- 1 p.m. — return to PLU; decide whether to rest, go to classes since mid-terms are approaching or goof off with friends
- 4 p.m. — leave for King County Aquatic Center, again
- 5 p.m. — warm ups
- 6 p.m. — final heats begin; Lutes swim their hearts out even harder
- 10 p.m. - 12 a.m. — return home

As Lute swimmers returned to their dorm rooms, apartments and houses in need of well-deserved rest and relaxation, they encounter the same exhausting distractions they deal with every day.

The fire alarms in Tingelstad don't care who has to be up in the wee hours of the morning for a swim meet, friends still want to socialize ("just drink some coffee") and concentration hasn't gotten any easier.

Despite the hurdles the Lutes had to overcome as co-hosts of the national meet, success did not elude them and they were able to make enough of a splash in their events to soak plenty of people.

—by Alicia Manley

NATION

Americans' views of death has changed

Americans just don't feel the same intimate way about death as they used to, says Emory University professor Gary Laderman.

In his new book, "The Sacred Remains," Laderman says the deaths of George Washington in 1799 and Abraham Lincoln in 1865 were key events in the development of an "American way of death."

When George Washington died in 1799, towns throughout the country staged mock funeral processions featuring empty coffins. But the time Abraham Lincoln died, the practice of embalming had emerged, allowing Lincoln's body to be transported around the North for "one last look."

"The desire to gaze at the body before disposal has been a consistent characteristic of death in America," Laderman said. "In that environment the funeral industry was born and came to prominence in American society."

But before the Civil War, there was more "intimacy" between the living and the dead, Laderman said.

Since most people died in their homes, death was a family affair and followed a predictable pattern in which relatives dressed and "laid out" the body while survivors took turns keeping watch, he said.

USF student gets probation for threat

A former University of South Florida student who sent a letter threatening to kill a professor and blow up a campus building was sentenced to five year's probation Feb. 28.

Damian Hospital, a 19-year-old former history major pleaded guilty in December to sending the letter last spring to USF's newspaper, claiming an untreated mental illness drove him to it.

Although the threats were never carried out, university officials were forced to move up final exams, step up security forces and turn the busy campus into a ghosttown for a few days.

Hospital, who had faced up to five years in prison, must pay \$41,050.98 of restitution to USF, U.S. District Judge Elizabeth Kovachevich ordered.

And, "get some self-respect for yourself," she told Hospital after handing down the sentence.

Hospital said in a statement that he is now taking medication, seeking a psychiatrist and feels extreme remorse for what he did.

"We're pleased this case is finally over," USF president Betty Castor said in a statement. "The provisions of the sentencing are especially appropriate and should be a strong deterrent to anyone who would consider such an action in the future."

U.S. News ranks grad schools

Harvard University's medical, law and business schools are among the best in the country, according to U.S. News & World Report.

The magazine recently released its eighth annual "America's Best Graduate Schools" issue, which many educators consider to be the most definitive of all academic rankings.

Harvard led the field in medicine, followed by Johns Hopkins and Duke universities. Yale University topped the list of best law schools,

trailed by Harvard and University of Chicago.

For business schools, Stanford University grabbed No. 1, followed by Harvard and the University of Pennsylvania (Wharton).

Techies interested in graduate engineering programs can find the best education at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, the magazine said. Stanford was No. 2 for engineering, followed by the University of California-Berkeley.

For education programs, Columbia University's Teachers College beat out Stanford and Berkeley for the top spot.

U.S. News also compiles an annual "America's Best Colleges" rankings in the fall. Recently, the lists have generated criticism on a number of campuses.

At Stanford, a group of students launched a "Forget U.S. News" crusade to persuade the magazine's editors to drop the rankings, which they say are too influential and too misleading. A number of student groups at other colleges have joined the protests.

The magazine stands by its rankings, however.

"We believe our ranking provide a significant service to our readers," the magazine said. "Because of the cost of graduate education, parents and prospective students need all the information possible to help them make the most informed decisions."

Former college prez pleads guilty

A former community college president accused of bludgeoning to death his mentally ill wife pleaded guilty to manslaughter Fe. 26.

John Upton, who resigned last fall from Rappahannock Community College in Virginia, faces up to 15 years in prison under a plea bargain agreement.

Upton was set to go to trial March 10 on a first-degree murder charge in last July's brutal killing of Kathleen M. Upton at the couple's summer cottage on Lake Michigan. A conviction would have carried a life prison term without parole.

Upton said he was mentally ill when he bludgeoned, stabbed and suffocated his 63-year-old wife.

"I was in a state of depression, but I was and am responsible for my actions," said Upton to Allegan County Circuit Judge Harry Beach. "I find it still incomprehensible that I could take the life of someone I cared for for 38 years."

Upton is scheduled to be sentenced on the manslaughter charge in April.



Sperm bank offers overnight service

Life for men who want to freeze their sperm just got easier.

In the interests of convenience, the University of Illinois at Chicago's Andrology Laboratory is now offering "OverNite Male," a service allowing men to produce

a sperm specimen at home and Federal Express their specimen directly to UIC's lab.

"It's quite effective," said Dr. Gail S. Prins, director of the andrology laboratory. Dozens have used this OverNite Male—not just once, twice, [but] some of them even three times since the early part of last year.

For \$25, customers get "The OverNite Male Kit," complete with medical history forms to fill out, and a device that helps protect the semen specimen during its "Priority Overnight Service" shipment. Clients enclose a \$50 sperm processing fee, \$100 freeze fee and \$175 annual storage fee.

Of course, the lab assumes no liability in the event the sperm somehow doesn't make it. But so far, there have been no complaints,

said Prins.

"The sperm are all arriving in really good shape," she said. "They're still alive and they're doing well. None of the packages are getting lost."

Men often chose long-term freezing of their sperm if they are planning a vasectomy, or are about to get chemotherapy or radiation of therapy. Of the 400 men utilizing the sperm bank services, three-quarters are cancer patients.

"To be perfectly honest," Prins said, "praise [for OverNite Male] is all I have gotten."

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Liswood said another problem for women leaders is that people expect them to drastically change things in a short period of time.

"The expectation level gets way out of whack with what they can accomplish," she said.

In the United States, there is only 10 percent female government representation, while about 51 percent of the population is female. According to psychologists, there needs to be 25-to-35 percent representation to really make a difference.

Liswood said the next big opportunity for women to be elected to Congress will come when there

are large numbers of open seats. She said it is a cyclical occurrence and once a woman gets past the primary, she has the same chance as a man of being elected. But for now, there is a much smaller number of women running, which results in unequal representation in proportion to the population.

"If we doubled or tripled the number of women who ran, you'd see an increase."

Liswood said she will continue to hope a woman is elected president someday.

"I am an optimist," she said. "I will always remain optimistic about the possibility of a woman becoming president."

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