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## Winter Wonderland



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A snowstorm Monday night left campus covered in snow and ice. Despite the closure of many other area schools, campus remained open throughout the week. Many facilities closed early on Tuesday afternoon to permit students, faculty and staff to travel home safely, according to Associate Dean John Finney. Many students welcomed the flurry by spending time playing in the snow.

## Dean Jean's "personal reasons" cause her resignation from UPS

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In a surprise announcement, it was revealed last week that Jean Kim, former Dean of Students, was leaving her position for personal reasons, effective immediately. Replacing her is Mike Segawa, formerly Associate Dean of Student Affairs.

Segawa, who has been with the university for almost three years, said he was excited about the announcement. "It was very sudden, and everything happened in just a week," Segawa said.

Segawa's move into the position seemed natural to President Ronald Thomas.

"Mike Segawa is a nationally recognized leader in student affairs," Thomas said. "He was the number two officer in the division and has served this university with

distinction in his two years here at Puget Sound."

Former dean Kim also shared these sentiments.

"The university is lucky to have someone there to step into the position," Kim said. "Mike's a good guy, and very professional."

While the position of dean is now filled without conducting an off-campus search, other topics need to be addressed in the Student Affairs department. The announcement of a new dean came during the final process of a search for a second Associate Dean of Student Affairs, a position that was left vacant by



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Mike Segawa was immediately hired to replace Dean Kim upon her resignation.

Houston Dougharty. Three finalists were selected and all visited campus, but no candidate has been hired. It is unclear at this time about the status of the search, although the shuffling of positions has been noted.

"I have asked Dean Seg-

awa to confer with the search committee involved in the current search for an associate dean, to review the needs of the department in the context of current personnel in student affairs, and to make a recommendation to me about best how to deal with the current search," Thomas said.

There are a range of options to choose from regarding the process.

"We could hire one of the chosen three, the search could be put on pause, or we could reshape the positions because of their vacancies," Segawa said. "We have a unique opportunity in the long term to change how the department works."

For the past few years, there seems to have been a large rotation in the staff of Student Development. In Spring 2004, Academic Vice President Kristine Bartanen left the Dean of Students position to occupy her current role, and Houston Dougharty acted as interim dean for a year, while a search was conducted for a more permanent dean. It was during Bartanen's last year as dean that Segawa was hired.

After only one year with Dean Kim, Dougharty left his position in a surprise move for a job as Dean of Students at Lewis and Clark College. Now, Kim has left

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## P&G gets techy: prof uses web in fight for honesty

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With plagiarism rising as a common problem for universities across the country, the politics and government department at UPS has purchased software that scans academic papers for borrowed work.

A license to use TurnItIn.com, the plagiarism detection device, was bought by the administration for the department after professors voiced their concerns about the issue. Professor Seth Weinberger, an international politics professor, is the first to use the software extensively.

"Plagiarism is a huge problem for us," Weinberger said. "We are in an environment where honesty is the core of what we do."

The academic project is to assess what an individual knows, and plagiarism is cheating. Plagiarism undermines what it is we do."

Weinberger said he believes that the software does more than catch plagiarism; it teaches students the value of writing their own work and citing appropriately.

"Accidental plagiarism has become an issue," he said. "Students use information without properly citing it and that's problematic. [TurnItIn.com] can be used to help students. It lets students submit drafts to see if they are following the rules."

Weinberger also stressed that in the end it has a positive effect on the relationship between students and their professors.

"It's a problem when a student works hard and turns in a great paper and I have to question, did this student plagiarize," Weinberger said. "This system helps us avoid that. I don't want to be suspicious of a student. I want to think that he really did work hard and turned in a great paper. I don't want to make those decisions."

Despite Weinberger's enthusiasm, other professors within the department seem hesitant about TurnItIn.com. Professor Bill Haltom has questions about TurnItIn.com because he fears that students papers may automatically be "informally published" on the Internet.

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## BSU leadership amps up activities to raise awareness

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The Black Student Union is under new leadership this year, and they are planning a variety of activities to raise awareness and inviting students who are not black to join and participate in their programs.

"BSU is open for everyone," BSU President Yusuf Word said. "We're here to educate the campus community about issues in the black community, and spread awareness about black culture on campus."

Word said he thinks the Race and Pedagogy Conference earlier this fall increased interest in the club.

"Cornel West's lecture at the beginning of the year made more people interested in issues that pertain to race," Word said. "I think it really increased interest in BSU."

Two of the officers went to the national BSU conference in Wisconsin earlier this fall, and the skills they learned there have also helped enhance the club's presence on campus.

"Through support from ASUPS and Multicultural Student Services, two of the officers were able to go to the national conference," Yoshiko Matsui, Director of Multicultural Student Services said. "It taught them a lot about publicity for the club and gave them ideas about cultural events and service projects."

The club has several ongoing events, including meetings at 6:30 p.m. every other Thursday, study sessions in the SUB on Wednesdays at

5:30 p.m. and visits to members' churches on Sundays once a month.

"We have two meetings a month and Wednesday study sessions where we try to have people interact and provide tutoring," Word said. "Once a month, we're going to go to a different church and try and raise awareness about the diversity in the club."

All these events have a similar purpose: making campus a more comfortable place for black students on campus.

"The biggest thing is making campus a more welcoming place for black students," BSU Treasurer Nicky Wright said. "We want to educate the student body. We're especially working on programs the week after Martin Luther King Day and for Black History Month."

Word said that the club is open to students of any race, as long as they are open to

being educated about black culture.

Word encouraged students to attend the Kwanzaa event in the Wheelock Student Center Board Room this Sunday at 6 p.m.

"If you're going in with the proper mindset, wanting education, BSU welcomes everyone," Word said. "With our Kwanzaa event, we're trying to have a lot of fun and learn a little too. There's a lot that our black members are learning too."

All these events are open to every student on campus, and Wright hopes that students of all races feel welcome at BSU events.

"I want students to know that we're not an exclusive group," Wright said. "We're open to everyone, and anyone who wants to learn is welcome."

• Bailey Douglass supports equal rights for everyone.



ASUPS PHOTOSERVICES/WILL MCLEAN

Cartoonist/rapper Keith Knight spoke at a BSU event in Rausch Auditorium on Nov. 15 about his weekly strip, the "K Chronicles."

## Controversial day off eases travel

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For most Puget Sound students, Thanksgiving is a time for mass exodus. Drove of students hop onto planes, busses, trains or cars. All this has been made more of a possibility by the addition of an extra "travel day" to Thanksgiving break this year.

The academic calendar is decided by the Curriculum Committee, who make multiple recommendations to the Faculty Senate, who in turn vote on the ideas and put them into action. This year two of the newly proposed days off were the extra day for Fall Break and the Wednesday "Travel Safety Day" over Thanksgiving Break. The Travel Safety Day was in response to the pressures put on students to choose either skipping their Wednesday classes, traveling Wednesday night along with the mass of other traffic or risking

Thursday travel and missing Thanksgiving entirely.

Assistant Academic Dean Carrie Washburn discussed the rationale behind implementing the Travel Safety Day.

"Most faculty members had begun not insisting that their students attend Wednesday classes, because so many students actually did have to leave early in the day to catch flights or start driving home," Washburn said. "It had become very clear to the faculty that the Wednesday before Thanksgiving had developed into a de facto travel day."

Other faculty had also expressed concern over the shortened academic week. Faculty Senate member and psychology professor Barry Anton also commented on the extra travel safety day.

"There are students who will leave on Friday whether there's classes or not on Wednesday," Anton said. "It's up to the faculty to have high quality instruction on Monday and Tuesday. Everything else is a personal matter."

Anton also admitted to having a paper due on Tuesday,

and acknowledged that many of his colleagues had done something similar with either a test or a paper being due.

"We need to maintain the academic integrity of the semester while at the same time recognize the needs to recharge your batteries and take a breather," Anton said.

Students expressed what they thought about having a longer break.

Jeff Schmitz, a junior asian studies and theatre arts double major, talked about his experience in campus.

"I really got to appreciate how beautiful this campus is during the break," Schmitz said.

Senior Ann Marie Meiers had a different point of view from Scherer and Schmitz.

"I was sufficiently lonesome and moderately productive," Meiers said. "I didn't go onto campus, though. It was too depressing. It was like a ghost town. During Thanksgiving Break, even the SUB and library were closed."

• Kara Becker and Tom VanHeuvelen were thankful for the extra day; they spent it skipping over fall leaves.

## PLAGIARISM

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"I fear that by using the device, I would be tricking students or compelling students into effectively publishing their work," Haltom said, who believes that the software may hold onto a copy of each paper to compare with other papers submitted.

"I have a problem with my putting papers or inducing my students to put papers onto the Web," Haltom said.

While Haltom does believe that the software would probably prevent some plagiarism, he also voiced concerns on the effect it would have on honest students.

Haltom feels that device is not completely reliable and that some properly cited work could be read by the software as plagiarism, needlessly frightening students.

"A world in which students are scared to cheat is a good world," Haltom said.

On the other hand, a world in which all sorts of my honest students are stressed and fearful because they're likely

to be startled by false reports of plagiarism is a bad world."

Freshman Joe Balich, who attended Bishop O'Dowd High School last fall, used TurnItIn.com and expected it to be used at Puget Sound.

"I thought I would use it," Balich said. "It is an easy way to check for plagiarism, and plagiarism in college is a big deal because I believe that college is the beginning of your professional career."

The administration also bought the license to see if this new approach to academic honesty is worth a subscription for the entire campus.

"We are the first university group to use it in an official sense," Weinberger said. "We listen to the students as well and think about whether this works for both the faculty and the students and if it does work, I think you could see it used throughout other departments."

• Lauren Foster reads the Honor Code before going to bed every night.

## Corrections

In the Nov. 17, 2006, issue of The Trail, the following error occurred:

• The "December Holy Days" box on page 3 contained erroneous dates for Chanukkah. Chanukkah is celebrated from Dec. 16 to Dec. 24 this year.

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## Students working to legalize marijuana form campus club

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The UPS chapter of the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws (NORML) is one of ASUPS' newest recognized clubs on campus and is working toward marijuana legalization.

NORML is a nonprofit public interest lobby. Its mission, according to its Web site, www.norml.org, is "to move public opinion sufficiently to achieve the repeal of marijuana prohibition so that the responsible use of cannabis by adults is no longer subject to penalty."

Senior Emily Schwartz, a five year member of NORML, started the UPS chapter of NORML this fall and is president of the group.

"I really believe in what NORML stands for," Schwartz said.

"The organization represents the interests of Americans who smoke marijuana responsibly and believe that recreational and medicinal use of marijuana should no longer be a crime," Schwartz said.

NORML reports that 80 million Americans have admitted to smoking marijuana and that 5 million Americans have been arrested, primarily for simple possession, in the last decade.

"We have much better use for our tax dollars than fighting the drug war," Schwartz said.

Freshman Kevin Shintaku, the vice president of Puget Sound NORML, agrees with Schwartz.

Shintaku said he believes that Americans have failed to evaluate their laws.

"There are too many reasons for the law being as strict it is," Shintaku said. "One of the largest reasons is because the drug war is too profitable

for the government to lighten up on. By keeping marijuana illegal, they can control its price and profit from seizures. Propaganda, fear and negative media kept people from trying to reexamine the laws."

Puget Sound NORML's mission is to educate and inspire the campus community about its beliefs. The group hosted a showing of the film "Grass" in November. Club representatives said they hope to also show the film "Busted" in the upcoming semester.

They also will promote a key value of the organization: responsibility. From the perspective of NORML, it is not responsible for students to smoke in their dorm rooms or on university property, club representatives said.

The group is planning a "Know Your Rights" session with the American Civil Liberties Union. A goal of this program will be to inform students about their rights.

"There is a fine line between doing what you want and doing what is responsible," Schwartz said.

Puget Sound NORML would like to encourage more student involvement and participation at events. The group observes that marijuana smoking is a common thing that unites many college students. They hope that more students will get actively involved with the club to work towards change.

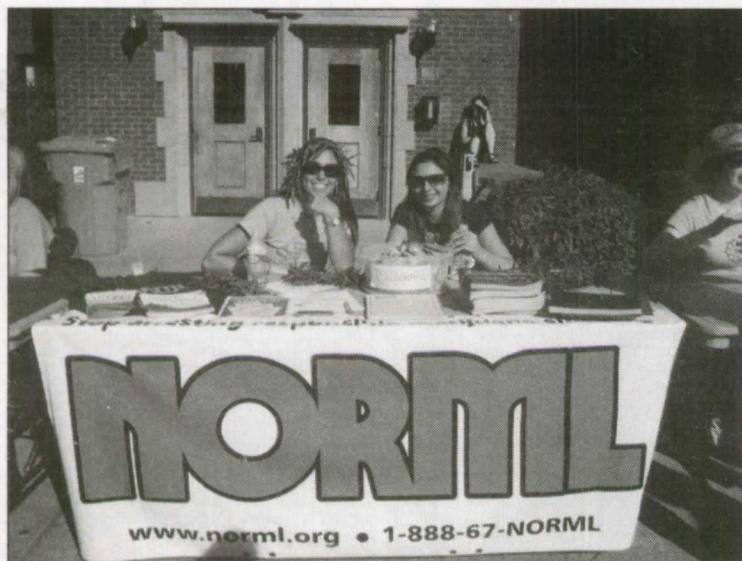
"Colleges and universities have historically been strong outposts in several progressive movements," Shintaku said. "There are lots of like-minded people at UPS that want to change our laws."

More active student members are needed for NORML to increase its impact on campus and become a thriving and ongoing club.

"We need more student involvement," Schwartz said.

Interested students are invited to attend the organization's meetings. Puget Sound NORML meets every Tuesday at 9 p.m. upstairs in SUB 201. Students can join the mailing list by joining the Facebook group, "Puget Sound NORML."

• Johanna Wallner thought there was an "a" in NORML.



COURTESY OF JENNI SWIFT

Seniors Jenni Swift and Emily Schwartz promoted NORML at Log Jam in September. Swift wore leaves on her head to show her support.

## Security Report

Security staff responded to, or received reports of, the following incidents on campus between Nov. 15, 2006 and Nov. 28, 2006:

- A student reported his Trek mountain bike was stolen from his campus house. He said he left the bicycle unsecured leaning against the house over night.
- A University staff member reported her vehicle was broken into while it was parked near N. 13th and Lawrence Streets. The passenger side window was broken and about 10 expensive text books were taken from the vehicle.
- A student reported his Diamondback mountain bike stolen from the Wheelock Student Center. The bicycle was not secured.
- A staff member reported her 1991 Toyota Camry was stolen from the Wheelock Student Center lot sometime during the day. The vehicle was recovered the next day in Parkland.
- A facilities vehicle was the victim of a hit-and-run accident at N. 11th and Lawrence Streets. The suspect vehicle is a older 4-door Ford Tempo.
- An expensive exterior window in the basement of Todd/Phibbs hall was broken from the inside out.
- The fire alarm in Todd/Phibbs hall was maliciously activated. Someone activated the manual pull-station in the basement near the central stairwell.

### Crime Prevention Tips:

- Never leave valuable property in your vehicle – especially in open view.
- "U-bolt" style bicycle locks are highly recommended. Always secure your bicycle through the frame.
- To avoid theft, lock your room/house door and keep windows secured.
- Always report suspicious activity to Security Services at extension 3311.
- Take advantage of the Security safety escort program or walk with friends.

• Courtesy of Todd A. Badham

## JEAN

her position, leaving only Segawa. Fortunately, Segawa has experience in the realm of student affairs.

Prior to his position here, Segawa spent 12 years at the University of Washington as the Assistant Director of Residence Life and then nine years as the Director of Housing at Evergreen State College.

"He was appointed after a rigorous national search three years back, emerging as the clear favorite from a very strong pool of applicants," Thomas said. "Mike has earned the respect of faculty, students, and staff since he has been here, and he has earned mine as well."

As dean, Segawa plans to continue the work of the past couple of years, namely the residential seminar programs that house the incoming freshman class according to their seminar class. He also plans to continue the peer conduct boards that already exist, and help draft a new sexual assault policy for the university.

"I'm just going to continue to steer the ship in the direction that it's been going for several years now," Segawa said. "But we will be com-

ing up with new things, new initiatives, based on the work that we're presently doing."

President Thomas was confident in the department's future.

"The future of the department is very bright, he said. "We have outstanding talent in our student affairs division, people who are loyal to the university and to our students," Thomas said.

Kim, who will be moving to the East Coast next year to look for a position in the realm of student affairs, will be acting as a consultant until the end of the 2006-2007 school year.

Kim has a long history in student affairs, having spent 27 years in higher education at institutions like Stanford, Univ. of Massachusetts Amherst and Univ. of Colorado Boulder.

"Working at Puget Sound really gave me a chance to work with a smaller community and a terrific student body," Kim said. "They were engaged, respectful and down to earth."

Kim declined to comment on the nature of her reasons for leaving.

• Brandon hopes Dean Jean's personal reason isn't "a deep hatred of Brandon Lueken."

## Student alcohol abuse treated with DYRT

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Students who have gotten in trouble with alcohol related behavior know what its like to be in deep DYRT, or The Decrease Your Risk Training program.

The program, run by Substance Abuse Prevention Coordinator Amy L. Cummings, encourages responsible drinking practices in a comprehensive alcohol curriculum.

"I give some education about what happens physiologically and what happens psychologically and I discuss the myth of tolerance," Cummings said. "We also talk about norms on campus, how people drink, blood alcohol content, optimal buzz, good things about drinking, which are generally immediate, and bad things about drinking, which tend to be more in the long run and Washington state laws, especially about rape and the responsibility of being the alcohol supplier at parties."

Despite this broad subject matter, Cummings says she doesn't have a prescribed method for approaching the class.

"I don't really have an outline for how DYRT sessions go," Cummings said. "I know there are things that need to be talked about, but I also try to make a connection with the group to talk about them. I ask them what they want to know."

Students who have been through the DYRT program said that the class is effective,

addressing important issues.

"[Cummings] focused on relevant things," said a freshman who went through DYRT and wished to remain anonymous. "There was a lot of focus on not drinking and driving and the bad things that can happen because drinking kills your judgment."

As the name suggests, DYRT concentrates on teaching participants to drink in ways which are less likely to jeopardize their health.

"We discuss ways to decrease your risk," Cummings said. "I suggest alternating alcoholic and nonalcoholic drinks, or matching the amount of alcohol you drink with water. It's also good to limit the cash you take to a bar, or bringing your own drink and limiting yourself to it, or deciding how long you're going to stay at a party before you go."

Cummings emphasized her hope that DYRT is not a deterrent for students in danger or their friends to call for help.

"I would hope that if students are concerned about a friend they would ask for help," Cummings said. "It's better to be cautious than to lose someone. DYRT's not a process of punishment, it's about educating people."

According to students who have gone through the program, Cummings succeeds in making the program unthreatening.

"I'd definitely say that [DYRT] did not seem like a punishment, it was just informative," said another anonymous freshman.

• Bailey Douglass believes DYRT helps students get clean.



# Hey You!

"HEY YOU," ultimate team, you rock my socks off!

"HEY YOU," folks that are so down on KUPS, if you find indie music "pretentious," listen to any other radio station that dominates the airwaves with their pop tunes. If you want to support your fellow students who put a lot of hard work into running the station or people who have a new outlook on sound and composition, then check it out on 90.1 FM or kups.net. Otherwise, shut your flap.

"HEY YOU," in the shirt with the red hair and glasses. Sorry you got sick on your birthday, I hope you are feeling better!

"HEY YOU," stop playing Warhammer and come hang out.

"HEY YOU," semester, you've overstayed your welcome.

"HEY YOU," snow! Last longer!

"HEY YOU," Go Cal Bears!

"HEY YOU," PT Cruiser angel, thanks for shrink-wrapping my open window to keep out the rain. You rock!

"HEY YOU," Goeienag me sus! Ek het yo lief! Ho yo bek!

"HEY YOU," morons, the world didn't end ... it's just ice.

"HEY YOU," you think I don't know but I really do - fess up.

"HEY YOU," T/P freshies, sorry for mooning you.

"HEY YOU," cute freshman in A/L, that JLo booty is so hot!

"HEY YOU," wonderful freshman RDGer - that blue bandana and mini skirt made your red hair glisten.

"HEY YOU," stop picking your nose.

"HEY YOU," that wasn't a natural disaster, stop closing the library at 5.

"HEY YOU," it's the final countdown!

"HEY YOU," Cellar hotties, throw that dough.

"HEY YOU," good luck on your test!

"HEY YOU," LUAU DANCE signups are Monday-Wednesday in the sub from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Be a part of the largest student productions on campus! Come and sign up for Kahiko, Women's Fast, Women's Slow, Mixed Auana, Couples, Tahitian, Maori, or Seniors.

"HEY YOU," freshmen, learn how to take the snow like a man!

"HEY YOU," come to café Schiff tonight at 7 p.m.!

"HEY YOU," Beer Gut! Gross!

"HEY YOU," it's click clack, not click click.

"HEY YOU," why do you have to be so salty all the time?

"HEY YOU," you will never have sex in my car.

"HEY YOU," hammer that stick into the hole.

"HEY YOU," you smell like Schiff!

"HEY YOU," whoever wrote "no means yes" on the board in the SUB, last time I checked the dictionary "no" had nothing to do with "yes"! How ignorant are you?

"HEY YOU," have some potatoes with your pepper.

"HEY YOU," sorry I'm touching your butt.

"HEY YOU," I like it.

"HEY YOU," Those in charge of the grass-waterage ... why the hayballs do you water the grass after it snows?

"HEY YOU," you're never getting your axe back!

"HEY YOU," don't break the circle of trust.

"HEY YOU," UPS swim team! Good luck at the Husky invite and NWC invite!

"HEY YOU," turn on the heat in the library!

"HEY YOU," don't cut in front of me in the SUB line.

"HEY YOU," Profs! Stop not cancelling snow days!

"HEY YOU," yeah you! With the sad face ... come to my place and live it up!

"HEY YOU," who hate snow! Shut up!

"HEY YOU," who love 1/2 inch of snow! Get over it!

"HEY YOU," GRE, f\*\*k you!

"HEY YOU," third floor T/P, stop vomiting out your window! It's a biohazard!

"HEY YOU," Beta junior, you better step it up!

"HEY YOU," just because you're a freshman doesn't mean I don't wanna make out with you! Carpe Diem!

"HEY YOU," snow, thanks for causing our profs to cancel class.

"HEY YOU," Man Up! Regardless of who wrote "no means yes" on the "what means no" board, it makes all men seem insensitive to the issue of sexual assault, and when 80% of those who are raped know their attacker, it makes it impossible to distinguish men who are safe from men who are dangerous.

"HEY YOU," out there in the cold, getting lonely, getting old, can you feel me?

"HEY YOU," have fun!

## SuDoku Rules:

The objective of the game is to fill all the blank squares in a game with the correct numbers. There are three very simple constraints to follow. In a 9 by 9 square:

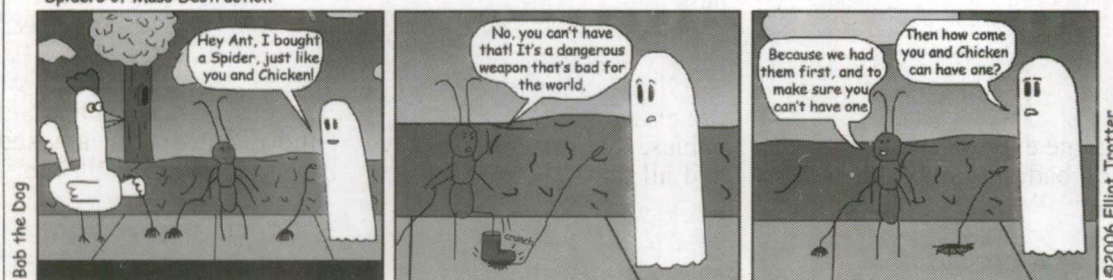
1. Every row must include all digits 1 through 9 in any order.
2. Every column must include all digits 1 through 9 in any order.
3. Every 3 by 3 subsection of the 9 by 9 square must include all digits 1 through 9.

Good Luck!

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## America's pyramid of oppression

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Issues of race and pedagogy were seemingly inescapable this past November. First, there were speculative allegations regarding racial profiling related to the very strange taser of an Iranian student at UCLA. Now the Boston University College Republicans are reviving the ethical debate behind racial preferences and affirmative action by instituting a \$250 so-called "Caucasian Achievement and Recognition Scholarship." The BU Republicans intend to begin distributing said scholarships to qualified Caucasian applicants this January.

Of course, I have very strong opinions regarding both these subjects and would eagerly write an article on either one. However, I feel it is my duty to abstain from these potential tirades in order to address an even more press-

ing issue that I believe underscores them both.

It occurred to me the other day that our culture has divided the world into two categories: oppressors and the oppressed. It would thus stand to reason that there must be a hierarchy involved here: an "oppression pyramid" if you will. Consider then the following model, based – not upon facts – but upon my intimate observations and twisted perceptions of how this hierarchy plays out. Although this model may be crude, I nonetheless remain confident that through its matrix we can accurately determine who in fact "the Man" is, and thus confront his racist pedagogical conundrums.

Level One (the pyramid's base): white people.

Yes, these are the villainous oppressors, the source of all the world's many injustices. Just take a look at your stand-

ardized history textbooks and you will see that, in fact, all of the racism ever to plague this continent was perpetrated by milky white people. But wait, aren't Jews, Arabs, Persians, Italians, Irish, Poles, Slavs, Latinos and countless other subgroups technically white also? Or, at least, "Caucasian?" Yes, I may be white, but I'm also a Jew, and anyone who has ever seen a Steven Spielberg movie has to know that we cannot be "the Man."

Thus, Level Two: White Anglo-Saxon Protestants (AKA: WASPs.)

Yes, these are the villainous rascals, the trappers of our liberties, the oppressors of our identity. But wait, what about WASP women? Are they not also restricted by glass ceilings, filial job opportunities and inferior salaries? Have their rights not been repeatedly abridged? Furthermore, how could a WASP woman truly be called "the Man?"

Thus, Level Three: White

male Anglo-Saxon Protestants.

Yes, these are the licentious condom-wearing Lynard Skynyrd fans who keep all us decent people down. But wait, what about the proletariat? How can the minimum-wage worker – denied healthcare, access to decent education, or outlets for self-advancement, truly be called "the Man?" How can those who cannot afford to sustain themselves dominate the other classes? And is not the modern middle class becoming increasingly vulnerable to that same marginalization?

Thus, Level Four: White male Anglo-Saxon Protestants with above average incomes.

These are surely the avicious champagne drinking capitalist pigs who keep all the rest of us down. But wait, what about the LGBT community? Surely some of them must make up this class (maybe not lesbians, seeing as they are Level Two op-

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## How to be like Travis McNamara

By Travis McNamara  
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Opinions Writer



Freshmen: my name is Travis McNamara, and I have decided that I know what's best for you.

Over my last three and a half years spent here at Puget Sound, I have learned a great deal about the ins and outs of this university, campus living and life in general.

Yet as I approach the sunset of my collegiate experience, I often find myself harkening back to the good old days: when life was simpler, classes were easier, and casual sex was still the same dirty lie it has always been.

As such, I think it's time that we have a little chat about the lessons I've learned during my time here, so that you might benefit from them at this early stage. With luck, you may blossom into smaller versions of myself, which is exactly what this university needs.

Choosing a major: Your major will comprehensively define you as a person. So don't screw this one up and choose something like "chemistry." A safer bet would be some-

thing like, say, "communications," because who doesn't like communicating (aside from chemists)? A major like this will guarantee you many friends and at least three dates with totally hot chicks. Seriously, it's in the syllabus.

Extracurricular activities: Everyone knows the easiest thing to do on weekends is to get drunk. But in your memories, these weekends will all blend together into one seamless keg party where you sort of remember probably having fun. In the eternal words of Animal House's Dean Wormer, "Drunk and stupid is no way to go through life." So it takes some effort, but get outside, take a hike, see a movie, become a KUPS DJ, play campus golf, join some clubs and create some worthwhile memories while you can. There is fun to be had here, but you have to make it.

Pranks: There is nothing that brightens a Tacoma morning like finding the Matriculation Pillar in Jones Quad wrapped in a huge condom. Pranks stimulate cam-

pus culture and lighten the mood on our sometimes too-serious campus. Chalk art is always great, like last year's advertisements for "free pheasant" on the way to the animal rights protest. Expand your minds, put a little time into it, and don't get caught. Speaking of which...

Campus tours: should never be left alone, especially if your friends are leading them. The weirder the better. Nudity is encouraged.

Intramural sports: Volleyball is the greatest and best game ever invented, followed by badminton and then probably World Cup Soccer. It is not a feminine game, and it does not necessarily need to be played in spandex. Moreover, volleyball is the perfect balance between awesome and ridiculous, which makes it the perfect intramural sport. The secret to a good team is a deep bench: half girls for their natural prowess, half guys for brawn and intimidation at the net.

The SUB: will eventually kill you. I lost pounds my freshman year, due mostly to the requisite eight laps I had to take around the cafeteria before deciding all the food looked gross. Bento Teriyaki

on Alder St. is walkable, and you can buy a hearty helping of chicken fried rice for only \$5.99. If you save up enough of your points by the year's end, you can extort your peniless friends, buy mixers for reading period or get a bunch of spaghetti to throw at the tour guides. It's a win-win.

So, freshman class, do not let your college experience pass you by. As a nearly graduated senior, it is becoming starkly apparent how much real life is going to suck. Real life is filled with jobs, golf, babies, mortgages, in-laws and all that other sh\*\* that I don't want to deal with.

But college is great, and is probably the last time you will ever live with a bunch of like-minded people your age, who are generally committed to having fun whenever they can. My three and a half years have passed, but yours is just beginning. Do not let a moment slip by. Do something great every chance you get, and live, live, live.

With luck, maybe you will turn out like me: a happily exhausted senior who has lived the best three and a half years of his life.

• Travis McNamara thinks that being drunk and stupid isn't that bad of a way to go through life.

## Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

While I understand that the purpose of Russell Howe's recent column on "Useless Majors" was, most probably, to simply fill up space on an empty page and, perhaps even more likely, to encourage letters like this (and hence fill up more space in future editions), I nonetheless feel compelled to defend my department from his critique. We in Comparative Sociology were listed as the third "most useless" major in his erudite calculus.

As a relatively new professor at UPS, I haven't had the opportunity to usher a cohort of undergraduates through our department. The students I do advise, however, are entirely more capable and well-trained than the students I advised at my former institution (a large public university), and I have no doubt that the UPS students I currently advise will surpass the previous students I've helped guide to productive and exciting careers.

Keeping in mind that the CSOC department here is a joint anthropology and sociology department, and including both the UPS seniors I worked with during my first year here and those students I advised at my former institutions, here's a quick list of some of their post-baccalaureate activities: several have joined the Peace Corps; several others serve in Teach for America; one is working for an NGO in Central Asia; another is on a Fulbright in Malaysia; another is guiding a large public health project in Mozambique; one is leading a language revitalization project on a Native American reservation in California; half a dozen are in graduate school; one works as a journalist in Mexico City; and one

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## The Pulse PHOTO POLL



## What does Christmas mean to you?



"What does it mean to ask 'what does Christmas mean?'"

Brenden Goetz  
Senior



"Xmas means the shaft for other religions."

Kaylie Rozen  
Junior



"Watching weird movie genres such as Blaxploitation."

Annie Neet  
Senior



"Shrimp scampi."

Matt Lonsdale  
Junior



## From the Editor

Hello dear readers, it is good to talk to you again. I have been doing some thinking and things are going to be different next semester. I thought I should let you know. I have been digging around in The Trail's archives and I have seen some very interesting things. There were headlines like "Eat Shit, Jones Hall," stories about sexual harassment by professors, huge rallies against the tenure policies and urgings to abolish the system entirely. There were botched ASUPS elections, blatant racism within the University, and up to 10 percent increases in tuition almost every year for a few years straight, which may explain the fortune we shell out every semester.

Looking at some of the reporting, and the coverage, I was inspired. Accordingly, there are some things I'd like to try out next semester that you may be interested in.

First of all, we're going to start reporting with more detail. We are a college newspaper, and we need to think about that. The newspaper is part of the vague collective known as "the media" and when the media is functioning, it acts as the Fourth Estate. For those not familiar with the term, it means that The Trail must always question everything. We must hold the ASUPS administration accountable for their actions, as well as the student body, and the University administration. Unfortunately, that has not been happening as much as I would like. For as long as I have been attending this university, there has been no Trail reporter at ASUPS senate, where there should have been. ASUPS has no natural outlet to present the bills that have been passed in senate, and if The Trail does not report on the bills passed, it is possible that irresponsible actions amongst our elected representatives here on campus could go unchecked. ASUPS wields a budget of over half a million dollars, and is a body inde-

pendent of University administration. It's a big deal. We should know what is being done over there.

Also as the campus newspaper, we are supposed to represent the campus. That's hard to do, so I'm letting you know that we need more writers, contributors, and just plain other people. We need more people sending e-mails about interesting stories; we need more people telling The Trail about what's going on. We cannot

report what we do not know. We can, however, help spread the word. We can break news to the rest of the campus, and for those who

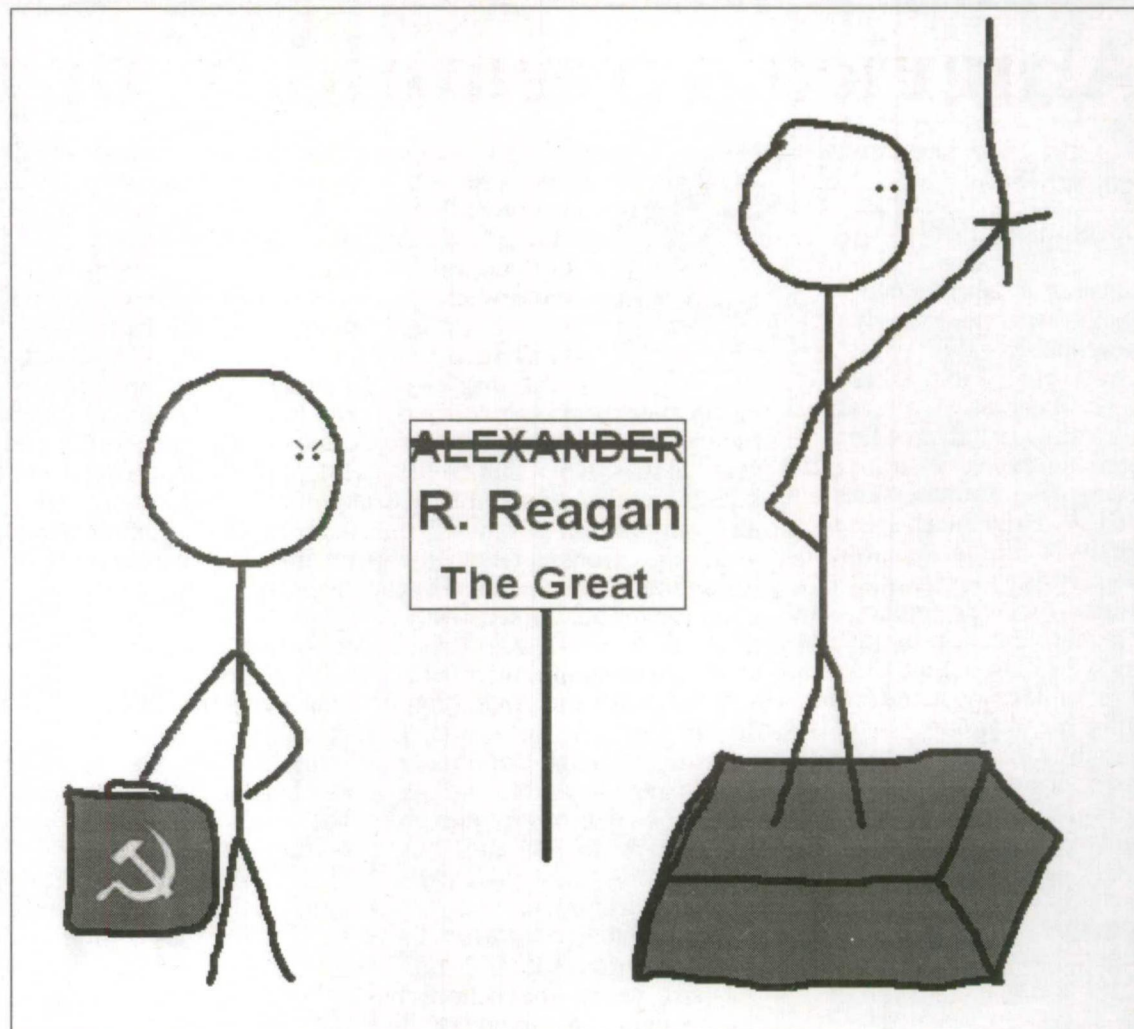
fear that they may be indicted for speaking out against the University, we can keep your identity a secret.

The other part of our identity as a college newspaper is that we are in college. We are supposed to have fun. I've heard complaints about a lack of fun in the newspaper, which is perhaps a result of my personal stress on more professionalism. That is something I have been dealing with personally, but lets not drag that into the article. Instead, I will just tell you that I would like to have more fun. Fun is good; fun is a stress release; fun is, well, fun. We would like to have more fun in our paper, but we need your help.

Basically, I want suggestions. I want feedback. I want input. The Trail still has one more issue left in the semester, and any suggestions/letters we receive, we'll probably print. If your idea is particularly interesting, expect to see it tested next semester when other changes will be made. Tell us what's fun. Tell us what you have planned for next semester? Do you want to review a party? Review a beer? (Remember, you have to be of age.) Write a scathing Combat Zone story about the Student Affairs Department. Write something. We're looking for new blood, and your veins look very ripe.

• Brandon Lueken is lonely.

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## Reagan tributes un-needed

By Seth B. Doherty  
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Opinions writer



As I returned home to Colorado Springs, Colorado for Thanksgiving Break, I saw a sure sight of home as I entered my native county: Interstate 25 turned into the "Ronald Reagan Highway." In fact, this summer the Ronald Reagan Legacy Project, tried and failed to get an elementary school from my old district named after the fortieth President. This same group succeeded in renaming the Washington D.C. airport Reagan International, and were behind the failed attempt to replace Franklin Delano Roosevelt on the dime, with the image of the Gipper himself.

Though my first reaction to discovering the existence of this organization was repulsion at this foolhardy attempt to honor a man who ignored the AIDS crisis but supported violence, murder and occasionally genocide throughout the world in the name of fighting communism. There is a lesson to be learned from this group, honor and symbolism have an effect. When a public area or building is named after someone, it brings that individual to attention. John F. Kennedy suddenly becomes

more notable than someone less memorialized, like, say, Gerald Ford. (I am not the only one spending my Friday nights looking up who Schneebeck and Wyatt are, right?)

This makes me think we need new national, symbolic heroes. Although, changing the name of Sea-Tac to Spiderman International is not what I mean either. The memorializing of supposed great men may make us respect them, but it also keeps us from acting. We do not need to be told we need great men to achieve great things. I could advocate for an ideological slant for our national heroes, but by replacing FDR with Harvey Milk or Eugene V. Debs on the dime, it would still be creating symbols of great people.

One of the high schools in my old district is named after an old superintendent, Thomas B. Doherty. Though little is ever really said about Doherty, this is a far better memorial than my elementary school named after a nineteenth century explorer and general, John C. Fremont. Though it would be ridiculous to put someone like that on a coin, perhaps it is the local, small, individual that needs to be honored, for it was the

"small" figures and everyday people who truly did the great work.

America was not built by George Washington or Thomas Jefferson, but by poor farmers and slaves. Slavery was not ended by Abraham Lincoln, but by the work of tireless abolitionists and by the sacrifices of countless Union soldiers. Vietnam was certainly not ended by Richard Nixon, but by the outcry of many nameless Americans. Ronald Reagan definitely did not bring down the Berlin Wall and neither did Gorbachev. The German people did that.

Our heroes should not be presidents, but nameless teachers, soldiers, union-organizers and activists. Real change never comes from above; we should never be made to believe it ever did.

What the Ronald Reagan Memorial Project discounts is that you do not have to be a rich old actor turned politician to change the world, just to take credit for it. In this increasingly cynical age of politics, we need to remember that you don't need to be elected to change the world. If we leave it to the decision-makers in D.C., whether Republicans or the Democrats with their new Congressional majority, then you are waiting for Ronald Reagan to end the Cold War or Abraham Lincoln to free the slaves. Nothing will get done unless we push them.

• Seth Doherty has absolutely no idea who Ronald Reagan is.



James Bond doesn't suck



Reading period fruitbaskets



KUPS broadcasting at 100 watts



Not knowing what watts are



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has been recommended for the Watson Fellowship. I'm very much looking forward to adding to this list over the coming years.

The students I've worked with in the Comparative Sociology department here at UPS are, generally speaking, interested in jobs that provide them with the opportunity to address social and economic injustices on a global level, and it's been an entirely rewarding experience both getting to know them and also helping them along this path. Please have Russell drop me a line once he graduates and leave a forwarding address. I'd be happy to have my students send postcards to him about their post-baccalaureate accomplishments. Perhaps he can post them on the wall of his cubicle as a reminder of what will then be a distant memory from his undergraduate years at UPS.

Sincerely,  
Andrew Gardner  
Assistant Professor of  
Anthropology

### Defending gay pride support

Dear Editor,

I'd like to correct a few inaccuracies in the article "Gay Support vs. Gay Acceptance" by Aaron Albro in last week's Trail. The article purported that UPS's current acclaim as a gay friendly campus is a blowy. This is in reference to UPS being among the top twenty of the one hundred colleges featured in the Advocate's College Guide for LGBT Students. This is a huge honor, and UPS did not make it into this book by chance. The survey of students that was taken was only part of the process. The Advocate required a minimum number of participants in the survey for UPS to even be considered. The people who filled out the survey were not solely members of B-GLAD (Bisexuals, Gays, Lesbians, and Allies for Diversity) as the Trail article suggested. After the survey UPS had to meet a number of other qualifications. In the Guide there is a checklist of twenty indications of "gay friendliness" for each school listed. The checklist includes things like gay clubs and support groups as well as anti-discriminatory policies and programming. UPS met nineteen out of the twenty

items on the list. Only three other schools did so well.

Anyone who is interested in looking through the Advocate Guide is welcome to peruse the copy in the Student Diversity Center. I think people will be surprised about how extremely well UPS scored compared to the other schools listed.

Albro's article also complained that the only LGBT programming on campus comes from B-GLAD. This seems to be a common misconception. B-GLAD does not operate in a vacuum. Organizations like the Diversity Theme Year, SIRGE, VAVA, Vox, the JSO and other Student Diversity Center groups as well as the Gender Studies department, CHWS, and others regularly collaborate on programming to promote awareness of LGBT issues and issues of tolerance in general. In past years, the school has brought in speakers like transgendered author Jennifer Finney Boylan, the sociologist Dr. Michael Kimmel, and porn star Ron Jeremy, all of whom fostered discussion about sexuality on campus. Contrary to the article, the administration does work hard to create programming relevant to LGBT students. Let's give credit where credit is due.

I am sorry to hear about the author's personal struggles with acceptance on campus, but I have heard many of my peers tell exactly opposite stories. My own experiences have been overwhelmingly positive. The article implied that the reports of B-GLAD members somehow skew data to make UPS look better than it deserves, but B-GLADers do go to the same school as, well, the rest of the school. I find it hard to believe that their overall experiences on and off campus are significantly different from anyone else's. Everyone is welcome at B-GLAD. If others feel like they can't be out on campus there are certainly options open to them (in addition to B-GLAD and the rest of the SDC, there is also As is, a confidential LGBT support group). If none of these groups suit your needs, you can always start a new one.

I agree with Albro that our goal should be a campus free of homophobia, but citing that as a prerequisite for UPS to be considered "gay friendly" seems a bit much. Homophobia exists, and it will continue to exist both on and off campus for a long time. We can only work to change it. I also agree that

the attitudes of the students are as important as the attitudes of the administration in making UPS a welcoming place. The responsibility to create a more positive atmosphere rests with the students. If anyone on this campus wants to see more support for LGBT individuals or issues, get involved. Work to create change. B-GLAD and the other Student Diversity Center organizations comprise an open and welcoming community of people who all want to foster diversity both on campus and in the community at large. UPS absolutely deserves its current gay friendly acclaim. Anyone who thinks otherwise just hasn't been paying attention.

Sincerely,  
Anna Froese  
Co-President of B-GLAD

### What do you stand for?

Dear Editor,

One of the most desirable aspects of a small liberal arts college is a the huge opportunity to become involved in the activism scene. I was involved with community service in high school, but I was never confident enough to truly stand up for what I believe in. Throughout my four (and a half) years at UPS, I've realized that talking is simply not enough. We have to actively pursue those issues which we believe in. Unfortunately, change doesn't just miraculously happen overnight, but if we don't try, nothing will ever happen.

Let's bring this issue back to UPS. How active is our student body? How well attended are our service events? Our forums on sexual assault? And how does this attendance match up to that of our concerts? Parties? I know you're thinking that parties and service events have nothing in common. And you're right. But it sure does shed light onto our priorities, doesn't it?

A couple of weeks ago, I read an article in the Trail entitled "Greeks Raise Thousands" all about Sigma Chi's annual philanthropic event, Derby Days. I was certainly impressed by the fact that they have raised \$25,000 since 2000. However, this strikes me as a situation which warrants the question: Do the means justify

the end? Sure, they raised a large amount of money for a legitimate charity, the Make a Wish Foundation, but let's examine the ways in which they raised these funds.

One event called "Derby Daddy Hunter" involved girls running around signing their names and sorority letters on Sigma Chi men. Then there's the date auction. Here's where the big money comes from. Members of Sigma Chi submit themselves to be auctioned off for various dates. The date with the highest bid was a limo ride to Seattle and a dinner at The Melting Pot. The winning number? \$1600. Say it one more time. \$1600. I don't even know what that kind of money looks like. However, that's not the point. I happened to be in the SUB the night of the date auction. I poked my head in and I was overwhelmed, not only at the idea that men were being auctioned off, but also the sheer number of people in attendance. There must have been at least a hundred people in the Rotunda.

Looking back on the events I have been part of such as Take Back the Night, Perspectives on Violence, multiple forums on human trafficking, The White Ribbon Campaign, etc, I was lucky to have fifty people. Honestly, this leaves me baffled. I know the subject matter of events like Take Back the Night is not easy, but it is essential. Especially on a college campus. It takes a lot to put up thousands of dollars for a charity, but it takes a whole lot more to stand up for what you believe in.

Perhaps what surprises me the most is how a group known for their community service can be so unresponsive and unresponsive to events on their own campus. The White Ribbon Campaign is run solely by men to end violence against women. The fraternities were asked multiple times to be a part of this event and not only did they not help, there was hardly a significant number of Greek members in attendance. Same exact story with Take Back the Night.

Here is my challenge to all of you:

Don't just donate money. Get involved. Figure out what you're passionate about and attend one of the many clubs on campus. This is the time to make a change, so whatever you do, don't sit back and watch the world around you happen.

Sincerely,  
Erin Cronshaw

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pressed, but surely the others might). How then can one who is not free to express their identity truly be counted among the oppressors? How can one who believes he was born to be a woman truly be called "the Man."

Thus, Level Five: White male heterosexual Anglo-Saxon Protestants with above average incomes.

These must be the Lutherans of oppression, the straight males of silk sheets. But wait, what about the elderly, the infantile, or the physically handicapped/disabled. Surely some of them must make up this group (Hugh Hefner and Larry Flint, for example). How can one seriously oppress others from a changing table, much less a wheelchair? How can a generation which refuses to trust "anyone over 30" truly be "the Man."

Thus, Level Six: non-disabled, middle-aged, White male heterosexual Anglo-Saxon Protestants with above average incomes.

Finally, these must be the source of all our woes and worries. But wait, do not several intellectuals in the Gender Studies Department argue that American capitalists market "standards of beauty" to both women and men which are simply unattainable? And have these images not been credited for such social-side-effects as eating disorders in both sexes? Surely there must be a few members of this villainous middle-aged group whose physique pales in comparison to that of the Old Spice guy. Surely then, they must also be victims of oppression.

Thus, with the matrix now complete, and my pyramid ascended, we can assume that American oppression comes from: stunningly gorgeous, non-disabled, middle-aged, white male heterosexual Anglo-Saxon Protestants with above average incomes.

This leads me to one of either two conclusions. Either all of the oppression, inequality and injustice in this country is derived from Tom Cruise, or some of the "oppressed" are participating in a little oppression of their own.

Folks, racism is reciprocal; classism reflects a struggle between competing elitists; religious oppression is when one group of believers is denied the ability to subjugate another group to their lifestyle or way of thinking. So I say it's time that we stop examining issues of race and pedagogy in the context of victims and perpetrators. Because ultimately, we are all victims and we are all perpetrators (except for Tom Cruise, who should be shot on sight).

• Chris Van Vechten desperately wishes he was "the Man."



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Rep. Rangel's  
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bill



Snow



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# SUSTAINABILITY AT

## SSC - Students for a Sustainable Campus

Earlier this semester, the **Students for a Sustainable Campus (SSC)** asked for input from the campus community on what can be done to make Puget Sound more sustainable. Based on student feedback, the SSC is currently pursuing the following projects:

### 1. Renewable Energy

The SSC wants to see the University **purchase energy from 100% renewable sources** (such as solar and wind power). Making this happen will require the support of the student body. Voice your opinion on the matter, or learn more about green energy at [www.SustainableUPS.org](http://www.SustainableUPS.org)!

### 2. The Diner

An overwhelming majority of students who responded to our request for input mentioned **reusable dishware and**

**composting at the SUB!** The SSC has responded by forming a focus group that is currently investigating composting both on and off campus, and hopes to submit a request to the Sustainability Advisory Committee for an industrial composting or vermiculture system by the end of the year. We're also looking into compostable dishware!

### 3. EnviroWeek

Mark your calendars for **February 12<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup>**! The SSC is planning to bring in speakers, movies and more on climate change and sustainability. Stay tuned!

### Green House Theme House

The ladies of the **Green House** - the University's sustainability theme-house at 3207 N. 13<sup>th</sup> St. - are paving the way for sustainability in on-campus housing at UPS! Earlier this semester they **applied**

**for a research grant from Puget Sound Energy**, and while they're waiting for a response they've been working on worm-bins, a rain barrel and promoting dish amnesty. They're also plotting some nifty infrastructure changes to show off **residential sustainability technology!**

### We want to hear from you!

If any of these projects interest you, or if you have other suggestions regarding what students can do to make UPS more sustainable, contact Erick Peirson, [eperirson@ups.edu](mailto:eperirson@ups.edu), of the SSC, Erika Kercher, [ekercher@ups.edu](mailto:ekercher@ups.edu), of the Green House, or check out the ASUPS website for information on these other sustainability-oriented clubs:

- ◆ Slow Food
- ◆ The Organic Garden
- ◆ University of Puget Sound Students for Fair Trade

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As Confucius said: "A journey of a thousand



Left: The first SAC-sponsored Sustainable Move-Out in May 2005 reduced the amount of waste by 32 tons and saved the campus thousands of dollars in disposal fees by donating unwanted items instead.



Right: Log Jam 2006 was a Zero-Waste event sponsored by SAC. Just one bag of trash was produced by this event; everything else was re-used, recycled or composted.

## Santa's Three Wishes

### 1. Give experiences instead of things.

Perhaps:

- A **Donation** in a person's name to an environmental or humanitarian organization (Conservation International, Forest Ethics, Birdlife International, NRDC, etc.).
- A **gift certificate** to a restaurant, play, concert, festival, kayaking trip, co-op, organic merchant, etc.
- A **National Parks Pass** (\$50).
- **Carbon offset gifts** (such as those at [www.nativeenergy.com/services.html](http://www.nativeenergy.com/services.html) or others).

### 2. Give eco-friendly gifts.

Perhaps:

- **Fair trade** coffee, chocolate, etc.
- Green items available in the **UPS Bookstore**.
- **Organic food/clothing** (can be found online)
- **Bird seed wreaths**
- **Bird feeder**
- **Bat house**
- **Tree sapling**
- **Canvas tote** for groceries
- **Solar flashlight**
- **Re-usable mug or water bottle**
- **Vulcana** (Hemp + recycled tires) **messenger bag**

### 3. Be green, my friends.

Perhaps:

- For **giftwrap**: use paper grocery bags, old catalogs and magazines. Decorate with twigs, cones and twine.
- **Recycle** wrapping waste.
- Develop **new family traditions** centered around an activity or meal rather than the giving of gifts.

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December 4-8:  
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## UPS (AND BEYOND!)

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## Top Ten New Year Resolutions for 2007

Never under-estimate the impact the actions of a single person can have. Environmental problems like deforestation, biodiversity loss, and global warming may seem daunting but you can make a difference. Be part of the solution. Lessen your impact on the planet. Spread the word. To get you started, here are a few suggested resolutions for the New Year.

1	 <b>Minimize your consumption of animal products.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ This is widely regarded as the <b>single most important step</b> you can take to help the environment.</li> </ul>	<i>The world has lost an estimated 46% of its forests in the past 8,000 years, with <b>most of this loss occurring 1970-2000 (WRI)</b>. Agricultural expansion is the primary cause of forest loss.</i>
2	 <b>Use recycled paper.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Only purchase recycled paper for your printer.</li> <li>○ Print duplex whenever possible.</li> <li>○ Re-use non-duplex waste paper.</li> </ul>	<i>The average American uses <b>9 trees</b> worth of paper per year.</i>
3	 <b>Don't buy bottled water.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Invest in a reusable bottle.</li> <li>○ <b>Do not fear tap water.</b> Some bottled water is tap water. Bottlers don't need to vouch for the purity of what they sell but municipal water providers do. If you're still nervous, use a filter.</li> </ul>	<i>Only 12% of plastic water bottles were recycled in 2003. <b>40 million bottles are thrown out annually.</b></i>
4	 <b>Don't use plastic shopping bags.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Use a canvas tote instead</b> – keep some in your vehicle.</li> <li>○ Skip a bag if you only buy a few items.</li> <li>○ Consolidate purchases in one or two bags.</li> <li>○ Choose paper bags when possible. (But minimize your use of them as well!)</li> <li>○ Re-use or recycle plastic shopping bags.</li> </ul>	<i>About 500 billion plastic shopping bags are used annually. Only a small portion are recycled. About <b>1 million marine animals die</b> annually from plastic waste, including bags.</i>
5	 <b>Don't buy over-packaged items.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Let's catch up</b> with our friends down under, across the pond, and elsewhere that are tackling the packaging waste problem.</li> </ul>	<i>Container and packaging recycling increased 40% in 2005.</i>
6	 <b>Just say no to junk mail.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Here's how: contact the <b>Direct Mailing Association</b> and fill out the free online opt-out form or sign-up for the Mail Preference Service.</li> </ul>	<i>The U.S. Postal Service delivers 90 billion pieces of junk mail per year.</i>
7	 <b>Re-use, sell, or donate extra items instead of throwing them out.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>One person's trash is another's treasure.</b> Google: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Local thrift stores and advocacy groups</li> <li>○ NRC Electronics Recycling Initiative</li> <li>○ Per Scholas (computers)</li> <li>○ The Used Computer Mall (computers)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<i><b>Good news!</b> Americans generated <b>less</b> – 2 million tons less – landfill waste in 2005 than 2004. The total amount of trash in 2005 was still a whopping 246 million tons.</i>
8	 <b>Recycle everything you can.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Google the <b>National Recycling Coalition</b> and/or your city or county Solid Waste Management service for information on how to recycle just about everything.</li> </ul>	<i>In 2005, the <b>U.S. recycled 32%</b> of its waste – nearly 1.5 pounds per person per day. Excuses not to recycle are dwindling.</i>
9	 <b>Get involved with campus sustainability efforts.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Send your ideas, suggestions and input to <b>Students for a Sustainable Campus</b> or the <b>Sustainability Advisory Committee</b>.</li> <li>○ <b>Apply</b> for a SAC Sustainability Grant. Deadline: Feb. 15, 2007.</li> </ul>	<i>SSC: <a href="http://sustainableups.org">sustainableups.org</a> SAC: <a href="http://www.ups.edu/sustainability">www.ups.edu/sustainability</a></i>
10	 <b>Learn locally, act globally.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Encourage friends and family</b> to live more sustainably.</li> <li>○ Ask your favorite merchants to sell sustainable and eco-friendly products.</li> <li>○ <b>Go global.</b> Support or become active in national and international sustainability efforts.</li> </ul>	<i>If we all work together and each do a little bit, we can make a big difference!</i>

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# Steer clear of Microsoft's Zune

• Microsoft's attempt at an iPod killer leaves much to be desired

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Microsoft is not Apple, nor will it ever be. Microsoft's new Zune MP3 player, a device designed to capture some of Apple's staggering iPod market, debuted a few weeks ago, and it is unpurchasable. What I mean is that no sane consumer could rationalize spending money on the Zune in its current form.

The player itself is not the problem. It comes in black, white and a much maligned but surprisingly handsome brown. The plastic is rubberized so that it will not become instantaneously scratched like the iPod. It also has an excellent green glow along its edges, an eye-catching effect that matches Apple's world-renowned industrial design.

The Zune's screen is larger than the iPod's, and the interface is flashier. It is only marginally less functional for the lack of a scroll wheel and provides an overall satisfying user experience. I would gladly trade my aging iPod Photo for a new Zune if hardware were my only consideration. Sadly the actual player is only a small piece of a grander puzzle in the world of MP3 players.

The first deal breaker is that the Zune neither functions with iTunes nor plays songs bought from the iTunes Store. Second, the new Zune software that Microsoft deemed irrationally necessary—despite already having the competent Windows Media Player—does not work on Apple computers. There goes a hefty chunk of the market.

The next problem is the absurd Zune Store does not accept standard Earth currency. Instead, you must transmute your American dollars into "Microsoft Points," which can only be bought in blocks of five dollars or more. You are completely unable to grab one quick track in the Zune Store like you can in iTunes. Apple realized the strength of the single purchase, arguably iTunes' greatest advantage over CDs, but Microsoft

missed the boat entirely.

The Zune also features extremely hyped wi-fi functionality, which is utterly useless. The wi-fi will not connect to the internet or sync to your computer. All it does is let you trade songs with other Zune owners, and you can only listen to the track three-times before it is locked. Besides, how many people do you know who own Zunes?

In addition to these concerns, there are legions of horror stories circulating about the difficulty of setting up a Zune, problems syncing a music library and the device's poor battery life. It is becoming increasingly obvious that the Zune you can buy today is going to be a failure. However, that is not the end of the story.

Until now, Apple has been driving the easy road to hordes of cash behind the wheel of the iPod. They have had no strong competitors, nor did they have rival players that did important things that the iPod could not. The Zune changes this situation, in some ways that benefit the consumer, and in some that are troubling.

For one thing, the Zune Store allows you subscription access to its entire collection. For a flat monthly fee—around 15 dollars—you can download as much music as you want and play it on your Zune or computer.

But when you stop paying, it goes away, and you cannot burn this music to a CD. Regardless, I would still love to be able to do this on my iPod and think others would agree. Perhaps Apple will be forced to respond to Microsoft and allow subscriptions on iTunes.

The next little prod that the Zune delivers to the iPod is wi-fi. Yes, the Zune's wi-fi is garbage now, but it will not always be that way. As more Zunes come out they will become more useful, and Apple will have no choice but to put wi-fi on the iPod. In these ways, Microsoft pressures Apple to innovate faster, which means that the iPods that we buy instead of Zunes will be that much better.

So even though the Zune

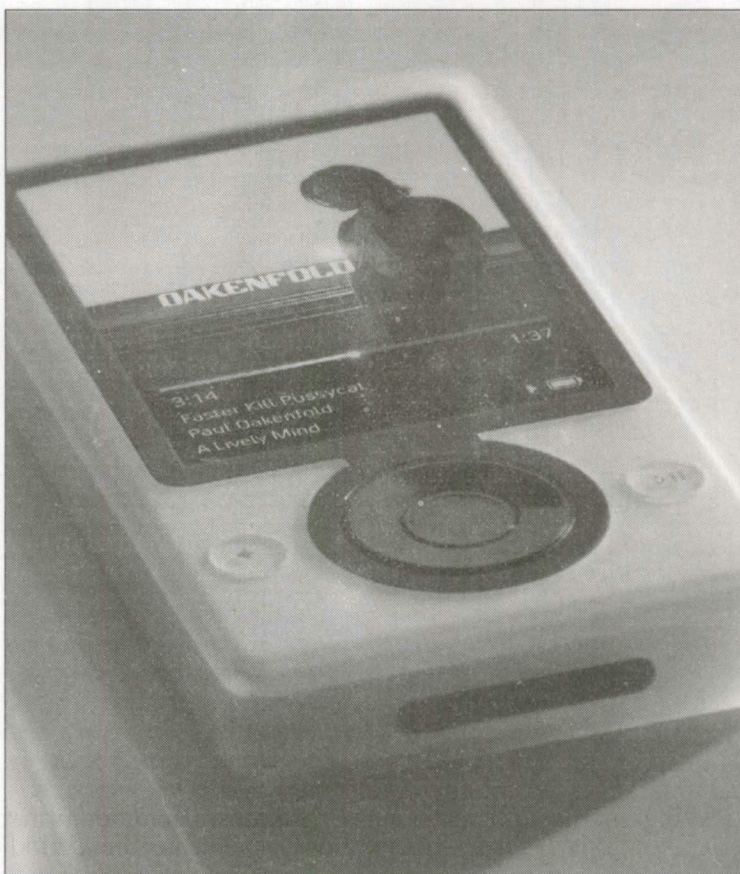


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When it comes to visual appeal, the Zune is a formidable competitor to the iPod. If only the Zune above was not playing Paul Oakenfold.

might be mostly pointless, its presence in the market is still good because it makes Apple work harder, right? Wrong. While the Zune might be establishing some positive trends for Apple to mimic, it has set one precedent that is outright dangerous.

It was recently revealed that Microsoft is paying the Universal Music Group for each Zune sold. Note that the Zune does not come with music, nor anything produced by Universal. So why does Universal deserve money for a product they have nothing to do with? They argue that MP3 players are basically repositories for stolen music, which costs them sales. Essentially they are saying that everyone who buys an MP3 player is a criminal, and whoever made the player should compensate Universal for lost revenue. Microsoft agreed with them.

This is Microsoft's problem. They have bowed and submitted to the petulant and pernicious whim of the devious music industry. Now Universal wants to spread their vile logic to Apple, demanding cash for each iPod sold. This is just preposterous. Steve Jobs and Apple

have been working so fervently to make the major labels see the rational universe as it actually exists with iTunes, and Microsoft has swept in to undo all of their good work.

Apple will probably be able to fend off the labels' advances in this area as they have done in the past. Nevertheless, the labels truly hate 99-cent songs, and will use any ammunition they are given to institute tiered pricing. Microsoft has unwittingly armed these malignant corporations, and we can only hope there are no sinister repercussions.

The Zune, then, is a wash. The device is cool, but its software is horrible. It innovates, but not well. It pushes digital music forward in some ways and holds it back in others. The situation is so nebulous that I only have two concrete statements to make at this point. One: Microsoft is the first company since Apple to have a substantial influence on the MP3 market. Two: do not buy a Zune.

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Where the Zune stumbles is its software, which is not only difficult to set up but is needlessly separate from Windows Media Player.

## Mountain Film Festival tours

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On Dec. 5, the Rotunda will see the second annual Banff Mountain Film Festival Best-of, a collection of films from a world tour of mountain culture and adventuring. For avid climbers or even just the lazy-boy explorer, the Best-of promises high-caliber movies that will plunge its viewers into remote places of the world.

The adventures of mountaineering and exploration, as well as the world's last remote lands and cultures are all themes of these films.

The Banff Mountain Film Festival is organized by the Banff Centre in Banff, Alberta, and seeks to increase appreciation of "mountain" culture.

Mountain culture—which is an understanding of the challenges, ideas and inspirations in mountain places—is an emphasis of the film festival.

The Grand Prize winner, *Conflict Tiger*, is about a specialized hunter tracking a "man-eating" tiger through the frozen forests of Russia. It is a film focusing on the nature of survival against a backdrop of isolation, and plays on the traditional concept of the hunted and the hunter with the wilderness, with man and tiger as the main actors, and everyone's survival in question.

Though all the films have an inherent focus on mountain places, they are also films for general environmentalists.

They are not all adventure—the Best Film on Mountain Environment, called "Cherub of the Mist" features the endangered red pandas in the eastern Himalayas. The film catalogues the efforts of both natural and human forces conflicting with each other in an attempt to release two red pandas back into the wild.

In a painstaking effort, the lives of the red pandas are recorded on film: mating, rearing and surviving. All

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## Zune Technical Details

**Storage capacity:** 30 gigs (roughly 7,500 songs, 100 hours of video, 25,000 photos)

**Audio formats:** MP3, WMA, AAC  
**Photo format:** JPG

**Display Type:** 3" Color  
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# One week without coffee

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In my hand, I am holding sixteen ounces of true love.

Granted, it is not the greatest love I have ever had. Drinking a cup of Sumatra black from the Diversions Café is like drunkenly taking the ugliest girl at a party back to your room. By that logic, coffee is coffee, and right now, it tastes like heaven.

This will be my last cup for the next week.

Like many college students, I am addicted to coffee; like many addicts, I am out to prove that my cravings for a fix are completely under my own control. The first step will be to stop referring to coffee as a fix.

The rules are simple: no coffee for one week.

I can do this. I think I can. I think I can.

## Day 1

This is not going to be so bad.

My 8 a.m. statistics class is a little harder to stay awake for. Fortunately, I am able to nap for about an hour afterwards. My body just needs a few days to adjust, and I am confident that the appropriate amount of extra sleep will be more than enough to subdue my chemical dependency on caffeine.

## Day 2

My right hand keeps twitching, which I suppose is somewhat disconcerting considering it is only the second day.

Putting in hours at the Media House for layout of the Arts & Entertainment section of The Trail is proving even more tiresome than usual without the pain numbing effects of caffeine.

Fortunately, Opinions Editor Russell Howe gives me a bottle of Valium to alleviate stress and all feeling in the lower half of my body.

## Day 3

This caffeine deficiency is



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A&E Writer Tom VanHeuvelen is forced to restrain Kevin Nguyen as he dives for another hit of coffee.

affecting my sleep patterns. Last night, I dreamt about coffee. I am not making this up. I was at the Mandolin Café, taking in the ambiance and charm of my favorite Tacoma spot. Oh, did I mention there was coffee? That was kind of awesome.

Then I wake up to the harsh reality of life.

Still, I think the lack of caffeine is making me irritable. At the Grille in the SUB, I order a Logger Burger. The cook tells me that she could not make me one because it is no longer the Burger of the Month. I tell her she is a racist and leave.

## Day 4

I sleep for seventeen hours straight, missing all of my classes. When I wake up, I realize that I can no longer see in color.

## Day 5

Every morning, my roommate gets coffee from the Diversions Café. The scent of his twelve-ounce vanilla latte is divine, and the aroma makes me twitch and shiver as he sets it down on his desk. I think he is purposefully flaunting his coffee in front

of me. I want to kill him. In English class, I come up with different ways to accomplish this.

I almost decide on a method, but before the period is over, I realize clubbing him with a Morningstar in his sleep would be too messy.

Instead, I decide to toss his laptop out the window and add 'touching children' to his Facebook interests while he is at class. That will show him.

My radio show at KUPS is difficult. I have trouble working a few of the knobs on the soundboard, and I accidentally play ABBA's 1975 hit "Mamma Mia" eighteen times in a row.

When KUPS station manager Brenden Goetz asks me if I am okay, I explain my weeklong hiatus from coffee. He gives me an understanding nod and then asks why I am completely naked in the radio booth. This is news to me.

## Day 6

I feel like I am simultaneously melting and exploding. This is a peculiar sensation.

Also, my logic is becoming less good maybe. Perhaps.

Sometimes I think that things are like Regis Philbin. The illusion that we are all made to dance the good fight against Islamic fundamentalism is pouring out through my ears.

If we could, the problem would not be the difference between us but the robust anagram that conjures the imagery of life.

I actually thought Britney and K-Fed were going to make it.

She loves you yeah, yeah, yeah. Not me. You.

But all I can think about is the deliciousness of coffee. Coffee is delicious, and delicious is what appeals to me. Without it or life or coffee, there is no love.

I think I am dy-

ing. God will save us all.

I feel like that asshole who wrote "A Million Little Pieces."

## Day 7

I have finally come to the end of my week of caffeinated celibacy, and I am, more or less, still alive. My color vision returned, but I am suffering symptoms of retrograde amnesia.

I cannot recall the events of the past week or the names of my siblings. In addition to that, I am also having trouble remembering the circumstances that led to the freshly inked tattoo of Regis Philbin on my bicep.

Still, my scientific conclusion is that going a week without coffee is difficult but doable.

Despite being technically classified as forms of brain damage, the after effects are comparatively minute; the damage is on par with a few nights of heavy drinking or watching 25 minutes of the Lifetime Network.

I encourage readers to attempt a similar experiment. Try going one week without coffee.

Who knows? Maybe you will pick up a cool new Valium habit along the way.

• Kevin Nguyen is in a coma, and loving every second of it.

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the movies carry an environmentalist tone, but movies like "Cherub of the Mist" ask for greater awareness of a disappearing mountain culture and the environment surrounding it.

Many of the movies are short, and not as sobering as endangered red pandas can be. A Norwegian woman plans to BASE jump off a massive mountain in "Fatima's Hand." The mountain, located in Mali, is surrounded in local myth and lore by the nearby indigenous peoples.

It is an extreme adventure, as well as a glance into an isolated society.

The films of Banff, as with many film festivals, are largely from amateur filmmakers or small movie developers. Because they have freedom from commercial budgets and constraints, their films often make no attempt to streamline the narrative into easily seen parts.

They are "rougher" in a sense, and regularly cease the practice of coddling the audience into understanding as many mainstream films do. The results are films that are naturalistic.

This is particularly important in films at Banff, which attempts to encompass the overwhelming shots of scenery often seen — but at the same time the camera is often wobbly and of poor quality.

The Banff Best-of in the Rotunda will feature certainly not all of the films at the usual Banff Film Festival, but will have the must see items.

Brought to UPS by the Mountaineers (who also brought the Environmental Issues Courses), the Banff Best-of is at 7 p.m. Dec. 5. Tickets are \$5 for the UPS community, and judging from last year's records, sell out very quickly.

Reserve your tickets as soon as you can. They are available now at the Info Center.

• Jordan Barber bought new pants. He likes them and feels that they go well with a tan sweater.



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This is one of the seven happiest moments of Kevin Nguyen's life; the other six moments were the birthdays that his mother did not forget.

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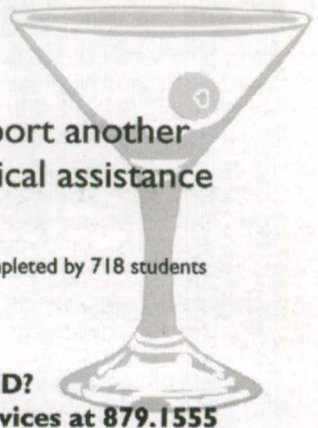
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## Relieving stress

• A guide to local spas and salons

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Whether you are a female or a male, the truth of the matter is that the majority of people around you have had their hair processed, eyebrows waxed, back massaged or various other salon/spa procedures done to their body. Be it to relieve stress, gain confidence or to get ready for a big weekend, UPS students use spa services in growing numbers. So, it seems only appropriate to review some of the best facilities in the area, so that when you make a choice about where to get the hair ripped off the top of your upper lip, it will, at the very least, be an informed decision.

### Brassfield:

The atmosphere at this 27<sup>th</sup> St. salon is up-scale and chic. However, the sheer volume of clients that the salon attracts can become overwhelming if you do not have a stylist that you are comfortable requesting. The prices are reasonable, and the service is friendly, helpful and consistent (as long as you get the right stylist...). The owner, Dan Brassfield is tremendous, and comes from a long line of expert hair dressers, but booking an appointment with him can be difficult, as he often is booked weeks out. However, for an organized salon-goer who can remember to make appointments, I would highly recommend Mr. Brassfield.

The summer about this salon is that they used to have a tremendous spa with state of the art facilities and tons of services. However, they recently lost their spa, but look for a new one to pop up in the future!

### Gene Juarez:

While this chain salon, located in the Tacoma Mall, is often touted as the most "high-scale" in the Tacoma area, the reviews do not seem to coincide. The stylists, donned in their all-black ensembles, seem friendly, until you find out that they may not even be using their real name. (That's right; in order name, the salon is unique, no two employees are allowed to have the same name.) So the next time you are having a "Moonbeam," think twice before self-disclosure. The hairdressers seem knowledgeable, but all too often, they wind up performing 'their vision' on your hair, as opposed to the step-by-step guide you asked to receive. The colorists follow suit to the extreme. Hair often winds up looking like the "flavor of the week" that colorists learned in training. Also, because the salon is mass produced throughout the state, spotting a Gene Juarez dye job is not that difficult either. (At least they offer an assortment of scrumptious teas and coffee!)

The spa however, is much better than the rest of the facility. The atmosphere is almost tranquillizing. It will

definitely make you leave your worries behind. The list of services offered is endless. There are so many different types of massage, along with body wraps, facials, waxing, manis/pedis and makeup consultation. If you are in need of an all-around high quality spa experience, there is no aspect of this facility that is lacking. Right down to the large waterfall and private lunch included in the all-day spa package, this place has the meaning of "spa" down to a 't'. Also, because children and cell phones are not allowed in the spa area, the place is like heaven on earth. While the prices can become a little exuberant, the services are the highest of quality and your money will be well spent.

### Foxfire:

This quaint salon, located on 19<sup>th</sup> St. (close to Mildred), features all Aveda hair care products. For the sustainability-oriented guy or gal, this place is a goldmine. Aveda products are handcrafted with the environment in the forefront of the plan, and the products reflect their close bond with nature through their glorious scents. The staff is small and very friendly, and the results are consistent. While it may be difficult to find a stylist at this salon that would die your hair black and give you pink highlights, they do provide a high-quality and creative product. The stylists listen to clients needs and customer satisfaction seems almost guaranteed.

The spa is very similar - everyone is extremely friendly and aims to please. They also offer masseurs and estheticians, but at much more reasonable prices than other locales. And, because the salon is smaller in volume and size, it is very rare to have a service start late due to prior appointments going overtime.

### The Hair Lounge:

This salon is my number one choice as far as expertise, atmosphere and aura. The problem with it is that it is a little bit of a trek. Located off the 320<sup>th</sup> St. exit in Federal Way, Wash., The Hair Lounge is well worth the drive. The owner, Richard, is the brother of Brassfield's owner, Dan. They both are so talented, but Rick has expanded his work throughout the world. The staff at the small salon travel all over the world doing hair shows and styling the do's of celebrities. While this makes it tough to book any of the stylists, the wait is well worth it. Because of all the experience that they have, you never leave upset with your hair. The hairdressers would never do something to your hair that they know will not look wonderful. In addition, they do what many stylists refuse to do: give honest opinions. Even if the service you want is much more expensive than what will look good on you, they will not lead you astray. Also, since they are so well-traveled, the staff at this salon is skilled in extensions,

## Broadway fans commingle

• UPStageM provides outlet for Broadway fans

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Happy days are here again! UPStageM! is putting on its Fall Musical Revue in Schneebeck Concert Hall on Dec. 6 at 7:30 p.m. The theme of the show this semester is, "Wheels of a Dream," inspired by the many musicals that have turned human dreams into theatre magic.

For those of you who are unfamiliar with the group, UPStageM! is the UPS club for musical theatre enthusiasts. Every semester they produce a musical theatre revue that involves students at all levels, from performers, directors and choreographers to accompanists, costume designers and tech crew.

The revue showcases songs from a wide variety of Broadway musicals. Songs in this semester's show include well-known hits such as "Roxie" from Chicago, as well as lesser-known songs like "On the Deck of a Spanish Sailing Ship-1492" from Songs from a New World. The revue is a great opportunity to get a brief taste of many different musicals.

"UPStageM! gives lots of opportunities to all the students. It is a good thing for people interested in musical theatre," freshman Meghan Ratliffe said.

UPStageM! was founded in 2003 to fill a gap in campus theatre. While many plays are produced on campus every



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UPStageM students sip cafe beverages and discuss musicals.

year, the Theatre Department stages a musical only once every three years.

Broadway musical fans felt that musical theatre should have a greater presence on campus, so a group of students decided to get together and share the musical love, forming UPStageM!

Besides putting on musical revues, the group also gets together to watch movies and live performances, giving Broadway fans at UPS the chance to explore this distinctive medium with those who share their passion.

Theatrical revues actually date back to the days of vaudeville, when numerous performers would come out to present short theatre sketches, comedy routines, and songs.

Revue allowed audiences

to enjoy a wide variety of popular songs, without the expense of commissioning and producing a full-scale musical. The UPStageM! revues serve the same purpose at UPS, allowing students to explore a wide variety of musicals without the enormous effort of putting on an entire musical.

This is not to say that the students involved in UPStageM! do not work hard to pull off the shows. Directors were required to submit two concept designs and attend 14 hour long auditions. Performers auditioned and were cast for various numbers, then spent the next two months in rehearsals.

Meanwhile, the club's officers worked behind the scenes to arrange for performance space, tech crews, advertising and accompanists. However, those involved insist that it is a labor of love.

"It's a really great group that's putting on the revue. We've been working hard, so we want as many people to come see it as possible," freshman and performer Claire Mason said.

Whether you are a huge Broadway fan, being nice to your girlfriend, or just curious, you should check out UPStageM's show next Wednesday. Who knows? You may find yourself auditioning for UPStageM! next spring.

• Elizabeth Walker is singing in the rain ... snow ... whatever.



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An UPStageM member experiences gratification after finishing her note.

wigs and anything else you can imagine!

The salon contingency of the small salon takes up about three rooms, but the services offered are tremendous. Not only do they have a great masseuse who actually listens to the requests of all her clients, their esthetician is my favorite! She provides facials, waxing and everything in between. And, as with the stylists, she is skilled in more exclusive procedures, such as eyelash extensions and other things you didn't think anyone would ever actually get!

So, wherever you chose to go, know that every spa has its ups and downs. Knowing those before getting into the process (physically and monetarily) is often very helpful. The major differences come down to price, availability of

desired staff and the ability to get all your needed salon/spa services done at the same place. While much of this comes down to personal choice and location, it's always important to know as much as possible before getting into a service that you might later regret! Regardless

of where you receive your salon/spa services, remember to keep your body happy! At least now, when you get a seaweed, mud, exfoliant scrub/wrap, you will know what they are basting your delicate skin in!

• Katie Azarow is one hot bizaatch with her new hair do.



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# Make your holidays brood like you do

By Dr. A. Oliver Nipples  
Combat Zone Dark and  
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Thanksgiving has come and passed, and with that we move into the important holidays: the ones with presents. Christmas is, of course, the most important holiday, however there are a few "other" holidays: Ramadan, Kwanza and Hanukkah (awww, aren't they quaint?). For most Americans these holidays are pretty simple: get a tree/menorah or fast. However, those of us who aspire to a higher calling, namely the all-consuming pursuit of style that is Hipster, need to take a far more calculated approach.

With the University of Puget Sound's hipster population on the rise, it is important for all of us (all of us who matter, that is) to remember some important basics. Namely, it would be incredibly uncool to participate in any mainstream activities. So button up your girl pants, put some snow tires on your 65 pound Schwinn bicycle, and get ready to take some notes with your vintage pencil.

The weather is getting cold. However, the only real concession a hipster can make to the arctic chill is a scarf. The uglier the better – if you can find something that looks like a combination of vomit and TV static, that's pay dirt.

Make sure that you don't

actually participate in any holiday meals. When people start buying turkeys and

ally like. Rather, as a Hipster your presents should prove just how cultured and cool

life but haven't actually read (William S. Borough's Naked Lunch ... mmmmm).

Resist visiting your family at all costs. As a Hipster you hate your parents. Except as a source of vintage clothing, they are good for nothing. I mean seriously, if you didn't hate Daddy, why would you wear your hair like that?

Holiday decorations are acceptable. However, these must be ironic, the importance of this irony cannot be overstated. To this end, you have to get campy decorations from the 70's or before. Extra points for a Mr. T wreath. Also, with some Tinsel and fake snow you can work wonders.

Girl pants – these are a critical part of being a Hipster, and this is just as true during the holidays. Try for some festive corduroy!

Have your Indie band record some holiday tunes. The more disparaging and ironic the lyrics are, the closer you are to Hipster nirvana.

Make sure to ask your parents for the newest iPod or some other piece of expensive Mac hardware. Oh, did I say they were useless before? Well, you still don't love them but you can't afford that iPod while working at Starbucks!

Egg Nog: this Christmas classic can be updated for the modern Hipster. Here is what you need: soy milk, free trade green tea, PBR and tofu (remember eggs = murder).

Remember Mom's old

holiday sweater? The one with the Christmas tree and Santa desperately hanging on for life on the right bosom? It's time to make this part of your wardrobe. It will fit right in with all that, ill-fitting moth-eaten rags that you call clothing.

If you are Jewish, you need to make a big deal out of it during the holidays. If you have a Yarmulke, now is the time for it.

Remember, you are special, doubly so because you don't go in for that horrible consumerist Hallmark holiday. Make sure to ask your parents for that iPod.

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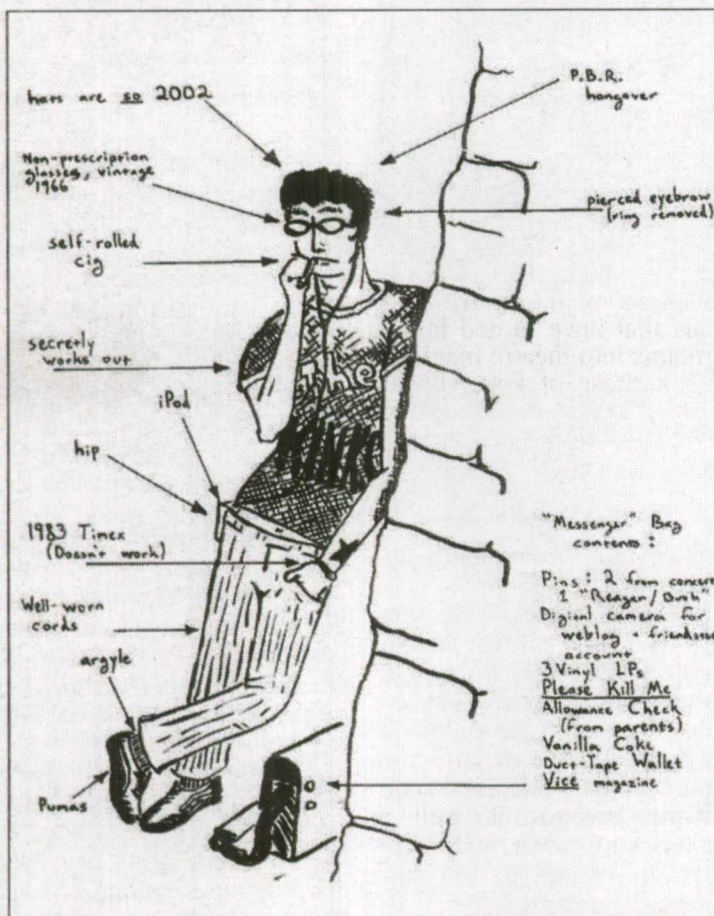


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The above diagram illustrates the basics of being a hipster. After all, you can't have a hipster holiday without being a hipster.

Christmas hams, it is time to find your favorite dank restaurant. Unidentifiable Indian food is best, but a really dirty Chinese restaurant will do in a pinch.

Buy presents, but don't get things that people will actu-

ally like. Give un-watchable foreign films (Ingmar Bergman is your friend), badly recorded indie music (if it was recorded in your friend's loft apartment, so much the better) and, of course, an amazing book that changed your

## Combat Zone's top X-mas gift picks

By Sue Z. Cue

Combat Zone Secret Santa

Manufacturers and businesses would like to inform you that the holiday season is upon us. We at the Combat Zone would like you to know that if you successfully avoided shopping on Black Friday with your mother and aunt, you have lots of work to do and not much time to buy gifts for your friends and family. We sympathize and, as journalists, we are always on the lookout for new ways to get paid for what we do best (i.e. sit on our butts and surf the internet). After strenuous minutes of research, we have compiled a list of our favorite gift ideas. (Note: all items listed here exist and are actually available for purchase.)

**Pocket Get Off the Phone Excuse Machine**

Do you get phone calls from telemarketers, science-partners you're trying to avoid, or certain relatives who take 15 minutes to say goodbye? This handy-dandy device guarantees a quick escape when you press one of its six yellow buttons. Sounds include: static ("Sorry, I get really lousy reception in Trimble!"), a siren ("I gotta

go – someone must have triggered the alarm again and the fire trucks are here"), a baby crying (Warning: DO NOT use on your mother – this will not encourage her to hang up), Chinese food delivery (better than the SUB), and a car crashing (no need to say a word – just hang up).

**Marie Antoinette Action Figure**

Every innocent child needs an inspiring role model and we agree with the creators of this action figure that Marie Antoinette is a great one. The product is both fun and educational. You can even demonstrate how this cake-lovin' lady was beheaded. Just strip her down and remove her wig before pushing the eject button and off pops her head! The wee ones will enjoy blowing away her head time and time again.

**Chicken Chucker**

Once you load one of the five one-and-a-half inch chickens into this plastic catapult device, you are ready to pull the trigger and launch some poultry. We don't really know the purpose of this item, but we do know we like chickens and we like throwing things at people. However, giving this to someone may suggest that you con-

sider them to be immature. Not astonishingly, we were given this gift a year ago and were surprised to see it still available for purchase at Archie McPhee for \$4.95 each (some people buy more than one). Personal experience has proven this to be a highly unexpected gift and either a great conversation-starter or a first-impression-destroyer.

**Custom Printed Toilet Paper**

Have you ever wanted monogrammed toilet paper to grace your bathroom? We haven't either, but we aren't adverse to the idea of wiping with something else – say, the face of Paris Hilton or your least favorite professor. Custom Printed Toilet Paper is available at [www.printedtp.com](http://www.printedtp.com) priced from \$12 to \$2.86 each (depending on whether you order 4 or 4800 rolls). You can get anything you want printed on them! We suggest a picture of George W. Bush.

**Portable 26 Foot Backyard Ice Rink**

We personally are very fond of this item, because we cannot count how many times we have wanted to go ice skating, but were prevented from doing so, since quite honestly, we don't like

children. But how convenient would this be for any friend to have a rink in their very own backyard? All you need is two to three consecutive days of freezing temperatures and your easily-assembled, no-tools-required, unlevel-terrain-accommodating frame will create a Portable 26 Foot Backyard Ice Rink – providing you have a 26 foot backyard. Limited inventory: order soon from Hammacher Schlemmer for \$429.95.

**Nihilist Chewing Gum**

It's winter, it's Tacoma, it's probably raining. You know at least one person who has let the weather get them down and has decided that you are the perfect person to unload their sorrows and depression on. If they just won't shut up, perhaps it's time to give them a hint with the Nihilist Chewing Gum, which has no flavor whatsoever. "We don't believe in flavor," the package boasts. In fact, if you act quickly, Archie McPhee is miraculously having a sale, which means you can buy 48 boxes for just \$12.95. But you probably won't, because it doesn't really matter anyway. Stupid rain.

Sue Z. Cue also recommends the gift of POGS to show you really care.

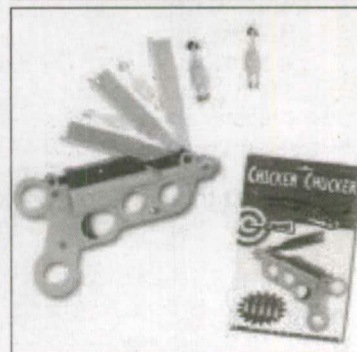


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Pictured above, the Chicken Chucker, Marie Antoinette Action Figure and Nihilist Chewing Gum.

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Stingy defense highlights UPS victories

• Loggers undefeated heading into conference play

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A 74-65 win on Nov. 21 against the Northwest Eagles brought the UPS women's basketball team to a 3-0 record coming into conference play this weekend. The Loggers were led by junior Laura Hirsh, with 20 points, and by seniors Jessica Roberts and Shelby Ramirez adding 11 and 10 points respectively. There were three lead switches in the tightly contested first half as both teams closed the point gap. At the end of the first, the score was 38-37 Northwest, after a 7-0 run.

Hirsh was the catalyst for the Loggers' 13-0 run in the beginning of the second half that gave them a 13-point lead. Although Northwest got within three points of UPS with 15:53 to go, they could not catch up to the tough defending Loggers, who did not allow a three-pointer in the second half.

Northwest out-shot Puget Sound 42 percent to 35 percent for the game and out-rebounded Puget Sound 50-42. The Logger edge came from defense, with 10 steals out of

the 22 turnovers committed by Northwest.

Ramirez acknowledged that the team was not as sharp as it could have been.

"We never really played to our potential but we saw flashes of what our team can become," she said. "We struggled with putting a whole game together. One night we would have a good first half, the next a good second half, now we just have to put the two together."

Despite the first-half struggles, the win on Tues. built on the blowout wins the Loggers had during the Tip Off Tournament Nov. 17 and 18. On Nov. 17, the Loggers beat the Oglethorpe Stormy Petrels with a decisive 88-46 win. The defensive intensity as well as the hot shooting that brought the Loggers to a 41-15 lead at the end of the first half showed that the Loggers could live up to the D3hoops pre-season coaches' poll, which ranked them twenty-fifth in the nation.

For the match, the Loggers shot 46.8 percent to the Petrels' 31.5 percent. The Loggers were led by Hirsh with 14 points, five rebounds and two assists. Sophomore Allison Craven shot 3-3 from behind the arc to add 13 points,



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Senior Brie Adderley looks to make a move with the ball.

five rebounds and three assists.

In the decisive 87-52 victory over the visiting Cal Lutheran Regals the next night, senior Brie Adderley finished with 17 points. Craven added 13 points on the night while junior transfer Marissa Cain also finished with 13 points. Adderley, Craven and Cain were all named to the All-Tournament team.

Puget Sound returns to Memorial Fieldhouse today, Dec. 1, at 6 p.m. for the Northwest Conference opener against Willamette. The Willamette University Bearcats were picked to place 8th in the pre-season NWC coaches' poll. Puget Sound was picked to finish second, with one first place vote.

The biggest challenge of the upcoming season is not any one team in the conference, according to Ramirez.

"Our biggest challenge that we face is going to be playing to our ability," she said. "We have the personnel to be a good team and the capabilities. It'll be all about recognizing that and coming together as one cohesive unit."

• Rachel Gross is hoarding snowballs and is about to unleash her fury on all of campus, while wearing a snowman suit.

Hawks travel to Mile High, Cutler awaits

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With the NFL season well past its midpoint and the homestretch looming, it's time to talk about the chances for the defending NFC champion Seattle Seahawks. Now, it's true that the Hawks probably don't get near enough coverage by our sports section here at The Trail, and it may have something to do with our personnel. The fact is my assistant editor might be the most well-known 49er fan on campus and is worn out from all the first pumping he did two weeks ago, and I myself still hate the Seahawks from the time they spent in the AFC West with my beloved Broncos.

Therefore, what better time to write about Seattle's season than when they are about to go after my boys in blue and orange? Let's break down a game between two teams that are at a huge crossroads in their respective years.

The Seahawks find themselves two games up on the 49ers for first place in the NFC West despite playing without offensive stars Matt Hasslebeck and Shaun Alexander. While it's clear that the NFC West is one of the weakest divisions in the NFL, it's also clear that Hasslebeck and Alexander showed no signs of rust when they reunited on Monday night to curdle the Cheeseheads of the woeful Packers. It's also crystal clear that those two were largely responsible for the Hawks soaring all the way to the game's final stage last year.

While the team has only been 2-2 with him at the helm, Seneca Wallace has led a patchwork offense more than respectably. Mau-



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Shaun Alexander looks to return to MVP form against Denver.

rice Morris is also worthy of applause, rushing for 523 yards in six games, averaging 3.8 yards a carry. Morris has looked like a better back than the reigning MVP Alexander, who has rushed for a measly 2.7 yards a carry and has gained only 224 yards in four starts. Morris' solid performance has also eliminated Alexander's ability to fall back on his offensive line (and the absence of whom Seattle fans feel is God's gift to the world, Steven Hutchinson) as a scapegoat.

However, it has largely been the defense that's responsible for many of the patches of turbulence in the Hawks flight plan this year as they have given up 20 or more points in every game since week two (I'm not going to count the 16-0 victory over Oakland in this statistic because those goons from the Bay Area couldn't have pulled off a pantie raid that night much less an NFL victory during Seattle's monsoon season).

They've been run-of-the mill as far as most defensive

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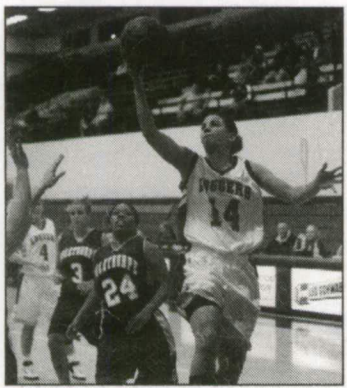
Senior Shelby Ramirez drives on two Oglethorpe defenders. Ramirez and the Loggers are yet to blemish their perfect record.

Logger athletes of the week



Sophomore point guard Antwan Williams went off for a career-high 30 points, while also adding seven rebounds, five assists and three steals in the Loggers' loss to Warner on Nov. 26. It was their first loss of the season.

Junior guard Laura Hirsh is a big reason why the women's basketball team is 3-0. Hirsh led the team in scoring in two out of the three games with 14 against Oglethorpe and 20 against Northwest.



2006 Winter Northwest Conference Standings

MEN'S BASKETBALL	W	L	GB	Ovr.	WOMEN'S BASKETBALL	W	L	GB	Ovr.
George Fox	1	0	-	4-1	Linfield	1	0	-	2-1
Whitworth	0	0	.5	6-0	Puget Sound	0	0	.5	3-0
PLU	0	0	.5	2-0	Whitworth	0	0	.5	3-0
Puget Sound	0	0	.5	3-1	L & C	0	0	.5	2-1
L & C	0	0	.5	4-2	Whitman	0	0	.5	2-1
Pacific	0	0	.5	1-3	Pacific	0	0	.5	3-2
Willamette	0	0	.5	1-3	PLU	0	0	.5	2-2
Whitman	0	0	.5	0-1	Willamette	0	0	.5	0-5
Linfield	0	1	1	2-2	George Fox	0	1	1	3-1.
W. SWIMMING	W	L	GB	Ovr.	M. SWIMMING	W	L	GB	Ovr.
Puget Sound	3	0	-	3-0	Whitworth	3	0	-	3-1
Whitworth	3	0	-	3-1	Linfield	3	0	-	3-2
L & C	2	1	1	3-1	PLU	2	1	1	2-1
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Whitman	1	2	2	2-2	Puget Sound	1	2	2	1-2
Pacific	0	2	2.5	0-2	Willamette	0	2	2.5	0-2
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Linfield	0	3	3	0-5	L & C	0	3	3	1-3



## SEAHAWKS

statistics are concerned, and that's exactly this unit's problem. Only four teams in the league have fewer takeaways than Seattle, and their six interceptions as a team are just three more than Asante Samuel, the league's leader in picks, had in last week's game against the Bears.

However, the defense this week might get a chance to quench their thirst for turnovers when the Broncos send a rookie quarterback under center to set the stage for an unveiling of an era. When the Seahawks try to strut their stuff in the Mile High city this Sunday night, Jay Cutler will get his first NFL start in a game that may define both the Seahawks' and Broncos' seasons.

Bets are already being taken as to how many concussions Cutler will have to sustain in order for Mike Shanahan to turn the reins back over to Jake Plummer (affectionately known to one of my roommates as "Huge Mistake" Jake), and the over/under for how many Advil Cutler will need after facing the NFL's third leading defense in sacks has been set at 35 (a \$10,000

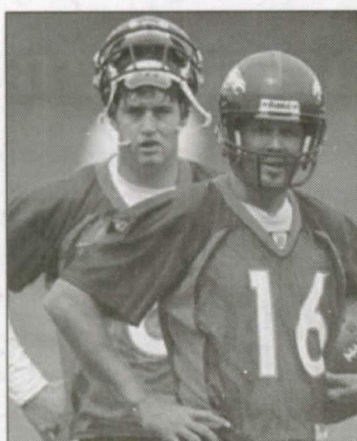


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Rookie QB Jay Cutler will no longer have to look over Jake Plummer's (16) shoulder.

bonus will be given to those who bet he'll go straight for the Vicodin).

However, I'm going to go out on a limb and say that Seattle fans ought to be cursing their luck that Shanahan finally figured out he has the next John Elway on his bench. Cutler won't sprint 15 yards backwards before heaving a bullet over 80 yards for a score like good old Elway, but it may be due to the fact that he's a little smarter than the early balls-before-brains version of the hall of

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famer. This kid, just a few years older than you and I, saw nearly every member of the SEC chasing him down behind the line of scrimmage at some point in his career at Vanderbilt, and he still managed to break every school record relevant to the quarterback position as he tossed for nearly 9,000 yards with 59 touchdowns, while rushing for over 1,200 yards and 17 touchdowns to boot.

If you're a sorry sack of poo and can't afford a plane ticket to Denver to see this showdown on Sunday like me, then find yourself the best T.V. that money can buy. Go ahead, tune in and see if I'm full of you know what about Cutler. Tune in to see if Alexander can screw his head on straight, or turn on your T.V. to see if Hasselbeck is ready to guide the Hawks into the postseason for a second straight year because this game is the reason why the television and the NFL were invented.

• Will Holden is crossing his fingers that Cutler's first NFL start doesn't end with him curled up in the fetal position, crying like a nancy girl.

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end of the fall season edges closer and closer.

"It's an extremely fast meet but a great chance for us to put up some fast times," Mirick said, commenting on the Husky Invitational. "We are working to keep focused during these final weeks of school, reduce our stress and just show what we've been training since August for."

• Stephanie Hill-Parks can't swim.

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Senior Ryan DeLong takes the ball up the court in a blur.

game ended with a disappointing score of 102-109.

The past two weeks have been tiresome but ultimately successful for Logger men's basketball. Come out this Friday Dec. 1 at 8 p.m. to see UPS defeat Willamette in their first conference game.

• Jess Columbo thinks basketball players should go back to the good 'ol days and wear short shorts.

## OTB

probably wasn't my place to do so. I'm sure everyone would agree, on this particular Monday night, this man was a rotten father.

But that's not the only point I want to get across. And no, this isn't a protest against alcohol sales at sporting events. I have no problem if an adult wants to drink a beer during the game. It's your choice, it's your money, go for it. It's part of the freedom we have living in the greatest country on God's green earth.

While thinking why parents are irresponsible and frankly plain stupid to ruin a great experience with their child, a thought came back to me that made an interesting connection.

The root of this problem may be started in college.

Many colleges do not allow the sale of alcohol at their games. UPS is one of these schools. Even the University of Southern California cut the sale of alcohol this year for home football games. So what do college students do? They "pre-funk" before a game. It's no secret my friends. Everyone knows.

The question is, why do you have to get drunk to enjoy a sporting event? If you indulge in a couple of drinks before the game, no sweat; it is as if you purchased alcohol at the concession stand. Yes, I have had a drink or two before a game, a little social drinking with friends. So I am not trying to be the 'Look-I-Am-Perfect-So-I'm-Going-To-Chastise-You-Guy.' But how does downing half a fifth make the game that much better? And why must you do it before every game?

This isn't something I am accusing any specific school of. This is something that is happening at campuses nationwide. Now, I'm no

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pysch major, but something tells me that for some people this is a form of conditioning, creating an addiction. They no longer can attend and enjoy a sporting event unless drunk. Period.

They question why students use foul language. They question our behavior and how we conduct ourselves. You and I are guilty of it whether by action or association. They tell us to be role model fans for the kids. For the kids that sometime down the line will be college students and won't know how to act differently because this is what they know.

Go ahead, make a lot of noise at the game, jump up and down. Pull out those keys at the end of Logger basketball games and chant "Start the bus!" I bet it's just as fun without being drunk.

The decisions you make today will have consequences, both good and bad, that remain with you the rest of your life. Learn to drink responsibly now for sporting events, concerts, whatever you decide to pre-funk for.

Don't be the parent that blows Kevin's experience and dampers a childhood memory.

But there is one final thing I need to tell you about Kevin's Monday night. As with any good story, there is always a happy ending. While Kevin missed the majority of the first half, he did watch the second half. Even better, my security partner heard through security radio that Kevin had been escorted over to first row seats by the Seahawks sideline. And he and Deion Branch shared a wave with each other.

The tear that had been in my eye had finally been replaced by a smile.

• Tony Schwartz will be attending the Professional Tournament of Pabst.

## SWIMMING

men also won the 400-yard medley relay at 3:46.75.

"I think most of us were happy with our performances, but not the overall score of the meet. Nobody on our team swam poorly, Linfield was just better that day," senior Bret Schluederberg said. "The Linfield men are very solid competitors and we are looking forward to racing them at the Northwest Conference meet in February."

## BASKETBALL

strong, defeating Menlo by a score of 130-103.

While the rest of us were recovering from Thanksgiving day festivities, the Logger men were back on the court, facing Northwest Christian College Friday Nov. 24 in Eugene, Ore. The Beacons of Northwest College held their own throughout most of the first half, battling back after UPS offensive runs.

But they could not fight through the intimidating Logger full court press, which forced numerous Beacon turnovers. UPS consistently capitalized on their opponent's mistakes, scoring a total of 31 points off of them. After a tough half, the Loggers led 46-42, 14 of which were scored by sophomore Robert Kraul.

Coming out of the break, sophomore Jason Foster hit a quick three-pointer which set the Beacons back on their heels. The teams fought back and forth, until closing in on the 10 minute mark, Northwest Christian had tied up the game. The Loggers intensi-

The Loggers will return to the pool this weekend for more competition as the teams split up for two different meets. Some swimmers will compete in the Northwest Invitational at PLU on Dec. 1, while others will travel to the King County Aquatic Center in Federal Way, Wash. for the Husky Invitational, held Dec. 1-3.

Mirick said that tapering has begun as the final week-

fied their back court pressure and sealed the deal, going on a 10-2 run in the last minutes.

Kraul finished the game with a team high 27 points, and snatched a game high 5 steals. Marsh hit 4 three pointers, and Sophomore Antwan Williams contributed 15 solid points, as the Loggers came out victorious by a score of 98-91.

Finishing out two big weekends before conference games begin, UPS played the Knights of Warner Pacific. Despite hard work on offense and tough pressure on defense, the Loggers could not contend with big Knight scoring. UPS battled to stay close throughout the first half, and at intermission Warner Pacific led by only 8. This small gap, however, could not be closed despite excellent shooting by Williams, who finished with 30 points, and Foster contributing 23 of his own.

UPS never got a good hold on the Knight offensive play or seem to get into a distinct rhythm of their own. The

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## Sizzling offense leads UPS to 3-1 start

• Men's basketball winning streak comes to halt against Warner

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The #22 nationally ranked Loggers couldn't have come out any stronger or faster than they did last Friday Nov. 17 and Saturday Nov. 18 at the UPS Tip-Off Classic, where they faced UC Santa Cruz and Menlo College. Fans were pumped and loud, ready to cheer their men's basketball team to home opening victories. Scoring triple digits with apparent ease and much to the crowd's delight, UPS defeated Santa Cruz 124-86 and then Menlo by a score of 130-102.

Promising an intense and successful season, the Loggers came out Friday night ready to dominate. Aptly named, the Banana Slugs of Santa Cruz looked stiff and slow, as UPS created constant offensive opportunities and made solid defensive stops.

Sophomores who rode the bench or red shirted last year made big plays; role and support players came out as stars, and stand out Loggers stepped up their usual 'A' game.

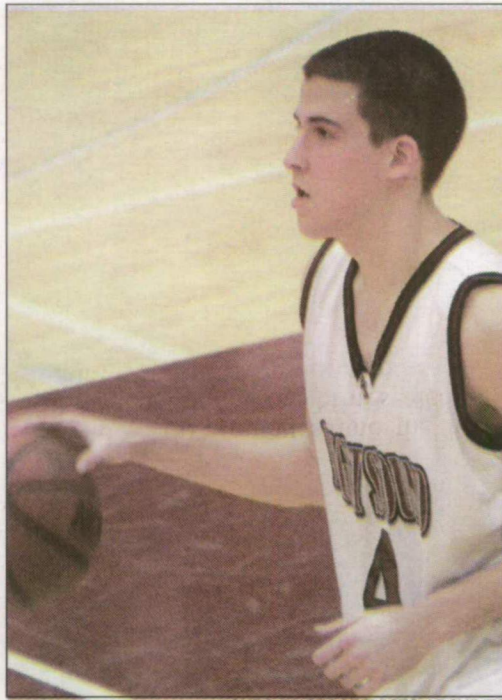
Juniors Curtis Medved and Taylor Marsh were big behind the three point line, and big

man sophomore (also MVP of the tourney) Jason Foster controlled the paint and led the team in scoring with 26.

UPS outnumbered Santa Cruz on the boards, and made good on Banana Slug turnovers, which contributed to 50 Logger points. At the end of the night, UPS had shown their strength and unity as a team, and had easily run over Santa Cruz by a score of 124-86.

Coming off a solid win the night before, UPS faced the Menlo Oaks Saturday night. The lead changed numerous times throughout the first half as both teams battled hard. At halftime, Menlo had UPS within reach, with a score of 62-56.

The Loggers seemed not to expect the power of Menlo down low, where the Oaks ended up outscoring UPS 60-24. But the second half showed strength off the



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Junior Taylor Marsh brings the ball up the court. Marsh is averaging 4.5 treys a game.

bench, especially from Curtis Medved who scored 22 points and Marsh who finished with 19. Sophomore Robert Kraul was also consistent offensively throughout the weekend.

With four Oaks fouling out in the second half, the Loggers capitalized on the advantage and finished out the game

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## Women's swimming cruises past Linfield, men take dive

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Due to a filter malfunction at Wallace Pool, the Loggers hosted the Linfield Wildcats at PLU on Nov. 18. The women's team dominated the Wildcats with a score of 146-58, winning nine of the eleven events. The Logger men, however, fell to Linfield 68-134.

The Linfield meet provided some preparation for the upcoming winter season.

"Linfield was a great chance for us to get some good swims in before the end of the fall season," junior Sarah Mirick said.

The Logger women had two individuals, freshman Katie Barton and sophomore Jane Kestner, win two events each. Kestner's wins came in the free-style races, the 50-yard with a time of 26.07 and the 100-yard with a time of 56.77. Kestner also took two free-style races, the 500-yard with a time of 5:16.44 and 1000-yard freestyle with a time of 10:49.27. Other event win-

ners included junior Katie Wilson in the 200-yard freestyle race with a time of 2:04.66, senior Jess Martin in the 200-yard butterfly with a time of 2:17.51, and sophomore Kelley O'Dell in the 200-yard breaststroke with a time of 2:37.13. The Logger women also finished first in both relays, winning the 400-yard medley in 4:18.65 and the 400-yard freestyle in 3:56.54.

"A lot of freshmen are falling into their spot on the team, for example, Katie Barton brought back two wins for our team, which was great to see," Mirick said.

As for the Logger men, senior Greg Wolfe was the sole individual winner, taking first in the 200-yard breaststroke with a time of 2:21.70. The

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ASUPS PHOTOSERVICES/SAM ARMOCIDO  
One of the members of the women's swimming team gives her all in the team's win.

## First month of Logger winter sports in photos



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Robert Krauel and Taylor Marsh pound it up to start the Loggers' season. They opened up with a 124-86 victory.



ASUPS PHOTOSERVICES/SAM ARMOCIDO  
Female athlete of the week, Laura Hirsch, has helped UPS to an undefeated start.



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The men and women have been swimming well this year and each find themselves in solid positions thus far.

## Off the Bench

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Now, usually I try to write something each week with a little humor and satire. I try to keep things light, publish my candid, not-to-be-taken seriously interviews with Logger athletes. I believe sports are fun, and I like to bring that each week.

However, this week, that will not be the case. I want to bring something serious to the table.

This past Monday night, my fellow Phi Delta Theta brothers and I went to work security for the Seattle Seahawks game as a fundraiser for our house. I thought, hey, maybe I can keep a mental journal of

my experience and write it up for today's column. Surely working security at a Monday Night Football game would have its moments, especially when you add snow and 68,000 screaming fans into the equation.

Yet, as much as I was hoping to chronicle something funny that occurred, I can't. The following is a true and yet extremely sad story. And it is something that happens all too often.

I was stationed with my partner Ryan in sections 101 to 107. Our role was to walk the aisles after punts, scores and timeouts to check the audience for fan behavior and smuggling of outside alcohol. The rest of the time, we were basically free to watch the game.

Five minutes into the first quarter, Ryan brings alcohol enforcement down to his section as there was a man that was beyond smashed. Some of you may have had nights similar to this. This man was cannot-find-my-phone, cannot-remember-my-phone-number, carry-me-up-the-stairs, wipe-the-snot-coming-out-of-my-nose drunk.

Some of you may be laughing right now, no longer reading my column to share stories with your friends of nights like these.

Please stop laughing, because there is one thing I still haven't mentioned yet.

While Ryan and three Seattle police officers had to carry this guy from his second-row field level-seats, I had to accompany the man's seven-

year-old son, Kevin, who was sobbing into his brand new Deion Branch jersey, holding his Seahawks helmet, 12th man flag and his dad's backpack.

That's right, five minutes into the first quarter of the game that Kevin couldn't wait to attend, he was now standing in the concession concourse with security while Seattle police dealt with his drunken father.

Throughout this entire ordeal, which lasted the majority of the first half, I had a tear in my eye for Kevin. I did my best to talk to Kevin and make the best of the situation. But if you do not feel for this kid, well, you have no soul.

Trust me, this is not the only time in world history this has happened. I witnessed it at

last summer's Kenny Chesney concert with a mom and her pre-teen daughter. Ironically, it also was at Qwest Field. At one time, this mom ran off with two drunk college guys and her daughter was left all alone.

Fortunately, Kevin and his father had come with family relatives, who were seated in the 200 level. After speaking with Kevin's mother and verifying Kevin's relatives, Seattle police authorized Kevin to return with his relatives to their seats for the second half while his dad sat the remainder of the game in the detox unit.

As much as I would have loved to rip into this guy, it would have done no good and

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## Does Inebriation have a place in sports?