Loggers love to cheer on fellow students in all sporting events. This year almost twenty percent of Puget Sound students were varsity athletes. Whether they're out on the field or in the stands, Loggers always come out and support the teams.
This year, the Loggers faced a disappointing season with 0-9 wins to losses. Along with this came the news that their head coach Philip Willenbrock, who has been with the Loggers since 2002, will not be returning for the next season. They showed their dedication to the sport through their intense practices, which started with spring conditioning last year and continued to them arriving back to school early to get back into the sport, and then daily practice throughout the semester. Despite their poor record, they showed no intimidation to the competition and played through their games while fans crowded the stadiums to support the team.
Sophomore Damarkus Milner, a defensive back, tackles an opponent.

The team stands watching the game during a game against Menlo.

Running back Casey Larson dodges the other team as he runs with the ball in a game against Menlo.

Sophomore number 31 Matt Carter, a running back, gets tangled up in the pile of players.
The University of Puget Sound Men's Soccer Team finished off the 2009 season with a record of 9-9-2 overall. Although their record does not really reflect it, the Loggers had a good season. The team worked hard this season to improve, and we look forward to watching them continue to progress. The team not only performs well on the field, but also in the classroom. This year four students have been honored for their excellent work in the classroom being named the Academic-All-District. The Loggers also showed a lot of support for their teams this year, with a large cheering section present at the games.
Junior Zach Semago, forward, makes a move past the opponent, the Whitworth Pirates.

Senior defender Cole Peterson clears the ball after a defensive play in a game against Whitworth, which ended in a 0-0 loss.

Sophomore defender number 5 Marcus Rudd clears the ball in a defensive play against North Gate on September 13th.
The University of Puget Sound 2009 Women's Soccer Team clinched their eighth-straight Northwest Conference title this year. The fourth-ranked Puget Sound Loggers wrapped up the 2009 regular season with an overall record of 18-2-0. The team had a great season and was supported by a lot of Logger fans!

The team is not only performs well on the field, but also in the classroom. This year three students from the women's team have been honored for their excellent work in the classroom being named the Academic-All-District.
Sophomore forward Jenny Moore in a game against George Fox.

Senior forward Janece Levien in a 2-0 win against George Fox.

A great celebration hug after a goal against Whitworth in a match that ended 2-0.

Puget Sound number 20 Kelly Andersen is seen here in a 2-0 win against George Fox.
Sophomores Robert Snowden and Casey Wall in a meet.

Sophomores Brooke Peaden, Erin Larkin, Kristen Delwiche along with freshman Carrie Keith and junior Jesse Baldridge pose on the track during their XC formal in the winter.

Senior Francis Reynolds running at a NW Conference meet on Halloween where he took first place.
This year's men's and women's Cross Country team stood out from the other team with great runners and races.

Senior Francis Reynolds, who has been the top scoring runner in many of the races this season, placed 3rd in the 2009 NCAA West Region Championship and earned his 3rd trip to the national championships. Sophomore Hayley Walker finished 10th at that same championship and headed to nationals as well, for her first time.

As a whole, the team practices six days a week, with two morning practices before classes, and meets on weekends. Besides practices, the members of the teams could often be found going on runs on their own, some even averaging 40 miles a week! This is no surprise, as the races for men were either 6K or 8K while the women's were all 6K's. Overall, it took strong dedication for these men and women to represent the Loggers and they did it well.

Top runners, senior Francis Reynolds and junior Hayley Walker pose after a run, below.
Throughout the season, the Loggers continued to demonstrate their best abilities to the competition and themselves. The team begun their outdoor season in the beginning of March with a home meet at our very own Baker Stadium, competing against Lewis and Clark, Seattle Pacific, and Western Washington. As long as everyone continues to bring their best to the meets, the Loggers will have a good rest of the season to look forward to!

Hurdles are just one of the many events that members of the team compete in.

A javelin sends one of the team members up into the air.
Freshman Michael Hass practices his jump while onlookers watch the action.

Loggers take it into the water at the PLU Invitational.
Swimming

Varsity Men and Women

The Loggers once again proved their dominance in the water. The women began the season with a strong start and left Pacific Lutheran lagging far behind after their first meet, with a final score of 142 for the Loggers, compared to a meager 62 for PLU. From there both the men’s and women’s teams took on the Willamette Bearcats. The women once again dominated in the water, but it was the men who truly put the Bearcats to shame, compiling a final score of 184 in contrast to Willamette’s mere score of 49.

In mid November the men and women traveled to McMinnville, Oregon where they continued their winning streak. The women out swam Linfield 138 to 67, and the men 110 to 81.

Beginning the season with a strong start and keeping the bar high throughout the season, both the men and women truly deserve recognition for all the hard work and time they put in. During the season, both teams upheld the swim teams well known reputation of excellence, way to go Loggers!

Ann Barrington, Robina Mitchell, Tracy Wornwood, Nick Burns, Claire Rogers, Riley Lochner, Jessica Jaynes, Crystal Ignatowski, Marijah Snowden, Jere Jeremic, Rachel Borsini, Zach Walker, Ava Williams, Max Cohen, Dustin Fong, Brian Gordon, Molly Richardson, Ryan Hunte, show their Logger pride.

Jacob Rifkin powers through the the pool while swimming the backstroke.
Jackson Kowalski, captain of the swim team, dives in at the beginning of his 200 meter Backstroke.

Adam Ganz, Jessie Kuwada, Ariel Scholten, Taylor Sands, Rachel Borsini, Jeremiah Root, Nick Burns, Jessica Jaynes, Molly Richardson, Tracy Wormwood, and Maggie Smith cheer on their fellow swimmers during the swim meet against the Linfield Wildcats.

Kelsey Elizondo, a third year veteran of the women’s swim team, shows excellent form as she dives into the pool.

Freshmen swimmers Ann Barrington, Molly Richardson, Tracy Wormwood, Robina Mitchell, Jessica Jaynes, Claire Rogers, Ava Williams, Crystal Ignatowski, Mariah Snowden, Rachel Borsini show their team spirit during the annual Alumni Swim Meet.
The rowing teams finished strong in the Fall portion of the season and looked optimistic as they trained to capture a successful Spring session.

Below: The men's Varsity 8+ row to the starting line of the Head of the Silcox Regatta held at American Lake. Bottom: The stern three of the women's Varsity 8+ share a moment of laughter before the race begins.
Left: Before the Head of the Silcox, NAME checks the oarlock is closed securely and properly during the rigging process.

Below: The women’s Varsity 8+ team drives hard with each stroke to stay neck-and-neck with Willamette University.

Men's Basketball

This year's Men's Basketball ended the season overall 9-16, with a conference record of 5-11. Despite this unusual record, the Loggers are ready to get back on tow of the Northwest Conference in 2010-2011. The graduating seniors, Austin Boyce, Colin Koach, Conner Gehring, and Bryce Levin, will be missed, but sophomores Kaleb Shelton and Nadav Heyman show tremendous potential for upcoming seasons. Nadave was third in the NWC in steals, Bryce Levin was third in three-pointers made per game, and Kaleb Shelton was third in the conference in offensive rebounds.

The team is led by head coach Justin Lunt and assistant coach Matt Robles.
Sophomore Kaleb Shelton taking a shot in the 94-79 win against UC Santa Cruz.

Sophomore David Aberg shown here in the white out game vs. George Fox.

Number 32 freshman Riggs Yarbro goes up for a hard shot during the UPS vs. UC Santa Cruz game on Nov. 20th that ended in a 94-79 win for the Loggers.
Women’s Basketball

This year’s women’s basketball team finished off the season with the best record in the history of the program of 24-5. They finished 13th in the country and 2nd in the West region. Senior Claire Ely was named Academic All-American by ESPN The Magazine and College Sports Information Directors of America. She is the first Northwest conference player to pick up this title since 2005-2006. Graduating seniors Natasha Ludwig, Claire Ely, and Caitlyn Faidley will all be missed, but the Loggers show great potential in the upcoming seasons.

Senior Claire Ely Looking for a pass to a teammate above and taking a shot to the right.
Claire Ely goes up for a shot in a game against Lewis and Clark that ended in a 67-53 win for the Loggers.
The girls take a break from all the action to celebrate their win against Pacific.

Senior Leigh Sumida sets the ball while sophomore Juliette Witous is ready to hit it.

Senior Lindsey Denman kills the ball while seniors Kalli Kamphaus and Stephanie Harvey stand ready to assist.

The team huddles to listen in to head coach Mark Massey, who has coached 13 seasons here at Puget Sound.
This year, Volleyball had an 18-6 regular season, overshadowing the other northwest teams. Playing throughout the first semester, these girls demonstrate a sound determination that sets them apart from other schools and defines them as Loggers. The girls also got the chance to play in Redlands, CA for their third straight year at the NCAA Division III Women’s Volleyball Championship.

The Loggers congratulate each other after a 3-0 win against Linfield.
Logger Baseball had a rainy season, and showed great teamwork and pizzazz! Graduating Senior Mark Rockey hit a record-tying 23rd career home run at a game in California against the Whittier Poets in March, and also benefited from a two-out grand slam by Will Mentor in March against the Whitworth Pirates. Way to run the bases Logger boys!
The Loggers celebrate after a good game.
Over Spring Break, while most students were enjoying a break from school and work, and spending their days leisurely, the Loggers Softball team travelled down to Southern California to take on teams from across the country at the Sun West Tournament. They played eight games throughout the tournament, beginning and ending with wins, and came back home with two more wins to add to their current 5-15 record. They will continue to play through the end of April and will hopefully bring home more victories!
One of our Loggers bunts the ball and makes it to first base!

The team goofs off during their annual Spring Break trip to southern California to play in the Sun West Tournament.

The softball team shares their fun from their California trip with goofy hats.
In September of 2009, Joe Holland was hired for the position of men’s tennis coach. Upon being hired, Holland wanted to help the program return to the top of the conference standings. The men’s team lost the first two matches of the season, yet they went on to win back-to-back matches in February. The season has not been ideally successful, but the Logger men are currently tied for sixth place in the Northwest Conference, and they will battle Pacific for the sixth and final spot in the Conference tournament.

Much like the men, the women have not had a winning season. They lost their first five matches of the season. The women traveled to Southern California during Spring Break to play three non-conference matches. During their tour the Logger women were 2-1. With only two seniors graduating at the end of the year, the Logger women can look forward to success in seasons to come.
A Lady Logger returns a shot to her opponent during a non-conference match in California.

Freshman Mike Cutter returns a shot during a match against Whitman.

The number one doubles team of Sam Taylor and Madison Holtz, congratulate during a winning match.

Sam Finkleman goes in for a shot near the net during a home match in February.
The Puget Sound Loggers Golf teams had a great season! Graduating seniors this year in men’s golf include Jordan Hodge, who took medalist honors at the Redlands Invitational at East Valley Golf Club in California. The women’s golf team posted a 19-stroke victory over the Pacific Lutheran Lutes in a women’s golf at Oakbrook Country Club in Lakewood, Wash. Logger golf is keeping it under par!
Lacrosse girls got physical and fought hard to win this season! The Logger ladies managed to defend their turf in their home opener, hold off the Occidental Tigers in Los Angeles, California, and play a great match to win against the Whittier Poets in Whittier, California, and all in one month! Talk about March Madness!